LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 4 FEBRUARY 2026

PRESENT:
Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harte
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Macnaught
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Clara McGuirk, Acting 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 M'Leigh Brunetta, 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 4.06pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:
"In accordance with clause 5.37 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

(a) the meeting is being recorded 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 4.3 – The provisions of this code requiring the livestreaming of meetings also apply to public forums.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY, PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION

The prayer of the Council was read by Pastor Dennis Monteleone from Living Grace Christian Church.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded Clr Ammoun**

That Councillor Ristevski be noted as an apology for this meeting.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 10 December 2025 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting, subject to the following amendment:

Item COM 03 – Council Meeting Calendar Dates 2026-2028

On page 37 of the Council Agenda for 4 February 2026, the minutes note that Clr Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to consideration of this item and did not participate in the vote. This is to be amended to reflect that Clr Ristevski had not left the meeting and did participate in the vote.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Item: COM 03 – Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

Reason: Clr Harte advised he works with the daughter of one recipient organisation and also knows a Director of another recipient organisation.

Councillor Clr Harte remained in the Chamber for the duration of this item.

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

Item: PD 01 – Amendment to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts – Western Parkland City) 2021 – 495 Fourth Avenue, Austral.

Reason: Mayor Mannoun's children attend the school located across the road from the property.

Mayor Mannoun remained in the Chamber for the duration of this item.

PETITIONS

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTES

Resignation of Clr Dr Betty Green, Deputy Mayor
Condolence Motion – Dame Marie Bashir
Appreciation of Service - Gerry Knights, South West Sydney Academy of Sport (SWSAS)

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 01

SUBJECT: Resignation of Clr Dr Betty Green

DATE: 4 February 2026

I wish to formally acknowledge the resignation of Councillor Dr Betty Green, Deputy Mayor of Liverpool City Council due to health reasons.

Councillor Dr Green was elected to Council in 2021 and was elected Deputy Mayor in September 2025. During her time on Council, Dr Green demonstrated a strong commitment to fairness, equity and social justice, and made a valuable contribution to the civic life of Liverpool.

As both a Councillor and private citizen, Dr Green has made – and I am sure will continue to make - a lasting contribution to the Liverpool community through her strong advocacy for fairness, inclusion and social justice.

Throughout her term as Councillor, she worked closely with community groups, elders, women's organisations and multicultural networks, always emphasising listening, collaboration and practical outcomes.

Dr Green championed initiatives such as the Social Inclusion Masterplan, the Koala Management Plan and projects that amplified women's voices, including the Giving Voice Exhibition marking the 50th Anniversary of Liverpool Women's Health Centre.

Her engagement with grassroots organisations and local leaders reflected a genuine commitment to supporting vulnerable communities and recognising local achievement.

Dr Green's community-focused approach helped strengthen trust, participation and social cohesion across Liverpool.

On behalf of Council, I acknowledge and thank Councillor Dr Green for her dedicated service to the residents of Liverpool and her contribution as Deputy Mayor. I am sure that every member of this Council extends their best wishes to Dr Green and her family, and wishes her well in her future endeavours.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Notes the Mayoral Minute.
2. Accepts, with regret, the resignation of Councillor Dr Betty Green.
3. Authorises the Mayor to write to Councillor Dr Betty Green on behalf of Council, thanking her for her years of service and wishing her well in her future endeavours.

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.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 02

SUBJECT: Condolence Motion for Professor the Honourable Dame Marie Bashir AD CVO

DATE: 4 February 2026

I wish to place on record the profound condolences of Liverpool City Council on the passing of Professor the Honourable Dame Marie Bashir AD CVO, former Governor of New South Wales, and to acknowledge her extraordinary life of service to our State and nation.

Dame Marie Bashir was a pioneer in every sense of the word. As the first woman appointed Governor of New South Wales, she broke barriers with grace and distinction, redefining the role through her intellect, compassion and unwavering commitment to public service. Her tenure was marked not only by constitutional leadership, but by a deep humanity that resonated with communities across New South Wales.

Before and beyond her vice-regal service, Dame Marie was an eminent academic, psychiatrist and advocate for mental health reform, education and social justice. Her lifelong dedication to improving the lives of others, particularly the most vulnerable, set a standard for ethical leadership and public responsibility. She championed the importance of education as a driver of opportunity, equity and social cohesion, values that strongly align with those held by the Liverpool community.

Dame Marie's contribution extended far beyond titles and offices held. She was widely admired for her humility, warmth and capacity to connect with people from all walks of life. Her leadership inspired generations of Australians, particularly women, to pursue lives of service, learning and civic engagement.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council and the residents we represent, I extend our deepest sympathy to Dame Marie Bashir's family, friends and colleagues. We honour her remarkable legacy and acknowledge the enduring impact of her life's work on New South Wales.

May she rest in peace, and may her example continue to guide those who serve our community and our State.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Notes the Mayoral Minute; and
2. Authorises the Mayor to write a letter of condolence to the Bashir family on behalf of Council.

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.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 03

SUBJECT: Retirement of Mr Gerry Knights

DATE: 4 February 2026

I wish to place on record Council's recognition of the retirement of Mr Gerry Knights, whose career spanning nearly four decades has made a profound and lasting contribution to community sport, athlete development and leadership across South West Sydney, including the Liverpool region.

Mr Knights retires following an exceptional period of service to the South West Sydney Academy of Sport (SWSAS), where he served as Chief Executive Officer for close to 20 years. During this time, he guided the Academy through significant growth, supporting more than 5,000 young athletes across multiple sports. His leadership ensured that talented athletes from South West Sydney had access to elite coaching, education and pathways to state and national representation.

Equally significant has been Mr Knights' influence on the sport sector itself. Many coaches, administrators and sports professionals began their careers under his mentorship, creating a legacy that continues to strengthen community and high-performance sport.

Prior to joining the Academy, Mr Knights spent 20 years with Campbelltown City Council as Manager of Healthy Lifestyles, where he championed community health and recreation initiatives. He played a pivotal role in establishing the steering committee in 1994 that ultimately led to the creation of the South West Sydney Academy of Sport in 1997, and later served on its Board before becoming CEO in 2006.

At a state level, Mr Knights served as Deputy Chairperson of Regional Academies of Sport (NSW) Inc., contributing to governance and strategic planning for a network of 11 academies supporting more than 2,000 athletes annually. In his most recent role, he oversaw important reforms strengthening collaboration between academies and local councils.

His service has been recognised through multiple lifetime achievement awards, and he has also distinguished himself as a Masters Hockey player representing Australia and NSW.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I thank Mr Knights for his decades of service and dedication to young people, community wellbeing and sport.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Council receives and notes this Mayoral Minute.
2. Mr Gerry Knights be awarded a Citation of Service.
3. The Mayor be authorised to write to Mr Knights conveying Council's thanks and best wishes on his retirement.

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.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

RESCISSION MOTIONS

NIL.

MATTER OF URGENCY

Mayor Mannoun advised, as foreshadowed earlier, that there was an urgent CEO Report, ***item CEO 02*** *relating to the resignation of Clr Dr Betty Green, Deputy Mayor.*

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That item CEO 02 – Resignation of Clr Dr Betty Green be dealt with as a matter of urgency.

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

Mayor Mannoun advised that the report was urgent and sought that it be considered as a matter of urgency without notice due to the resignation of the Councillor and Deputy Mayor which created a casual vacancy in civic office and requires a decision prior to the next Council meeting.

The report is deemed urgent due to the Act stipulation that a by-election must be conducted no later than three months after a vacancy occurs. As Councillor Dr Green tendered her resignation effective 30 January, this created statutory timeframes that must be met.

Clr Harte moved and Clr Macnaught seconded the proposed motion (as shown below):

Proposed Motion

That Council:

1. Notes the resignation of the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Dr Betty Green and formally thanks her for her service as a Councillor.

2. Agrees pursuant to section 296(2) and (4) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW) that an election arrangement is to be entered into for the Electoral Commissioner to administer the upcoming Liverpool City Council by-election to fill the casual vacancy occurring by reason of the resignation of Dr Betty Green; and such electoral arrangement will be entered into by contract between the Electoral Commissioner and the Council.

3. Writes to the Minister and the NSW Electoral Commissioner requesting that the by-election be held as soon as possible.

4. Notes that formal notification of the resignation will be given to the NSW Electoral Commissioner, and the Electoral Commissioner will fix the date for the by-election.

5. Agrees that the cost of the by-election should be allocated from general funds.

6. Elects a Deputy Mayor at this Council meeting following the procedure outlined in the report.

7. Authorises the CEO or delegate to take all steps necessary to give effect to these resolutions, including entry into a formal agreement with the NSW Electoral Commissioner.

Mayor Mannoun confirmed that he was satisfied on the matter of the timing of the election and the requirements necessary to conduct it. He further stated that he was satisfied as to the importance and necessity of a Deputy Mayor, and that the matter was urgent and should be dealt with at this meeting and not dealt with at the next Council meeting.

Motion: **Mayor Mannoun**

That this matter be dealt with as a matter of urgency at this Council meeting.

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

Councillors voted unanimously on this motion.
Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

Item CEO 02 – Resignation of Clr Dr Betty Green was then dealt with as shown below:

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

ITEM NO: CEO 02
FILE NO: 030727.2026
SUBJECT: Resignation of Clr Dr Betty Green

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Notes the resignation of the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Dr Betty Green and formally thanks her for her service as a Councillor.

2. Agrees pursuant to section 296(2) and (4) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW)

that an election arrangement is to be entered into for the Electoral Commissioner to administer the upcoming Liverpool City Council by-election to fill the casual vacancy occurring by reason of the resignation of Dr Betty Green; and such electoral arrangement will be entered into by contract between the Electoral Commissioner and the Council.

3. Writes to the Minister and the NSW Electoral Commissioner requesting that the by-election be held as soon as possible.

4. Notes that formal notification of the resignation will be given to the NSW Electoral Commissioner, and the Electoral Commissioner will fix the date for the by-election.

5. Agrees that the cost of the by-election should be allocated from general funds.

6. Elects a Deputy Mayor at this Council meeting following the procedure outlined in the report.

7. Authorises the CEO or delegate to take all steps necessary to give effect to these resolutions, including entry into a formal agreement with the NSW Electoral Commissioner.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations were called for the position of Deputy Mayor.

Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught nominated Clr Harle, and Clr Harle accepted the nomination.

Mayor Mannoun then asked if there were any further nominations. As no other nominations were received, Councillor Harle was elected Deputy Mayor.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Harte Seconded: Clr Macnaught

1. Councillor Harle be declared the Deputy Mayor of Liverpool City Council for the term 4 February 2026 to September 2026; and

2. Council's Register of Delegations be amended accordingly.

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

PLANNING & DESIGN REPORT

ITEM NO: CEO 01
FILE NO: 014302.2026
SUBJECT: Attendance at ANZUK Conference in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Notes the report on the overseas travel to Saudi Arabia; and

2. Endorses the outcomes and acknowledges future actions as outlined.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: PD 01
FILE NO: 419228.2025
SUBJECT: Amendment to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City) 2021 – 495 Fourth Avenue, Austral

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That this item be deferred for a discussion at a Governance Committee meeting covering issues that may arise and best outcomes achieved for Council prior to amending the State Environmental Planning Policy (SEP).

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: PD 02
FILE NO: 304333.2025
SUBJECT: Draft Planning Agreement - Edmondson Park Precincts 3, 5 and 9 - VPA 45

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor 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 Precincts 3, 5 and 9 in Edmondson Park (VPA-45) for a minimum of 28 days in accordance with Section 7.5(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*;

3. Should submissions be received during the exhibition period, receives a Post-Exhibition Report at a future Ordinary Meeting of Council for Council consideration;

4. Should no submissions be received during the exhibition period, delegates to the CEO the authority to execute the Planning Agreement for Precincts 3, 5 and 9 in Edmondson Park (VPA-45) on behalf of Council in the form that was publicly exhibited or with minor administrative amendments; and

5. Once adopted, that Council write to the community of Edmondson Park to inform them of the adoption of both Voluntary Planning Agreements (VPAs) so that they are aware of the progress of their community facilities.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: PD 03
FILE NO: 424931.2025
SUBJECT: Amendment to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City) 2021 - 330-350 Eighth Avenue, Austral

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That this item be deferred for a discussion at a Governance Committee meeting covering issues that may arise and best outcomes achieved for Council prior to amending the State Environmental Planning Policy (SEP).

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: PD 04
FILE NO: 010795.2026
SUBJECT: Woodward Park – Proposed change to Expression of Interest process

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Adjei** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Notes that assessment of the Unsolicited Proposal for Woodward Park has concluded and the Unsolicited Proposal will not progress.

2. Notes that the Draft Woodward Park Masterplan is currently on Public Exhibition, suggesting several uses for the Woodward Park Precinct, with a report due back to Council by March 2026.

3. Agrees to conduct an Expression of Interest (EOI) process to invite proposals for Woodward Park.

4. Notes that a further report will be presented to Council outlining the responses to the EOI prior to conducting future processes for an agreement for development of Woodward Park.

5. Reaffirm the support for Woodward Park as an entertainment precinct by committing to hold New Years Eve and Australia Day celebrations in Woodward Park.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01
FILE NO: 428217.2025
SUBJECT: National General Assembly (NGA) Conference 23 - 25 June 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That:

1. Councillors that wish to attend the Conference email Councillor Support as soon as possible to indicate their desire to attend;

2. Motions for the conference are finalised at the next meeting of Council being 25 February 2026;

3. Council reschedule the June Council meeting date to Wednesday 17 June 2026; and

4. Council reschedule the June Governance Committee meeting date to Tuesday 2 June 2026.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 435521.2025
SUBJECT: Draft Memorials Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That consideration of this item be deferred to allow it to be referred to the Civic Advisory Committee for their comments, after which it be returned to Council for further consideration.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: COM 03
FILE NO: 002377.2026
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$15,145** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	**Project**	**Recommended**
Hymiana Mandaean Social Group Incorporated	Connecting With New Environment 2026 Program	$5,145
AASHA Australia Foundation	Rhythm is Life Community Fitness Program 2026	$10,000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$20,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship** for the following projects:

Applicant	**Project**	**Recommended**
SCRAP (School Communities Recycling All Paper) Ltd	Toil4Soil Part 2	$10,000
Association For Community Development Incorporated	Ramadan Shopping Festival 2026	$10,000

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

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

ITEM NO: CORP 01
FILE NO: 005309.2026
SUBJECT: Investment Report December 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council receives and notes this report.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

OPERATIONS REPORTS

ITEM NO: OPER 01
FILE NO: 422569.2025
SUBJECT: Case Study for Local Government Entity Formation

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council defer this item until it can be discussed at the most appropriate Governance Committee meeting.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ITEM NO: CTTE 01
FILE NO: 407457.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held 3 December 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 3 December 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.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: CTTE 02
FILE NO: 435279.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held 3 December 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 3 December 2025;

2. Recognises and thanks 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.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: CTTE 03
FILE NO: 000702.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council Meeting held Tuesday 9 December 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9 December 2025.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: CTTE 04
FILE NO: 001774.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 20 October 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 20 October 2025.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: CTTE 05
FILE NO: 007266.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee 4 December 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee Meeting held on 4 December 2025.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

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

That consideration of the following items be deferred to the next Council meeting, as Councillor Ristevski is an apology for this meeting:

- NOM 01 - Notice of Motion - Overseas Travel and Compliance with Council Policy;
- NOM 02 - Notice of Motion - Fixing the Niland Way Parking and Traffic Crisis; and
- NOM 03 - Notice of Motion - Macquarie Street Mall One-Way Vehicle Access and On-Street Parking Options to Revive Retail.

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

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 421389.2025
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Overseas Travel and Compliance with Council Policy

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Notes the Liverpool City Council Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy.

2. Notes that clause 4.10.3 of the Policy states:

   "Overseas travel must be approved by a meeting of the full Council prior to a Councillor undertaking a trip. Travel must be approved on an individual trip basis."

3. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to provide a full written report to the March 2026 Council meeting setting out:
   a. Whether any request for overseas travel approval has been submitted;
   b. Whether any business papers or costings have been prepared for Council consideration; and
   c. Whether any overseas trip is required to be disclosed in Council's Annual Report under section 428(2)(e) of the Local Government Act.

4. Request the CEO to identify any breaches of the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy arising from the unauthorised travel and outline corrective actions required to ensure future compliance by all councillors, including the Mayor.

5. Requests that Council receive legal advice on the governance implications of unauthorised overseas travel by an elected representative and what remedies or

sanctions are available under the Local Government Act and the Code of Conduct.

6. Requires that the CEO develop a strengthened compliance framework for all councillor travel including a register of requests, approvals, business cases, costs, and outcomes with quarterly reporting to Council.

7. Confirms that future overseas travel will not be reimbursed or supported by Council unless approved strictly in accordance with clause 4.10.3 of the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy.

COUNCIL DECISION

This item was deferred to the 25 February 2026 Council meeting.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 421457.2025
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Fixing the Niland Way Parking and Traffic Crisis

BACKGROUND

A 43-place childcare centre with only 8 on-site car parking spaces has been approved within the quiet residential street of Niland Way, Casula. The road is narrow, street parking is prohibited, and the surrounding residents have long warned that the traffic impacts will make the area unsafe for families, children, and local motorists.

Council received 127 written objections from residents, all raising concerns about traffic congestion, safety hazards, overshadowing of local amenity, and Council's obligation to protect residential streets from inappropriate development.

Council entered into consent orders.

Residents now face the consequences of increased traffic volumes, increased vehicle movements, and long-term parking challenges.

Council has a duty to protect their safety, quality of life, and the character of their neighbourhoods.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Establish a Niland Way Traffic and Parking Task Force comprising:
   - Councillor Peter Ristevski as Chair
   - Relevant Council traffic officers
   - Representatives from the Traffic Committee
   - At least four residents of Niland Way selected through an expression of interest process

2. Task the group with identifying immediate, short-term and long-term solutions to mitigate safety risks and traffic congestion resulting from the childcare centre approval. This must include but not be limited to:
   - Traffic calming devices
   - Time-limited parking
   - Resident-only parking zones
   - School-zone style drop-off safety controls
   - Road widening feasibility

- One-way conversion feasibility
- Any other measures raised by local residents

3. Require Council staff to prepare a public report that sets out in full:
   - Why Council entered into consent orders
   - Who authorised the settlement
   - What legal advice was considered
   - Why the objections of 127 residents were not defended in Court
   - What alternative strategies were available
   - Whether this outcome sets a precedent for other narrow residential streets

4. Direct the CEO to hold a community meeting in Casula within 30 days, attended by senior planning and traffic staff, to give residents a complete and transparent explanation of Council's decision and to allow residents to ask questions.

5. Require quarterly public updates on the Task Force's progress and the implementation of any adopted traffic or safety measures.

COUNCIL DECISION

This item was deferred to the 25 February 2026 Council meeting.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 424690.2025
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Macquarie Street Mall One-Way Vehicle Access and On-Street Parking Options to Revive Retail

BACKGROUND

Macquarie Street Mall is experiencing a decline in activity. There has been an increase in retail vacancies, and businesses are indicating a decline in foot traffic, which is causing some long-standing businesses to leave. Shoppers are more likely to frequent Campbelltown, Bankstown, and other centres with improved access, parking, and safety.

The current fully pedestrianised model is not working for many retailers who need visibility, convenience, and turnover. Additionally, customers want simple access, short-stay parking, and safety.

Retailers have indicated a decline in revenue and there are concerns about empty shops attracting antisocial behaviour. Vibrancy in malls requires action. Access drives trade. Parking drives turnover. Safety follows activity.

Action is required urgently to save the city's commercial heart, by supporting small business, and restoring confidence.

There are cases in cities across Australia and overseas of the successful reversal of pedestrian malls by reintroducing controlled vehicle access and on-street parking, leading to retail activity improving because people return. Options to revitalise Macquarie Mall must be explored urgently to prevent further decline.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Prepare an urgent options report on strategies to increase activity in Macquarie Mall, including an option to reopen the Mall to one-way vehicle traffic with short-stay parking, to stimulate retail trade and boost foot traffic.

2. Within the option to reintroduce vehicle access:
   - One-way traffic configurations and entry and exit points.
   - Short-stay parking options, including time-limited parking for shoppers.
   - Pedestrian safety treatments, including speed controls, raised pavements, and shared-zone design.
   - Impacts on retailers, customers, accessibility, emergency access, and servicing.

- Comparative case studies where pedestrian malls were reopened and retail improved.
- Cost estimates, staging options, and implementation timeframes.

3. Undertake direct consultation with:
   - Existing Macquarie Street Mall retailers and property owners
   - Chambers of Commerce and small business representatives
   - Accessibility advocates and emergency services.

4. Report back to Council within 3 months with clear recommendations, including a preferred option.

COUNCIL DECISION

This item was deferred to the 25 February 2026 Council meeting.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 425082.2025
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Council Civic Identity at Liverpool Civic Place

BACKGROUND

At the July 2024 Council Meeting, Council resolved to progress building signage arrangements for the Liverpool Civic Place (LCP) building through the Heads of Agreement with the University of Wollongong (UOW).

As part of this agreement, Council negotiated signage rights for UOW on the LCP building as an incentive reflecting UOW's majority leasing and naming rights. This approach aligns with Council's University City Strategy and is consistent with standard commercial property practice, where majority tenants are typically afforded naming and signage rights.

The LCP building is a landmark structure that dominates the skyline and key entry points into the Liverpool CBD. Its prominence reinforces the confidence that education providers have in the people, economy and future of Liverpool and south-west Sydney, and supports Council's broader strategic objectives for education, innovation and city-shaping investment.

Notwithstanding the above, I raise concerns regarding the visibility of Council's civic identity and the symbolic role of the LCP building as a Civic Centre.

In this context, consideration should be given for the establishment of a civic crest or similar civic identity element within the LCP forecourt.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Clr Harle

That Council:

1. Request the CEO to prepare a report to the March 2026 Council Meeting outlining options for establishing a civic crest or other appropriate civic identity element within the LCP forecourt; and

2. Requires the report to address:
   - Design and placement options;
   - Cost estimates and funding considerations;
   - Governance, heritage and planning implications;
   - Alignment with existing agreements, including the Heads of Agreement with UOW; and
   - Any operational, maintenance, risk or approval considerations.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

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: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: QWN 05
FILE NO: 009545.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ibrahim - NYE Event 2025

Please address the following:

1. What was the total cost to Council of delivering the New Year's Eve event?

2. Did Council generate any revenue or profit from the event, and if so, what was the total amount?

3. What was the specific cost to Council for the fireworks component of the event alone?

4. Has Council received any feedback from residents regarding the New Year's Eve event, and if so, can a summary of the feedback be provided?

Response (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

1. What was the total cost to Council of delivering the New Year's Eve event?

The total cost to Council of delivering the New Year's Eve event was $317,635. This amount reflects the full scope of event delivery, including infrastructure, staging, technical production, security, traffic management, amenities, artist fees, event management, marketing, and compliance requirements. The event was delivered within the budget endorsed by Council as part of the annual events program consistent to the delivery of previous years.

2. Did Council generate any revenue or profit from the event, and if so, what was the total amount?

Council events across the board are not modelled to generate profit. Liverpool City Council's community events are delivered as free, non-ticketed events designed to provide accessible and affordable entertainment for residents and visitors.

As such, the New Year's Eve event did not generate a profit for Council. Any minor income associated with the event (such as vendor fees) is intended to partially offset operational costs, not to operate as a commercial enterprise.

Community events of this nature are funded through Council's endorsed operational budget and are delivered for public benefit, community wellbeing, and place activation. Councils rarely make a profit from large-scale public events without introducing substantial ticketing fees. Achieving a commercial return would require charging significant entry prices, which would undermine accessibility and exclude many community members.

Vendor fees are also kept proportionate to avoid deterring participation, particularly from small and emerging businesses, noting these were reviewed during the financial year 25/26 to align with the market and business attraction.

3. What was the specific cost to Council for the fireworks component of the event alone?

The cost to Council for the fireworks component of the event was $18,500 (ex GST), delivered by Foti International, a recognised market leader in pyrotechnics. This level of expenditure is comparatively modest when benchmarked against similar New Year's Eve fireworks programs delivered by other metropolitan council, who invest larger budgets for New Years Eve community Events.

The cost included the full supply, installation, operation and dismantling of the fireworks display, as well as all safety management, regulatory compliance and associated approvals required to meet statutory, insurance and risk management obligations. This represented a cost-effective and high-quality outcome for Council, ensuring a safe, compliant and professionally delivered fireworks experience for the community.

4. Has Council received any feedback from residents regarding the New Year's Eve event, and if so, can a summary of the feedback be provided?

Council received feedback from residents through social media, direct correspondence and staff observations during and following the event.

On the night, many attendees shared their positive feedback and thanks to staff. Some positive feedback on social media highlighted the welcoming atmosphere, sense of safety, quality of entertainment, free parking, and appreciation for Council delivering a large-scale, free community celebration.

Comments included: "It was well done tonight. A beautiful calm amongst the people and we felt very secure and protected. The music was great… Food was great. Thanks Liverpool Council you did well tonight."

Other residents acknowledged the effort involved in delivering an event of this scale and expressed gratitude to staff and contractors.

Residents also raised several recurring concerns. These include:

- Negative feedback was received regarding the closure of entry gates at 8.00pm. This has been a recurring issue in previous years, with feedback historically centred on patrons not being aware that entry would cease at a set time. In response, Council significantly increased the prominence of this messaging across the 2025 campaign, making gate closure times a key feature of event communications.

  Despite this, some attendees still expressed frustration on the night. Gate closures remain a critical crowd safety measure implemented as attendance approaches capacity, enabling controlled ingress and ensuring that exits can be prepared for the safe and efficient mass egress of patrons later in the evening.

- Some attendees felt food pricing was high. Council does not discourage or restrict residents from bringing their own food and non-alcoholic beverages, specifically to ensure the event remains affordable and accessible for all households. Food vendors are independent operators and set their own prices, which are influenced by rising costs associated with inflation, staffing, transport and compliance.

  Stallholders are advised that excessive pricing risks reducing patronage and ultimately impacting their own profitability. Council keeps vendor fees proportionate to avoid deterring participation, particularly from small and local businesses, and to maintain a diverse and viable offering.

- Despite rides being subsidised and capped at $4, some residents still expressed concern about cost. This reflects varying expectations around pricing, even where Council has intervened to keep activities affordable.

- Some residents felt the location was “smaller” or not ideal – which is feedback that is received and acknowledged by Council. In practice, the event footprint was comparable in scale to previous New Year’s Eve events. There are very limited locations within the LGA capable of safely accommodating an event of this size to ensure it is capturing a crowd with interesting and relevant offerings.

  Similar concerns have been raised at past locations, including Chipping Norton Lakes in relation to access, disruption and traffic, and the Australian Turf Club site in relation to congestion, long queues and impacts on major arterial roads such as the Hume Highway and Governor Macquarie Drive. Each location presents different constraints, and no single site is without operational and community impacts.

- Residents also expressed disappointment with the scale and impact of the fireworks display, with some indicating that it did not meet their expectations for a New Year’s Eve celebration. Feedback indicates that for many residents, the primary driver for attendance is the fireworks rather than the broader event footprint or program.

Fireworks represent one of the most significant single costs within the event budget, and the scale that can be delivered is directly constrained by available funding and safety requirements. Delivering a larger or longer display at a single site would require a substantial increase in expenditure.

Recommendation:

Based on consistent community feedback, Council intends in 2026/27 the return of much-loved former *Light Up the Sky* model delivered between 2020 and 2023, which featured multiple simultaneous suburban fireworks displays, and is proposed for consideration as part of the 2026/27 budget process. This approach attracted a broader footprint of the Local Government Area, improving community access while delivering enhanced value for money, improved quality outcomes, and greater financial efficiency.

The model provides localised vantage points across neighbourhoods, reduces pressure on a single site, and enables a more strategic and cost-effective distribution of resources, while continuing to deliver a high-quality and meaningful fireworks experience.

Importantly, this approach is strategically aligned with Council's neighbourhood-based service delivery model, supporting place-based activation and equitable access to major civic celebrations across the LGA.

This option is in direct response to strong and consistent community expectations, having been the most popular New Year's Eve event delivered by Council, with no recorded negative community feedback during its previous delivery.

It also reflects current budget realities and addresses the ongoing challenges associated with identifying a single, suitably wide, practical and operationally capable site accommodating a large-scale New Year's Eve event, while still enabling Council to deliver an inclusive, high-quality celebration across the LGA.

Should Council wish to increase its investment in future years, considerations around the scale of sites, access constraints, crowd capacity and operational complexity will remain key factors. Identifying a single location capable of safely accommodating large crowds, ensuring adequate transport access, and managing associated risk continues to present significant challenges.

In contrast, the *Light Up the Sky* model increases the reach of the event across the LGA by utilising multiple localised sites, reducing pressure on any one location while improving accessibility, equity and community participation. This approach enables Council to scale investment in a controlled and strategic manner, delivering broader community benefit without proportionately increasing risk or operational constraints.

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 421345.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Pecuniary Interest Returns

Background

Councillors are required under the Local Government Act 1993, the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, and the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils (2020) to disclose any pecuniary interests, including income received from property developers or persons associated with development activity. Councillors are also required to complete accurate Pecuniary Interest Returns under s.449 of the Act.

Given the revised Managing Conflict of Interest Development Applications Policy now includes all deemed or perceived conflicts involving councillors, staff, MPs or their relatives, it is essential for Council to confirm whether any relevant financial relationships have been properly declared.

Please address the following:

1. Has the Mayor ever declared any financial payments, income, consulting work, or invoicing arrangements involving a local property developer in any Pecuniary Interest Return lodged with Council under s.449 of the Local Government Act 1993?

2. Specifically, has the Mayor ever disclosed receiving a payment of approximately $30,000 + from a local property developer, whether through invoicing, consultancy, employment, or contractual engagement?

3. If such a payment exists, in what year was it received, and was it declared on the Mayor's:

    a. Pecuniary Interest Return for that year
    b. Annual Disclosure Statement
    c. Any register maintained under the Code of Conduct

4. Has Council's Governance Unit reviewed whether this financial payment (if any) constitutes:

    a. A declarable pecuniary interest under the Local Government Act
    b. A significant or non-significant non-pecuniary conflict under the Code of Conduct
    c. A conflict requiring notation in the Governance Register under the revised Development Applications Conflict Policy

5. If no declaration was made, what statutory or governance processes does Council follow to:

    a. Identify undeclared pecuniary interests
    b. Ensure completeness and accuracy of councillor declarations
    c. Seek clarification or corrective action from a councillor when a potential undeclared financial interest becomes known

6. Does Council hold any internal records, correspondence, invoices, payment summaries, or business documentation indicating that the Mayor undertook paid work for any local developer? If so, were these considered in any conflict-of-interest assessment relating to development applications lodged by that developer?

7. Has the CEO or Governance Unit ever undertaken an investigation, review, or inquiry into whether the Mayor had financial engagements with any local developer that were not declared? If yes, when and what was the outcome? If no, why not?

8. Under the revised policy, would any DA connected to a developer who has had a past financial relationship with the Mayor automatically be classified as medium or high risk? If so, has this been applied? If not, why not?

Responses to questions (provided by Corporate Services)

1. Not in the 2021/22 return. Annual returns for the subsequent years 2022/23 to 2024/25 are available to view on Council's website.

2. See response to 1.

3. See response to 1.

4. The Code of Conduct Procedures require confidentiality to be maintained, except as otherwise specifically required or permitted under the Procedures.

5. In response to each question:

    (a) Annual returns are tabled before Council and published online, which provides transparency. In 2024/25, following the 2024 audit, Council reviewed directorships held by councillors and staff against disclosures.

    (b) Councillors are provided with Code of Conduct training. It is each individual's responsibility to make complete and correct disclosures.

    (c) Council addresses concerns about non-disclosure in accordance with the Code of Conduct and Code of Conduct Procedures. The Procedures require that complaints alleging breach of the pecuniary interest provisions in Part 4 of the Code are referred to the Office of Local Government.

6. The Code of Conduct Procedures require confidentiality to be maintained, except as otherwise specifically required or permitted under the Procedures.

7. The Code of Conduct Procedures require confidentiality to be maintained, except as otherwise specifically required or permitted under the Procedures.

8. No, the Policy provides for an assessment in each case, which will determine the management controls that will be implemented.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 002678.2026
SUBJECT: NSW Treasury Corporation Loan - Proposal to Refinance

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer and/or his delegate to commence negotiations with TCorp for refinancing the existing $23 million loan related to the Liverpool Civic Place Development Project.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 009171.2026
SUBJECT: Payments equivalent to rates

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Agrees to engage a contractor to assist with identifying and justifying the payment equivalent to rates that WSIA should make.

2. Allocates $120k from General Funds to meet the costs of the project.

3. Authorises the CEO or delegate to negotiate an agreement with WSIA for the making of payments equivalent to rates.

4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to do all things necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

5. Notes that a further report will be provided to Council for approval of a proposed agreement.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 009954.2026
SUBJECT: Embankment stabilisation and erosion protection works along the Georges Riverbank - Powerhouse Road, Casula

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Agrees not to accept any of the tender submissions for the proposed Georges Riverbank Stabilisation contract.

2. Agrees to enter into negotiations with TfNSW with a view to entering into a contract for TfNSW to undertake the Georges Riverbank Stabilisation.

3. Authorises the CEO or delegate to enter into an agreement with TfNSW to undertake the Georges Riverbank Stabilisation, provided the project remains fully grant funded.

4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to do all things necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

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.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 011053.2026
SUBJECT: Legal Affairs Report - 01 October 2025 - 31 December 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ammoun** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council notes the contents of the report.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council move into Closed Session to discuss CONF 05 – Sale of 22 Box Road, Casula under s10A2(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* because 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 motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

The galley left the Chamber and Council moved into Closed Session at 4:58pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 002543.2026
SUBJECT: Sale of 22 Box Road, Casula NSW 2170

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Proceed with the sale of 22 Box Road via Public Auction;

2. Set the reserve price in accordance with the most recent valuation report;

3. Grant approval to the Senior Manager Commercial Development to attend the auction on behalf of Council; and

4. Direct the CEO to ensure that funds from any sale be allocated to the Property Reserve benefiting that area.

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

OPEN SESSION

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

That Council move into Open Session.

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

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 5.02pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in Open Session at 5.16pm with Deputy Mayor Harle and Clrs Harte, Ammoun, Adjei and Macnaught present.

Mayor Mannoun then read the resolution for CONF 05 - Sale of 22 Box Road, Casula NSW 2170 that was resolved in closed session.

MOTION OF URGENCY

Clr Harte requested Mayor Mannoun consider a Motion of Urgency regarding the Section 430 investigation into Liverpool City Council.

Clr Harte stated that the matter was urgent due to ongoing psychosocial hazards for staff arising from the publication of the report and as a governing body should be dealt with immediately.

Mayor Mannoun stated the matter as urgent, noting that it should not wait until the next the next Council meeting due to OH&S considerations and psychosocial impacts that cannot be left lingering.

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

The matter be dealt with immediately as stipulated by the reasons from Clr Harte.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

ITEM NO: MOU 01
SUBJECT: Section 430 Investigation into Liverpool City Council

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Notes that in Justice Robson's judgement in Liverpool City Council v Minister for Local Government and Ors [2024] NSWLEC94, Brett Whitworth "failed to observe the requirements of procedural fairness."

2. Acknowledges the psychosocial impact on staff and arising from the publication of the s430 investigation interim report into Liverpool City Council.

3. Direct the CEO to:
    a. investigate legal options in relation to outstanding matters examined in the interim report but not considered in the public inquiry.
    b. Do all things necessary to ensure procedural fairness is afforded to those named in the section 430 investigation interim report.

4. Delegate to the Mayor and CEO to further progress this matter with legal representation who previously represented Council in this matter.

5. Direct the CEO to ensure that any funding be allocated from the General Fund.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Ristevski was an apology for the meeting.
Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not present at the meeting.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 5.22PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 25 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 4 February 2026. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 18 FEBRUARY 2026

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
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Ms Noelle Warwar, Manager Community Standards
Mr David Galpin, General Counsel
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms M'Leigh Brunetta, 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 6:01pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:

In accordance with clause 5.37 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

.....

Chairperson

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

In relation to clause 4.3 – The provisions of this Code requiring the livestreaming of meetings also apply to public forums."

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY & PRAYER OF COUNCIL

The prayer of the Council was read by M'Leigh Brunetta, Manager Civic and Executive Services.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

RESCISSION MOTIONS

ITEM NO: NOMR 01
FILE NO: 044779.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion of Rescission of COM 03 - resolved at 10 December 2025 Council Meeting

NOTICE OF MOTION OF RESCISSION

On 9 February 2026, an extraordinary meeting of Council was sought by Councillors Monaghan, Karnib and Ibrahim in accordance with clause 3.3 of the Code of Meeting Practice. The Rescission motion read as follows:

That Council:

1. Rescind COM 03 passed at Liverpool Council Meeting on 10 December 2025.

Should the rescission motion be adopted, notice has been given of an intention to move the following motion:

That Council:

1. Resolves the following:
   a) Notes; under section 365 of the Act, Councils are required to meet at least ten (10) times each year, each time in a different month unless approval is received under section 365A;
   b) Notes; that the Governance Committee meeting dates should be considered in conjunction with the Council Meeting schedule and take place two weeks prior to a Council Meeting;
   c) Endorse the 2026, 2027 and 2028 meeting schedule as per date, time and location, listed in the report prepared by council staff in council meeting agenda of ordinary meeting 10 December 2025;
   d) Endorse the 2026, 2027 and 2028 Order of Business as listed in the report prepared by council staff in council meeting agenda of ordinary meeting 10 December 2025; and
   e) Support the inclusion of dates on Councils webpage, and marketing to residents and community groups to encourage community involvement and attendance in meetings.

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That the Rescission motion be adopted.

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

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

That Council:

1. Resolves the following:
    a) Notes; under section 365 of the Act, Councils are required to meet at least ten (10) times each year, each time in a different month unless approval is received under section 365A;
    b) Notes; that the Governance Committee meeting dates should be considered in conjunction with the Council Meeting schedule and take place two weeks prior to a Council Meeting;
    c) Endorse the 2026, 2027 and 2028 meeting schedule as per date, time and location, listed in the report prepared by council staff in council meeting agenda of ordinary meeting 10 December 2025;
    d) Endorse the 2026, 2027 and 2028 Order of Business as listed in the report prepared by council staff in council meeting agenda of ordinary meeting 10 December 2025; and
    e) Support the inclusion of dates on Councils webpage, and marketing to residents and community groups to encourage community involvement and attendance in meetings.

Clr Harte proposed an amendment to the motion.

Amendment: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Notes; under section 365 of the Act, Councils are required to meet at least ten (10) times each year, each time in a different month unless approval is received under section 365A;

2. Notes; that the Governance Committee meeting dates should be considered in conjunction with the Council Meeting schedule and take place two weeks prior to a Council Meeting;

3. Endorse the 2026 meeting schedule as per date, time and location, listed in the report with the following amendments:
   - The May 2026 Council meeting be moved to Tuesday, 19 May 2026;
   - The June 2026 Council meeting be moved to Wednesday, 17 June 2026 due to the NGA Conference;
   - Council meetings be held in the Liverpool City Council Chambers between 5:30pm and 10:30pm, starting from the April 2026 meeting
   - Public forum to start at 5:00pm
   - Governance Committee Meetings be moved to Tuesdays (one day earlier than the proposed schedule), commencing at 2:00pm; and

4. Endorse the 2026 Order of Business, with the amendment that Notices of Motion (NOMs) and Questions With Notice (QWNs) be placed after the Reports of Committees and before Confidential Matters.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 6:21pm.
Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 6:22pm.

RECESS OF THE MEETING

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of the meeting at 6:46pm.
Note: At the time of the recess, the amendment to the motion had not been put to the vote.

RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in open-session with all Councillors present at 6:49pm.

On being put to the meeting, the Amendment (moved by Clr Harte) was declared CARRIED.

The Amendment then became the motion and on being put to the meeting was declared CARRIED. The primary motion (moved by Clr Monaghan) therefore lapsed.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 6:55pm.
Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 6:58pm.

ITEM NO: NOMR 02
FILE NO: 044801.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion of Rescission of CONF 02 - resolved at 10 December 2025 Council Meeting

NOTICE OF MOTION OF RESCISSION

On 9 February 2026, an extraordinary meeting of Council was sought by Councillors Monaghan, Karnib and Ibrahim in accordance with clause 3.3 of the Code of Meeting Practice. The Rescission motion read as follows:

That Council:

1. Rescind CONF 02 passed at Liverpool Council Meeting on 10 December 2025, the sale of CT Lewis Centre.

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That the Rescission motion be adopted.

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

Division called (for the Rescission motion moved by Clr Monaghan)

Vote for: Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Ristevski and Clr Monaghan.

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

Note: Deputy Mayor Harle did not vote for or against the motion. Therefore in accordance with Clause 11.9 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy, he is recorded as voting against the motion.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 7:16pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 18 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 18 February 2026. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 25 FEBRUARY 2026

PRESENT:
Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim (arrived at 5.10pm)
Councillor Karnib (arrived at 5.06pm)
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan (arrived at 5.19pm)
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 M'Leigh Brunetta, 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 4.11pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:
"In accordance with clause 5.37 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

(a) the meeting is being recorded 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 4.3 – The provisions of this code requiring the livestreaming of meetings also apply to public forums.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY, PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION

The prayer of the Council was read by Pastor Steve Riethmuller from Cartwright Gospel Chapel.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 4 February 2026 and Extraordinary Meeting held on 18 February 2026 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

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: PD 02 - Site-Specific Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 Amendment - Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool

Reason: The owner of the land is a person for whom the Mayor previously had done work for whilst he was not on Council.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber for the duration of the item.

**Note: Although the Mayor verbally stated that his interest was non-pecuniary, the submitted form was amended to reflect a pecuniary interest. The pecuniary interest will be recorded accordingly in the official records.*

Clr Ristevski declared an interest in Item CONF 04 - Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T9).

Clr Ristevski remained in the Chamber.

PETITIONS

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: **MAYOR 01**
SUBJECT: **Public Art in Bigge Park - Mother Mary**
REPORT OF: **Mayor Ned Mannoun**

Lent and Easter are foundational seasons in the Christian calendar that together represent a journey from reflection and repentance to hope and new life. Lent acts as a 40-day preparation period (beginning Ash Wednesday and ending before Easter) in which Christians reflect on their faith, while Easter is the celebratory, culminating festival commemorating the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Holy Mother Mary plays a vital, supportive role in Lent and Easter as a model of faith and a companion in suffering. During Lent, she is honoured as 'Our Lady of Sorrows', representing endurance through the Passion, while the Annunciation (25 March) often falls during this season. She represents the perfect disciple, encouraging faithful through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

As part of Council delivery plan, Council has made a commitment to deliver, through Council's Public Art program, a statue to tribute Mother Mary in Bigge Park, Liverpool. The project is an existing project, however, was deferred short term. To mark this Holy time, it is proposed that the project be supported for delivery.

The statue placement in Bigge Park, will act as a source of comfort, particularly those seeking respite and those caring for patients and loved ones in the Liverpool Hospital who may be facing illnesses and challenges.

It is proposed that this project now proceed, with an intention to unveil on the 15 August, to coincide with the yearly observation of the Assumption of Mother Mary, a milestone that celebrated her earthly life and signifies hope for resurrection.

RECOMMENDATION:

Taking the above into consideration, I propose:

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the importance of the Holy Mother Mary project in Bigge Park, Liverpool City Council.

2. Reinstate the project for delivery within the 25/26 and 26/27 budget cycle.

3. Provide the CEO with delegation for project delivery, over budget cycles, as required.

4. An unveiling ceremony of the Mother Mary statue to take place on the 15 August.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

MOTION OF URGENCY

Clr Ammoun requested Mayor Mannoun consider an urgency motion relating to Connection Camp.

Clr Ammoun proposed the following motion:

That Council:

1. Acknowledge Connection Camp and Wanderers Foundation, and the community work delivered by Western Sydney Wanderers and Wests Tigers.

2. Supports this project through Council branding, to uplift the project and funding through the Council's Grants, Donations, and Community Sponsorship Policy to the amount of up to $2,500 to provide the use of Council buses for this activity.

3. The Mayor write to Connection Camp to acknowledge the program value and the community and social cohesion benefits to Liverpool youth.

Clr Ammoun stated that it was urgent due to the timing of the event which is scheduled to be held 14-15 April 2026. He further stated that it would require to confirm buses for children's transport and this information go out to the community prior to the event.

Mayor Mannoun ruled the motion as urgent and put the motion to Council.

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That Council resolves the motion is urgent and be dealt with at this meeting.

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

The urgency motion was then dealt with as shown below.

ITEM: **MOU 01**

SUBJECT **Connection Camp**

Background:

- Connection Camp is a free fun sports and friendship program for kids ages 7-12 years old.

- The program concept with instigated because of the recent tragic Bondi Beach terrorist attack, to foster social cohesion between all faiths and eliminate antisemitism and islamophobia.

- The program is delivered by the Western Sydney Wanderers and Wests Tigers, by coaches from the Western Sydney Wanderers.

- It will take place on 14-15 April, at Wests Tigers Centre of Excellence, and consists of 2 days of games, sport and team activities where kids make new friends and build confidence in a safe, and welcoming environment.

- The program targets primary school children, boys and girls, of all faiths, to take part in challenges in small group and team challenges, include meet and greets of Wanderers and Tiger stars, and include free giveaways

- The focus is simple: participation, confidence and friendship. No sporting experience is needed, and all abilities are welcomes.

- Transport is available to support family needs and inclusivity.

- Council's Grants, Donations, and Community Sponsorship Policy are available for organisations that can support growth of the Liverpool community and enhance Council's reputation, noting clause 9.9.4 Available Funding: amounts will be decided by Council resolution on a case-by-case basis, including identification of the source of funds.

- Council Officers have confirmed that Wanderers Foundation meets the eligibility criteria.

Resolves that Council;

1. Acknowledge Connection Camp and Wanderers Foundation, and the community work delivered by Western Sydney Wanderers and Wests Tigers.

2. Supports this project through Council branding, to uplift the project and funding through the Council's Grants, Donations, and Community Sponsorship Policy to the amount of up to $2,500 to provide the use of Council buses for this activity.

3. The Mayor write to Connection Camp to acknowledge the program value and the community and social cohesion benefits to Liverpool youth.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ammoun** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Acknowledge Connection Camp and Wanderers Foundation, and the community work delivered by Western Sydney Wanderers and Wests Tigers.

2. Supports this project through Council branding, to uplift the project and funding through the Council's Grants, Donations, and Community Sponsorship Policy to the amount of up to $2,500 to provide the use of Council buses for this activity.

3. Resolves that the Mayor write to Connection Camp to acknowledge the program value and the community and social cohesion benefits to Liverpool youth.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil.

MOTION OF URGENCY

Clr Ristevski requested the Mayor to consider an urgency motion. He requested that Council resolve that Council pause to have their dinner break now in order to give the Councillors who are not currently at the meeting due to the timing of the meeting and the difficulty to attend at this earlier time an opportunity to attend.

The Mayor ruled the motion as not urgent and therefore was not dealt with.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

ITEM NO: CEO 01
FILE NO: 010027.2026
SUBJECT: Biannual Progress Report - December 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council notes and receives the Biannual Progress Report July to December 2025 which outlines the progress of Principal Activities detailed in the Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2025-2026.

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

PLANNING & DESIGN REPORT

ITEM NO: PD 01
FILE NO: 024415.2026
SUBJECT: Draft Visitor Economy Strategy 2026-2030

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Notes the Draft Visitor Economy Strategy (2026-2030) and supports its commencement of public exhibition for at least 28 days;

2. Notes there is an opportunity for Councillors to provide further feedback on the draft strategy throughout the public exhibition period;

3. Direct the CEO that this Draft Visitor Economy Strategy (2026-2030) be tabled for discussion at the next Governance Committee meeting, for the Committee's input; and

4. Following public exhibition, Council receive the Visitor Economy Strategy (2026–2030) for adoption.

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

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber due to his declaration of interest and Councillor Harle, as the Deputy Mayor, assumed the Chair at 4.41pm.

ITEM NO: PD 02
FILE NO: 034927.2026
SUBJECT: Site-Specific Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 Amendment - Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

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.

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

Vote for: Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught

Vote against: Clr Ristevski

Note: Mayor Mannoun and Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib and Monaghan were not in the meeting when this item was voted on.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chamber and assumed the Chair at 4.46pm.

ITEM NO: PD 03
FILE NO: 039841.2026
SUBJECT: Draft Woodward Park Masterplan

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council defers this item.

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

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01
FILE NO: 006796.2026
SUBJECT: Media Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council defers this item and tables it to the next Governance Committee meeting for discussion.

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

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 008299.2026
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$23,580** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Australian Peace Association	Impulse and RE-ACT(ion) Recovery, Empowerment, Action, Change, Transformation.	$3,580
WSYD Moving	Liverpool Local Active Partnership	$10,000
Iraqi Australian University Graduate Forum Incorporated	EmpowerHer: Health, Harmony & Hope Across Cultures-International Women's Day 2026	$10,000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$28,950** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Delta TV Australia Incorporated	Community Musical Event	$8,950
Multicultural Festivals Australia Incorporated	Ramadan Eid Bazaar Festival	$10,000
Edmondson Park Bardia Nepalese Community Incorporated	Unity in Diversity: Nepali New Year 2083 Southwest Sydney	$10,000

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed Motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) lapsed due to no seconder.

Foreshadowed Motion: Moved: Clr Ristevski Seconded:

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$23,580** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
WSYD Moving	Liverpool Local Active Partnership	$10,000
Iraqi Australian University Graduate Forum Incorporated	EmpowerHer: Health, Harmony & Hope Across Cultures-International Women's Day 2026	$10,000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$28,950** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Delta TV Australia Incorporated	Community Musical Event	$8,950
Multicultural Festivals Australia Incorporated	Ramadan Eid Bazaar Festival	$10,000
Edmondson Park Bardia Nepalese Community Incorporated	Unity in Diversity: Nepali New Year 2083 Southwest Sydney	$10,000

3. Defers consideration of the grant to the Australian Peace Association until such time as Council receives the additional information, including the financial details, and details of Directors of the organisation.

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 4.52pm
Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 4.55pm

ITEM NO: COM 03
FILE NO: 028851.2026
SUBJECT: Report back to Council regarding the 2168 Children's Parliament Project - Actions taken in response to the Council Meeting held 24 September 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ammoun** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;

2. Advocate and write to the State Member for Liverpool for a trial zebra crossing or part-time crossing supervisor for Cartwright Public School, allowing the government to collect real-world data before making a permanent decision; and

3. Request a peak-time safety review focused specifically on drop-off and pick-up periods, noting that near-miss incidents indicate elevated risk even with lower overall traffic volumes.

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

ITEM NO: COM 04
FILE NO: 033124.2026
SUBJECT: Draft Incoming Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Note, the draft Incoming Sponsorship Policy has been placed on public exhibition; and

2. Endorse the Incoming Sponsorship Policy as final.

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

ITEM NO: COM 05
FILE NO: 033125.2026
SUBJECT: Draft Busking Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Notes the outcomes of the review of the Busking Policy, including Governance Committee consideration and public exhibition, with no feedback received; and

2. Adopts the updated Busking Policy as final.

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

ITEM NO: COM 06
FILE NO: 033240.2026
SUBJECT: Liverpool Powerhouse Board – Councillor Appointment

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Notes the resignation of Councillor Dr Betty Green and the resulting vacancy in the position of Councillor Representative on the Liverpool Powerhouse Board and;

2. Appoints Clr Macnaught and Clr Ibrahim as the Councillor Representatives on the Liverpool Powerhouse Board, commencing from the next scheduled meeting on 26 March 2026.

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

Note Clr Ibrahim was not at the meeting when she was nominated to be a Councillor Representative. Should Clr Ibrahim not be available or wish to decline the nomination, she may withdraw herself as a Councillor Representative on the Liverpool Powerhouse Board.

ITEM NO: COM 07
FILE NO: 037249.2026
SUBJECT: Endorsement to Issue an EOI for a 24-Month Activation Trial and Long Term Use at Woodward Park

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Agrees to conduct an Expression of Interest (EOI) process to invite proposals for Woodward Park for a contract to deliver both short-term activation and long-term investment at Woodward Park; and

2. Provide in- principle support for the relocation of the Major Events Program to the temporary activation site once established.

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

Clr Karnib arrived at the meeting at 5.06pm.

ITEM NO: COM 08
FILE NO: 037841.2026
SUBJECT: Motions for the National General Assembly (NGA) Conference 23 - 25 June 2026

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Endorse motions 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 9 outlined in the Council report, and Council submit to the NGA Conference by 27 February 2026; and

2. Note that final acceptance of motions is subject to assessment by the Conference organisers in accordance with the NGA submission guidelines.

Foreshadowed motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council defers this item to the end of the meeting.

On being put to the meeting the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) was declared CARRIED and the motion (moved by Clr Harte) therefore lapsed.

This item was dealt with later in the meeting before the confidential items.

Clr Ibrahim arrived at the meeting at 5.10pm.

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

ITEM NO: CORP 01
FILE NO: 030576.2026
SUBJECT: Investment Report January 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report; and

2. Direct the CEO to provide Charters for each internally restricted fund to be reported to the next Governance Committee meeting.

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

Clr Macnaught left the Chamber at 5.11pm
Clr Macnaught returned to the Chamber at 5.14pm

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 040037.2026
SUBJECT: FY 2025/26 - Quarter 2, Budget Review

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Approve the budget variations identified in this report; and

2. Note the projected income and expenditure results for the current financial year.

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

Clr Monaghan arrived at the meeting at 5.19pm

ITEM NO: CORP 03
FILE NO: 034198.2026
SUBJECT: Code of Conduct Complaints

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council

1. Receives and considers the report; and

2. Resolve that any code of conduct investigations tabled for Council determination to be debated in Open Session.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST

Division called:

Vote for: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught

OPERATIONS REPORTS

ITEM NO: OPER 01
FILE NO: 029471.2026
SUBJECT: Civic Place Carpark 12 Month Review Report

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Note that parking fees and charges for Civic Place Car Park have been reviewed since commencement of operations;
2. Acknowledge that public notice of the Schedule of Parking Fees has been actioned in accordance with requirements;
3. Endorse the continuation of the current pricing structure; and
4. Support ongoing annual reviews of parking fees, usage and operational performance.

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

MOTION TO BRING ITEM FORWARD

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

That item NOM 03 - Notice of Motion - Macquarie Street Mall One-Way Vehicle Access and On-Street Parking Options to Revive Retail be brought forward and dealt with now

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

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 032458.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Macquarie Street Mall One-Way Vehicle Access and On-Street Parking Options to Revive Retail

Background

Macquarie Street Mall appears to be experiencing a decline in activity. There appears to be an increase in retail vacancies, and businesses are indicating a decline in foot traffic, which is causing some long-standing businesses to leave. Shoppers are more likely to frequent Campbelltown, Bankstown, and other centres with improved access, parking, and safety.

The current fully pedestrianised model is not working for many retailers who need visibility, convenience, and turnover. Additionally, customers want simple access, short-stay parking, and safety.

Retailers have indicated to me a decline in revenue and they hold concerns about empty shops attracting antisocial behaviour. Vibrancy in malls requires action. Access drives trade. Parking drives turnover. Safety follows activity.

Action is required urgently to save the city's commercial heart, by supporting small business, and restoring confidence.

There are cases in cities across Australia and overseas of the successful reversal of pedestrian malls by reintroducing controlled vehicle access and on-street parking, leading to retail activity improving because people return. Options to revitalise Macquarie Mall must be explored urgently to prevent further decline.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Prepare an options report on strategies to increase activity in Macquarie Mall, which should include an option to reopen the Mall to one-way vehicle traffic with short-stay parking, to stimulate retail trade and boost foot traffic.

2. Within the option to reintroduce vehicle access, the report may consider:
   - One-way traffic configurations and entry and exit points.
   - Short-stay parking options, including time-limited parking for shoppers.
   - Pedestrian safety treatments, including speed controls, raised pavements, and shared-zone design.
   - Impacts on retailers, customers, accessibility, emergency access, and servicing.

- Comparative case studies where pedestrian malls were reopened and retail improved.
- Cost estimates, staging options, and implementation timeframes.

3. The authors of the report should undertake direct consultation with:
   - Existing Macquarie Street Mall retailers and property owners
   - Chambers of Commerce and small business representatives
   - Accessibility advocates and emergency services.

4. Report back to Council with recommendations to consider.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

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

Clr Karnib left the Chamber at 5.28pm.
Clr Karnib returned to the Chamber at 5.29pm.

ITEM NO: OPER 02
FILE NO: 042700.2026
SUBJECT: Case Study for Local Government Entity Formation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Agree to undertake a case study and options analysis of the optimal operating model for commercialising circular economy activities, including if appropriate, preparation of a proposal in accordance with OLG's Formation of Corporations and Entities Guideline.

2. Approve the allocation of $100,000 from Environmental Levy Reserve to support the project.

3. Note that the case study will not authorise the establishment of a separate entity and Council and ministerial approval will be required before taking that step.

4. Note that the outcomes of the case study will be reported back to Council for further consideration and decision.

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

This item was recommitted later in the meeting as a motion to alter a resolution, due to the report detailing the incorrect levy. The levy was amended from the Environmental Levy Reserve to be the Waste Levy Reserve.

The endorsed motion to alter a resolution is detailed below:

Final Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Agree to undertake a case study and options analysis of the optimal operating model for commercialising circular economy activities, including if appropriate, preparation of a proposal in accordance with OLG's Formation of Corporations and Entities Guideline.

2. Approve the allocation of $100,000 from the Waste Levy Reserve to support the project.

3. Note that the case study will not authorise the establishment of a separate entity and Council and ministerial approval will be required before taking that step.

4. Note that the outcomes of the case study will be reported back to Council for further consideration and decision.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ITEM NO: CTTE 01
FILE NO: 042006.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held 10 February 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 10 February 2026; and

2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

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

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 032451.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Overseas Travel and Compliance with Council Policy

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Notes the Liverpool City Council Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy.

2. Notes that clause 4.10.3 of the Policy states:
   "Overseas travel must be approved by a meeting of the full Council prior to a Councillor undertaking a trip. Travel must be approved on an individual trip basis."

3. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to provide a full written report to the March 2026 Council meeting setting out:
   a. Whether any request for overseas travel approval has been submitted;
   b. Whether any business papers or costings have been prepared for Council consideration; and
   c. Whether any overseas trip is required to be disclosed in Council's Annual Report under section 428(2)(e) of the Local Government Act.

4. Request the CEO to identify any breaches of the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy arising from the unauthorised travel and outline corrective actions required to ensure future compliance by all councillors, including the Mayor.

5. Requests that Council receive legal advice on the governance implications of unauthorised overseas travel by an elected representative and what remedies or sanctions are available under the Local Government Act and the Code of Conduct.

6. Requires that the CEO develop a strengthened compliance framework for all councillor travel including a register of requests, approvals, business cases, costs, and outcomes with quarterly reporting to Council.

7. Confirms that future overseas travel will not be reimbursed or supported by Council unless approved strictly in accordance with clause 4.10.3 of the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

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

Division called:

Vote for: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 032454.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Fixing the Niland Way Parking and Traffic Crisis

Background

A 43-place childcare centre with only 8 on-site car parking spaces has been approved within the quiet residential street of Niland Way, Casula. The road is narrow, street parking is prohibited, and the surrounding residents have long warned that the traffic impacts will make the area unsafe for families, children, and local motorists.

Council received 127 written objections from residents, all raising concerns about traffic congestion, safety hazards, overshadowing of local amenity, and Council's obligation to protect residential streets from inappropriate development.

Council entered into consent orders.

Residents now face the consequences of increased traffic volumes, increased vehicle movements, and long-term parking challenges.

Council has a duty to protect their safety, quality of life, and the character of their neighbourhoods.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Establish a Niland Way Traffic and Parking Task Force comprising:
   - Councillor Peter Ristevski as Chair
   - Relevant Council traffic officers
   - Representatives from the Traffic Committee
   - At least four residents of Niland Way selected through an expression of interest process

2. Task the group with identifying immediate, short-term and long-term solutions to mitigate safety risks and traffic congestion resulting from the childcare centre approval. This must include but not be limited to:
   - Traffic calming devices
   - Time-limited parking
   - Resident-only parking zones
   - School-zone style drop-off safety controls

- Road widening feasibility
- One-way conversion feasibility
- Any other measures raised by local residents

3. Require Council staff to prepare a public report that sets out in full:
   - Why Council entered into consent orders
   - Who authorised the settlement
   - What legal advice was considered
   - Why the objections of 127 residents were not defended in Court
   - What alternative strategies were available
   - Whether this outcome sets a precedent for other narrow residential streets

4. Direct the CEO to hold a community meeting in Casula within 30 days, attended by senior planning and traffic staff, to give residents a complete and transparent explanation of Council's decision and to allow residents to ask questions.

5. Require quarterly public updates on the Task Force's progress and the implementation of any adopted traffic or safety measures.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council defers this item to the next meeting of Council being 25 March 2026.

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

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 040134.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Youth Parliament

Background
Youth Parliament is the flagship youth leadership and engagement program run by the YMCA and has been operating for over 20 years in NSW. With a focus on leadership and advocacy, the program enables high school students in years 10 to 12 to:

- build confidence,
- develop leadership skills,
- engage with civic leadership,
- work towards relevant policy development, and
- engage in democratic parliamentary debate.

This provides an incredible opportunity for young people to learn how to advocate, enhance their life skills and make long lasting connections with other youth representatives.

Young people are innovative, creative, and energetic, and they want to be involved in a meaningful way within their local community, to make a difference.

Working with young people to shape the services and programs offered to them ensures their needs are being met, and their ideas and opinions are being respected, considered and acted upon. Better outcomes are also more likely to be achieved when young people are involved in making decisions that affect their long term wellbeing.

Youth Parliament promotes equal access to political participation for all. In particular, it aims to relieve social and civic disadvantage among young Australians who face barriers from participating meaningfully in civic or democratic life, including those from low-income, regional, or culturally diverse backgrounds.

The program provides practical support, education and mentoring to help young people, including those experiencing social exclusion or disadvantage, build confidence, skills, and access pathways to civic and community engagement. Each year's cohort receives training over a six-month period that includes in-person camps and online workshops. Participants create Youth Bills with policy solutions on issues impacting young people in NSW. These are debated during a Youth Sitting Week in NSW Parliament House with Members of Parliament invited to chair.

The success of this program is illustrated by the experience of former Youth Parliamentarians, who have gone on to become Members of Parliament in NSW and Australia, lawyers, business executives, community and NGO leaders, working in media/journalism spaces, and much more.

The programs also aligns with Council's 2025-2035 CSP, with a core strategic objective being Civic Leadership, including the statement

- Communicate, listen, engage and respond to the community by encouraging participation.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Macnaught)

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the importance of engaging young people in Civic matters that affect their peer group and the greater community, for better outcomes;

2. Acknowledges the need for accessibility and diversity in representation and community advocacy;

3. Commends the YMCA for its ongoing success with the Youth Parliament program;

4. Contributes $1000 towards the program fees for Youth Parliamentarians from within the Liverpool LGA who are selected to represent electorates within the LGA, noting that as of the latest report there is sufficient balance in the Community Grants budget; and

5. Invite Youth Parliamentarians to present their experiences to Council following the completion of the 2026 program.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the importance of engaging young people in Civic matters that affect their peer group and the greater community, for better outcomes;

2. Acknowledges the need for accessibility and diversity in representation and community advocacy;

3. Commends the YMCA for its ongoing success with the Youth Parliament program;

4. Contributes $1000 towards the program fees for each Youth Parliamentarian from within the Liverpool LGA who are selected to represent electorates within the LGA, with funds being drawn from general funds;

5. Table a discussion at an upcoming Governance Committee with recommendations for amendments to the Grants and Donations Policy to allow applications for this cause in the future;

6. Invite Youth Parliamentarians to present their experiences to Council following the completion of the 2026 program.

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

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 5.41pm

Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 5.41pm.

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 040352.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Rossmore Grange

Background

Rossmore Grange is a strategically located site located within the Western Sydney Aerotropolis owned by Council. Given the site's potential, which will be well-served by key movement corridors within the Aerotropolis, there is value in exploring residential or industrial land uses for the site.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Harte)

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the strategic opportunity presented by the potential rezoning of Rossmore Grange and its capacity to contribute to long-term community, economic, and land-use outcomes;

2. Direct the CEO to proceed with any necessary due diligence investigations, the preparation of a Planning Proposal, and reclassification of land for Rossmore Grange, with the objective of achieving the most optimal outcome for Council and the community; and

3. Allocates funding for the required due diligence, planning proposal and reclassification from the Property Reserve, with total expenditure not to exceed $250,000 in 2025/2026 financial year.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the strategic opportunity presented by the potential rezoning of Rossmore Grange and its capacity to contribute to long-term community, economic, and land-use outcomes;

2. Direct the CEO to proceed with any necessary due diligence investigations, the preparation of a Planning Proposal, and reclassification of land for Rossmore Grange, with the objective of achieving the most optimal outcome for Council and the community; and

3. Allocates funding for the required due diligence, planning proposal and reclassification from the Property Reserve, with total expenditure not to exceed $250,000 in 2025/2026 financial year.

4. Notes that this motion does not mean that Rossmore Grange will be disposed of.

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

Division called:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught

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

***Note**: Deputy Mayor Harle did not vote for or against the motion. Therefore, in accordance with Clause 11.5 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."

The motion was carried on the Mayor's casting vote.

ITEM NO: NOM 06
FILE NO: 040870.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Amendment to the Code of Meeting Practice Policy

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Harte)

That Council direct the CEO to amend the Code of Meeting Practice policy to ensure that any questions with notice (QWN) or notice of motions (NoM) regarding another Councillor be reported in the agenda under confidential cover.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted

Clr Monaghan asked the Mayor whether he believed the motion was lawful.

Mayor Mannoun ruled that the motion was lawful and complied with the Code of Meeting Practice.

MOTION OF DISSENT

Motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan**

That the ruling of the Chair be dissented from on the basis that it is unclear whether the motion is lawful, and that the item be deferred until advice from General Counsel is obtained.

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

Division called: (for the motion moved by Clr Monaghan):

Vote for: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte, Clr Macnaught and Deputy Mayor Harle*

***Note**: Deputy Mayor Harle did not vote for or against the motion. Therefore, in accordance with Clause 11.5 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 then put the motion (moved by Clr Harte) to the vote.

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

Division called:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught

Vote against Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of the meeting at 6.09pm

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in Open Session at 6.37pm, with all Councillors present.

ITEM NO: COM 08
FILE NO: 037841.2026
SUBJECT: Motions for the National General Assembly (NGA) Conference 23 - 25 June 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Endorse motions 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 9 outlined in the Council report, and Council submit to the NGA Conference by 27 February 2026; and

2. Note that final acceptance of motions is subject to assessment by the Conference organisers in accordance with the NGA submission guidelines.

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

Division called:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught

Vote against: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 040716.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Deputy Mayor Harle - Voluntary Planning Agreement relating to Coopers Paddock, Warwick Farm

At the latest Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting, several members asked for an update on the Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) concerning Coopers Paddock in Warwick Farm. The issue has remained unresolved for over a decade, with no confirmed progress on the works required under the agreement.

The following information is requested:

1. A comprehensive timeline of all meetings and outcomes associated with the VPA since it began; and

2. Clarification on the legal options available to Council to move this matter forward so the land can be used for public recreation, consistent with the original intent.

Responses will be included in the agenda for the 25 March 2026 Council meeting.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 020741.2026
SUBJECT: Diamond roundabout

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council note the contents of the report.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That this item be moved to the end of the meeting so that the item can be dealt with in closed session under Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

On being put to the meeting the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) was declared CARRIED and the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) lapsed.

This item was then dealt with at the end of the meeting.

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 028774.2026
SUBJECT: Building Management System (BMS) and Lift Maintenance Exemption and Contract Renewal Report (2026-2029)

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Agrees to enter into the following contracts without first inviting tenders:
   (a) a 36-month contract for support of the BMS with the supplier identified in the report, and
   (b) a 36-month contract for support of the lift systems with the supplier identified in the report.

2. Agrees pursuant to section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 that a satisfactory result will not be obtained by inviting tenders because of the following extenuating circumstances:
   (a) the BMS and lifts are installed systems that rely on proprietary hardware and software,
   (b) there would be significant transition costs to move to different systems,
   (c) there would be a loss of productivity associated with changing systems or providers at this time.

3. Authorises the CEO or delegate to do all things necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

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

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 038422.2026
SUBJECT: Procurement Exemption - Avant Loader Machine(s) and Attachments

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Agrees to buy three (3) Avant machines, together with attachments, spare parts, servicing and replacement plans.
2. Agrees pursuant to section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 that a satisfactory result will not be obtained by inviting tenders because of the following extenuating circumstances:
   (a) Council currently has two (2) Avant machines, and it would be inefficient to have a mixed fleet for reasons set out in the report, including that parts and attachments would not be interchangeable, training and servicing requirements would be multiplied, whole of life-cycle costs would be higher and safety and risk management would be impeded,
   (b) Market analysis has identified limited comparable products, in terms of functionality, and Avant compares favourably on price.
3. Notes that the purchases will be paid form Council's Fleet services Capital expansion budget.

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

Clr Ristevski declared a conflict of interest and stated that he would need to leave the Chamber if the item was voted on.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 034149.2026
SUBJECT: Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T9)

COUNCIL DECISION

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

The item lapsed due to no mover or seconder.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 027913.2026
SUBJECT: Liverpool Waste Committee - Appointment of Committee Membership

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Defers consideration of community membership and that a report is brought back, which includes all the nine applicants and the scoring matrix for consideration; and

2. Direct the CEO to investigate and report back to the Governance Committee meeting whether the CEO has delegation to appoint community membership for all external committees.

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

RECOMMITTING RESOLUTIONS TO CORRECT AN ERROR

MOTION TO ALTER A RESOLUTION ITEM NO: OPER 02

Clr Harte sought to move a motion to recommit a resolution to correct an error to point 2 of the resolution for Item OPER 02 - Case Study for Local Government Entity Formation resolved earlier in the meeting in accordance with Clause 17.15 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice (as shown below)

> *17.15 Despite the provisions of this Part, a councillor may, with the leave of the chairperson, move to recommit a resolution adopted at the same meeting:*
>
> *(a) to correct any error, ambiguity or imprecision in the council's resolution,*
>
> *or*
>
> *(b) to confirm the voting on the resolution.*

The motion to alter the resolution was signed by Clrs Ammoun, Harte and Macnaught and issued to the Mayor during the meeting.

SUBJECT: Case Study for Local Government Entity Formation

DATE: 25 February 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Macnaught Seconded: Clr Harte

That Council:

1. Agree to undertake a case study and options analysis of the optimal operating model for commercialising circular economy activities, including if appropriate, preparation of a proposal in accordance with OLG's Formation of Corporations and Entities Guideline.

2. Approve the allocation of $100,000 from Environmental Levy Reserve to support the project.

3. Note that the case study will not authorise the establishment of a separate entity and Council and ministerial approval will be required before taking that step.

4. Note that the outcomes of the case study will be reported back to Council for further consideration and decision.

Amend resolution as follows:

That Council:

1. Agree to undertake a case study and options analysis of the optimal operating model for commercialising circular economy activities, including if appropriate, preparation of a proposal in accordance with OLG's Formation of Corporations and Entities Guideline.

2. Approve the allocation of $100,000 from **the Waste Levy Reserve** to support the project.

3. Note that the case study will not authorise the establishment of a separate entity and Council and ministerial approval will be required before taking that step.

4. Note that the outcomes of the case study will be reported back to Council for further consideration and decision.

Mayor Mannoun granted leave to move to recommit a resolution and stated that he was satisfied that the change from Environmental to Waste does not alter the substance of the resolution.

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

Clr Karnib stated that he would like to withdraw the request for the Mayor to call an Extraordinary Meeting of Council to rescind NOMR 01, 18 February 2026 Council meeting that was submitted to the Mayor to limit any disruption to Council.

It was stated that some Councillors would be impacted and unable to attend the March Council meeting commencement time, however, every effort would be taken to arrive as soon as possible.

The Mayor accepted this request.

CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor Mannoun advised that Council would now move into Closed Session to deal with Item no: CONF 01 – Diamond roundabout in accordance with Section 10A(2)a of the *Local Government Act 1993* because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)..

The gallery left the Chamber at 7.30pm. The meeting moved into Closed Session at 7.30pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 020741.2026
SUBJECT: Diamond roundabout

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Macnaught Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle

That Council note the contents of the report.

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

MOTION TO MOVE IN OPEN SESSION

Motion Moved: Clr Harte Seconded: Clr Ammoun

That Council move into Open Session.

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

OPEN SESSION

The meeting moved into Open Session at 7.36pm. Mayor Mannoun then read the resolution for CONF 01 – Diamond Roundabout which was resolved in Closed Session.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 7.37pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 25 March 2026

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25 February 2026. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 25 MARCH 2026

PRESENT:
Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim (arrived at 5.28pm)
Councillor Karnib (arrived at 5.25pm)
Councillor Macnaught
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 M'Leigh Brunetta, Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Julie Scott, Head of Economic Development and Strategy
Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer

The meeting commenced at 4.49pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:
"In accordance with clause 5.37 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

(a) the meeting is being recorded and made publicly available on the council's website, and

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

.....

Chairperson

In relation to clause 4.3 – The provisions of this code requiring the livestreaming of meetings also apply to public forums.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY, PRAYER AND AFFIRMATION

The prayer of the Council was read by Reverend Paul Mosiejczuk from Liverpool Baptist Church.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

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

That Councillor Monaghan be noted as an apology for this meeting.

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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)

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

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 25 February 2026 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Item: PD 01 - Warwick Farm Racing Precinct - Next Steps

Reason: Deputy Mayor Harle has family members that live in the area.

Deputy Mayor Harle stated that constituents have contacted him and requested he represent them and remain in the Chamber to participate.

Deputy Mayor Harle remained in the Chamber.

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

Item: QWN 06 - Question with Notice - Deputy Mayor Harle - Voluntary Planning Agreement relating to Coopers Paddock, Warwick Farm.

Reason: Clr Harte is a member of the Australian Turf Club.

Clr Harte remained in the Chamber for the duration of the item.

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

Item: PD 02 – Amendment to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City) 2021 – 495 Fourth Avenue, Austral

Reason: Mayor Mannoun's children go to school across the road from the mentioned property, and Mayor Mannoun is a member of the Sydney Western City Planning Panel (SWCPP).

Item: PD 03 – Amendment to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City) 2021 - 330-350 Eighth Avenue, Austral.

Reason: Mayor Mannoun is a member of the Sydney Western City Planning Panel (SWCPP).

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber for the duration of the items.

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

Item: PD 03 – Amendment to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City) 2021 - 330-350 Eighth Avenue, Austral.

Reason: Clr Ammoun is a member of the Sydney Western City Planning Panel (SWCPP).

Clr Ammoun left the Chamber for the duration of the item.

**Note: Although Clr Ammoun stated that his interest was for PD 03, the submitted form was amended to also include PD 02 – Amendment to the State Environmental Planning Policy (precincts – Western Parkland City) 2021 – 495 Fourth Avenue Austral. Therefore, items PD 02 and PD 03 will be recorded accordingly in the official records.*

PETITIONS

Nil.

RECISSION MOTIONS

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: **MAYOR 01**
REPORT OF: **Mayor Ned Mannoun**
SUBJECT: **International Day for the Elimination of Racial discrimination - 21 March 2026**

On 21 March 2026, communities around the world marked the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Racism has absolutely no place in our city. Not in our streets, our workplaces, our schools or online. Liverpool is a community built on respect and belonging, and we will always call racism out for what it is: harmful, hurtful and completely unacceptable.

Liverpool is one of the most multicultural communities in Australia. Our residents come from hundreds of cultural backgrounds and speak hundreds of languages at home. A large share of our population was born overseas, and many families bring rich cultural traditions that shape daily life in our suburbs. That diversity is our greatest strength. It fuels our creativity, drives our economy, and makes Liverpool one of the most vibrant, globally connected communities in Sydney.

Council has a firm stance: we reject racism in every form. Discrimination, harassment, exclusion and prejudice have no place in the Liverpool City Council organisation or the broader community. We are committed to eliminating racism by strengthening our policies, improving our practices and making sure our services are accessible, culturally safe and welcoming.

Liverpool City Council runs programs across our libraries, community centres and youth services to build cultural understanding, language skills, community connections and mutual respect. We back multicultural festivals that bring thousands together to celebrate the cultures that make our city special. We provide cultural training for staff, support youth programs that challenge stereotypes, and work closely with community organisations to strengthen inclusion and belonging.

Recently, racist social media posts from within our community have caused real distress. They do not represent who we are. Liverpool is better than that. Racism harms people, divides communities and undermines the safe, welcoming city we work hard to build. Rather than dig into division, we should be celebrating our commonalities. We are all sprung from the same stock, sharers of the same hope. To be otherwise is to be rightly held up for contempt.

Liverpool rejects racism, loudly and clearly. We will continue to stand up, speak out and work every day to ensure this city remains a place where everyone is respected, valued and treated with dignity.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Acknowledge International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination is 21 March 2026

2. Affirm that there is no place for racism in Liverpool's diverse and multicultural communities.

3. Uses its social media platforms during this time to promote unity and saying no to racism.

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 02**

REPORT OF: **Mayor Ned Mannoun**

SUBJECT: **Park Naming Proposal to honour Austral Pioneer William (Bill) Edward Braithwaite**

An Austral Pioneer

William (Bill) Edward Braithwaite was a builder who arrived in rural Austral in the early 1940's with his wife, Norma. Due to their very limited resources, they lived in a tent during which time, the first of their three daughters was born.

Determined to build a strong Austral community, Bill not only built his family home but also the homes of many other local pioneers and their descendants.

As the founder of the Austral Bowling Club, Bill regularly volunteered his time and services, which he also dedicated to his other passion: motor racing, volunteering at local and major events held in Oran Park during the 1960s and 1970s.

Bill's services to the Austral community were highly recognised as follows:

1978: Bill was awarded the British Empire Medal (Civil) [BEM], in the Queen's Birthday Honours List, for outstanding services to the State of New South Wales.

1990: Honoured as a Founder of Austral Bowling Club, and awarded a medal for his 25 Years of Service.

This proposal is for Council to acknowledge Bill's lifetime contributions to the community and to building a strong social fabric in Austral; a Pioneer's legacy that spans from the early development of rural Austral, to the founding of the Austral Bowling Club in 1965 and over 25 years of service; for which he received formal recognition outside of Council.

Family Support

Council was first approached in May 2018, (CR No. 1414635), by Ms Deneace Braithwaite, daughter of Mr William (Bill) Edwards BEM, (1917 – 2001), seeking Council's posthumous acknowledgement of her father's services to the Austral community by naming a park in Austral in honour of his services to the Austral community; and has recently connected with Council to follow up on this proposal.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Recognise William (Bill) Edward Braithwaite as an Austral Pioneer and his lifetime contributions to the Austral community.

2. Consider in the future planning of Austral parks and community spaces, that appropriate Council assets be named in honour of William (Bill) Edward Braithwaite for his lifetime contributions to the Austral community.

3. Any naming should be considered through Council Policy, consultation and required endorsement through the Geographical Names Board.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 5.07pm

Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 5.09pm

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

ITEM NO: CEO 01
FILE NO: 061753.2026
SUBJECT: Draft Woodward Park Design Masterplan

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That this item be deferred to later in the meeting to allow two councillors (Clr Karnib and Clr Ibrahim) to participate in discussion as they had indicated a late arrival for this meeting.

The motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) lapsed as there was no seconder.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and adopts the revised Draft Master Plan;

2. Investigate suitable alternate sites for any affected community and sporting groups; and

3. Delegates the CEO to conduct an Expression of Interest (EOI) process to invite proposals for long-term investment in Woodward Park.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED.

MOTION TO BRING ITEMS FORWARD

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That the following items are brought forward and dealt with now, due to a large attendance in the gallery and speakers regarding public forum:

- COM 04 – Miller State Library
- COM 01 – Draft Memorials Policy

- COM 03 – Ireland Park Masterplan
- COM 05 – Media Policy Review
- NOM 02 – Rates Discount for Australian Defence Force Personnel and Veterans
- NOM 04 – Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - East Leppington Infrastructure Delivery

That Council then proceed to consider items in the ordinary order of business.

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

Clr Karnib arrived at the meeting at 5.25pm.

Clr Ibrahim arrived at 5.28pm.

Clr Harte left at 6.02pm.

Clr Harte returned at 6.05pm.

ITEM NO: COM 04
FILE NO: 066929.2026
SUBJECT: Miller Library Future State

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the importance of providing comprehensive services to the community of Miller and surrounds including educational services such as are provided through Miller library.

2. Acknowledges that there are challenges to providing a comprehensive service to the community within the current leased area.

3. Investigate and provide a report to Council on alternative sites, preferably Council owned, including but not limited to Michael Wenden Aquatic Leisure Centre and PCYC Liverpool, that are in close proximity to the Miller Shopping Centre (in Miller) and are more suitable for the comprehensive provision of library and ancillary services to improve and expand the current offerings to the Miller community.

4. Maintain the current provision of a library service in Miller (preferably in the current location), until an alternative location is found in Miller and is determined appropriate by the Council governing body.

5. Write to the Member for Liverpool asking her to facilitate meetings with relevant Government departments regarding the implementation of the Miller Masterplan.

Amendment Motion: Moved: Clr Ristevski Seconded: Clr Karnib

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the importance of providing comprehensive services to the community of Miller and surrounds including educational services such as are provided through Miller library.

2. Acknowledges that there are challenges to providing a comprehensive service to the community within the current leased area.

3. Investigate and provide a report to Council on alternative sites, preferably Council owned, including but not limited to Michael Wenden Aquatic Leisure Centre and PCYC Liverpool, that are in close proximity to the Miller Shopping Centre and are more suitable for the comprehensive provision of library and ancillary services to improve and expand the current offerings to the Miller community.

4. Maintain the current provision of service in the current location and renew the lease for 5 years.

5. Write to the Member for Liverpool asking her to facilitate meetings with relevant Government departments regarding the implementation of the Miller Masterplan

The Amendment Motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) was then put to the meeting and on being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

Division:

Vote for: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib and Clr Ristevski.

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle , Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Note: Clr Monaghan was an apology for this meeting.

The motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was then voted on and on being put to the meeting was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 6.15pm

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

The Mayor resumed the meeting in open Council at 6.42pm, with all Councillors present, except Clr Monaghan who was an apology for this meeting.

ITEM NO: COM 01
FILE NO: 032579.2026
SUBJECT: Draft Memorials Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council endorse the draft Memorial Policy as final, subject to the following additions:

That the CEO be directed to revise the Draft Memorials Policy to include:

- clear assessment criteria for approval and refusal of memorial requests;
- a compassionate and trauma-informed application process;
- a requirement to provide families with written reasons for decisions;
- a requirement to offer reasonable alternative memorial options where a requested memorial cannot be approved;
- a review or appeal mechanism for refused applications.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 064134.2026
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Mcnaught**

That Council endorses the funding recommendation of **$30,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Matching Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Hoxton Industries Ltd	The Connection Club	$15,000
Street Industries Inc	Street Sports Festival - Youth Week 2026	$15,000

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

ITEM NO: COM 03
FILE NO: 066927.2026
SUBJECT: Ireland Park Masterplan

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That this item be deferred until further consultation is undertaken with Councillors, Liverpool Rangers and the sporting clubs affected.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: COM 05
FILE NO: 069764.2026
SUBJECT: Media Policy Review

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Adopts the Draft Media and Social Media Policy 2026;

2. Adopts a moderation framework where comments are moderated Monday to Friday, 9am–5pm, and automatically turned off on weekends, after three days, or whenever moderation is unavailable, to reduce organisational risk;

3. Place the Draft policies on public exhibition for a period of at least 28 days;

4. Bring these policies to the next Governance Committee whilst still on exhibition for further input by Councillors; and

5. Brings a report back to the Council meeting following the public exhibition.

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

Division:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Vote against: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib and Clr Ristevski.

Note: Clr Monaghan was an apology for this meeting.

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 061933.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Rates Discount for Australian Defence Force Personnel and Veterans

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a policy that provides a rates discount for current Australian Defence Force personnel and veterans who reside within the Liverpool City Council local government area, consistent with the discount currently afforded to age pensioners.

2. The rates discount is to be structured such that:
    a. Current serving personnel of the Australian Defence Force (Army, Navy, Air Force) who are residents of Liverpool LGA receive a discount on their annual Council rates.
    b. Veterans of the Australian Defence Force who reside in the Liverpool LGA receive a similar discount, recognising their service to the nation.
    c. Eligible recipients provide proof of current service or discharge documentation confirming veteran status.

3. The policy shall be funded by reallocating savings from the existing Council budget, specifically by reducing or discontinuing allocations to non-essential festivals that are not core Council services and redirecting these funds to support the rates discount initiative.

4. The policy shall also include eligibility criteria, administrative procedures, and annual reporting to Council on uptake, cost, and community impact.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Notes that Liverpool City is home to one of Australia's most significant Defence communities, including current serving Australian Defence Force personnel, reservists, veterans and their families, supported in large part by the presence of the Holsworthy Military Area.

2. Recognises the contribution, sacrifice and service of current and former members of the Australian Defence Force residing in the Liverpool local government area.

3. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to prepare and report back to Council on all lawful options available to provide meaningful financial recognition and support to current serving Australian Defence Force personnel and veterans residing in the Liverpool local government area, including but not limited to:
   a. any rates concession or relief pathway available under the Local Government Act 1993, associated regulations, or any other applicable legislation;
   b. any lawful alternative rebate, grant, voucher, fee waiver, concession, hardship mechanism or support program that could achieve a substantially similar outcome;
   c. opportunities for Council to better identify, promote and facilitate access to existing statutory concessions already available to eligible veterans, service pension recipients and related classes under the current legislative framework; and
   d. eligibility criteria, administrative requirements, estimated uptake, cost implications and funding options for each model identified.

4. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to include in that report advice on how any preferred support model could be funded through reprioritisation of existing discretionary expenditure, including non-core festival or event spending, without increasing rate revenue**.**

5. Requests that the report also include a draft advocacy submission to the NSW Government and the Office of Local Government seeking legislative reform, if required, to enable councils to provide rates relief or equivalent cost-of-living assistance to current and former Australian Defence Force personnel.

6. Receives a further report within 90 days.

7. Advocate to the Local Government NSW (LGNSW) for the next conferences.

8. Write to all the Local and State Members that apply to the Liverpool LGA (including Liverpool and Werriwa), requesting that the relevant items that applies, they lobby the Minister for Local Government and come back to Council with measures that can be implemented to have this for the Liverpool LGA constituents.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 062317.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - East Leppington Infrastructure Delivery

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Notes the ongoing community concerns regarding delayed delivery of critical infrastructure, including:
    - The delayed completion of Leppington Park, originally communicated for delivery in 2024;
    - The lack of progress on promised East Leppington green space provision, the subject of a petition containing over 170 resident signatures;
    - The failure to deliver traffic signals at the fourth leg of Camden Valley Way, previously communicated as operational in 2025, now outstanding in 2026, raising road safety concerns.

2. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to provide a comprehensive written report to the next Council meeting detailing:
    a. The original delivery timeframes for each of the above projects;
    b. Current project status and confirmed completion dates;
    c. Funding allocations and whether funds have been expended, deferred, or reallocated;
    d. Any State Government dependencies affecting delivery;
    e. Risk assessments relating to traffic safety at Camden Valley Way.

3. Requests that the report include a clear public timeline for delivery of all outstanding works.

4. Commits to a public community update session in East Leppington within 60 days to provide residents with direct answers and confirmed delivery milestones.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

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

MAYORAL MINUTE

Item: MAYOR 03

Report of: Mayor Ned Mannoun

Subject: Establishing the Park and Infrastructure Delivery Committee Charter

The community has expectations with regards to the timely delivery of infrastructure, in particular parks.

The objective of this committee is to work with the community and the governing body to delivery high quality parks in a timely manner and have a leading method of community engagement.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

1. Council establish the Park and Infrastructure Delivery Committee Charter; and
2. Put out for consultation and community members for 28 days.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

1. Council establish the Park and Infrastructure Delivery Committee Charter; and
2. Put out for consultation and community members for 35 days.

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

PARK AND INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY COMMITTEE DRAFT CHARTER

1. Committee Name

Park and Infrastructure Delivery Committee (PIDC)

2. Purpose

The purpose of the Park and Infrastructure Delivery Committee is to:

- Oversee the planning, design, delivery, and governance of parks and infrastructure projects within the Local Government Area.
- Ensure projects are delivered in the most efficient, timely, and cost-effective manner possible.
- Provide a structured mechanism for community consultation, stakeholder input, and design feedback.
- Strengthen collaboration between Council, community, and State and Federal

representatives.
- Monitor progress and ensure accountability and transparency in delivery.

3. Objectives

The Committee will:

1. Accelerate delivery
    - Identify and remove bottlenecks
    - Monitor timelines and delivery performance
    - Recommend actions to expedite projects
2. Strengthen governance
    - Provide oversight of major park and infrastructure projects
    - Ensure alignment with Council strategies, budgets, and policies
    - Promote transparency in decision-making
3. Enhance community input
    - Act as a formal channel for community consultation
    - Review and provide feedback on design concepts and plans
    - Ensure community needs and expectations are reflected
4. Improve coordination
    - Facilitate engagement with State and Federal Governments
    - Align funding opportunities and delivery priorities
5. Monitor outcomes
    - Track delivery against agreed milestones, budgets, and quality standards

4. Scope

The Committee will oversee:

- New park developments
- Upgrades to existing parks and open spaces
- Recreation infrastructure (e.g. playgrounds, sports fields, amenities)
- Public domain improvements
- Associated infrastructure supporting community use

The Committee is advisory in nature, unless otherwise resolved by Council.

5. Membership

The Committee will consist of: **Voting Members**

- 5 Councillors (appointed by Council resolution)
- 5 Community Representatives, selected based on:
    - Demonstrated community involvement
    - Relevant expertise (e.g. planning, design, construction, recreation)
    - Geographic representation across the LGA

Non-Voting Members

- Local State Member(s) of Parliament
- Local Federal Member(s) of Parliament

Council Officers (Advisory)

- Chief Executive Officer (or delegate)
- Relevant Directors and staff (as required)

6. Chairperson

- The Chairperson will be the Mayor or a Councillor, elected by the Council should the Mayor not be available.
- The Chair will:
    - Preside over meetings
    - Ensure orderly conduct
    - Facilitate balanced participation

7. Meetings

- Meetings will be held bi-monthly (or as determined by the Chair).
- Extraordinary meetings may be called where required.
- A quorum will consist of:
    - At least 3 Councillors, and
    - At least 2 Community Representatives

8. Roles and Responsibilities

Committee Responsibilities

- Review project pipelines and priorities
- Provide input from the community on concept designs and masterplans
- Monitor project timelines and delivery risks
- Identify opportunities for acceleration or innovation
- Facilitate community feedback and consultation
- Provide recommendations to Council

Council Responsibilities

- Provide administrative support
- Prepare reports and updates for the Committee
- Implement Council-approved decisions

9. Decision-Making

- The Committee will operate in an advisory capacity.
- Recommendations will be made to Council for formal resolution.
- Where delegated authority is granted by Council, the Committee may make determinations within that scope.

10. Reporting

- Minutes will be recorded for all meetings and will be reported to Council.
- A delivery dashboard will be maintained including:
    - Project status
    - Budget tracking
    - Key milestones
    - Risks and delays

11. Community Engagement

The Committee will:

- Act as a central forum for community consultation
- Invite community presentations where appropriate
- Ensure design and delivery reflect local needs
- Provide transparency on project progress

12. Term of Appointment

- Councillor appointments align with Council terms.
- Community representatives will be appointed for a 2-year term, with eligibility for reappointment.

13. Code of Conduct

All members must comply with:

- Council's Code of Conduct
- Relevant legislation and governance requirements
- Conflict of interest provisions

14. Review of Charter

- This Charter will be reviewed every 3 years.

15. Administrative Support

Council will provide:

- Secretariat support
- Agenda preparation and distribution
- Record keeping and reporting

MAYORAL MINUTE

Item: MAYOR 04

Report of: Mayor Ned Mannoun

Subject: Public Exhibition of Grass and City Presentation Community Standards Policy

This Mayoral Minute seeks Council's endorsement to place the draft *Grass and City Presentation Community Standards Policy* on public exhibition and receive community feedback on the level of service provided to the community by Council and to obtain advice on the financial implications of implementing the proposed standards as part of the current budget process.

Grass maintenance has received significant attention from our local members of Parliament and community and this draft policy going on exhibition allows the appropriate level of feedback and interaction to and from the Governing Body regarding this vital service provided to the community.

Background

Council manages a significant portfolio of public land and is responsible for maintaining an acceptable standard of city presentation.

Community feedback has highlighted concerns regarding inconsistencies in grass maintenance and the presentation of public areas, particularly during peak growth periods.

While service delivery is an operational matter, Council has a clear governance role in setting community standards, service expectations, and resourcing priorities through the budget process.

The draft Policy

- Establishes community-based standards for grass and city presentation;
- Aligns service levels with annual budget decision-making;
- Provides flexibility for the CEO to respond to seasonal pressures, including contractor use;
- Introduces public transparency measures, including a service delivery dashboard;
- Formalises Council's role in addressing State/Federal land and private land issues.

Public exhibition will allow the community to provide feedback prior to adoption.

It is also appropriate that Council consider the cost implications of meeting these standards as part of the current budget process.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Endorse the draft Grass and City Presentation Community Standards Policy (Attachment 1) for the purpose of public exhibition;
2. Place the draft Policy on public exhibition for a minimum of 42 days, in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Strategy;
3. Receive a report following the exhibition period that:
    - Summarises submissions received; and
    - Presents the draft Policy for adoption, including any recommended amendments.
4. Request the CEO to prepare and report to Council, as part of the current budget process, on the financial and resourcing implications of meeting the service standards outlined in the draft Policy, including:
    - Baseline operational costs;
    - Peak period and weather-related impacts;
    - Contractor utilisation in line with the award; and
    - Any required budget adjustments;

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved Mayor Mannoun**

That Council:

1. Endorse the draft Grass and City Presentation Community Standards Policy (Attachment 1) for the purpose of public exhibition;
2. Place the draft Policy on public exhibition for a minimum of 42 days, in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Strategy;
3. Receive a report following the exhibition period that:
    - Summarises submissions received; and
    - Presents the draft Policy for adoption, including any recommended amendments;

4. Request the CEO to prepare and report to Council, as part of the current budget process, on the financial and resourcing implications of meeting the service standards outlined in the draft Policy, including:
    i. Baseline operational costs;
    ii. Peak period and weather-related impacts;
    iii. Contractor utilisation in line with the award;
    iv. Any required budget adjustments;
    v. Clarity of what is classified as overgrown and what is considered clean and tidy;
    vi. Grass clippings not to be left over the road and drainage clamping on the sporting fields;
    vii. Consider providing, at a fee for cost, grass maintenance service for businesses who adjoin Council properties and efficient for Council to do so while maintaining public property;
    viii. Consider the appropriate use of glyphosate as part of the Policy.

5. Thank the Outdoor staff for all their hard work to date in these challenging weather conditions.

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

Division:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Vote against: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, and Clr Ristevski.

Note: Clr Monaghan was an apology at this meeting**.**

Open Space Maintenance and Grass Cutting Service Standard Policy

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to establish clear service standards, performance thresholds, and escalation mechanisms for the maintenance of Council-managed open space, ensuring grass cutting is undertaken in a timely, consistent, and accountable manner.

2. Objectives

This Policy aims to:

- Maintain public spaces in a safe, usable, and presentable condition;
- Provide measurable service standards for grass maintenance;
- Enable timely operational escalation where service levels are not met;
- Clarify the Chief Executive Officer's (CEO) delegated authority to respond to service gaps; and
- Ensure transparency and accountability through structured reporting.

3. Scope

This Policy applies to all Council-managed:

- Parks and reserves;
- Road verges and medians;
- Drainage corridors and easements; and
- Sporting fields (excluding specialist turf areas managed under separate regimes).

4. Service Standards

4.1 Grass Height Thresholds

Council adopts the following maximum grass height standards:

Land Type	Target Height	Intervention Trigger
High-use parks	≤100mm	>150mm
Standard parks/reserves	≤150mm	>200mm
Road verges/medians	≤150mm	>250mm
Low-use / peripheral land	≤300mm	>400mm

4.2 Mowing Frequency (Guide Only)

- Growing season (spring–summer): every 2–4 weeks
- Lower growth periods (autumn–winter): every 4–8 weeks

Note: Frequency is indicative only and may vary based on growth rates, weather conditions, and resource availability.

5. Performance and Escalation Framework

5.1 Service Failure Definition

A service failure is deemed to occur where:

- Grass height exceeds the intervention trigger; or
- Areas are not serviced within a reasonable cycle relative to seasonal growth conditions.

5.2 Escalation Levels

Level 1 – Operational Adjustment

- Reallocation of internal resources
- Adjustment of work schedules
- Prioritisation of high-use areas

Level 2 – Targeted Contractor Engagement

Triggered where:

- Service backlog persists beyond a reasonable recovery period; or
- Weather events result in widespread overgrowth

The CEO is authorised to:

- Engage external contractors within approved budgets;
- Redirect operational resources to address backlog.

Level 3 – Acute Service Failure Response

Triggered where:

- Public safety, access, or amenity is significantly impacted;
- Multiple locations exceed intervention thresholds; or
- Sustained service failure occurs.

The CEO may:

- Activate rapid contractor deployment;
- Reprioritise or suspend non-critical works;
- Implement surge resourcing strategies.

6. Weather and Exceptional Circumstances

Where abnormal growth occurs due to:

- Prolonged rainfall;
- Flooding; or
- Rapid seasonal growth,

the CEO is to:

- Implement a recovery plan within a reasonable timeframe;
- Prioritise high-use and safety-critical areas; and
- Provide advice through reporting on anticipated recovery timeframes.

7. Community Requests and Complaints

- Customer requests are to be recorded and monitored;
- Clusters of complaints in a locality are to trigger review and prioritisation;
- Complaint trends are to inform service planning and resource allocation.

8. Delegation

Council delegates authority to the CEO to:

- Determine operational delivery methods;
- Engage contractors to meet service standards;

- Reallocate operational resources within approved budgets; and
- Implement response strategies during peak growth periods.

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9. Budget and Resource Considerations

- Annual budgeting processes are to consider baseline and peak-period service requirements;
- The CEO may utilise allocated resources to address service backlogs in accordance with this Policy.

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10. Monitoring and Reporting

The CEO is to provide **quarterly reports** to Council including:

- Compliance with service standards;
- Areas exceeding intervention thresholds;
- Contractor utilisation and costs;
- Community complaints and identified hotspots;
- Response times to service failures.

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11. Review

This Policy is to be reviewed every 2–3 years or following significant service delivery issues.

Clr Karnib left the Chamber at 8.07pm
Clr Karnib returned to the Chamber at 8.08pm

PLANNING & DESIGN REPORT

ITEM NO: PD 01
FILE NO: 038377.2026
SUBJECT: Warwick Farm Racing Precinct - Next Steps

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;

2. Defer any progress until a landowners meeting is organised with the current elected Council so that we can hear their views and desired outcomes given the length of time this project has been in progress.

3. Receive a summary of the studies referred to by Ms Harvey in the public forum, to be considered prior to any further expenditure on this matter.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber at 8.10pm due to his declaration of interest and Councillor Harle, as the Deputy Mayor assumed the Chair.

Clr Ammoun left the Chamber at 8.10pm
Clr Adjei left the Chamber at 8.10pm.
Clr Adjei returned to the Chamber at 8.11pm.

ITEM NO: PD 02
FILE NO: 044847.2026
SUBJECT: Amendment to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City) 2021 – 495 Fourth Avenue, Austral

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

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 to amend Schedule 1 of Appendix 4 of the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts – Western Parkland City) 2021* to permit a ‘recreation facility (indoor)’ as an additional permitted use at 495 Fourth Avenue, Austral (121 DP 1220414);

4. Forwards the 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, with a request that Council be authorised as the Local Plan Making Authority;

5. Subject to Gateway Determination, undertakes public exhibition and community consultation in accordance with the conditions of the Gateway Determination and Council’s Community Participation Plan 2025; and

6. Receives a Post-Exhibition Report on the outcomes of the public exhibition.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Monaghan was an apology for this meeting and Mayor Mannoun and Clr Ammoun were not in the Chamber when this item was voted on.

ITEM NO: PD 03
FILE NO: 044862.2026
SUBJECT: Amendment to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City) 2021 - 330-350 Eighth Avenue, Austral

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

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 to amend Schedule 1 of Appendix 4 of the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts – Western Parkland City) 2021* to permit a ‘recreation facility (indoor)’ as an additional permitted use at 330-350 Eighth Avenue, Austral (Lot 940 DP 1265677);

4. Forwards the 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, with a request that Council be authorised as the Local Plan Making Authority;

5. Subject to Gateway Determination, undertakes public exhibition and community consultation in accordance with the conditions of the Gateway Determination and Council’s Community Participation Plan 2025; and

6. Receives a Post-Exhibition Report on the outcomes of the public exhibition.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Monaghan was an apology for this meeting and Mayor Mannoun and Clr Ammoun were not in the Chamber when this item was voted on.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chamber at 8.14pm and assumed the Chair.
Clr Ammoun returned to the Chamber at 8.14pm.
Clr Macnaught left the Chamber at 8.18pm.
Clr Macnaught returned to the Chamber at 8.19pm.
Clr Ibrahim left the Chamber at 8.24pm.

ITEM NO: PD 04
FILE NO: 046192.2026
SUBJECT: Draft Sydney Plan and Draft Statewide Policy for Industrial Lands - Council Submission

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report.

2. Endorses the Council submission (**Attachment 1**) on the draft Sydney Plan, the draft Statewide Policy for Industrial Lands and the New Approach to Strategic Planning Discussion Paper subject to the following inclusions:

    a. That the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure considers the rezoning of underutilised industrial land at 36-42 Orange Grove Road, Warwick Farm (former Schweppes site) and 1 Moorebank Avenue and 3 Helles Avenue, Moorebank (Goodmans site) as potential locations for additional housing; and

    b. That the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure accelerates the commencement of formal precinct planning for the “non-initial” precincts of Kemps Creek and Rossmore under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Western Sydney Aerotropolis) 2020.

3. Notes the endorsed Council submission will be subsequently submitted to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) as a late submission for consideration.
4. Highlights the growth target set in the Sydney Plan as being unachievable without infrastructure and triple the growth that Council has been growing over the years and that Council communicates with our State Members and the community asking them to support our position of appropriate growth with infrastructure.

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

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

Vote against: Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Karnib and Clr Ristevski.

Note: Clr Ibrahim was not in the Chamber when this item was not voted on and Clr Monaghan was an apology at this meeting.

Clr Ibrahim returned to the Chamber at 8.28pm

ITEM NO: PD 05
FILE NO: 060452.2026
SUBJECT: Post-Exhibition Report - Planning Agreement - Edmondson Park Precincts 3, 5 and 9 - VPA 45

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;

2. Notes the submissions (**Attachment 5**) received during the public exhibition of the Draft Planning Agreement for Precincts 3, 5 and 9 in Edmondson Park (VPA-45);

3. Endorses the execution of the Planning Agreement (**Attachment 1**) and Explanatory Notes (**Attachment 2**) for Precincts 3, 5 and 9 in Edmondson Park (VPA-45) in the form that was publicly exhibited or with minor administrative amendments; and

4. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to finalise and execute the Planning Agreement on behalf of Council.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clr Monaghan was an apology at this meeting.

ITEM NO: PD 06
FILE NO: 049613.2026
SUBJECT: Advertising and Election Signage Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Endorse the draft 'Advertising and Election Signage Policy', for public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days (Attachment 2), subject to the following amendment:

    - in the definitions table, that the election signs include all contemporary plastic wrap and alternatives.

2. Delegates to the CEO the finalisation of the 'Advertising and Election Signage Policy' and revocation of the existing 'Council Owned Land Policy' should no submissions be received.

3. Agrees that a further report be provided to Council if submissions are received in the exhibition period.

4. Acknowledge former Councillor Dr Betty Green for initiating review of this Policy and advocating on the matter

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ITEM NO: CORP 01
FILE NO: 065311.2026
SUBJECT: Office of Local Government - Council Complaint Statistics 2024-2025

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council note the report.

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

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 065871.2026
SUBJECT: Investment Report February 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council receives and notes this report.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ITEM NO: CTTE 01
FILE NO: 043570.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Civic Advisory Committee held on 9 December 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Civic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 9 December 2025.

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

ITEM NO: CTTE 02
FILE NO: 067553.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 1 December 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 1 December 2025.

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

ITEM NO: CTTE 03
FILE NO: 069907.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held 10 March 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Karnib** **Seconded: Clr Ristevski**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 10 March 2026.

Amendment Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 10 March 2026; and

2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the Amendment motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was put to the meeting and declared CARRIED. The motion (moved by Clr Karnib) therefore lapsed.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught):

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

Vote against: Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib and Clr Ristevski.

Note: Clr Monaghan was an apology at this meeting.

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 059376.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Fixing the Niland Way Parking and Traffic Crisis

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Establish a Niland Way Traffic and Parking Task Force comprising:
   - Councillor Peter Ristevski as Chair
   - Relevant Council traffic officers
   - Representatives from the Traffic Committee
   - At least four residents of Niland Way selected through an expression of interest process

2. Task the group with identifying immediate, short-term and long-term solutions to mitigate safety risks and traffic congestion resulting from the childcare centre approval. This must include but not be limited to:
   - Traffic calming devices
   - Time-limited parking
   - Resident-only parking zones
   - School-zone style drop-off safety controls
   - Road widening feasibility
   - One-way conversion feasibility
   - Any other measures raised by local residents

3. Require Council staff to prepare a public report that sets out in full:
   - Why Council entered into consent orders
   - Who authorised the settlement
   - What legal advice was considered
   - Why the objections of 127 residents were not defended in Court
   - What alternative strategies were available
   - Whether this outcome sets a precedent for other narrow residential streets

4. Direct the CEO to hold a community meeting in Casula within 30 days, attended by senior planning and traffic staff, to give residents a complete and transparent explanation of Council's decision and to allow residents to ask questions.

5. Require quarterly public updates on the Task Force's progress and the implementation of any adopted traffic or safety measures.

COUNCIL DECISION

Clr Ristevski withdrew this item.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 053608.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - HSC Extended Study Hours at Liverpool Libraries

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council resolves that:

1. An annual and ongoing HSC study program be established to support students in Liverpool LGA and providing safe and accessible study spaces

2. That the annual and ongoing HSC study program, ensures access to a study space is available at each of the library as follows at a minimum, for 1 month prior to the first NSW HSC exam commencement, and until the conclusion of the last NSW HSC exam as follows:
   a) Yellamundi Liverpool Library – Monday – Friday until 9pm and Weekends until 8pm
   b) Carnes Hill Library – 7 days until 8pm
   c) Green Valley Library – Monday - Friday until 8pm, Saturday 9.30am – 4pm, Sunday 12-4pm
   d) Miller Library - Monday - Friday until 8pm, Saturday 9.30am – 4pm, Sunday 12-4pm

3. An annual and ongoing HSC study program be incorporated in the Library operation budget, for delivery each year.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ammoun** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council resolves that:

1. An annual and ongoing HSC study program be established to support students in Liverpool LGA and providing safe and accessible study spaces

2. That the annual and ongoing HSC study program, ensures access to a study space is available at each of the library as follows at a minimum, for 1 month prior to the first NSW HSC exam commencement, and until the conclusion of the last NSW HSC exam as follows:
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3. An annual and ongoing HSC study program be incorporated in the Library operation budget, for delivery each year.

4. This should be considered as part of the 2026/2027 budget process.

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

Division:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Vote Against: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib and Clr Ristevski.

Note: during debate Clr Ristevski had suggested a point 5 that Clr Ammoun funds this project from his Councillor's allowance. Mayor Mannoun stated he would like the words transcribed in the minutes.

It was not part of the Resolution, as Mayor Mannoun stated after that he rules it invalid as it was out of order and did not have a seconder, however it caused confusion as it was shown on the screen at the meeting. Clr Karnib stated that he voted against it as he didn't want the funding to come out of a Councillor's allowance.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 9.09pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

The Mayor resumed the meeting in open Council at 9.18 with all councillors present except Clr Karnib who retired from the meeting during the recess and Clr Monaghan who was an apology for this meeting.

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 073514.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Harte - Operations Directorate Independent Review

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Direct the CEO to commission an independent review into the Rose Street, 600 Cowpasture Road, and Devonshire Road depots.

2. Adopt the Terms of Reference for the independent review as per Attachment A.

3. Requests that the independent review be completed by July 2026 and reported back to Council.

4. Allocates a budget of $150,000 from the general fund to conduct the independent review.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Direct the CEO to commission an independent review into the Rose Street, 600 Cowpasture Road, and Devonshire Road depots.

2. Adopt the Terms of Reference for the independent review as per Attachment A.

3. Requests that the independent review be completed by August 2026 and reported back to Council.

4. Allocates a budget of $150,000 from the general fund to conduct the independent review.

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

Division:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Vote against: Clr Ibrahim and Clr Ristevski.

Note: Clr Monaghan was an apology for this meeting and Clr Karnib had retired from the meeting.

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 042159.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Deputy Mayor Harle - Voluntary Planning Agreement relating to Coopers Paddock, Warwick Farm

At the latest Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting, several members asked for an update on the Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) concerning Coopers Paddock in Warwick Farm. The issue has remained unresolved for over a decade, with no confirmed progress on the works required under the agreement.

The following information is requested:

1. A comprehensive timeline of all meetings and outcomes associated with the VPA since it began; and

2. Clarification on the legal options available to Council to move this matter forward so the land can be used for public recreation, consistent with the original intent.

Responses were provided to the Mayor and Councillors via a Confidential paper.

Item QWN 06 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10A(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.

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 045483.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Urgency Motion from the 4 February 2026 Council meeting - Item MOU 01 - Section 430 Investigation into Liverpool City Council

Please address the following:

1. What specific evidence was relied upon to support clause 2 of the motion, which states there was a “psychosocial impact on staff arising from the publication of the s430 interim report”?

2. Who conducted any assessment of this alleged psychosocial impact?
   - Was an independent workplace risk assessment undertaken?
   - If so, by whom and on what date?
   - Will that report be tabled?

3. What objective data supports clause 2?
   - Number of formal complaints lodged by staff
   - Number of EAP referrals
   - Number of sick leave days attributed to this matter
   - Any internal WHS incident reports
   - Any SafeWork notifications

4. What was clause 2 specifically based on?
   - Anecdotal feedback
   - Legal advice
   - HR advice
   - Medical reports
   - Or was it purely speculative?

5. Have any Workers Compensation claims been lodged that specifically cite the publication of the s430 interim report as the cause of psychological injury?
   - If yes, how many?
   - What is the estimated financial exposure to ratepayers?
   - Have any claims been accepted?

6. Did Council’s insurer advise that there was material risk exposure arising from psychosocial harm?
   - If so, provide the written advice.

7. Was a WHS risk assessment completed prior to moving this urgency motion?
   - If not, how can councillors assert psychosocial harm without evidence?

8. On what basis was this matter declared urgent?
    - What immediate risk existed that justified bypassing standard reporting and documentation?

9. Why was funding directed from the General Fund without a cost estimate?
    - What is the projected legal spend?
    - What is the cap?
    - What is the contingency allocation?

10. Has Council obtained fresh independent legal advice before delegating authority to the Mayor and CEO to re-engage prior legal representatives?
    - If not, why not?

Responses (provided by Director Corporate Services)

Motion MOU 01 was not moved based on a staff report. The motion was moved and seconded by councillors and dealt with by Council's governing body as an urgent item pursuant to clause 3.29 of the Code of Meeting Practice. The matter was debated, voted on, and livestreamed in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice. The minutes and a recording of the meeting are available on Council's website here: https://www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/council/council-meetings.

It is not the role of officers to respond on behalf of the governing body or members of the governing body regarding the intent, rationale, evidentiary basis or policy justification underpinning a Councillor-moved motion. This applies to questions 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and part of 10. To the extent that these matters were discussed, they should be captured in the recording of the meeting.

In relation to the remaining questions:

3. There have been no formal complaints through HR.

    There has been a small number of formally reported WHS psychosocial incidents that can be linked to the s430 inquiry. There are no formal tracking mechanisms to inform Council of the specific reasons why staff access EAP as the service is confidential. Sick leave dues not and cannot monitor the reasons for sick leave requests that stem from psychosocial impacts from the s430 interim report.

5. No.

6. Council is self-insured in respect of workers' compensation claims.

10. Legal advice was not requested to be provided or arranged by staff in relation to the motion.

ITEM NO: QWN 08
FILE NO: 045639.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Cultural Events Calendar

Please address the following:

1. Lunar New Year Removal
    - When was the decision made to remove Lunar New Year from the February events calendar?
    - Who authorised the decision?
    - What written report or recommendation supported it?
    - Provide all internal correspondence relating to this change.

2. Community Consultation
    - What consultation was undertaken with the Chinese and broader East Asian communities before removing Lunar New Year?
    - Which community leaders were contacted?
    - On what dates did consultation occur?
    - If no consultation occurred, why not?

3. Councillor Exclusion
    - Why were elected councillors not briefed prior to the removal of a major cultural event?
    - Does the Mayor consider it appropriate for significant cultural programming decisions to be made without informing the governing body?

4. Equity Across Communities
    - What objective criteria does Council use to determine the scale and duration of cultural celebrations?
    - Provide a breakdown of funding allocated to each cultural festival over the past three financial years.

5. Ramadan Programming
    - Who made the decision to allocate extended programming to Ramadan?
    - What was the total cost of Ramadan-related events, security, marketing and logistics?

6. Consistency Across Councils
    - Given that neighbouring councils continue to hold Lunar New Year celebrations in February, why has Liverpool diverged from standard practice?
    - Was benchmarking conducted before removing the event?

7. Demographic Justification
    - Provide demographic data relied upon when determining cultural event priorities.
    - How does Council ensure minority communities are respected without marginalising others?

8. Governance and Transparency
    - Was this decision endorsed by a formal Council resolution?
    - If not, under what delegated authority was it made?
    - Will this Mayor commit to restoring Lunar New Year to the calendar pending proper consultation?

Responses (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

1. **Lunar New Year Removal**
    - **When was the decision made to remove Lunar New Year from the February events calendar?**
    - **Who authorised the decision?**
    - **What written report or recommendation supported it?**
    - **Provide all internal correspondence relating to this change.**

Response

Lanterns and Lights forms part of Council's Experience the World program, which is designed to provide broad and diverse cultural representation across the annual events calendar. While the event has historically been scheduled to align with the Lunar New Year period to leverage community interest and market appeal, it is not a Lunar New Year festival. Rather, it is a broader celebration of Asian culture.

For the 2025/26 program, Lanterns and Lights was scheduled at a time that best aligned with operational requirements, including site availability, event sequencing, resourcing capacity and budget considerations. The event was not removed from the program, but rather scheduled in accordance with these operational factors. As such, there was no decision to discontinue a Lunar New Year event.

Event scheduling decisions are operational and were undertaken by the Cultural Venues and Events team in accordance with Director Community and Lifestyle where considerations of approved budget and resource parameters were considered. Given that no program or event was removed, no formal report or recommendation regarding the removal of a Lunar New Year event was prepared. Noting this the Mayor and Councillors were informed of the scheduling change via the weekly CEO Circular.

2. **Community Consultation**
    - **What consultation was undertaken with the Chinese and broader East Asian communities before removing Lunar New Year?**
    - **Which community leaders were contacted?**
    - **On what dates did consultation occur?**
    - **If no consultation occurred, why not?**

Response
As Lanterns and Lights was not removed from Council's annual program or the adopted Delivery Plan to deliver Experience the World, no consultation relating to the removal of a Lunar New Year event was required. The event continues to form part of the Experience the World program, which is reviewed annually to balance cultural representation with operational capacity, site scheduling and available resources.

3. **Councillor Exclusion**
    - **Why were elected councillors not briefed prior to the removal of a major cultural event?**
    - **Does the Mayor consider it appropriate for significant cultural programming decisions to be made without informing the governing body?**

Response
Lanterns and Lights remains within the approved events program and was not removed. Its scheduling was determined through standard operational planning processes for the Experience the World program and did not involve any change to adopted strategy or the discontinuation of an existing program. As such, no additional briefing or formal report was required.

The scheduling of events that remain within the approved program sits within established operational delegations. Matters involving program changes or strategy variations are elevated to Council for determination; in this instance, no such change occurred. Consistent with good governance practice, the Mayor and Councillors were advised of the scheduling change through the weekly CEO Circular.

4. **Equity Across Communities**
    - **What objective criteria does Council use to determine the scale and duration of cultural celebrations?**
    - **Provide a breakdown of funding allocated to each cultural festival over the past three financial years.**

Response

Council applies consistent event planning criteria that includes;

- Attendance and community participation
- Return on investment
- Community feedback and market engagement
- Resourcing feasibility, fatigue and staff safety
- Availability of performers, stallholders and suppliers
- Operational sequencing within the broader event calendar

It is worth noting that operational funding has decreased over the past three years due to the expiry of external grants and a plateau in core budget allocations, despite increases in operating costs. Event delivery models have been adjusted to maintain event quality within these constraints.

Funding allocations are recorded within the Experience the World program budgets across:

- FY2025-26: $933,603
- FY2024-25: $1,603,000
- FY2023-24: $1,650,000

5. Ramadan Programming

- **Who made the decision to allocate extended programming to Ramadan?**
- **What was the total cost of Ramadan-related events, security, marketing and logistics?**

Response

The event originated from a NSW Government COVID Recovery Grant, established to support CBD revitalisation and stimulate the night-time economy. The extended delivery model was intentionally designed to maximise visitation and economic impact in line with grant objectives. Since its inception, the program has been refined annually – reducing from five weekends to four, and from four nights per week to three - to balance economic return with operational capacity and budget constraints.

Most Blessed Nights is Council's most highly attended event, delivering the largest economic benefit across the events portfolio and achieving the highest visitation levels. The program generates significant night-time economy outcomes, activates the CBD, and aligns strongly with community cultural practices, where evening-based celebration during Ramadan is both appropriate and well supported

6. **Consistency Across Councils**
    - **Given that neighbouring councils continue to hold Lunar New Year celebrations in February, why has Liverpool diverged from standard practice?**
    - **Was benchmarking conducted before removing the event?**

Response
Lanterns and Lights has previously been positioned during the Lunar New Year period, but it is not a Lunar New Year celebration and is not designed as such. Scheduling outside peak Lunar New Year periods supports operational efficiency and reduces competition for performers, suppliers and stallholders, who are in high demand at that time. This approach allows Council to secure a stronger offering within the Experience the World program.

Benchmarking regarding removal was not required, as no Lunar New Year event was removed.

7. **Demographic Justification**
    - **Provide demographic data relied upon when determining cultural event priorities.**
    - **How does Council ensure minority communities are respected without marginalising others?**

Response
Council considers population data, participation trends, event attendance, and community feedback. The Experience the World program was intentionally designed to broaden cultural representation, including communities historically underrepresented in Southwest Sydney's cultural events landscape, such as African, Pasifika and Latin American communities. This strategy and Delivery is not only unique to Liverpool but represents the Cultural fabric of the City winning Premiers Multicultural medal.

Resourcing across event production is finite. The event calendar is continually reviewed to balance cultural diversity with operational capacity, budget limitations and strategic alignment. Several delivery models were considered throughout the FY2025-26 planning cycle, and the current program was endorsed through the FY2025-26 budget review, alongside an expanded Australia Day program and associated investment.

8. **Governance and Transparency**
    - **Was this decision endorsed by a formal Council resolution?**
    - **If not, under what delegated authority was it made?**
    - **Will this Mayor commit to restoring Lunar New Year to the calendar pending proper consultation?**

Response
No formal Council resolution was required. No Lunar New Year event was removed from Council's events program. Lanterns and Lights continues to form part of the approved Experience the World program and remains within Council's annual events calendar.

The scheduling of Lanterns and Lights was determined through standard operational planning processes under existing delegated authority, consistent with approved budgets, organisational work plans and the Delivery Program. The matter did not require escalation to Council.

As no Lunar New Year event was removed, restoration is not required. Lanterns and Lights remains part of Council's events calendar, with its timing reviewed annually as part of the Experience the World program planning process. Any future proposal to introduce, remove or materially alter a cultural event would be considered in accordance with Council's governance framework, including appropriate reporting and consultation where required.

ITEM NO: QWN 09
FILE NO: 049259.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Renaming of Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre

Please address the following:

Community Consultation and Governance

1. What specific community consultation was undertaken with local residents prior to the decision to change the name of Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre?
2. How many *submissions* were received during the public exhibition period and how many of those supported the name change?
3. What direct notification was sent to:
    a. Casula residents
    b. Regular patrons
    c. Local artists
    d. Cultural stakeholders
    e. Community groups
4. Was any independent community survey conducted to measure support for the renaming prior to the decision being finalised?
5. Does Council accept that changing the name of a long-standing cultural institution constitutes a decision affecting community identity?
6. If the report states the renaming would “foster community engagement,” how was this conclusion reached in the absence of broad, measurable community consultation?

Tourism and Economic Justification

7. Was a formal tourism impact study commissioned prior to approving the name change?
8. Were visitor projections prepared comparing:
    a. “Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre”
    b. “Liverpool Powerhouse”
9. Was a cost–benefit analysis prepared quantifying expected increases in visitation or revenue attributable solely to the rebrand?
10. Can Council provide any empirical evidence that the new name would attract more domestic or international visitors?
11. If no evidence-based modelling was undertaken, on what objective basis were claims such as “enhance tourism” and “elevate profile” made in the report?

Financial Transparency

12. The report identifies approximately $37,000 in costs from operational savings. Please provide a full itemised breakdown of that figure.

13. What are the projected total costs associated with:
    - Website redevelopment
    - Marketing collateral replacement
    - Signage updates
    - Printed materials
    - Staff time allocation
    - Brand rollout implementation
14. What is the estimated total whole-of-life cost of the rebrand over three years?
15. Were any external consultants engaged? If so, what were their fees?
16. Given Council's recent operating deficits, how was this expenditure prioritised over infrastructure, parks and essential services?

Risk Assessment

17. The report categorises the risk as "Low." What objective criteria were used to determine this rating?
18. Was reputational risk to an established and historically recognised cultural institution assessed?
19. Was brand confusion risk evaluated in relation to other similarly named institutions?
20. Was the potential for community backlash formally assessed prior to approval?
21. Does Council now accept that significant community opposition indicates the risk profile may have been understated?

Community Identity and Cultural Significance

22. How was the historical and cultural significance of the "Casula Powerhouse" name factored into the decision?
23. Was any heritage or brand equity valuation undertaken to assess the goodwill attached to the existing name?
24. Does Council acknowledge that Casula Powerhouse has built recognition within the arts sector across Greater Sydney over many years?
25. If community awareness was considered low, why was increased marketing not pursued instead of renaming?

Ongoing Accountability

26. Will Council commit to publicly reporting:
- Annual visitation data
- Revenue changes
- Tourism impact metrics
- Community satisfaction measures

27. Over what timeframe will Council assess whether the rebrand has delivered measurable benefit?
28. If the anticipated benefits do not materialise, will Council consider reverting to the original name?

Responses (provided by Community & Lifestyle)

In 2021, Council commissioned an independent organisational review of the then Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre to strengthen its operational position and clarify the long-term vision for the Centre. A key outcome of this work was the development of a Strategic Plan, which identified the need for renewed positioning and identity acknowledging its historical identity and strengthening its connection to the broader city.

At the Council meeting held on 20 November 2024, a report proposing the renaming of the arts centre was presented to Council and endorsed. Following this decision, a further report was considered at the 26 March 2025 Council meeting upon the conclusion of the public exhibition process, with Council endorsing the name *Liverpool Powerhouse – Home of Arts and Creative Industries*.

Council undertook a defined and transparent process in considering the renaming of the arts centre. This process commenced with targeted engagement involving the Centre's cultural stakeholders, advisory committees and the governing body, prior to the proposal being placed on public exhibition for broader community feedback**.**

Cultural stakeholders were key contributors to the creative vision of the centre and their insights informed the development of the proposal, including the broader vision of expanding creative offerings with interactive.

Following this, the proposal was placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days on our website and Liverpool Listens. During this period, records confirmed no formal submissions were received through Council's consultation channels. Some informal comments were raised directly with staff that were predominately concerned with the centre moving in a direction away from the arts. These were responded to individually to clarify the intent of programming shifts and confirm that the centre's role as a multidisciplinary arts venue would not change.

The initial cost of implementation was limited to essential physical updates such as signage and building fixtures, funded through end-of-year operational savings. Items such as branded packaging, stationery, advertisements and marketing materials remained steady, as these continue to be delivered within existing budgets and standard operational workflows.

Prioritised expenses include;

- Wayfinding tourism signage update: $6226.80
- Front entrance signage: $9,000 ex GST
- Sliding doors decals: $415.50 ex GST

Design work required for the updated identity was completed in house. Broader brand integration continues in line with standard organisational workflows and existing budget allocations. No additional consultant fees or large-scale expenditure were required for the initial phase of the change.

The renaming also reflects the centre's origins, acknowledging its historical identity and strengthening its connection to the broader city. This historical context was an important factor in considering the future direction of the centre, particularly as it continues to evolve in its programming and audience engagement.

Council recognises that the name of a long-standing cultural institution is closely tied to local community identity. Reintroducing the historic name was undertaken with this in mind, reflecting a deliberate effort to acknowledge the site's origins and its enduring significance within the city's cultural landscape.

The updated name is also intended to reinforce the community's sense of ownership of the centre, recognising its place as a shared and valued institution. By realigning the centre's identity with its heritage and the broader civic identity it represents, the aim is to strengthen connection and ensure the centre continues to be understood as an integral part of the broader community.

While the centre has developed strong recognition within the arts sector over many years, community awareness has not always matched this profile. Addressing this gap is a core aspect of the renaming, supported by program expansion that has seen increased community interest in hands-on workshops, immersive events and more accessible creative opportunities.

The renaming decision was assessed as low risk within Council's standard processes. This assessment was made in the context of the centre's ongoing commitment to continue delivering exhibitions, performances and public programs, and the clear intent that the updated name would not alter the centre's purpose or accessibility. Council acknowledges the heritage of the site as well as the long-standing identity the centre has held under its previous name, and the decision sought to balance those elements with the organisation's forward-looking cultural goals.

Council continues to strengthen its cultural framework through improved governance arrangements and future planning, including updated advisory structures and the development of a wider cultural strategy. These initiatives support transparency, alignment and long-term cultural development across the city.

The overarching objective remains consistent: ensuring the centre continues to grow and thrive as a welcoming and vibrant cultural hub. Council will continue monitoring visitation, participation and community engagement trends as part of normal operations, recognising the importance of delivering high-quality experiences that attract visitors and encourage ongoing community connection.

ITEM NO: QWN 10
FILE NO: 053099.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Australia Day Event Food Labelling and Public Statements

Liverpool City Council's website stated that 13 of 14 food vendors at the Australia Day event were providing halal food.

Can Council advise:

1. If the LCC website stated that 13 of 14 food vendors were providing halal food?

2. How does Council manage halal certification at events?

3. Does Council do any further checks to verify halal certification?

4. If pork products were available at the Australia Day event, how did Council reconcile that with listing 13 vendors as halal providers?

5. Could publishing dietary representations without formal certification mislead members of the public who rely on strict religious dietary compliance?

6. Are all the food stallholders at Most Blessed Nights required to be halal?

7. Can labelling entire events under one dietary classification be perceived as exclusionary?

Responses (provided by Community & Lifestyle)

1. If the LCC website stated that 13 of 14 food vendors were providing halal food?

Council listed food vendor dietary requirements. This included 13 of 14 vendors that advised they had halal offerings amongst other offerings including gluten free, vegetarian and vegan options.

Vendor dietary attributes are self-identified through the EOI process. Council publishes this information to assist customers in making informed choices.

Following an evaluation of the food offerings, two additional providers were approved and added. These vendors were engaged in the days leading up to the event and were therefore not listed on the website. Their inclusion was intended to expand carnival-style food options, particularly to better cater for children and families.

See below screenshot.

FOOD STALL	DIETARY	MENU HIGHLIGHTS
ANGE'S OLD SKOOL BURGERS	VEGE, HALAL	Ange's Old Skool Burgers by Cucina 105 serves classic, no-frills burgers packed with bold flavours, fresh ingredients and nostalgic comfort.
ANGIE'S PANCAKES	VEGE, VEG, HALAL, GF	Freshly cooked Dutch pancakes topped with a range of toppings.
BLAZIN CHOOKS	HALAL	Serving Filipino charcoal-grilled favourites including chicken plates, pork ribs, wings, cheeseburger lumpia and BBQ meals with rice or chips, along with water and canned drinks.
BIRDMAN	GF, HALAL	Bee Sweets serves handcrafted desserts and sweet treats, made with quality ingredients and care, delivering nostalgic flavours and smiles.
CASANOVA	VEGE, HALAL	Offering delicious 'Aussie' style burgers and refreshing lemonades.
CHOLITO EMPANADAS	VEGE, VEG, HALAL, GF	Handcrafted, soulful empanadas in 15 flavours – each full of flavour!
CUMBIA	VEGE, GF, HALAL	Offering a special Colombian food experience featuring traditional arepas, a beloved dish that represents the heart of Colombian cuisine.
EAST BLUE SEAFOOD	GF, HALAL	Fresh seafood rolls and BBQ skewers, all served with chips - featuring the 24k Gold Smoked Lobster Roll, Crab, Prawn, and Teriyaki Salmon Rolls.
FLUFFY CRUNCH	VEG, GF, HALAL	With 15+ fun flavours of fairy floss, visit this vendor for your perfect sweet treat to indulge in or gift.
JAMES AND THE CHOCOLATE BERRY	VEGE, VEG, HALAL, GF	Featuring chocolate dipped strawberries and fruit (including viral Dubai strawberries) & chocolate dipped cheesecake on a stick.
SUGAR FREE DRINKS	VEGE, VEG, HALAL, GF	Sugar-free, low-calorie mocktails with green tea & aloe, served in LED-lit cups for a colourful, festive vibe.
TURKISH GOZLEME AND CHIPS ON A STICK	VEGE, VEG, HALAL, GF	Fresh cooked Gozleme and chips on a stick.
POCKET ROCKETZ	VEGE, VEG, HALAL	Slow-cooked butter chicken jaffles, chicken and paneer, tikka naan tacos, and butter chicken loaded fries.
WENDY'S ICE CREAM	VEGE, VEG	Featuring for a hot day ahead - soft serve ice cream, milkshakes, icy whirls & coffee.

2. How does Council manage halal certification at events?

Liverpool City Council is not a halal certifying authority.

3. Does Council do any further checks to verify halal certification?

Where vendors indicate they offer halal options, they typically rely on certified halal suppliers for ingredients. They can provide wholesaler documentation if requested.

Vendors generally manage cross-contamination controls through separate utensils, preparation areas and cooking surfaces. This reflects common operational practice at large Sydney events. Vendors are not required to hold venue-wide halal accreditation.

4. If pork products were available at the Australia Day event, how did Council reconcile that with listing 13 vendors as halal providers?

For Australia Day, Council listed halal options only where vendors had self-identified as offering them. The presence of other menu items does not remove the availability of halal options.

5. **Could publishing dietary representations without formal certification mislead members of the public who rely on strict religious dietary compliance?**

Council does not accept that it knowingly provided false or misleading information. Dietary information was published based on vendor declarations.

6. **Are all the food stallholder at Most Blessed Nights required to be halal?**

The vendors at Most Blessed Nights are not required to have a halal menu however we do get a low application rate of people applying that are non-halal.

Vendors tend to be market-driven and align their offerings with the expectations of attendees, which results in a predominance of halal-friendly food options rather than any formal requirement imposed by Council.

7. **Can labelling entire events under one dietary classification be perceived as exclusionary?**

Council does not label any of the events it delivers as strictly halal, nor does it exclude vendors based on dietary classification. Event programs are shaped largely by vendor applications and market demand, and while some events attract a higher proportion of halal-compliant traders, this reflects vendor choice rather than a policy requirement imposed by Council.

ITEM NO: QWN 11
FILE NO: 061918.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Rossmore Grange

Please address the following:

1. **Rossmore Grange – Flood Risk**

   i. Is Rossmore Grange identified as flood affected or flood prone land under Council's current Floodplain Risk Management Plan or any flood modelling adopted by Council?

   Response:

   Rossmore Grange is located within the South Creek catchment. According to Council's South Creek Floodplain Risk Management Plan (2004), the site is partially affected by flooding from South Creek.

   ii. What is the Probable Maximum Flood level and 1 in 100 year flood level affecting the site?

   Response:

   The Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) levels across Rossmore Grange vary from approximately 56.5 m AHD in the southern extent to 53.3 m AHD in the northern extent.

   Similarly, the 1% Annual Exceedance Probability (1 in 100 year) flood levels range from about 55.3 m AHD in the south to 51.9 m AHD in the north.

   iii. Has Council obtained updated flood modelling that reflects post-Aerotropolis catchment changes?

   Response:

   Council has received the updated flood study report and associated flood mapping prepared as part of the cumulative impact assessment for the Wianamatta South Creek catchment. This work was done for the Agency Working Group (AWG), established between Infrastructure NSW and the NSW Department of Planning and Environment.

   The study incorporates the anticipated land-use and hydrologic changes arising from development within the Aerotropolis and broader catchment. It has also identified the floodway corridor and critical flood storage areas within the catchment.

   iv. Has any independent hydrological peer review been commissioned regarding the suitability of heavy industrial development on this land?

   Response:

   Council has engaged Urbis Pty Ltd to investigate development opportunities within Rossmore Grange. As part of this work, Urbis has identified three alternative concept

design options for the area.

From a flooding perspective, all proposed sites within the Urbis concept plans can feasibly accommodate heavy industrial development. The available flood information indicates that the identified development areas are not subject to constraints that would preclude this land-use type.

Accordingly, a hydrological peer review is not considered essential at this stage for assessing the feasibility of heavy industrial uses within the proposed sites.

v. If the land is flood prone, how does industrial rezoning comply with section 9.1 Direction 4.1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment framework regarding flood risk?

Response:

All sites identified within the Urbis concept plans are situated above the South Creek flood planning level. As a result, the proposed rezoning of these areas—from RE1 Public Recreation to residential, commercial, or industrial land uses—meets the requirements of Section 9.1 Direction 4.1 (Flooding) under the Environmental Planning and Assessment framework.

This indicates that the rezonings are consistent with the relevant flood risk management controls and do not introduce unacceptable flooding constraints for the proposed land-use changes.

vi. Will Council table all flood modelling reports relied upon prior to any rezoning decision?

Response:

Council's rezoning application should include a flood impact assessment that consolidates and interprets all relevant flood study information available for the area. This assessment should reference the applicable flood modelling, mapping, and technical reports, and provide a clear justification demonstrating that the proposed rezoning is compatible with the identified flood risks and consistent with relevant planning and floodplain management requirements.

2. **Aboriginal Cultural Heritage and Historical Archaeology**

i. Has an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report been completed for Rossmore Grange?

Response:

2006 - Cultural & Heritage Assessment & Vegetation Plan.
2024 - Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Preliminary Due Diligence.

ii. Were Registered Aboriginal Parties formally consulted?

Response:

For 2006 report – Not aware if Aboriginal parties were consulted. For 2024 report – Not required for a preliminary report.

iii. Has any Aboriginal Object been identified under the National Parks and Wildlife Act?

Response:

A site inspection undertaken as part of the assessment identified four new Aboriginal Object recordings within the subject land and two previously existing Aboriginal Object registrations within the subject land.

In accordance with the risk management process set out in the Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in NSW (DECCW, 2010) the preliminary due diligence assessment concluded that that a formal Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) should be undertaken prior to commencement of development works. Any proposed activity that may cause harm to known Aboriginal Objects or Places (as defined by the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974) will require an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) approval prior to commencement of that activity.

iv. Has Council received advice from Heritage NSW regarding archaeological values on the site?

Response:

Not aware of such advice but refer to above.

v. Has any Heritage Impact Statement been prepared specifically addressing industrial rezoning impacts?

Response:

No

vi. Will Council make all cultural heritage assessments publicly available prior to any rezoning decision?

Response:

All relevant studies would be publicly available as part of any potential reclassification/rezoning process as governed under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. (EP&A)

vii. Has Council considered the reputational, legal and compensation risks if heritage artefacts are damaged after rezoning?

Response:

The rezoning and reclassification of land in New South Wales (NSW) is a formal, statutory process governed by the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) and the *Local Government Act 1993* (LG Act).

3. **Public Interest and Conflict Issues**

i. Has any Councillor declared a conflict of interest, pecuniary or non-pecuniary, in relation to Rossmore Grange?

Response:

Not aware

ii. Has any Councillor met with any developers, lobbyists, or land interest groups regarding this rezoning proposal?

Response:

Not aware

iii. Will Council disclose all meetings held between Councillors and external parties concerning this site?

Response:

Whatever the requirements are for disclosure under Council's policies and relevant Acts Council will adhere to.

iv. What is the projected financial benefit to Council from rezoning, and has this been independently verified?

Response:

No financial assessment has been undertaken.

v. Has Council undertaken a cost benefit analysis comparing conservation versus industrial rezoning?

Response:

No.

ITEM NO: QWN 12
FILE NO: 063309.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Food Vendor at Stante Reserve, Middleton Grange

Council currently leases a site to a food vendor at Stante Reserve, Middleton Grange.

Please address the following;

1. Confirm if there is a current lease in place?
2. If not, what is the arrangement for utilisation of the space?
3. Advise the term of the current lease/arrangement, and detail any opportunities for extension?
4. Is the current leasing fee consistent with market approach?

Response (provided by the Office of the CEO)

Council identified Stante Reserve as a suitable location to trial site-based mobile food vending as a pilot initiative to assess the viability of food-truck style services as a means of activating Council parks and open spaces. This approach aligns with Council's Mobile Food Vending Vehicles Policy, adopted on 14 May 2024.

An interim licence agreement was entered into with the current operator, which expired in December 2025 and is continuing on a month-by-month basis while Council undertakes a competitive process for this site and other locations across the LGA. The operator currently pays fees in accordance with Council's gazetted Fees and Charges Schedule.

An Expression of Interest (EOI) process for nominated mobile food vending sites will commence on Monday, 16 March 2026, and remain open for four weeks.

Submissions will be assessed on a value-for-money basis, including proposed rental, activation outcomes and service quality, to ensure benefits for both Council and the community.

ITEM NO: QWN 13
FILE NO: 063529.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Most Blessed Nights Social Media

Recently on social media platforms including Facebook, 'Sydney Food Boy' promoted Council's major event Most Blessed Nights.

Please address the following:

1. If Sydney Food Boy was engaged and paid by Council for social media promotional services?
2. Detail any costs for engaging social media influencers for this event?

Responses (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

If Sydney Food Boy was engaged and paid by Council for social media promotional services?

As part of Council's marketing strategies, influencer engagement provides a cost-effective and efficient way to extend the reach of event and service promotion. This approach is widely adopted across industries and is a well-established practice among councils delivering large-scale events.

Sydney Food Boy provides an influencer-marketing service, and was quoted among other influencers, compared for their reach, engaged and paid by Council to market Most Blessed Nights 2026.

Among other marketing initiatives influencers including Sydney Food Boy have been engaged by council across our events in our Experience the World series, 12 Days of Christmas series and at Liverpool Powerhouse. Generally, for events running across multiple days influencer-marketing is used as it generates proven increase in social media traction.

Detail any costs for engaging social media influencers for this event?

Despite its long production period, Most Blessed Nights marketing allowance is conservative. To ensure Council works responsibly within our operational budgets, social media influencers provide a significant impact in enhancing the reach of our posts, engagement with Councils' social media accounts and increasing profile of Council events in a cost-effective manner.

Influencers are typically engaged in consideration to their reach vs cost, audience demographic suitability (age/cultural demographic, family focus, locality such as Western Sydney), promotional precedent (e.g. food influencer, lifestyle influencer)

Date	Influencer	Reach/Engagement	Cost
Weekend 1 – Saturday	Sydney Food Boy	201k followers 189,350 views 3.4k likes 4.5k shares	$2000
Weekend 1 – Saturday	Dining in Sydney	32.5k followers	$950
Weekend 2 – Saturday	Halal Food Sydney	135k followers	$1000
Weekend 3 – Saturday	Tika Andhini	89.5k followers	$800
Weekend 4 – Saturday	Dining in Sydney	32.5k followers	$950

ITEM NO: QWN 14
FILE NO: 064793.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Illegal Prayer Hall

UPDATED RESPONSE AS PER MEMO CIRCULATED TO COUNCILLORS. TRIM REFERENCE 064793.2026

The Daily Telegraph has recently reported an illegal Islamic Prayer Hall operating without Council approval in Leppington.

Please advise

1. How long the Al-Tawhid Centre in Leppington has been operating?
2. Does the Al-Tawhid Centre have relevant Council approvals to operate as a prayer hall?
3. Was Council aware, or received feedback from community that this prayer hall was in operation?
4. What steps and action has been taken to prosecute and close this illegal prayer hall?
5. Is Council aware of any other illegal prayers halls in Liverpool LGA?

Responses (provided by Planning and Design)

1. **How long the Al-Tawhid Centre in Leppington has been operating?**

   It is not known how long the centre has been operating.

   Council first became aware of an alleged unauthorised use following receipt of a Councillor enquiry on 29 January 2026 regarding the matter.

2. **Does the Al-Tawhid Centre have relevant Council approvals to operate as a prayer hall?**

   A search of Council's records indicates that no development approval has been granted for the use of the premises as a place of public worship.

   It should be noted that the use is permissible with development consent under the current zoning.

3. **Was Council aware, or received feedback from community that this prayer hall was in operation?**

   Council had not previously received any complaints or notifications regarding the use of the premises prior to receipt of the Councillor enquiry.

4. **What steps and action has been taken to prosecute and close this illegal prayer hall?**

   Council has taken the following steps in relation to the premises:

   – Investigation and inspection of the premises,
   – Issuing a Notice to Provide Information under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, and
   – Issuing a Notice of Proposed Order.

   Council gave until 20 March 2026 for the occupier to provide feedback on the Notice of Proposed Order.

   Council will decide whether enforcement action is warranted and, if so, the action to be taken, having regard to:

   – the submission received from the occupier and other relevant evidence, and
   – Council's Compliance and Enforcement Policy and relevant legislation.

5. **Is Council aware of any other illegal prayers halls in Liverpool LGA?**

   Council is aware of other allegations of unauthorised places of public worship within the Liverpool LGA. These matters have come to Council's attention through customer requests or Councillor enquiries and are being investigated and addressed in accordance with Council's Compliance and Enforcement Policy and relevant legislation.

ITEM NO: QWN 15
FILE NO: 065203.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Mayor Mannoun - Grass near Austral Public School

The photo attached is of grass being cut near Austral Public School on the 26th of February.

Please address the following:

1. Why was the grass left on the footpath like shown on the images?
2. Do other councils in Sydney Metro leave grass like that covering the footpath?
3. Prior to this cut, when was the last time the grass was cut?
4. What can the Governing Body due to improve the quality of the grass cutting in Austral and the rest of the LGA?

Responses (provided by Operations Directorate)

1. Council advises that a tractor had attended the site to slash the grass, however the rest of the crew did not reach the site to complete the detailing before the end of the day. The site was attended to again the following day.
2. Council cannot advise on other council's practices or resourcing levels.
3. Prior to this cut, it was last serviced in the last week of December 2025.
4. The Governing Body could support OpEx and CapEx budget requests to add more resources.

ITEM NO: QWN 16
FILE NO: 066657.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - 2026 Western Sydney Business Events Forum

Please address the following:

1. Did we contribute funding to the 2026 Western Sydney Business Events Forum held on 19 February 2026 and if so, how much?

Response (provided by the Office of the CEO)

Council did not contribute any funding in the form of sponsorship to the 2026 Western Sydney Business Events Forum held on 19 February 2026. Council officers who attended the forum were required to purchase tickets to attend the event. There were also council officers in attendance from several other councils, including Parramatta and Camden.

Participation in the event provided Council with a valuable opportunity to promote the upcoming public exhibition of the Visitor Economy Strategy and the Liverpool CBD Special Entertainment Precinct and to engage with key stakeholders from across the Western Sydney business and events sector. It also contributed to the professional development of the council officers in attendance.

ITEM NO: QWN 17
FILE NO: 067867.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Grant Funding and Donations

Liverpool residents expect transparency, proper due diligence, and responsible stewardship of public money.

These questions arise because Council funding was allocated without councillors being provided basic governance information about the recipient organisation.

Please address the following:

1. At the recent Council meeting, the Australian Peace Association was approved for Council funding, Council officers were requested to provide the names of the directors or office holders of this organisation. Why did Council refuse to provide this information the elected body councillors before voting on the allocation of ratepayer funds?

2. Who are the directors/office holders of the Australian Peace Organisation?

3. At the same meeting, I requested that financial statements of the Australian Peace Association be provided so that due diligence could be conducted prior to voting. Why were these financial statements not provided to councillors, and does Council currently possess any verified financial information relating to this organisation? Please provide a copy

4. What due diligence or probity checks were undertaken by Council prior to recommending public funds to this organisation?

5. Did Council conduct any assessment of the governance structure, office holders, or financial accountability mechanisms of the Australian Peace Association prior to recommending public fund to this organisation?

6. It has been widely reported that the Australian peace Association hosted a vigil for Ayatollah Khamenei in a Council-owned facility. Was the donation recently approved by Council used directly or indirectly to support or facilitate this event?

7. What Council community facilities have been booked, hired, or used by the Australian Peace Association over the past five years?

8. How many events has this organisation held in ratepayer-funded community facilities, and what were the stated purposes of those events?

9. What fees were charged to this organisation for those bookings and were any discounts, subsidies, or fee waivers provided?

10. Has Council reviewed the Australian Peace Association activities to ensure that the use stated for hiring is what is taken place onsite?

11. Please table of any donations, grants, subsidies, or other financial assistance that Council has provided to the Australian Peace Association in the last 5 years?

12. Please table any events/engagements hosted by the Australian Peace Association the Mayor has attended in this term?

13. Given public concern and media reports regarding events hosted by this organisation, has Council conducted a review of permitting events linked to this organisation in Council-owned facilities?

14. Given that there have been public calls for ASIO and other authorities to examine activities connected with certain events hosted in community facilities, what steps has Council taken to ensure that Council resources are not being used to support or facilitate activities that may damage the reputation of the City of Liverpool?

15. Is it appropriate that the elected body is required to resolve on funding allocation, while being denied basic governance information such as directors, financial statements, and probity checks?

16. What steps will Council take to ensure that no further public funds are allocated to external organisations unless full transparency and due diligence requirements are satisfied?

Response (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

1. **At the recent Council meeting, the Australian Peace Association was approved for Council funding, Council officers were requested to provide the names of the directors or office holders of this organisation. Why did Council refuse to provide this information the elected body councillors before voting on the allocation of ratepayer funds?**

   Council amended the requirement for supporting documentation to be included in the attachments for Community Grants, Donations and Sponsorships at its Governance meeting held 18 February 2025. At that meeting the Governance Committee resolved:

   Supports the discontinuation of the Council resolution from 20 November 2024, which required that a copy of the grant application be provided as an addendum to future grant reports.

   Council Officers have reviewed the Grant submissions and note that disclosure of Directors or Office Bearers was not provided to Council for any application.

2. **Who are the directors/office holders of the Australian Peace Organisation?**

   The following office holder information is provided to Council as part of the funding agreement:

   - Program Lead & Officer Bearer, Australian Peace Association – Ali Al-Haj
   - Secretary, Australian Peace Association – Hassan Lami

3. **At the same meeting, I requested that financial statements of the Australian Peace Association be provided so that due diligence could be conducted prior to voting. Why were these financial statements not provided to councillors, and does Council currently possess any verified financial information relating to this organisation? Please provide a copy.**

   Australian Peace Association are a small not-for-profit Community Group and have not had the need to have their financial accounts audited. The organisation provided a copy of their bank statement that was assessed by Council in adjudicating eligibility. The financial statement provided indicates low levels of financial turn over consistent to community organisations of similar type.

4. **What due diligence or probity checks were undertaken by Council prior to recommending public funds to this organisation?**

   As part of the grant assessment process (consistent to all submissions), the Grants Officer along with two other Council officers assess the proposed program in line with the Grants Donations & Sponsorship Policy. The evaluation criteria must ensure that:

   - The organisation is registered with ABN/ ACNC
   - The organisation holds current public liability certificate
   - The organisation provides audited financial statements. (in this case a current bank statement was provided).
   - The organisation does not have any outstanding debt to Council.

   The Australian Peace Association met the eligibility criteria and exhibited a range of community outcomes that target minority residents, particularly young men engaged in anti-social behaviour such a gambling addiction as noted in the February council report.

5. **Did Council conduct any assessment of the governance structure, office holders, or financial accountability mechanisms of the Australian Peace Association prior to recommending public fund to this organisation?**

   Yes. All applications through Councils Community Grants programs are required to disclose the applicant's organisational structure, that includes disclosure of Office bearers.

Applicants are then validated either through the Australian Charities and Securities Commission (ACNC) website, or through the Australian Securities and Investment Commission Website.

6. **It has been widely reported that the Australian Peace Association hosted a vigil for Ayatollah Khamenei in a Council-owned facility. Was the donation recently approved by Council used directly or indirectly to support or facilitate this event?**

   The funding was for a program that provides education and support to people experiencing gambling and other addictions.

7. **What Council community facilities have been booked, hired, or used by the Australian Peace Association over the past five years?**

   Australian Peace Association have held a licence for the use of Frank Oliveri Community Centre since 2023. They conduct regular timetabled activities. The group hosted an additional event for members at Homestead Park in 2019.

8. **How many events has this organisation held in ratepayer-funded community facilities, and what were the stated purposes of those events?**

   Australian Peace Association hold activities in Frank Oliveri Community Centre. The applications indicates the use of the venue for:

   - English and Maths tutoring (1-on-1 needs-based classes)
   - Youth group programs addressing anti-social behaviour
   - Religious events and ceremonies

9. **What fees were charged to this organisation for those bookings and were any discounts, subsidies, or fee waivers provided?**

   Australian Peace Association pay an annual amount of $718 per month plus all outgoings. A Fee Reduction application was approved in 2022 to the value of 50% - the estimated revenue reduction per annum is $8,616.

   The applied fees align to council's standard fees and chargers.

   A commercial valuation is being undertaken on several Council community facilities including Frank Oliveri to assess potential rental value prior to seeking expressions of interest for use of the venue. The EOI will be in market at the time the report is tabled.

10. **Has Council reviewed the Australian Peace Association activities to ensure that the use stated for hiring is what is taken place onsite?**

    Yes. Council's Manager Community Recreation undertook a site visit on 2 August 2024. There were no activities identified that were inconsistent with the license agreement.

11. Please table of any donations, grants, subsidies, or other financial assistance that Council has provided to the Australian Peace Association in the last 5 years?

There has been no other financial assistance or donations provided to Australian Peace Association other those items already disclosed.

12. Please table any events/engagements hosted by the Australian Peace Association the Mayor has attended in this term?

The Mayor is commonly invited to attend various evets held by hirers of community centres, as well as not for profit entities delivering services to the Liverpool Community.

13. Given public concern and media reports regarding events hosted by this organisation, has Council conducted a review of permitting events linked to this organisation in Council-owned facilities?

Council conducted a review of the organisations promoted activities for compliance against permissible use in the current license terms. No discrepancies were identified. Council more broadly has been undertaking a review on the permissible use of Community Facilities for use as 'Place of Workship' This review is expected to be completed prior to the end of March.

14. Given that there have been public calls for ASIO and other authorities to examine activities connected with certain events hosted in community facilities, what steps has Council taken to ensure that Council resources are not being used to support or facilitate activities that may damage the reputation of the City of Liverpool?

As above.

15. Is it appropriate that the elected body is required to resolve on funding allocation, while being denied basic governance information such as directors, financial statements, and probity checks?

The information provided is consistent with the specifications in Councils relevant Grants, Donations and Community Sponsorship Policy. It should be noted that all applications are reviewed and vetted by Council Officers before a recommendation is made for Council.

16. What steps will Council take to ensure that no further public funds are allocated to external organisations unless full transparency and due diligence requirements are satisfied?

Council Officers review and vet applications for funding that do not meet the specified criteria. Organisations that submit incomplete applications or who do not meet the

eligibility criteria are not recommended for funding by Council Officers. A conflict of interest declaration will be included in the funding application obliging applicants to disclose any relationship with elected officials. Mayor and councillors are obliged to also disclose conflicts of interests when adjudicating on the recommendations in the Grant report.

ITEM NO: QWN 18
FILE NO: 073144.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Deputy Mayor Harle - Traffic Related Items

1. Can Council please provide an update for the following traffic related items.
    a. No left turn into Maryvale Avenue during morning and evening peak hour traffic.
    b. Lismore Street traffic study progress.
    c. The impact of recent changes to the Traffic Committee functions, and how those changes affect the proposed Zebra crossing at the Cartwright Public School in Willane Drive and similar proposals previously rejected by Transport for NSW.

2. Agenda Item 8 passed by the LTC at its meeting on the 15 March 2023. It was resolved that Council would instal four (4) permanent speed humps across sections of Leacocks Lane Casula in front of House Nos. 113/115 and in front of Glen Regent Reserve and edge line-marking as shown in Attachments 8.1 and 8.2 would also be installed. As this matter was unactioned it was followed up by the Macquarie Fields electorate office, and Council advised that the speed humps would be installed in 2025. This has not happened. What is the new timeline for this work to be completed?

3. Item GB 2 from 20 September 2023 – traffic speeding concern in Mackellar Street, Casula – it was resolved that Council would monitor the street and if required carry out additional speed classification close to House No. 27 Mackellar Street with the findings to be presented at a future meeting, and if warranted traffic calming to be installed. What is the result of the traffic monitoring, and what recommendations have followed?

4. Item GB 3 from 20 September 2023 - request for traffic management improvements to the northern intersection of the Hume Highway and Leacocks Lane at Casula. It was resolved to accept the recommendation as shown in the meeting papers, viz Council will carry out traffic counts and assess performance of the Leacocks Lane approach to the intersection at peak periods, and the results will be passed to TfNSW to consider lane marking as discussed. What is the result of the traffic count, and what, if any, remedial action has been recommended?

5. Item GB 1 from 20 March 2024 – this is a partial repeating of the above GB Item 3 from 20 September 2023 but is more extensive. This issue is very important to ratepayers, and it was raised for a second time due to continuing unresolved concerns about Leacocks Lane traffic conditions and a spate of crashes. The Committee resolved that TfNSW would be requested to review the layout and operation of the Hume Highway and Leacocks Lane intersection to identify whether dedicated right turn lane line marking from Leacocks Lane can be installed. In

addition, Council was to investigate additional traffic management solutions to reduce speed along the untreated road sections of Leacocks Lane between Mackellar Street and Roberts Roads and between Tennant Street and Kendall Drive. What studies have been undertaken thus far? What mitigation measures been considered?

6. Can the resolutions of the LTC be tabulated and presented as a report, at least quarterly, to the Governance Committee?

Responses will be included in the 29 April 2026 Council Meeting agenda

ITEM NO: QWN 19
FILE NO: 074181.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Media Comments Regarding Iranian Ayatollah Memorial

Liverpool is one of the most globally connected cities in Australia. Our reputation matters.

Recent national media reports have highlighted public statements regarding a proposed memorial event connected to Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

These statements were widely reported in the national media and distributed internationally through digital media channels.

Can Council advise:

1. What was the position of Council regarding this media matter?

2. Where the comments made by the Mayor the position of Council or someone else?

3. Was the Mayor briefed or provided advice on the Council position prior to conducting interviews?

4. Was the Mayor required to clarify the position of Council in these media interviews, or who the views represented?

Response (provided by Community & Lifestyle)

1. What was the position of Council regarding this media matter?

Council did not express a position on the media matter.

The Frank Oliveri Community Centre is occupied by the Australian Peace Association. In their hire application, the Australian Peace Association stated that its intended use of the facility including:

a. English and Maths tutoring (1-on-1 needs-based classes).
b. Religious events and ceremonies.
c. Youth group programs addressing anti-social behaviour.

Council is not aware of any breach of the hire agreement. Council is conducting a general review of the Development Consents (DA) applying to its Community Facilities to check that the uses are authorised.

2. ***Were the comments made by the Mayor the position of Council or someone else?***

   Council did not issue any statements about this matter.

3. ***Was the Mayor briefed or provided advice on the Council position prior to conducting interviews?***

   The Mayor was advised about the Council position as per the answer to question 1.

4. ***Was the Mayor required to clarify the position of Council in these media interviews, or who the views represented?***

   Council did not issue any statements about this matter.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 069503.2026
SUBJECT: Environment Advisory Committee - Appointment of Committee Membership 2026-2028

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Appoints the following representatives to the Environment Advisory Committee in accordance with the terms of their appointment in the EAC Charter.
   (a) Community Membership
      1. Mr Stephen Dobell-Brown
      2. Ms Rosalyn Faddy
      3. Ms Ellie Robertson
      4. Mr Robert Storey
      5. Ms Signe Westerberg
      6. Ms Marie Francine Manuella Perrine-Walker
      7. Ms Natasha Shoker.

   (b) Industry Membership
      - Georges Riverkeeper – Mr Felipe Moretto

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

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 068185.2026
SUBJECT: Liverpool Waste Committee - Appointment of Committee Membership

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Ibrahim**

That Council appoints the following representatives to the Liverpool Waste Committee in accordance with the terms of their appointment in the LWC Charter.

(a) Community Membership
    1. Leanne Gaudry
    2. Ronny Andres Calderon Vicencio
    3. Lisa Andrews.

(b) Eligibility List
    1. Nitesh Singh

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

MOTION TO MOVE BY EXCEPTION

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

That pursuant to Clause 13.1 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice (shown below), Council move by exception, the following items:

Item: **CONF 03** - Compulsory acquisition of Lot 1062 DP 2475, 75 Fourth Avenue, Austral for RE1 Public Recreation & SP2 Local Drainage

Item: **CONF 04** - Proposed Acquisition and /or Dedication of part Lot 946 DP1206994, Jardine Drive, Edmondson Park for road purposes

Item: **CONF 05** - Purchase of Lot 14 in Plan of subdivision of Lot 11 DP1304045, 231-245 Eleventh Ave Austral for Open Space purposes

Item: **CONF 08** - Compulsory Acquisition of Lot 1 DP 1224201, 275 Jardine Drive, Edmondson Park for RE1 Public Recreation

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

13 DEALING WITH ITEMS BY EXCEPTION

13.1 The council or a committee of council may, at any time, resolve to adopt multiple items of business on the agenda together by way of a single resolution where it considers it necessary to expedite the consideration of business at a meeting.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 041465.2026
SUBJECT: Compulsory acquisition of Lot 1062 DP 2475, 75 Fourth Avenue, Austral for RE1 Public Recreation & SP2 Local Drainage

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Proceeds with the compulsory acquisition of Lot 1062 DP 2475, 75 Fourth Avenue, Austral zoned RE1 Public Recreation and SP2 Local Drainage

2. Delegates authority to, and directs the CEO and his delegates, to proceed with making the necessary application to the Minister for Local Government and the Governor in accordance with Section 187(2) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 to obtain approval to give an acquisition notice to the owners of Lot 1062 DP 2475, 75 Fourth Avenue, Austral and commence compulsory acquisition under the *Land*

Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.

3. Upon gazettal of the compulsory acquisition classify Lot 1062 DP 2475 as "Operational 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.

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.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 058525.2026
SUBJECT: Proposed Acquisition and /or Dedication of part Lot 946 DP1206994, Jardine Drive, Edmondson Park for road purposes

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Approves the acquisition and/or dedication of part Lot 946 DP1206994, Edmondson Park being land identified for part of Contributions Item RLR5b for the terms as outlined in this report.

2. Resolves to classify part Lot 946 DP1206994, as “Operational” land in accordance with the *Local Government Act* 1993;

3. Dedicates part Lot 946 DP1206994 (being part RLR5b) 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; and

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.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 061809.2026
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 14 in Plan of subdivision of Lot 11 DP1304045, 231-245 Eleventh Ave Austral for Open Space purposes

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 14 in a plan of subdivision of Lot 11 DP1304045, 231-245 Eleventh Avenue, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report.
2. Upon settlement classify Lot 14 a subdivision of Lot 11 DP1304045 as “Community 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 08
FILE NO: 077875.2026
SUBJECT: Compulsory Acquisition of Lot 1 DP 1224201, 275 Jardine Drive, Edmondson Park for RE1 Public Recreation

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) the power to resolve the court proceedings for an amount of compensation to be determined following legal advice.

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

A memo was circulated to Councillors on 25 March 2026 TRIM reference number: 089941.2026 requesting the item be deferred.

ITEM NO: CONF 06
FILE NO: 064980.2026
SUBJECT: WT3418 - Construction of Railway Street Streetscape and Intersection Upgrade at Railway Street and Bigge Street Liverpool

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That this item be deferred.

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

ITEM NO: CONF 07
FILE NO: 056195.2026
SUBJECT: VP3370 Supply and Delivery of Diesel Fuel in Bulk

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Accept the offers from Park Pty Ltd and Ampol Australia Petroleum Pty Ltd for Quotation no. VP3370 Supply & Delivery of Diesel Fuel in Bulk for an initial term for three (3) years with an option to extend for two (2) x 12 months.

2. Makes public its decision regarding Quotation VP3370 - Supply & Delivery of Diesel Fuel in Bulk.

3. Keeps confidential the details supplied in this report containing information on the submissions received, pursuant to the provisions of paragraphs 10A(2)(c) and (d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as 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 and commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

4. 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 09
FILE NO: 058230.2026
SUBJECT: Single Source Software Solution

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That this item be deferred.

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

ITEM NO: CONF 11
FILE NO: 063538.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Harte - Legal Costs

Questions and Responses were provided to the Mayor and Councillors in a Confidential book pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(g) of the *Local Government Act 1993* 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.

ITEM NO: CONF 10
FILE NO: 063262.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Mayor Mannoun - Employee Settlements

Questions and Responses were provided to the Mayor and Councillors in a Confidential book pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993* because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

ITEM NO: CONF 12
FILE NO: 079761.2026
SUBJECT: Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T11)

This report was not distributed by Council to Mayor and Councillors due to a legal matter.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 9.37pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 29 April 2026

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25 March 2026. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 28 MARCH 2026

PRESENT:
Mayor Mannoun (online)
Deputy Mayor Harle (Chair)
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harle
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught (online)
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Farooq Portelli, Acting CEO
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, General Counsel
Mr John Hanlon, Chief Information Officer
Ms M'Leigh Brunetta, Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 12.05pm

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Deputy Mayor read the following:
"In accordance with clause 5.37 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

(a) the meeting is being recorded and made publicly available on the council's website, and

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

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Chairperson

	In relation to clause 4.3 – The provisions of this code requiring the livestreaming of meetings also apply to public forums.
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY, PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION	The Acknowledgement of Country, Affirmation of Council and Prayer was read by Ms M'Leigh Brunetta, Manager Civic & Executive Services.
AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM	The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Mayor Mannoun and Clr Macnaught

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 091893.2026
SUBJECT: Single Source Software Solution

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Approves entering into a contract for an Enterprise Resource Planning system with Technology One Limited, under NSW Buy Scheme 0020 (ICT Services) in accordance with section 55(3)(g) of the Local Government Act 1993.

2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to execute all necessary documentation to give effect to this resolution.

3. Makes public its decision regarding this contract.

4. 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.

Division:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Vote against: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 12.10pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 29 April 2026

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 28 March 2026. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 29 APRIL 2026

PRESENT:
Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan (online)
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 M'Leigh Brunetta, 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 5.34pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:

"In accordance with clause 5.37 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending the meeting that:

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Chairperson

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

In relation to clause 4.3 - The provisions of this code requiring the livestreaming of meetings also apply to public forums.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY, PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION

The prayer of the Council was read by Bishop Richard Asamoah Boateng from Destiny Impact Church.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Motion: Moved: Mayor Mannoun

That Clr Monaghan be granted approval to attend the Council meeting via audio-visual link.

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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)

Motion: Moved: Clr Macnaught Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 25 March 2026 and Extraordinary Meeting held on 28 March 2026 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

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: CONF 11 – Follow Up Report NOM 05 December 2025 - Capital Works Proposal from Liverpool Olympic.

Reason: Clr Adjei's children play for Liverpool Olympic Soccer Club.

Clr Adjei remained in the Chamber for the duration of this item.

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

Item: CONF 11 – Follow Up Report NOM 05 December 2025 - Capital Works Proposal from Liverpool Olympic.

Reason: Clr Karnib's children play for Liverpool Olympic Soccer Club.

Clr Karnib remained in the Chamber for the duration of this item.

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

Item: NOM 01 - Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Immediate suspension of any sale process for the CT Lewis Centre

Reason: Mayor Mannoun was employed by the company mentioned in the Notice of Motion eight years ago.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber for the duration of this item.

PETITIONS

NIL

RESCISSION MOTIONS

NIL

MAYOR AL MINUTES

1. MAYOR 01 - Vale Chris Quilkey – Condolence Motion
2. MAYOR 02 - Centenarian Leslie Noel Short CLO, OBE
3. MAYOR 03 - Campisi Continental Butchery – 50 Year Anniversary
4. MAYOR 04 - ANZAC Day 2026
5. MAYOR 05 - Mayor and Councillors Civic Gala Reception – Western Sydney Airport, Bradfield

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 01

SUBJECT: Vale Chris Quilkey – Condolence Motion

REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

DATE: 29 April 2026

It is with sorrow that Liverpool City Council acknowledges the recent passing of former Councillor and Deputy Mayor of Blacktown City Council, Mr Chris Quilkey.

Chris was first elected to Blacktown City Council in 2016, serving for 2 terms, including as Deputy Mayor and, for a period, as Acting Mayor.

A resident of Quakers Hill, he served the community he loved as a junior sports coach and trainer with his unique energy and commitment, which was evidenced during his time serving as a Blacktown City Councillor, during a period of unprecedented growth.

Chris also contributed strongly through several committees, including as Chair of the Companion Animals Advisory Committee and represented Blacktown at a regional level through the Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC).

A passionate advocate for Blacktown City, he believed strongly in the role of local government to improve people's lives and the importance of supporting a growing population. He focused on practical improvements including local infrastructure such as bus shelters to provide safety and shade for commuters.

Chris had a long record of public service, having worked in policy and legislative roles across the NSW public sector, including Corrective Services NSW, the Crown Solicitor's Office and the Attorney General's Department.

Those who worked with Chris knew him as someone who understood people. He valued the connections that bring a place like Blacktown City together and the role Council plays in supporting them.

I have no doubt that Chris will be remembered for his service and his contributions to the Blacktown community.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Record its sadness at the passing of former Clr Chris Quilkey and acknowledge his extraordinary service to the Blacktown community

2. Extend heartfelt sympathies to his family and friends, by issuing a formal letter of Condolence on behalf of all Liverpool City Councillors.

I now ask everyone present to please rise for a minute of silence in honour of the late Chris Quilkey.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

One minute silence was then observed for Chris Quilkey.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 02

SUBJECT: Centenarian Leslie Noel Short CLO, OBE

REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

DATE: 29 April 2026

I wish to acknowledge and celebrate a truly remarkable milestone in the life of former Mayor Leslie Noel Short:

- Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire,
- Companion of the Order of Liverpool
- known to everyone simply as Noel on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

During Noel's lifetime, the world has changed. When he was born in Erskineville in 1926,

- a mouse was something you caught in a trap,
- live streaming was something you did in a creek, and
- reaching out meant grabbing hold of something.

Noel moved with the family to Hoxton Park in 1940, when they took over the family farm. They then moved to Moorebank in the late 1960s, and in that time became part of the community he would go on to serve for decades.

Elected an Alderman of Liverpool City Council in 1968, he served for 19 years until 1987. This included five terms as Mayor: 1972–73, 1978–79, 1980–81, 1981–82 and 1982–83. At that time elected members were known as Aldermen, a title that later changed to Councillors in 1993.

Noel was a policeman, serving as a Police Prosecutor and retiring as the Sergeant in charge of the Wollongong prosecutors' branch. He is recognised as the first serving police officer in the world to be elected the Mayor of a city. This unique achievement earned him the Peter Mitchell Trust Award for outstanding cultural and community achievement and reflected the high regard in which he was held across both professions.

His other awards recognise the breadth of his community commitment:

- The Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal in 1975,
- Companion of the Order of Liverpool in 1979,
- Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in 1982. The OBE recognised more than 40 years of service to the community, particularly his

work supporting migrants, charities, the sister city movement and local government within the City of Liverpool.

Noel now resides at Ashfield Terraces Care Community. Sadly, his wife of 78 years, Phoebe, passed away in 2024. Together they raised three daughters: Pamela, Julie and Lesley; and we warmly welcome members of Noel's family here tonight.

On behalf of this Council and the wider Liverpool community, we acknowledge a life of extraordinary service and commitment. Noel's contribution helped shape the city we serve today, and his legacy reminds us of the enduring importance of leadership grounded in integrity, humility and service to others.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Council adopts this Mayoral Minute;
2. Council recognises the sterling contribution of former Mayor Leslie Noel Short to the Liverpool community and congratulates him on reaching his centenary; and
3. The Mayor presents a Certificate of Appreciation to Noel Short in recognition of his lifetime of service.

COUNCIL DECSION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 03

SUBJECT: Campisi Continental Butchery – 50 Year Anniversary

REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

DATE: 29 April 2026

On 14 April 1976, on the corner of Edmondson Avenue and Fifteenth Avenue in West Hoxton, Giuseppe Campisi opened E&J Campisi Butchery, later renaming it Campisi Continental Butchery, a name proudly carried to this day and widely recognised across Liverpool as a local institution. Through hard work, dedication and a passion for his craft, Giuseppe built the business into a respected name, specialising in traditional Italian butchery and the production of southern Italian smallgoods.

Known to many as Joe, Giuseppe ensured Campisi Butchery became a cornerstone of the Liverpool community, proudly supporting local sports clubs, emergency services, multicultural associations and community events.

At the heart of the business has always been Giuseppe and his family. Together with his beloved wife Maria, he raised three children, Jessica, Joanna and Eugenio, who have each contributed to the business in their own way, with some continuing to work there today.

The loyalty and longevity of Campisi Butchery staff is equally remarkable. Sam Lipari, whom Giuseppe employed as a 14-year-old boy in 1978, remains with the business today and has served as Manager for more than 45 years. Giuseppe's son-in-law, Roberto, joined the business straight out of high school and has played an important role in its growth and direction.

Over the years, Giuseppe expanded the business and opened additional locations, yet his commitment to the West Hoxton store never wavered. In 2007, the business relocated to its current premises at 218 Fifteenth Avenue, West Hoxton, a significant step forward as Giuseppe took ownership of the property and embraced a new chapter, while maintaining the values and traditions that built the business.

Sadly, in October 2025, Giuseppe's beloved wife Maria passed away and was unable to witness this remarkable milestone. She would undoubtedly have been immensely proud of all that her husband and family have achieved.

As Campisi Continental Butchery celebrates 50 years, I extend my sincere congratulations, and on behalf of the people of Liverpool, I thank Giuseppe, his family and everyone who has been part of this proud local story.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Council adopts this Mayoral Minute;
2. Council recognises Guiseppe Campisi and his family's amazing contribution to our local community and congratulate them for this amazing achievement; and
3. The mayor presents on behalf of Liverpool City Council, a Citation to Guiseppe and Campisi Continental Butchery, in recognition of this 50-year anniversary milestone.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 04

SUBJECT: ANZAC Day 2026

REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

DATE: 29 April 2026

ANZAC Day, 25 April, is one of Australia's most important national occasions marking the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War.

This year, Council delivered a broader program of events leading up to ANZAC Day to generate community interest and youth participation. The program concluded with a commemorative Dawn Service in Bigge Park delivered by Council with support from the Liverpool RSL sub-Branch.

The 2026 program highlights included.:

- More than 5,000 people and a continual steady growth in attendance each year.
- Additional local military stories being added to the ANZAC Day walk (large corflute displays in Bigge Park) as well as inclusion of cross imagery.
- 19 local schools in attendance with students and their teachers, the highest participation of schools to date. Council's greatest achievement in having our local school participate to ensure future generations involvement. Schools included:

    - All Saints Catholic College, Casula
    - Austral Public School, Austral
    - Good Samaritan Catholic College, Hinchinbrook
    - Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School, Hoxton Park
    - Liverpool Boys High School, Liverpool
    - Liverpool Girls High School, Liverpool
    - Minarah College, Green Valley
    - Moorebank High School, Moorebank
    - Sadlier Public School, Sadleir
    - St Anthony of Padua Catholic College Austral
    - St Christopher's Catholic Primary School, Holsworthy
    - St Francis Catholic College, Edmondson Park
    - St Francis Xavier's Primary School, Lurnea

The ANZAC Day program was extended this year to include.

- Development of Liverpool military stories to share throughout the program, ceremony and marketing initiatives.

- Promotion of Liverpool City libraries online commemoration and resources available.
- A range of free events and programs at Liverpool Regional Museum.
- Liverpool Powerhouse 'Before Dawn' movie screening.
- Promotion of the Department of Veterans Affairs resources.
- Promotion of the City of Liverpool RSL sub-Branch membership.
- Billboard promotion at the Sydney Outlet Village, Orange Grove.
- Additional outreach for school participation.

Liverpool has a deep military history dating to 1811, evolving from early colonial garrisoning to hosting major training hubs at Holsworthy and Casula, particularly during WWI and WWII. In addition, Holsworthy Barracks was established after 1910, and became a premier training area for troops, while the surrounding area served as a POW/internment camp in both World Wars. Liverpool's rich military history should be shared.

To support the program development, it is proposed that additional funding be provided for the 2027 ANZAC Day program for increased seating, improved digital screens, development of local military stories to tell the Liverpool story and production of additional street banners.

It is proposed that additional funding be included in the proposed 26-27 Budget that is currently being finalised.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

a. Acknowledge ANZAC Day, 25 April, is one of Australia's most important national occasions and Liverpool's deep military history dating to 1811.

b. Thank Council staff for the delivery of the 2026 ANZAC day program and reaching the highest engagement of local school and youth attendance.

c. Write to the 19 schools who participated in this year's program acknowledging their involvement and noting the importance of youth participation.

d. Write to the Liverpool RSL sub-Branch to provide thanks for their unwavering partnership and support.

e. Increase the 2027 ANZAC Day program budget by 30K and adjust the 26-27 draft budget for inclusion.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That Council:

a. Acknowledge ANZAC Day, 25 April, is one of Australia's most important national occasions and Liverpool's deep military history dating to 1811.

b. Thank Council staff for the delivery of the 2026 ANZAC day program and reaching the highest engagement of local school and youth attendance.

c. Write to the 19 schools who participated in this year's program acknowledging their involvement and noting the importance of youth participation.

d. Write to the Liverpool RSL sub-Branch to provide thanks for their unwavering partnership and support.

e. Increase the 2027 ANZAC Day program budget by 30K and adjust the 26-27 draft budget for inclusion.

f. Direct the CEO for a report back to Council about a formal program to ensure the prominent display of the Australian National Flag across key locations throughout Liverpool during the ANZAC Day period, including civic buildings, major roads, parks, and event sites, in accordance with Australian Government flag protocols.

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

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 05

SUBJECT: Mayor and Councillors Civic Gala Reception – Western Sydney Airport, Bradfield

REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

DATE: 29 April 2026

Liverpool is at the centre of one of the most transformative infrastructure stories in modern Australia.

Home to both the Western Sydney International Airport and the emerging Bradfield City Centre, our city is uniquely positioned at the forefront of economic growth, global connectivity, and innovation. These two nation-shaping developments represent the most significant infrastructure investment in Australia over the past decade—and Liverpool sits at their gateway.

Momentum is building rapidly. The first international flight will land on 26 October, with Air New Zealand marking this historic moment. At the same time, the appointment of Plenary Group as development partner to the Bradfield Development Authority signals strong global confidence in Bradfield as a future city of innovation, investment, and opportunity.

Together, these milestones represent a defining turning point—firmly positioning Liverpool as Australia's next global city.

To celebrate this moment, I propose that Council hosts a Gala Reception in Bradfield, bringing together key partners, stakeholders and leaders across government, business, and the community. This landmark event will recognise the significance of these achievements while highlighting the extraordinary future ahead.

Council will deliver an evening that highlights Western Sydney's emergence as the preferred international gateway for our Pacific neighbours, and the new Airport's role in unlocking unprecedented opportunities for tourism, trade, investment, and local jobs.

This will be more than a celebration—it will be a statement of intent: Liverpool's time on the global stage has arrived.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Note that Liverpool is at the centre of one of the most transformative infrastructure stories in modern Australia - both the Western Sydney International Airport and the emerging Bradfield City Centre.
2. Host a Civic Gala Reception in Bradfield, preferably Western Sydney Airport, bringing together key partners, stakeholders and leaders across government, business, and the community.
3. Provide a budget of $50,000 in the FY26-27 Civic Program Operation Budget for delivery.
4. That ticket sales are used to recoup the $50,000 for the program and the surplus funds are to be donated to a charity.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

ITEM NO: CEO 01
FILE NO: 098624.2026
SUBJECT: Stakeholder Engagement and Strategic Membership - Review and Update

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Endorses an updated Stakeholder Engagement and Membership Framework, with a stronger focus on economic development, investment attraction and strategic partnerships

2. Discontinues membership of the following organisations where limited strategic value or duplication has been identified:

   - Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC)
   - Forum on Western Sydney Airport (FoWSA)
   - Committee for Economic Development of Australia (CEDA)
   - National Growth Areas Alliance (NGAA)

3. Retains memberships that demonstrate clear alignment to Council's strategic and economic priorities, including (but not limited to):

   - Business Western Sydney
   - Georges Riverkeeper and Resilient Sydney (for environmental and resilient outcomes)
   - Local Government NSW (LGNSW)
   - Liverpool Chamber of Commerce and Industry
   - Liverpool Innovation Precinct (LIP)
   - Southern Strength Agile Manufacturing Network
   - The Parks, Western Sydney's Parklands Trust (formerly Western Sydney City Deal)
   - Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA)

- Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue
- Western Sydney Tourism Taskforce

4. Continues to apply the existing evaluation criteria (advocacy, profiling, networking, professional development), with increased weighting on economic outcomes and measurable return on investment.

This approach ensures that stakeholder engagement and membership directly support the delivery of the Council's Community Strategic Plan, Liverpool 2050 vision, and the 2025-2035 Economic Development Strategy, while contributing to long-term economic growth, investment attraction, and city-shaping outcomes.

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

ITEM NO: CEO 02
FILE NO: 111216.2026
SUBJECT: Liverpool Innovation Precinct Business Delegation - Western Sydney International Airport

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Notes Western Sydney International Airport presents a significant opportunity for Liverpool to emerge as a globally connected edge city, anchored by innovation, health, education and an emerging night-time economy;

2. Notes the LIP Steering Committee provides strategic leadership and advocacy to support precinct growth and promote Liverpool's innovation capabilities to global partners;

3. Notes the invitation issued to Mayor and CEO from the LIP Steering Committee Chairperson Mr David Borger, and supports acceptance and participation of this activity;

4. Notes that a report is required to come back to Council following conclusion of this activity; and

5. Notes that the Mayor will pay his $300 which is the cost to Council as per this report.

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

PLANNING & DESIGN REPORT

ITEM NO: PD 01
FILE NO: 259901.2025
SUBJECT: Planning Agreements Policy – Proposed Amendments

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council defer this item to a Governance Committee meeting.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 6:18pm.

Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 6:20pm

ITEM NO: PD 02
FILE NO: 069641.2026
SUBJECT: Planning Proposal - 2 Cambridge Avenue, Glenfield

MOTION TO MOVE INTO A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council move into a Committee of the Whole.

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

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

That Council move out of Committee of the Whole.

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

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Defer this item to a workshop and invite members of the Intermodal Committee.

2. Directs the CEO to arrange for the intermodal committee to meet as soon as practicable, preferably in the next month.

3. Direct the CEO to review the issues raised in the Committee of the Whole and have them as topics to be discussed at the workshop.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: PD 03
FILE NO: 091913.2026
SUBJECT: Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 - Proposed Amendments

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council defer this item to a Governance Committee meeting.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: PD 04
FILE NO: 104028.2026
SUBJECT: East Leppington - Infrastructure Delivery

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council notes the report.

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: 035020.2026
SUBJECT: Review and proposed amendments to the Liverpool Sports Committee Charter 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Endorses the recommended changes to the Liverpool Sports Committee Charter; and

2. Delegates authority to the CEO to endorse minor changes as required.

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

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

ITEM NO: CORP 01
FILE NO: 069409.2026
SUBJECT: Investment Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council adopt the amended Investment Policy with the following amendments:

1. Amendment to Clause 3.9.1 (on page 256 of the Council Agenda). The clause to end at the higher ESG standards.

   The amendment to the Clause is shown below:

   3.9 Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) investing

   3.9.1 Where financial institutions are offering at least equivalent investment returns with the same credit rating and assessed financial risk and the investment fits within the provisions of this Investment Policy, consideration will be given to placing funds with institutions identified as having the higher ESG standards.~~, which may include but not limited to, investing with institutions not financing fossil fuel companies.~~

2. Amendment to Clause 3.13.1 (on page 257 of the Council Agenda). The Clause to include Cash Reserve Schedule as an additional point 5.

   The amendment to the Clause is shown below:

   3.13 Responsibility for implementing this policy and reporting obligations

   3.13.1 The Chief Financial Officer is responsible for implementing this policy and providing the following reports:

   a) A monthly report to Council showing:

   1) Confirmation of compliance with legislation and policy limits;
   2) The market value of investments, as provided by Council's designated third party reporting provider;
   3) Investment portfolio performance; ~~and~~
   4) Monthly investment income earned versus budget~~; and.~~
   5) Cash Reserve Schedule.

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

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 102908.2026
SUBJECT: Investment Report March 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council receives and notes this report.

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

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 6:58pm.

Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 7:00pm.

OPERATIONS REPORTS

ITEM NO: OPER 01
FILE NO: 103387.2026
SUBJECT: Woodward Park Draft Plan of Management

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Endorse the Draft Plan of Management for the purpose of placing it on public exhibition, 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. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to make any necessary minor amendments to the Draft Plan of Management, prior to exhibition.

3. Receive a further report following the public exhibition period, that will outline the public comments received in relation to the Draft Plan of Management.

4. Direct the CEO to conduct a Councillor Workshop on the Draft Plan of Management whilst the Draft Plan of Management is on public exhibition.

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

RECESS

The Mayor called a recess at 7.12pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

The Mayor resumed the meeting with all Councillors present at 7.39pm.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ITEM NO: CTTE 01
FILE NO: 069882.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Civic Advisory Committee held on 17 February 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Civic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 17 February 2026.

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

ITEM NO: CTTE 02
FILE NO: 073736.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council Meeting held 10 February 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council Meeting held on 10 February 2026; and

2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

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

ITEM NO: CTTE 03
FILE NO: 080499.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee meeting held on 5 March 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ammoun** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2026.

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

Clr Macnaught left the Chamber at 7.45pm.
Clr Macnaught returned to the Chamber at 7.46pm.

ITEM NO: CTTE 04
FILE NO: 089730.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Tourism and CBD Committee Meeting held on 17 February 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council receives the Meeting Notes of the Tourism and CBD Committee Meeting held on 17 February 2026.

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

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 078115.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Immediate suspension of any sale process for the CT Lewis Centre

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Immediately suspend any process relating to the potential sale or disposal of the CT Lewis Centre until a full report is presented to Council.

2. Require the General Manager to provide a detailed report to councillors outlining:
   - The process used to appoint CBRE Group as the selling agent.
   - Whether the appointment was undertaken through a public tender process in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and council procurement policies.
   - The number of submissions received during any tender process.
   - The evaluation criteria used to select the successful agent.
   - Any probity advice obtained during the process.
   - All communications between council representatives and CBRE prior to their appointment.

3. Require the General Manager to confirm whether any conflict of interest declarations were made by any councillor, including the Mayor, given his previous employment history with CBRE.

4. Require that any future steps involving the potential sale of the CT Lewis Centre be subject to community consultation and council resolution prior to any further action.

5. Provide councillors with a full financial analysis and valuation report regarding the CT Lewis Centre, including the potential financial and community impacts of any proposed sale.

That Council resolves that the General Manager provide to all Councillors, within 7 days:

6. Copies of all emails, correspondence, meeting notes, and electronic communications between:
   - The Mayor
   - The Mayor’s office

- Any councillor
- The General Manager
- Council staff

and CBRE Group or its representatives relating to:

- the proposed sale of the CT Lewis Centre
- the appointment of CBRE as selling agent
- any discussions relating to the marketing or disposal of the property.

7. A copy of any procurement documentation, including:
   - requests for tender or expressions of interest
   - evaluation reports
   - probity advice
   - delegation instruments used to approve the appointment.

8. Confirmation of whether any conflict of interest declarations were made by any councillor or staff member relating to CBRE.

9. The date and authority under which CBRE was formally appointed, including the delegation relied upon.

10. That the above information be provided to councillors in full, subject only to legitimate privacy or legal redactions.

11. That Council resolves to formally refer the circumstances surrounding the appointment of **CBRE** in relation to the proposed sale of the **CT Lewis Centre** to the **Office of Local Government** for independent investigation.

    The referral should request the OLG examine:

    (i) Whether the appointment of CBRE complied with council procurement policies and the **Local Government Act 1993**.

    (ii) Whether any councillor or staff member had a **conflict of interest** that was not properly declared.

    (iii) Whether any **improper influence or direction was exercised over council staff** in relation to the appointment of the selling agent.

    (iv) Whether the governance requirements under **Section 440 of the Local Government Act** and the Model Code of Conduct were complied with.

    (v) Whether further action is warranted under the investigation powers contained in **Section 664 of the Local Government Act**.

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Require the General Manager to provide a detailed report to councillors outlining:
   - The process used to appoint CBRE Group as the selling agent.
   - Whether the appointment was undertaken through a public tender process in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and council procurement policies.
   - The number of submissions received during any tender process.
   - The evaluation criteria used to select the successful agent.
   - Any probity advice obtained during the process.
   - All communications between council representatives and CBRE prior to their appointment.

2. Require the General Manager to confirm whether any conflict of interest declarations were made by any councillor, including the Mayor, given his previous employment history with CBRE.

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   - The Mayor
   - The Mayor's office
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   - Council staff

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   (iv) Whether the governance requirements under **Section 440 of the Local Government Act** and the Model Code of Conduct were complied with.

   (v) Whether further action is warranted under the investigation powers contained in **Section 664 of the Local Government Act**.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in this item as it relates to his employment with the company eight years ago.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber at 7.50pm and Clr Harle, as the Deputy Mayor, assumed as Chair.

Amendment: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Direct the CEO to provide a memo to Councillors for a report with copies of any procurement documentation, including:
   - requests for tender or expressions of interest
   - valuation reports
   - probity advice
   - delegation instruments used to approve the appointment

2. Notes the responses to item QWN 04 - Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Appointment of CBRE to sell the CT Lewis Centre and this Notice of Motion.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 8:02pm.

On being put to the meeting the Amendment motion (moved by Clr Harte) was declared CARRIED and became the motion.

The motion (moved by Clr Harte) was then put to the meeting and was declared CARRIED on the Deputy Mayor's casting vote.

Vote for: Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, and Clr Harte.

Vote against: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski.

Note: Mayor Mannoun and Clr Macnaught were not in the Chamber when the Amendment was voted on.

Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 8:06pm.

Mayor Mannoun returned at 8.06pm but did not assume the Chair.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 080450.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Indian Myna

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the serious risks posed by Indian mynas to native birds and biodiversity in the Liverpool LGA.

2. Requests that Council implements a dedicated Indian myna trapping program based on either Sutherland Shire Council or Camden and Campbelltown Council's programs as follows:
    a. Similar to the Sutherland Shire Council program where dedicated Indian myna traps are purchased by Council and are hired to residents, including:

        - Funding to purchase and maintain the traps and establish a training program for their use.
        - Allocates a budget of $30,000 per annum to develop and deliver a training program, purchase and maintain the traps (assuming 15 traps) and an additional resource, one FTE (approximately $110,000) which would be required to undertake inductions and training to use the traps, data collation, trap allocation, maintenance and repairs.

        or

    b. Similar to the programs implemented by Camden and Campbelltown Councils:

        - Council would not hire out traps but instead issue a competency ticket following on-line training. The ticket would serve as approval for residents to purchase a trap from the local Liverpool Men's Shed. On-line training would be provided on how to use the traps, and Council would not undertake any monitoring or management. The trapping, euthanasia and disposal is up to the resident to manage.

        - Allocates a budget of $15,000 to develop and implement the online training program.

COUNCIL DECISION

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

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   Similar to the programs implemented by Camden and Campbelltown Councils:

   - Council would not hire out traps but instead issue a competency ticket following on-line training. The ticket would serve as approval for residents to purchase a trap from the local Liverpool Men's Shed. On-line training would be provided on how to use the traps, and Council would not undertake any monitoring or management. The trapping, euthanasia and disposal is up to the resident to manage.

   - Allocates a budget of $15,000 to develop and implement the online training program.

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

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 085313.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Development of a “Invest Liverpool” Economic Investment Prospectus

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Develop and launch an “Invest Liverpool” Investment Prospectus (2026–2030) to promote Liverpool as a premier destination for business investment, expansion, and relocation within Greater Sydney.

2. Establish a collaborative partnership model between:

    - NSW Government agencies
    - Western Sydney universities and educational institutions
    - Local industry and business leaders

3. Prepare a comprehensive Investment Prospectus that:
    - Showcases Liverpool’s strategic location as the capital of South West Sydney
    - Highlights major infrastructure and development pipelines, including the Western Sydney Airport and surrounding economic corridor
    - Promotes Liverpool’s workforce capacity and future skills pipeline
    - Identifies priority growth sectors including:

        - Health and medical services
        - Advanced manufacturing
        - Construction and infrastructure
        - Logistics and freight
        - Technology and innovation
        - Small business and entrepreneurship

4. Include sector-specific insights and case studies of successful Liverpool-based businesses that demonstrate local, national, and international impact.

5. Develop a clear Economic Development narrative that positions Liverpool as:
    - A competitive alternative to traditional metropolitan business hubs
    - A high-growth region with significant untapped potential
    - A city offering both commercial opportunity and lifestyle advantages

6. Report back to Council within 90 days with:
    - A draft Investment Prospectus
    - Implementation strategy

- Budget considerations
- Stakeholder engagement plan

7. This document is to be apolitical and not a method to promote the mayor and must also include councillors input

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 LOST.

Division:

Vote for: Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski.

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

ITEM NO: QWN 04
FILE NO: 085447.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Appointment of CBRE to sell the CT Lewis Centre

Please address the following:

1. **Procurement Process**
   Can the General Manager confirm how CBRE was selected to act as selling agent for the CT Lewis Centre? Specifically:

   a) Was the appointment made through a public tender process in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) procurement requirements and the council's procurement policy?

   b) If a tender was undertaken, what was the tender number, date of advertisement, and closing date?

   c) How many submissions were received and which firms submitted proposals?

   d) What criteria were used to evaluate those submissions?

2. **Decision-Making Authority**
   Who made the final decision to appoint CBRE as the selling agent?

   a) Was the decision made by:

   - Council resolution
   - The General Manager
   - Council staff under delegation
   - The Mayor
   - Another councillor

   b) On what date was the decision made?

   c) Was a report prepared recommending CBRE, and will that report be publicly released?

3. **Conflict of Interest**
   Given that the Mayor previously worked for CBRE, can the General Manager confirm:

   a) Whether the Mayor declared a conflict of interest in relation to the appointment of CBRE.

   b) Whether the Mayor had any direct or indirect involvement in:

   - discussions with CBRE
   - the procurement process
   - staff recommendations

- negotiations regarding the sale of the CT Lewis Centre.

c) Whether any probity advice was sought regarding potential conflicts of interest.

4. Communications With CBRE

a) Whether there were any meetings, phone calls, or correspondence between the Mayor and CBRE representatives regarding the CT Lewis Centre prior to the appointment.

b) Whether council staff were directed or encouraged by the Mayor or mayoral office to consider CBRE.

c) Whether any records exist of these communications.

5. Probity and Governance

a) Whether an independent probity advisor was appointed to oversee the agent selection process.

b) Whether council obtained an independent valuation prior to engaging a selling agent.

c) Whether council conducted a community consultation process before proceeding with any steps toward sale.

6. Financial Arrangements

a) What commission structure or fee arrangement has been agreed with CBRE.

b) Whether any exclusivity agreement has been signed with CBRE.

c) The total estimated cost to ratepayers associated with CBRE's appointment.

7. Transparency to Councillors

a) Why were councillors not formally briefed or provided with documentation regarding the appointment of CBRE prior to public reports of the proposed sale of the CT Lewis Centre?

8. Compliance With Council Policy

a) Can the General Manager confirm that the appointment of CBRE fully complied with Council's procurement policy and conflict of interest procedures, and if so, will all supporting documentation be released to councillors?

Responses (Provided by office of the CEO)

1. Procurement Process

a) Council did not call for tenders before awarding the contract because:

- the Local Government Act 1993 contains an exemption from the requirement to invite tenders for contracts where the estimated expenditure is less than $250,000, and
- the fee for services under this contract was under $60,000.

b) Not applicable.

c) Council policy is to request a minimum of two quotes from suppliers for contracts where the expenditure is estimated to be below $60,000. For this project, Council requested four (4) real estate agencies to provide a quote. They were:
    - Colliers International
    - CBRE
    - Sydney South West Commercial Industrial
    - Raine and Horne Commercial

d) Council applied the following criteria to evaluate the submissions:
    - Experience, emphasis on sales in previous 18 months of similar type of properties in the Liverpool LGA and surrounding areas.
    - Estimated sale value (include sales evidence)
    - Commission structure and amount
    - Extent of database of potential buyers
    - How can the agency can add value to the sale process
    - Marketing budget, type of campaign

2. Decision-Making Authority

a) CEO, following a recommendation by Council's Senior Leasing Officer.
b) 4 February 2026.
c) A memo was provided to the CEO, dated 30 January 2026. It is not proposed to publicly release the memo at this time as it contains commercially sensitive information.

3. Conflict of Interest

a) No, this was an operational matter.

b) The Mayor was not involved in this process.

c) No.

4. Communications With CBRE

a) See response to 3(b).
b) See response to 3(b).
c) Not applicable.

5. Probity and Governance

a) Not required under Council's procurement guidelines for procurements of this value.
b) Yes
c) Refer to Council resolution on this matter below:

On 10 December 2025, Council resolved 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 DP513777, Lot 3 DP 513777 and Lot 4 DP 513777) and 5 Adrian Avenue, Lurnea (Lot 1 DP513777) 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.

6. Financial Arrangements

a) It is not proposed to publicly release this information as it contains commercially sensitive information.

b) The agency agreement was an exclusive agency agreement which is common in real estate contracts.

c) It is not proposed to publicly release this information as it contains commercially sensitive information.

7. Transparency to Councillors

a) Please refer to the Council resolution dated 10 December 2025 noted above.

8. Compliance With Council Policy

a) The appointment of CBRE fully complied with Council's procurement policy and conflict of interest procedures. Supporting documentation can be provided if required by the governing body. Commercial in confidence material would be provided confidentially.

ITEM NO: QWN 05
FILE NO: 085461.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Commercial Lease – Coffee Shop at Liverpool Civic Place

Background

Information has recently come to light regarding the commercial leasing arrangement for the coffee shop located in the foyer of Liverpool Civic Place at 52 Scott Street.

It has been publicly stated that the operator of this coffee shop has received a rent-free period of approximately 18 months as part of their lease arrangement.

Given that this premises is located inside a ratepayer-owned civic building, and given past public concerns regarding leasing arrangements involving council-owned assets, clarification is required in the interests of transparency and good governance.

Questions

1. **Lease Terms**

   What are the full commercial terms of the lease agreement for the coffee shop operating inside Liverpool Civic Place at 52 Scott Street, including the duration of the lease, rental amount, and any incentives granted?

2. **Rent-Free Period**

   Has the operator of the coffee shop been granted a rent-free period of approximately 18 months?

   If so:

   - What was the justification for granting this incentive?
   - Who authorised the arrangement?

3. **Business Tenure**

   The business has reportedly been operating in this location for over two years.

   - Why was a rent-free incentive considered necessary?

4. **Market Rental Assessment**

   Was an independent market rental valuation undertaken prior to entering into the lease agreement?
   If so, please provide the details of that assessment.

5. **Tender or Expression of Interest Process**

   Was the coffee shop lease advertised publicly or offered through a tender or Expression of Interest process?

If so, how many applicants were received and assessed?

6. **Other Rent-Free Arrangements**

   Are there any other businesses operating in council-owned buildings or facilities currently receiving rent-free periods or similar financial concessions?
   If so, please provide details.

7. **Conflict of Interest Considerations**

   Does the operator of the coffee shop, or any related entity, have any personal, business, or political relationship with the Mayor or any councillor?
   If so:

   - Were these relationships declared in accordance with council conflict-of-interest policies?\

8. **Governance Safeguards**
   What policies or procedures are currently in place to ensure commercial leases of council-owned assets are conducted transparently and at fair market value?

Public Interest

Council-owned properties are public assets funded by ratepayers. Any incentives or leasing arrangements involving these assets must be transparent, properly justified, and consistent with sound governance practices.

These questions are asked in the interests of accountability, transparency, and the protection of public resources.

Responses (provided by the Office of the CEO)

1. **Lease Terms**

   What are the full commercial terms of the lease agreement for the coffee shop operating inside Liverpool Civic Place at 52 Scott Street, including the duration of the lease, rental amount, and any incentives granted?

   Response: The commercial terms can be provided confidentially to Councillors.

2. **Rent-Free Period**

   Has the operator of the coffee shop been granted a rent-free period of approximately 18 months?

   Response: The operator has been provided with a rental abatement incentive, which includes a rent free period of 18 months in accordance with the lease terms.

   If so:

   - What was the justification for granting this incentive?

1. Challenging retail and office market conditions post COVID.
2. Low occupancy and commercial uncertainty surrounding the Civic Place building.
3. Significant capital expenditure required by a café operator to occupy the subject space – in the vicinity of $250,000 to $500,000.
4. Market risk.

- Who authorised the arrangement?

The EOIs were assessed and evaluated by a panel consisting of Council staff and a consultant. The assessment process was conducted in accordance with Council's procurement policies and guidelines. The EOI were assessed against predetermined criteria to ensure that the evaluation was fair, transparent and consistent.

3. Business Tenure

The business has reportedly been operating in this location for over two years.

- Why was a rent-free incentive considered necessary?

Response: See previous response.

4. Market Rental Assessment

Was an independent market rental valuation undertaken prior to entering into the lease agreement?
If so, please provide the details of that assessment.

Response: Please refer to below.

5. Tender or Expression of Interest Process

Was the coffee shop lease advertised publicly or offered through a tender or Expression of Interest process?
If so, how many applicants were received and assessed?

Response: The EOI campaign for this café space was handled by Liverpool City Council's commercial agents Jones Lang La Salle (**JLL**).

The EOI was advertised online via www.realcommercial.com.au from 18 May 2023 to 30 June 2023. According to JLL's statistics, there were 2,211 views of the advertisement and 35 enquiries were received.

Two parties submitted responses to the EOI campaign. According to JLL, the main reasons there were only two submissions received include:

1. Challenging retail and office market conditions post COVID.
2. Low occupancy and commercial uncertainty surrounding the Civic Place building.

3. Significant capital expenditure required of any café tenant to occupy the subject space – in the vicinity of $250,000 to $500,000.
4. Market risk.

The EOIs were assessed and evaluated by a panel consisting of Council staff and a consultant. The assessment process was conducted in accordance with Council's procurement policies and guidelines. The EOI were assessed against predetermined criteria to ensure that the evaluation was fair, transparent and consistent.

6. Other Rent-Free Arrangements

Are there any other businesses operating in council-owned buildings or facilities currently receiving rent-free periods or similar financial concessions?
If so, please provide details.

Response: It is common practice in commercial real estate to provide commercial lease incentives to tenants. Council provides incentives to tenants in line with market forces to encourage occupation of Council owned space and encourage economy activity. Council has provided incentives to all tenants in the Civic Place building. For example, Council invested in the fitout of level 7 as an incentive for the NSW Police to lease the space.

7. Conflict of Interest Considerations

Does the operator of the coffee shop, or any related entity, have any personal, business, or political relationship with the Mayor or any councillor?
If so:

- Were these relationships declared in accordance with council conflict-of-interest policies?

Response: Not applicable

8. Governance Safeguards

What policies or procedures are currently in place to ensure commercial leases of council-owned assets are conducted transparently and at fair market value?

Response:

1. Market appraisal and/or independent valuation
2. Expression of Interest campaign/and or advertised through commercial real estate agency and related real estate portals.

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 088063.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Deputy Mayor Harle - Traffic Related Items

1. **Can Council please provide an update for the following traffic related items.**
    a. **No left turn into Maryvale Avenue during morning and evening peak hour traffic.**

    Council has undertaken an assessment for the potential turn restriction and the Traffic Impact Assessment identified that significant upgrades would be required at the intersection of Hoxton Park Road and Flowerdale road to accommodate the redistribution of traffic. This includes the introduction of a dedicated left turn slip lane and changes to the signal phasing, works anticipated to cost upwards of $600,000.00, not including the potential land dedication/acquisition on the north-western corner of the intersection.

    b. **Lismore Street traffic study progress.**

    The Traffic impact Study is currently being finalised with a report expected to be tabled to Council at the July 2026 meeting.

    c. **The impact of recent changes to the Traffic Committee functions, and how those changes affect the proposed Zebra crossing at the Cartwright Public School in Willane Drive and similar proposals previously rejected by Transport for NSW.**

    Given the recent Traffic Committee reform, primarily the change in function to a consultative forum with no approval authority, the review and consideration of crossings is now a delegation of Council.

    Council Staff can therefore review sites and determine feasibility of crossings on a needs basis, whilst also utilising Australian Standards and Austroads Design Guide to better facilitate solutions.

2. **Agenda Item 8 passed by the LTC at its meeting on the 15 March 2023. It was resolved that Council would install four (4) permanent speed humps across sections of Leacocks Lane Casula in front of House Nos. 113/115 and in front of Glen Regent Reserve and edge line-marking as shown in Attachments 8.1 and 8.2 would also be installed. As this matter was unactioned it was followed up by the Macquarie Fields electorate office, and Council advised that the speed humps would be installed in 2025. This has not happened. What is the new timeline for this work to be completed?**

    Due to budget and resourcing constraints, the Leacocks lane speed humps have

been delayed. The project is now expected to be delivered in the 2026/2027 financial year.

3. **Item GB 2 from 20 September 2023 – traffic speeding concern in Mackellar Street, Casula – it was resolved that Council would monitor the street and if required carry out additional speed classification close to House No. 27 Mackellar Street with the findings to be presented at a future meeting, and if warranted traffic calming to be installed. What is the result of the traffic monitoring, and what recommendations have followed?**

   The Traffic Classification Data identified an 85th percentile speed of 44km/h, which is less than the 50km speed limit on local roads. As such, no further action is warranted.

4. **Item GB 3 from 20 September 2023 - request for traffic management improvements to the northern intersection of the Hume Highway and Leacocks Lane at Casula. It was resolved to accept the recommendation as shown in the meeting papers, viz Council will carry out traffic counts and assess performance of the Leacocks Lane approach to the intersection at peak periods, and the results will be passed to TfNSW to consider lane marking as discussed. What is the result of the traffic count, and what, if any, remedial action has been recommended?**

   TfNSW is still in the process of reviewing the intersection data. Given the signalised intersection is under the control of TfNSW, no interim measures can be adopted by Council.

5. **Item GB 1 from 20 March 2024 – this is a partial repeating of the above GB Item 3 from 20 September 2023 but is more extensive. This issue is very important to ratepayers, and it was raised for a second time due to continuing unresolved concerns about Leacocks Lane traffic conditions and a spate of crashes. The Committee resolved that TfNSW would be requested to review the layout and operation of the Hume Highway and Leacocks Lane intersection to identify whether dedicated right turn lane line marking from Leacocks Lane can be installed. In addition, Council was to investigate additional traffic management solutions to reduce speed along the untreated road sections of Leacocks Lane between Mackellar Street and Roberts Roads and between Tennant Street and Kendall Drive. What studies have been undertaken thus far? What mitigation measures been considered?**
   Council has undertaken Traffic Classification assessments to determine speeds, vehicle types and volumes. The data identified that Leacocks lane is operating within tolerable limits and does not meet the warrants for any further treatments at this stage.

6. **Can the resolutions of the LTC be tabulated and presented as a report, at least quarterly, to the Governance Committee?**

   Staff will arrange for the LTC and LTF resolutions and discussions to be tabled to the Governance Committee quarterly.

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 103105.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Equity, Non-Discrimination, and Allocation of Public Funds

Please address the following:

1. Total Event Expenditure by Religious Category

Can the CEO provide a full breakdown, for the current council term, of all Council expenditure (including events, marketing, security, staffing and associated costs) allocated to:

a) Ramadan-related events and activations
b) Christmas-related events and activations
c) Easter-related events and activations

Please include:

- Total dollar value per category, per financial year
- Internal vs external contractor spend
- Any supplementary or unbudgeted allocations

2. Influencer and Promotional Spending

Can the CEO disclose all payments, contracts, or in-kind benefits provided to social media influencers, content creators, or promotional partners in connection with:

a) Ramadan campaigns
b) Christmas campaigns
c) Easter campaigns

Please include:

- Names of recipients
- Payment amounts
- Procurement process used
- Selection criteria

3. Grants, Donations and Fee Reductions by Religious Affiliation

Can the CEO provide a detailed list of all grants, donations, subsidies, fee waivers, discounted hire arrangements, or other financial benefits provided to community or religious organisations during the current term, categorised by:

a) Islamic organisations
b) Christian organisations
c) All other religious or community groups

Include:

- Value of benefit

- Type of benefit
- Date approved
- Decision-making authority

4. International Engagement and Financial Outflows

Can the CEO disclose all Council-funded international travel, partnerships, sponsorships, or financial contributions made during the current term, including:

- Countries visited or funded
- Total expenditure per country
- Purpose of expenditure
- Any associated organisations or beneficiaries

Further, can this be categorised by:

- Countries with majority Islamic populations
- Countries with majority Christian populations

5. Use of Public Funds and Compliance with Legislative Principles

In light of section 8A of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW), which requires councils to act fairly, ethically, and in the interests of the whole community:

a) What policies or frameworks does Council rely on to ensure equitable allocation of resources across religious groups?

b) Has Council undertaken any equity or bias assessment of its funding decisions?

c) If not, why not?

6. Risk of Discriminatory Conduct

Given Council's obligations under:

- The Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)
- The Model Code of Conduct (principles of fairness, integrity, and public trust)

Has Council obtained any legal advice on whether disproportionate allocation of funds to one religious group over others could constitute:

- Unlawful discrimination
- Misuse of public resources
- Breach of statutory obligations

If so, provide details. If not, explain why no advice has been sought.

7. Budget Formation and Decision-Making Transparency

Can the CEO outline:

- Whether any specific lobbying or external influence was considered in prioritising Ramadan expenditures

8. Policy Position on Religious Neutrality

Does Council have a formal policy ensuring neutrality in religious matters when allocating public funds?

If yes:

- Provide the policy

If no:

- Explain how Council ensures compliance with principles of fairness and non-discrimination in the absence of such a policy

Response by Director, Community and Lifestyle

Due to the extensive research and information required to be compiled to respond to this matter, it will be deferred to the May Council meeting.

ITEM NO: QWN 08
FILE NO: 110083.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - DA-224/2025 Cnr Fifteenth Ave and Ramsay Road Austral

Please address the following:

1. Provide information on DA 224/2025 on the corner of Fifteenth Ave and Ramsay Road, Austral.

- DA-224/2025 at 990 Fifteenth Avenue Rossmore, is for the demolition of all existing structures and construction of an indoor and outdoor recreational facility comprising one (1) football field, one (1) basketball court, two (2) tennis courts, an indoor recreation building, a community space, on-site car parking spaces, and associated landscaping and site works.
- The application was lodged 20/05/2025.
- The application was withdrawn 05/03/2026.

2. Provide information on the proposed use of the centre.
The proposed use is as described in (1) above.

3. Is there currently a place of worship located on the site.
At the time of inspection conducted in June 2025, there was no evidence of site being used as place of worship and the site was empty with several damaged and unused buildings on the site. This is consistent with recent aerial photography.

The submitted Statement of Environmental Effects says that 'currently located on the subject site are a number of small fibro, metal, and brick buildings. The majority of the site consists of an open field with a cluster of trees located within the south-western corner and adjacent to a drainage easement.'

4. Do the DA conditions include filling of the onsite dam

- No conditions were drafted as the application was withdrawn.
- The DA is no longer under assessment and is closed.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 068947.2026
SUBJECT: Compulsory Acquisition of Lot 15 in DP 1292704, Lot 15 Wigay Street, Austral (formerly part of 35 Seventh Avenue, Austral) for open space purposes

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Authorises the acquisition by compulsory process of Lot 15 in DP 1292704, Lot 15 Wigay Street, Austral pursuant to Section 187 of the Local Government Act 1993 and in accordance with the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for open space purposes;
2. Delegates authority to, and directs the CEO or his delegate, to proceed with making the necessary application to the Minister for Local Government and the Governor of NSW in accordance with Section 187 of the Local Government Act 1993 to obtain approval to give a proposed acquisition notice to the landowner of Lot 15 in DP 1292704, Lot 15 Wigay Street, Austral and commence compulsory acquisition of the land required for open space under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991;
3. Delegates authority to, and directs the CEO or his delegate, to take all necessary actions to proceed with and complete the compulsory acquisition of Lot 15 in DP 1292704, Lot 15 Wigay Street, Austral in accordance with the applicable legislation, including the serving or publishing of any other documentation or notice;
4. Authorises payment of compensation as determined by the Valuer-General, if accepted by the landowner, plus statutory interest in accordance with Section 49 of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991;
5. It the landowner commences proceedings in the Land and Environment Court (Court), authorises:
   (i) Payment to the landowner of 90% of the compensation as determined by the Valuer-General pursuant to Section 68(2)(a) of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991, or if that payment is not accepted by the landowner, payment of that amount into trust pursuant to Section 68(2)(b) of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.
   (ii) Payment of compensation in accordance with an Order of the Court or any settlement of the proceedings agreed to by the CEO or his delegate after considering advice from Council's legal advisors.

6. Upon acquisition, classifies Lot 15 in DP 1292704, Lot 15 Wigay Street, Austral as “Community” land in accordance with Section 31(2) of the Local Government Act 1993;
7. Keeps confidential the information 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
8. 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 02
FILE NO: 071459.2026
SUBJECT: Follow Up Report NOM 01 March 2025 - Michael Wenden Aquatic Centre

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council receives and notes the report.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED.

MOTION OF DISSENT

Motion: **Moved Clr Ristevski**

On the Mayor's ruling that the motion moved by Clr Ristevski is a foreshadowed motion and therefore not permissible in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice to be voted on.

Vote for: Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski

Against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught

On being put to the meeting the Motion of Dissent was declared LOST.

Foreshadowed motion **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Does not endorse the conclusion of the current report that the contract management model represents the most cost-effective and appropriate long-term operating model for the Michael Wenden Aquatic Leisure Centre (MWAC).
3. Requests an independent business case be prepared separate from any existing or prior advisory work, to assess the feasibility of transitioning MWAC to an in-house Council-operated model, including:

   a) A full financial analysis comparing:

   - Total revenue generated by MWAC under the current contract
   - Total costs to Council under the current model
   - Estimated net financial position under an in-house model

b) A detailed assessment of:

- Contractor profit margins and revenue retention
- Long-term asset maintenance outcomes under both models
- Whole-of-life costs to Council, including capital, staffing and overheads

c) A service delivery comparison, including:

- Customer satisfaction and complaints data
- Program availability, accessibility and affordability
- Community outcomes and participation rates

d) Benchmarking against comparable metropolitan councils that operate aquatic centres in-house.

4. Requires a centre-by-centre financial breakdown of all Council aquatic and leisure facilities, including:
    1. Revenue
    2. Operating costs
    3. Maintenance costs
    4. Capital expenditure
    5. Council subsidies
5. Requests the CEO provide a detailed report on all key performance indicators (KPIs) under the current management contract, including:
    1. Whether KPIs have been met
    2. Any breaches or penalties applied
    3. Maintenance response times and compliance outcomes
6. Commences strategic planning for the future transition of MWAC to an in-house operating model at the conclusion of the current contract in October 2028, subject to the findings of the independent business case.
7. Investigates options to increase Council's share of revenue under the current contract, including renegotiation opportunities where legally permissible.
8. Reports back to Council within 6 months with the findings of the independent review and recommendations for future operating models.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber at 8.31pm and Clr Harle, as the Deputy Mayor, assumed as Chair.

Clr Karnib left the Chambers at 8:31pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 090459.2026
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 42 DP 739281, 110 Fifth Avenue, Austral for local drainage and proposed future public recreation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 42 DP 739281, 110 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.

Clr Karnib returned to the Chambers at 8:33pm.
Clr Harte left the Chambers at 8:35pm.
Clr Harte returned to the Chambers at 8:37pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 093582.2026
SUBJECT: WT3418 - Construction of Railway Street Streetscape and Intersection Upgrade at Railway Street and Bigge Street Liverpool

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Accept the Tender from Quality Management & Constructions Pty Ltd t/a QMC Group for Portions A, C and D for WT3418 - Construction of Railway Street, Streetscape and Intersection Upgrade at Railway St and Bigge St, Liverpool for an initial 18-month contract term with the option of extending for 6 months.

2. Accept the Tender for Portion B as a Provisional Sum Works from Quality Management & Constructions Pty Ltd t/a QMC Group.

3. Note that Portion B would only proceed if approval for the Provisional Sum Works is received from Sydney Trains.

4. Makes public its decision regarding tender WT3418 - Construction of Railway Street, Streetscape and Intersection Upgrade at Railway St and Bigge St, Liverpool.

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 tenders up to a value of $2 million.

6. Keeps confidential the details supplied in this report containing information on the submissions received, pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) and (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 confidential 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 was not in the Chamber when this item was voted on.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 099915.2026
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 146 DP1302425, Gungarlin Drive, Horningsea Park

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 146 DP1302425, Gungarlin Drive, Horningsea Park for the price and terms as outlined in this report.

2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 146 DP1302425 as “Operational Land”.

3. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

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

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

ITEM NO: CONF 06
FILE NO: 106923.2026
SUBJECT: Acquisition of Lot 1 in DP 201643, 160 Sixth Avenue, Austral for Drainage and Open Space purposes.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Approves the acquisition of Lot 1 in DP 201643, 160 Sixth Avenue, Austral within the terms outlined in this confidential Report.

2. Resolves to classify Lot 1 in DP 201643 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 07
FILE NO: 113812.2026
SUBJECT: Confidential litigation

Clr Macnaught requested item CONF 07 – Confidential Litigation be moved to the end of the meeting so that it can be dealt with in closed session. As there was no objection the item was dealt with at the end of the meeting in Closed Session.

ITEM NO: CONF 08
FILE NO: 114527.2026
SUBJECT: Legal Affairs Report 01 Jan-31 Mar 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council receives and notes the contents of the report.

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

ITEM NO: CONF 09
FILE NO: 116077.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Secondary Employment

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Review the details of the Chief Executive Officer approved secondary employment.
2. Consider any new information that relates to the secondary employment approval.
3. Notify the CEO and provide 60 days' notice to cease secondary employment.

This item was withdrawn.

ITEM NO: CONF 10
FILE NO: 105678.2026
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$15,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Matching Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Play Matters Australia	Sing&Grow Community Program	$15,000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$17,708** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Miracle Babies Foundation	Resource for NICU Siblings	$10,000
Road Safety Education Limited	Reducing financial barriers for Liverpool City youth to access Ryda Road Safety Program	$7,708

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

Vote for: Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Macnaught and Clr Monaghan.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski.

ITEM NO: CONF 11
FILE NO: 071347.2026
SUBJECT: Follow Up Report NOM 05 December 2025 - Capital Works Proposal from Liverpool Olympic

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ristevski**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;
2. Acknowledges the important role Liverpool Olympic plays within the community and congratulates the Club on their positive vision for the improvement of sporting infrastructure;
3. Provides in-principle support for the proposed upgrade of Hoxton Park Oval, subject to:
   (a) assessment of legal requirements and environmental impacts,
   (b) development of a full project budget validated by a Quantity Surveyor, and
   (c) discussions with the club to explore and provide alternative options for consideration.
4. Requests that an update to Council be provided following the above assessments; and
5. Authorises the CEO to do all things necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

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

ITEM NO: CONF 12
FILE NO: 113916.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - CT Lewis - Sale Price and Purchaser

Questions and responses were provided to Councillors in the Confidential Book

RECESS
Deputy Mayor Harle called a recess of meeting at 8.55pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Deputy Mayor Harle as the Chairperson resumed the meeting at 9.02pm.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion: **Moved Clr Macnaught**

That Council move into Closed Session in accordance with s10A(2)*(g) of the Local Government Act 1993* 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;

The motion to move into Closed Session was put to the meeting and on being put to the meeting was declared CARRIED.

The gallery left the Chamber and the meeting moved into Closed Session at 9.02pm.

Clr Ristevski left the Chamber at 9:03pm.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chamber at 9.19pm but did not assume as Chair.

CLOSED SESSION

ITEM NO: CONF 07
FILE NO: 113812.2026
SUBJECT: Confidential litigation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Note the contents of the report;
2. Agree the budget [outlined in the confidential report] for the proceedings in 2025/26; and
3. Note the expected budget requirements and budget risks for 2026/27.

Amendment: **Moved: Clr Monaghan** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Note the contents of the report;
2. Note that a Firm, a Junior and a Senior Counsel have already been engaged and briefed;
3. Approve the budget [as discussed in Closed Session] for the proceedings in the 2025/26 financial year;
4. Note the expected budget requirements and budget risks for 2026/27; and
5. Notes that these figures account for two days of hearings and provides ample scope to brief competent junior counsel and a legal team to defend these matters.

On being put to the meeting the amendment motion (moved by Clr Monaghan) was declared LOST.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Monaghan)

Vote for: Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Monaghan.

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Note: Clr Ristevski was not in the Chamber when this item was voted on.

The motion (moved by Clr Harte) was then voted on and was declared CARRIED.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Harte)

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Harte, and Clr Macnaught.

Vote against: Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Monaghan

Note: Clr Ristevski was not in the Chamber when this item was voted on.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Adjei** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council move into open session.

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

OPEN SESSION

Council moved into open session at 9.32pm and Deputy Mayor Harle read a redacted version (due to confidential reasons) of the resolution moved by Clr Harte that was passed in Closed Session.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 9.33pm by Deputy Mayor Harle.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 19 May 2026

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29 April 2026. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 12 MAY 2026

PRESENT:
Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harle
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Munjiza
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 Earl Paradeza, Acting Chief Financial Officer
Ms M'Leigh Brunetta, Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services
Ms Clare Mongjaay, Acting Councillor Executive and Support Officer

The meeting commenced at 6.02pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor reminded everyone in accordance with clause 5.37 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

.....

Chairperson

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

In relation to clause 4.3 – 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 prayer of the Council was read by Ms M'Leigh Brunetta from Liverpool City Council.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

NIL.

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Chairperson

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 141120.2026
SUBJECT: Council endorsed adjustments to the Draft Delivery Program 2026-2030 and Operational Plan 2026-2027, Draft Long-Term Financial Plan and Revenue Pricing Policy (Fees and Charges)

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion: Moved: Clr Macnaught Seconded: Clr Harte

That Council move into Closed Session under s10A(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993* because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

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

Division:

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

Vote against: Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Monaghan, Clr Munjiza and Clr Ristevski

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of Council at 6.44pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in open council at 7.08pm with all councillors present.

Clr Macnaught left the Chamber at 7:29pm. Clr Macnaught returned to the Chamber at 7:31pm.
Clr Monaghan left the Chamber at 7:38pm. Clr Monaghan returned to the Chamber at 7:38pm.
Clr Harte left the Chamber at 7:42pm. Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 7:43pm.
Clr Monaghan left the Chamber at 7.57pm. Clr Monaghan returned to the Chamber at 7.59pm
Clr Macnaught left the Chamber at 7.59pm. Clr Macnaught returned to the Chamber at 8.02pm.

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Chairperson

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Notes the NSW Government's changes to the Model Code of Meeting Practice, adopted by Council in 2025, which bans councillor briefing sessions to promote transparent and open decision making.

2. Notes the advice from the CEO that requires any decisions in relation to the draft DP/OP, LTFP and Revenue Pricing Policy, must be made in alignment with Point 1, and therefore, be a resolved position of Council.

3. Direct the CEO to model the following proposed changes to be presented at the next council meeting:

   a) increase employee costs to $114,598,373 for the 2026/27 Budget to give sufficient time to model the budget adjustment and its impact on the draft DP/OP, LTFP, and Revenue Pricing Policy. Notes that this equals a 7.25% increase in Council's wage bill between 2025/2026 and 2026/2027;

   b) $650,000 to begin the implementation of the neighbourhood model of compliance and presentation from the general reserve;

   c) $675,000 to Parks team for increased service provision during peak periods;

   d) $1 yellow bin extra service (to be funded from the Domestic Waste Levy);

   e) go from 2 household pickups to 4 household pickups a year with a maximum two-week service of agreement with our community;

   f) change the requirements for a large red bin upgrade from six family members to five family members per household;

   g) $400,000 for Ernie Smith Reserve Upgrade funded from the General Property Reserve;

   h) Provide a scenario analysis as to the headcount and vacancies based upon employee costs of $116.971,210 in comparison to $114,598,373; and

   i) That the model include the filling of the 26 vacancies across the Operations Directorate.

4. Notes that further adjustments to the DP/OP, LTFP and Revenue Pricing Policy can be made before and after the public exhibition period.

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

ITEM NO: 02
FILE NO: 141120.2026
SUBJECT: Date of May Council Meeting

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council changes the date of the Ordinary Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday 19 May 2026 to Monday 18 May 2026 and the meeting to start at 6pm.

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

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Chairperson

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8.18pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 19 May 2026

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12 May 2026. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 18 MAY 2026

PRESENT:
Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim (retired from the meeting at 8.34pm)
Councillor Karnib (expelled from the meeting at 8.19pm)
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Munjiza (retired from the meeting at 8.34pm)
Councillor Monaghan (expelled from the meeting at 8.30pm)
Councillor Ristevski (retired from the meeting at 8.36pm)
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 M'Leigh Brunetta, 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 6.09pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:
"In accordance with clause 5.37 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

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Chairperson

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

In relation to clause 4.3 – The provisions of this Code requiring the livestreaming of meetings also apply to public forums."

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY, PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION

The prayer of the Council was read by Reverend Tim Booker from St Lukes Anglican Church.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 29 April 2026 and Extraordinary Meeting held on 12 May 2026 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Item no: CEO 01 – Extension of Mr. Robert Lagaida – Independent Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Member.

Reason: Clr Macnaught stated that in the past she has been in a non-related social situation with the person mentioned in the report.

Clr Macnaught stated she would not remain in the Chamber for the duration of the item.

Note: As there was no quorum for this item and it could not be dealt with, the item was deferred to the next Council meeting.

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

Item no: COM 02 – Report Back to Council – NSW Rural Fire Service Annual Awards Ceremony.

Reason: Ms Bono's husband is a volunteer at the RFS. Ms Bono stated she did not authorise the report.

Ms Bono remained in the Chamber for the duration of the item.

Mr Breton declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following

Item No: CONF 05 – Notice of Motion – Clr Ristevski – Secondary Employment.

Reason: Mr Breton stated it is mentioned ambiguously as to new information as to standards of contact. Mr Breton stated it is non-pecuniary as he is an unpaid volunteer at this capacity.

Mr Breton stated he would remain in the Chamber for the duration of this item to clarify any issues Councillors have as to standards of conduct.

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

Item No: CTTE 01 - Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 9 February 2026.

Reason: Deputy Mayor Harle asked a question in relation to Coopers Paddock VPA. Coopers Paddock is in reference to the Australian Turf Club VPA of which Clr Harte is a member of the Australian Turf Club

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

Item No: CONF 01 - Compulsory Acquisition of Lot 103 in DP 1317978, Lot 103 Kelly Street, Austral (formerly part of 14 Kelly Street, Austral) for drainage purposes for Basin 11 Austral

Reason: Mayor Mannoun stated he knows the owners from their ownership of NSW Only Kosher Chicken Processing Facility and through their application for subdivision of which he consulted on when he was not on Council approximately six years ago. Mayor Mannoun stated that he had no involvement in the matter back then and or now however, Mayor Mannoun stated he would leave have to the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Note: As there was no quorum for this item and it could not be dealt with, the item was deferred to the next Council meeting.

PETITIONS

NIL.

RECISSION MOTIONS

NIL.

MAYORAL MINUTES

MAYOR 01 – Condolence Motion - Dr Bryan Cowling
MAYOR 02 – Condolence Motion – Barry “Bo” Seton
MAYOR 03 – Condolence Motion – Milorad Vidovic
COND 01 - Condolence Motion – Eddy Zu
MAYOR 04 – Mayoral Minute – Hats off to Oscar - Community Fundraiser 31 May 2026

MAYORAL MINUTE

Item: MAYOR 01

Subject: Condolence Motion - Dr Bryan Cowling

Report of: Mayor Ned Mannoun

Date: 18 May 2026

I rise tonight to acknowledge with sadness the passing of Dr Bryan Cowling, a respected educator, historian and passionate advocate for Liverpool’s local heritage, who passed away on Thursday, the 14th of May 2026.

Dr Cowling dedicated much of his life to education and the Liverpool community. Many across our city will remember his years as a history teacher at Miller High School, where he inspired students to connect with the stories and identity of our local area. He later became the founding Principal of Thomas Hassall Anglican College, leading the College through its formative years and helping shape an institution that continues to serve our region today.

Beyond education, Dr Cowling was deeply committed to preserving Liverpool’s history. He worked closely with the Liverpool Heritage Society and played an important role in campaigns to protect sites such as Rosebank Cottage, the Old Court House and Pioneers’ Memorial Park.

Even in retirement, and despite his declining health, Dr Cowling continued to share his passion for Liverpool’s history through research, writing and presentations to the community, including his work documenting the history of St Luke's Anglican Church.

On behalf of Council, I extend our sincere condolences to Dr Cowling’s family, friends,

former colleagues, students and all those whose lives he touched.

May he rest in peace.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Notes with sadness the passing of Dr Bryan Cowling on 14 May 2026 and extends its sincere condolences to his family, friends and the wider community.
2. Recognises Dr Cowling's significant contribution to education, local history and heritage preservation within the Liverpool community over many decades.
3. Places on record its appreciation for Dr Cowling's service as an educator, founding Principal of Thomas Hassall Anglican College, and passionate advocate for Liverpool's local history and heritage.
4. Notes that a Thanksgiving Service for Dr Cowling will be held at St Luke's Anglican Church on 22 May 2026 at 1:00pm.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 6.18pm
Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 6.20pm.

MAYORAL MINUTE

Item: MAYOR 02

Subject: Condolence Motion – Australian Motorsport Legend Barry "Bo" Seton

Report of: Mayor Ned Mannoun

Date: 18 May 2026

This Council records its deep sadness at the passing of Australian motor racing legend Barry "Bo" Seton, who died on 17 April 2026 at the age of 89, and extends its sincere condolences to his family, friends, and the wider motorsport community.

Barry Seton was a pioneer of Australian touring car racing and a revered figure whose contribution to the sport spanned decades.

Known for his skill, determination and mechanical ingenuity, he not only competed at the highest levels but helped shape the sport behind the scenes.

In 1989, he played a key role in establishing Glenn Seton Racing, building engines and remaining a constant and respected presence within the team.

Family was at the heart of Barry's life in motorsport. He founded a racing dynasty that has become one of Australia's most enduring.

His legacy has been famously carried forward by his son Glenn, a two-time Australian Touring Car Champion, and his grandson Aaron, who debuted at Bathurst in 2022.

Across three generations, the Seton family has achieved a remarkable 50 Bathurst starts: 22 by Barry, 26 by Glenn and two by Aaron. An extraordinary testament to their shared passion and commitment.

Barry Seton also holds a special place in our local community. His connection to Moorebank is proudly reflected in Seton Road and the Seton Community Hall, as enduring reminders of a family whose name is synonymous not only with motorsport excellence but also with local identity and pride.

In remembering Barry "Bo" Seton, we honour a life of dedication, humility and achievement. His legacy lives on through his family, his contributions to Australian motorsport, and the community that continues to bear his name.

May he rest in peace.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Council adopts this Mayoral Minute.
2. Council recognises the sterling contribution of Barry Bo Seton to the Australian Motorsport community.
3. Mayor to send a letter of condolence to the Seton family.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

MAYORAL MINUTE

Item No: MAYOR 03

Subject: Condolence Motion – Liverpool City Council Staff Member Milorad Vidovic

Report of: Mayor Ned Mannoun

Date: 18 May 2026

I move that Council formally acknowledges the passing of former long serving staff member Milorad Vidovic and extends its deepest condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues.

Milorad served this Council with dedication and pride for just over 26 years, starting work with Council on 7 February 2000, and fittingly many staff members were at his funeral today.

He was a familiar and respected presence across our organisation, particularly through his role as library services courier.

Before coming to Australia in 1996, he was a radio journalist in Belgrade from 1979 to 1992 and during that time witnessed a great deal of violence that had a deep effect on him.

As his daughter said in an online obituary, for Milorad it was important to maintain a bright face and humanity and this he did.

Many of us would have seen Milorad in the Civic Place lifts, in the carpark, in the libraries and in the community, always on the move, ensuring that our library services continued to connect our community.

His role took him across the city each day, and through this work, Milorad became well known not only within Council, but throughout the broader community.

He carried out his duties with good humour, professionalism and reliability, and with a touching personal warmth that left a lasting impression on all who worked with him.

Beyond his work with Council, Milorad was also a committed and respected member of the Serbian community, contributing his time and energy to supporting and strengthening community connections.

Milorad was a valued member of the Liverpool City Council team, who made a lasting impact through his dedication, his strong work ethic, and the positive spirit he brought to the workplace.

He will be remembered not only for his service, but for the genuine relationships he built and the kindness he showed to those around him.

On behalf of Council, I extend our heartfelt condolences to Milorad's family, friends, and close colleagues during this difficult time.

On behalf of Council, his colleagues, and the community of Liverpool I extend our deepest condolences to his wife Mirjana, children Vesna and Ivan, and grandchildren Angelina, Kalina and Isidora.

Our thoughts are with all those who are grieving this loss, and we offer our support to everyone affected.

May he rest in peace

RECOMMENDATION

1. Council adopts this Mayoral Minute.
2. Council recognises the long-standing contribution of Milorad Vidovic to Liverpool City Council in general and to our Library services in particular.
3. The mayor sends a letter of condolence to the Vidovic family.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

ITEM NO: COND 01

REPORT OF: Clr Peter Ristevski

SUBJECT: Condolence Motion - Eddy Zu

COUNCIL DECISION

Tonight, I rise to acknowledge the passing of a young man from our community, Eddy Zu, who tragically passed away at just 28 years of age from his long battle with cancer on Mother's Day.

Eddy was born in China and migrated to Australia with his parents when he was four years old. Liverpool became his home for the rest of his life. He attended Liverpool Primary School, later All Saints Catholic College, and lived in Casula at the time of his passing.

I came to know Eddy through my work as a councillor. He was someone who regularly attended Council meetings and community forums. He took a genuine interest in local issues and cared deeply about the direction of our city.

What stood out about Eddy was that he wanted to contribute. He wanted to be involved. He wanted to stand up for what he believed was right and ensure everyday people were heard.

In a time where many people disconnect from civic life, Eddy did the opposite. He engaged. He questioned. He advocated. he cared about this community and wanted better outcomes for others.

He brought energy, conviction and purpose to community discussions. But beneath all of that was a caring and respectful young man who genuinely wanted to make a positive difference.

We often say we need more young people involved in community life, more young people attending meetings, more young people taking an interest in democracy and public debate. Eddy was exactly that kind of person.

His passing at such a young age is deeply saddening and a reminder of how fragile life can be.

On behalf of the community, I extend my sincere condolences to Eddy's family, friends and all those who knew and loved him.

May they find comfort in the impact he made, the conversations he sparked and the memories he leaves behind.

May Eddy Zu rest in peace. He will be missed.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the family writes to the family of Eddy Zu to express our sincere condolences.

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

One minute silence was then observed for Dr Bryan Cowling, Barry “Bo” Seton, Milorad Vidovic and Eddy Zu.

MAYORAL MINUTE

Item: MAYOR 04
Subject: Mayoral Minute – 'Hats off to Oscar' – Community Fundraiser - 31 May 2026
Report of: Mayor Ned Mannoun
Date: 18 May 2026

Ms Bronwyn Adamson recently contacted my office on behalf of the Nuwarra Public School community to bring to my attention a fundraising initiative to help provide financial support to the struggling parents of a Year 3 Nuwarra Public School student, who was diagnosed in November 2025 with Aplastic Anaemia: a rare and life-threatening condition. Young Oscar has endured months of hospitalisation, chemotherapy and a bone marrow transplant, with his father as the donor. Oscar is now in a critical recovery phase and living in protective isolation while his immune system rebuilds.

The Nuwarra Public School community behind this initiative are not registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission; therefore, they do not qualify for a fee reduction through Council's Grants and Sponsorships Program:
https://www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0005/272048/Grants-Donations-and-Community-Sponsorship-Policy-2024-V2.pdf

Determined to move forward with their fundraiser, the organisers have pivoted and announced a 'Hats Off to Oscar' Picnic Day to take place on Sunday 31 May from 11am to 2pm at Black Muscat Park, Chipping Norton. Attendees are invited to wear their craziest, funniest or most fabulous hat. Photos will be taken and sent to Oscar, who will judge his favourites.

A QR Code has been provided to encourage those who cannot attend to make direct donations, with all funds raised to go towards vouchers to support Oscar's family during this challenging time.

As a parent who has experienced the financial stress and trauma of having a seriously ill child, I propose that Council make a direct donation of $1000.00 to support this local family in need.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That Council note this recommendation.
2. That Council donate $1,000.00 to support this family in need.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

MOTION TO BRING ITEMS FORWARD

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

That the following items are brought forward and dealt with now.

- CORP 03 – Review – Internally Restricted Cash Reserves
- CORP 05 – For Public Exhibition – Draft 2026-27 Budget and Revenue Pricing Policy (Fees & Charges), and Long-Term Financial Plan 2027-2036
- CEO 02 – For Public Exhibition – Draft Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2026-2027
- CEO 01 - Extension of Mr. Robert Lagaida – Independent Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Member
- NOM 03 – Notice of Motion – Clr Ristevski – Community Feedback Survey
- NOM 04 – Notice of Motion – Clr Ristevski – Reinstatement of the Liverpool Councillors Charity Black-Tie Ball
- NOM 05 – Notice of Motion – Clr Ristevski – Reinstatement of the Name “Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre

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

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NO: CORP 03
FILE NO: 133463.2026
SUBJECT: Review - Internally Restricted Cash Reserves

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the report.
2. Adopts the recommendations for:
    - Employee Leave Entitlement Reserve
    - Insurance Reserve
    - Parking Strategy Reserve
    - General Property Reserve
    - Loan Reserve
    - Carnes Hill Stage Two Precinct Development Reserve.

Amendment: **Moved: Clr Monaghan** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the report.
2. Adopts the recommendations contained in the report except the Moorebank Intermodal Ex-Gratia Payments Reserve.

The amendment (moved by Clr Monaghan) was put to the meeting and was declared CARRIED and became the Motion.

Division (for the amendment moved by Clr Monaghan)

Vote for: Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan, Clr Munjiza and Clr Ristevski,

Against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Councillors then debated the amendment moved by Clr Macnaught

Amendment: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the report.

2. Adopts the recommendations for:
   - Employee Leave Entitlement Reserve
   - Insurance Reserve
   - Parking Strategy Reserve
   - General Property Reserve
   - Loan Reserve
   - Carnes Hill Stage Two Precinct Development Reserve.

3. Direct the CEO for a report to be brought back to Council as soon as practicable for the options for the Hammondville Precinct Reserve to achieve the goals as per the speakers this evening and the Hammondville Park Masterplan.

On being put to the meeting the amendment (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared LOST.

Division called:

Vote For: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Vote Against: Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan, Clr Munjiza and Clr Ristevski.

Clr Harte then withdrew the motion he moved as Clr Monaghan's amendment had become the substantive motion and he did not want to be the mover of the substantive motion. Clr Adjei as the seconder also agreed to withdraw.

Councillors then voted on the motion (moved by Clr Monaghan and seconded by Clr Karnib) and as shown below:

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

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the report.

2. Adopts the recommendations contained in the report except the Moorebank Intermodal Ex-Gratia Payments Reserve.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Monaghan) was declared CARRIED.

Division:

Vote for: Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan, Clr Munjiza and Clr Ristevski.

Against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 7.29pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in open council at 7.55pm with all Councillors present.

ITEM NO: CORP 05
FILE NO: 136647.2026
SUBJECT: For Public Exhibition - Draft 2026-27 Budget and Revenue Pricing Policy (Fees & Charges), and Long-term Financial Plan 2027-2036

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;

2. Notes the proposals raised at the extraordinary Council meeting on 12 May 2026 have been modelled and reflected in the Draft 2026-27 Budget, Revenue Pricing Policy and the Long-Term Financial Plan, including the Capital Works Program for 2026-27;

3. Endorses the Draft 2026-27 Budget, Revenue Pricing Policy and the Long-Term Financial Plan, including the Capital Works Program for 2026-27, to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days from 20 May to 16 June 2026; and

4. Receives a further report before 30 June 2026 outlining the public submissions received and recommending any amendments arising from those submissions.

Amendment: **Moved: Clr Munjiza** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report
2. Notes the proposals raised at the extraordinary Council meeting on 12 May 2026 have been modelled and reflected in the Draft 2026-27 Budget, Revenue Pricing Policy and the Long-Term Financial Plan, including the Capital Works Program for 2026-27;
3. Endorses the Draft 2026-27 Budget, Revenue Pricing Policy and the Long-Term Financial Plan, including the Capital Works Program for 2026-27, to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days from 20 May to 16 June 2026;
4. Receives a further report before 30 June 2026 outlining the public submissions received and recommending any amendments arising from those submissions; and
5. That Council approve:
   a) $675,000 to Parks team for increased service provisions during peak periods.
   b) $400,000 for the Ernie Smith Reserve Upgrade from the General fund.
   c) The total $1,075,000 be deducted from budget line-item 301177 being strategic events.

The events to be cancelled were shown on the screen and are the cultural festivals (shown below):

- EuroFest
- Primavera
- Pasifika
- Blessed nights
- Motherland
- Lights and Lanterns

Mayor Mannoun requested Clr Karnib to withdraw his comments and apologise without reservation under Clause 15.1 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice. This was stated several times. Clr Karnib refused to apologise.

Mayor Mannoun then expelled Clr Karnib from the Chamber at 8.19pm in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice under Clause 15.15. Mayor Mannoun provided 5 minutes notice for Clr Karnib to leave the chamber.

Clr Karnib left the Chamber and did not return to the meeting.

RECESS
Mayor Mannoun called a recess 8.19pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting at 8.27pm with all Councillors except Clr Karnib.

Mayor Mannoun requested Clr Monaghan to withdraw his comments and apologise under Clause 15.1 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice. Clr Monaghan refused to apologise.

Mayor Mannoun then expelled Clr Monaghan from the Chamber 8.30pm in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice under Clause 15.15. Mayor Mannoun provided 5 minutes notice for Clr Monaghan to leave the chamber.

Clr Monaghan left the Chamber and did not return to the meeting.

Clr Macnaught left the Chamber at 8.29pm.
Clr Macnaught returned to the Chamber at 8.31pm.
Clr Ibrahim retired from the meeting and left the Chamber at 8:34pm.
Clr Munjiza retired from the meeting and left the Chamber at 8:34pm.
Clr Ristevski retired from the meeting and left the Chamber at 8:36pm. On his exit there was a verbal interaction between Clr Ristevski and the Gallery attendees.

The amendment moved by Clr Munjiza was then put to the vote.

On being put to the meeting the amendment (moved by Clr Munjiza) was declared LOST.

Clr Harte then amended his motion to add a point 5 regarding the $1.00 yellow bin initiative (as shown below):

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report

2. Notes the proposals raised at the extraordinary Council meeting on 12 May 2026 have been modelled and reflected in the Draft 2026-27 Budget, Revenue Pricing Policy and the Long-Term Financial Plan, including the Capital Works Program for 2026-27;

3. Endorses the Draft 2026-27 Budget, Revenue Pricing Policy and the Long-Term Financial Plan, including the Capital Works Program for 2026-27, to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days from 20 May to 16 June 2026;

4. Receives a further report before 30 June 2026 outlining the public submissions received and recommending any amendments arising from those submissions; and

5. Remove the $1.00 yellow bin initiative from the user fees and charges policy and refers the matter to a Governance Committee meeting.

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

CEO REPORTS

ITEM NO: CEO 02
FILE NO: 123318.2026
SUBJECT: For Public Exhibition - Draft Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2026-2027

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Endorses the Draft Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2026-2027 to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days from 19 May to 15 June 2026;

2. Notes the proposed amendments to the 2025-2029 draft Delivery Program; and

3. Receives a further report at the June 2026 Council meeting outlining the public submissions received and recommending any amendments arising from those submissions.

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

ITEM NO: CEO 01
FILE NO: 119572.2026
SUBJECT: Extension of Mr. Robert Lagaida - Independent Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Member

This item was deferred to the end of the meeting.

PLANNING & DESIGN REPORT

ITEM NO: PD 01
FILE NO: 130398.2026
SUBJECT: Planning Agreements Policy – Proposed Amendments

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;

2. Endorses the draft Planning Agreements Policy (**Attachment 2**) for public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days;

3. Should submissions be received during the exhibition period, receives a Post-Exhibition Report at a future Ordinary Meeting of Council for Council consideration; and

4. Should no submissions be received during the exhibition period, delegates to the CEO the authority to adopt the Planning Agreements Policy (**Attachment 2**) on behalf of Council in the form they were publicly exhibited or with minor administrative amendments.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib, Monaghan, Munjiza and Ristevski were not in the meeting when this item was voted on.

ITEM NO: PD 02
FILE NO: 131522.2026
SUBJECT: Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 - Proposed Amendments

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;

2. Endorses the proposed amendments to the Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 (**Attachment 1**) for public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days in accordance with the Liverpool Community Participation Plan 2025; and

3. Directs the report to come back to Council after public exhibition.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib, Monaghan, Munjiza and Ristevski were not in the meeting when this item was voted on.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01
FILE NO: 043556.2026
SUBJECT: Appointment of Councillors to Committees and Affiliated Bodies - Vacancy roles only

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That this item be deferred to the next Council meeting.

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

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 136542.2026
SUBJECT: Report back to Council - NSW Rural Fire Service Annual Awards Ceremony

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Notes, that NSW Rural Fire Service host an awards ceremony each year to recognise members valour, acts of bravery, and distinguished service;

2. Has connected with the NSW Rural Fire Service to express a proposed partnership and bid, to attract the annual awards ceremony to be held Liverpool Powerhouse; and

3. Will continue to explore opportunities with the NSW Rural Fire Service to attract this important ceremony to be held in Liverpool LGA.

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

ITEM NO: COM 03
FILE NO: 125148.2026
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$15,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Matching Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Autism Advisory and Support Service	Somewhere Nice to learn job skills	$15,000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **$6,992** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
The City of Liverpool & District Historical Society Inc	Liverpool History Exhibition Delivery	$6,992

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

MOTION TO DEAL WITH ITEMS IN ORDINARY ORDER

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That the items revert back to the original council meeting order.

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

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

ITEM NO: CORP 01
FILE NO: 129826.2026
SUBJECT: CBA Bank Guarantee Facility

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Approves to increase Council's Bank Guarantee Facility with Commonwealth Bank of Australia from $5 million to $6 million.

2. Authorises the CEO or his delegate to execute necessary documentation to increase the facility.

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

Mayor Mannoun left the Chair at 8.54pm but remained in the Chamber. Clr Harle, as the Deputy Mayor, assumed the Chair.

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 132416.2026
SUBJECT: FY 2025/26 - Quarter 3, Budget Review

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council:

1. Approve the budget variations identified in this report; and

2. Note the projected income and expenditure results for the current financial year.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib, Monaghan, Munjiza and Ristevski were not in the meeting when this item was voted on.

ITEM NO: CORP 04
FILE NO: 129962.2026
SUBJECT: Investment Report April 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council receives and notes this report.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib, Monaghan, Munjiza and Ristevski were not in the meeting when this item was voted on.

During discussion of this item Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest.

Reason: Deputy Mayor Harle asked a question in relation to Coopers Paddock VPA. Coopers Paddock is in reference to the Australian Turf Club VPA of which Clr Harte is a member of the Australian Turf Club.

Clr Harte remained in the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Mayor Mannoun assumed the Chair at 8.59pm

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM NO: CTTE 01
FILE NO: 114320.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 9 February 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 9 February 2026.

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

ITEM NO: CTTE 02
FILE NO: 119741.2026
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held 4 March 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 4 March 2026;

2. Recognises and thanks 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.

As Clr Ristevski had retired from the meeting, Mayor Mannoun stated that in accordance with Clause 10.4 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice any other councillor, with the leave of the chairperson, may move the motion under Clause 10.4(a), or the chairperson may defer consideration until the next meeting of Council under Clause 10.4(b).

Clr Harte stated that he would like to move all the Notices of Motion.

Mayor Mannoun stated he was happy to grant leave to move them under Clause 10.4(a) of Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

Clr Harte then stated he would like to move the following Notices of Motion:

- NOM 01 - Notice of Motion - Immediate Filling of Outdoor Staff Vacancies and Withdrawal of Grass & City Presentation Policy
- NOM 02 - Notice of Motion - Temporary Workforce Flexibility and Fuel Cost Relief Measures in Response to the Fuel Crisis
- NOM 03 – Notice of Motion – Clr Ristevski – Community Feedback Survey
- NOM 04 – Notice of Motion – Clr Ristevski – Reinstatement of the Liverpool Councillors Charity Black-Tie Ball
- NOM 05 – Notice of Motion – Clr Ristevski – Reinstatement of the Name "Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre

The items were then dealt with as shown below:

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 103003.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion – Clr Ristevski - Immediate Filling of Outdoor Staff Vacancies and Withdrawal of Grass & City Presentation Policy

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

1. That Council notes:
   a) The Mayor publicly asserted that approximately 105 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) staff are responsible for mowing operations across the Liverpool LGA.
   b) The current status is:
      - Total FTE: 109
      - Vacant / loaned out: 26
      - Management (non-operational): 14
      - Actual operational mowing staff: 69

c) The proposed Grass and City Presentation Community Standards Policy sets unrealistic expectations on a workforce.

d) The introduction of this policy via a Mayoral Minute denied Councillors proper time and scrutiny, contrary to principles of transparency and good governance under section 8A of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW).

2. That Council resolves:

a) To immediately direct the CEO to commence urgent recruitment to fill the 26 vacant outdoor staff positions, with a report back to Council within 60 days on progress.

b) To withdraw the Grass and City Presentation Community Standards Policy from public exhibition, on the basis that:

- It is operational in nature and falls within the CEO's responsibilities
- It has not been developed in accordance with the Local Government (State) Award 2023 consultation requirements
- It is redundant if staffing levels are properly restored

c) To include funding for the 26 additional outdoor staff positions in the 2026/2027 Budget, funded through reprioritisation of existing expenditure.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

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

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 103161.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion – Clr Ristevski - Temporary Workforce Flexibility and Fuel Cost Relief Measures in Response to the Fuel Crisis

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council, as a matter of urgency:

1. **Recognises** the current fuel crisis is placing immediate financial pressure on Council staff, disrupting travel to and from work, increasing household cost-of-living stress, and creating operational risks for Council service delivery.

2. **Requests a report back to Council within 14 days** outlining:
   a) the operational, industrial and legal implications of temporary work from home arrangements for indoor staff;
   b) the operational, industrial and legal implications of any rotating roster system for outdoor staff;
   c) options for a **temporary fuel subsidy, travel allowance, or equivalent cost relief measure** for Council staff required to travel for work during the fuel crisis;
   d) the financial impact of each option and how it may be funded;
   e) service continuity measures to ensure essential services are maintained;
   f) examples of any comparable steps being taken by other councils, including **Penrith City Council** and **Campbelltown City Council**, or other NSW councils responding to similar workforce and cost pressures.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

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

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 113669.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Community Feedback Survey

BACKGROUND

Jewell Technical Solutions conducted a community feedback survey for Local Pulse Press and 2GLF.

The survey was titled 'Liverpool Community Feedback Survey, a spotlight on community priorities and perceptions.'

The survey has been made publicly available by Local Pulse Press and indicates sentiments of a selection of Liverpool's community.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the Community Feedback Survey prepared by Jewell Technical Solutions; and

2. Notes the findings in this survey as a matter of concern.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

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

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 126335.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Reinstatement of the Liverpool Councillors Charity Black-Tie Ball

BACKGROUND

During the 2016 Council term, Liverpool City Council successfully hosted several Councillor Black-Tie Charity Balls initiated and driven by Councillor Peter Ristevski. The event proved highly successful, raising hundreds of thousands of dollars for local charities while bringing together the business community, community organisations and civic leaders in support of important local causes.

Liverpool is home to many hardworking families, however parts of the city continue to experience significant socio-economic disadvantage, particularly within the 2168 postcode area. One of the most common issues raised by residents is the inability to afford dental care, which often results in serious health consequences including infection, hospitalisation and missed school days for children.

Local charities already doing extraordinary work alongside Liverpool Hospital include:

- Mobile Eye Care and Dental Clinic which provides mobile dental and health services to disadvantaged communities.
- Little Wings which provides free flight and ground transport for seriously ill children in regional and rural areas who must travel to major hospitals such as Liverpool Hospital for life-saving treatment.

Both organisations have a strong reputation for delivering practical support to vulnerable families and would be ideal partners for a reinstated Charity Ball.

Importantly, the operational delivery of the event would be largely managed by the partner charities themselves, ensuring that the impact on Council staff resources is minimal, with Council primarily assisting through promotion and civic support.

Expected Outcomes

- Significant funds raised for local health-related charities.
- Improved access to dental care for disadvantaged Liverpool families, particularly in the 2168 area.
- Increased support for families whose children require medical treatment through Little Wings.
- Strengthened partnerships between Council, charities, Liverpool Hospital and the local business community.
- Re-establishment of a flagship philanthropic event that showcases Liverpool's generosity and community spirit.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Reinstate the Liverpool Charity Black-Tie Ball, to be held annually as a flagship fundraising event for the Liverpool community.

2. Nominate the following charities as the inaugural beneficiaries of the reinstated event:
    - Mobile Eye Care and Dental Clinic
    - Little Wings

3. Ensure the majority of the event organisation, fundraising and sponsorship activities are undertaken by the partner charities, with Council providing:
    - Promotional support through Council communication channels
    - Civic endorsement and participation
    - Assistance with venue coordination where appropriate.

4. Establish a Liverpool Community Dental Access Initiative, funded from proceeds raised at the Charity Ball, aimed at providing free or subsidised dental treatment to disadvantaged families, with a focus on residents living in the 2168 postcode area.

5. Work with Mobile Eye Care and Dental Clinic to explore the deployment of mobile dental services across Liverpool to improve access for vulnerable residents.

6. Request the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a report outlining:
    - Potential venues and dates for the Charity Ball
    - Governance arrangements to ensure transparent charitable fundraising
    - Opportunities for corporate sponsorship from the Liverpool business community
    - Mechanisms to ensure funds raised are directed toward the intended charitable purposes.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

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

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 131648.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Reinstatement of the Name “Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre"

BACKGROUND

The renaming of the Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre has generated significant concern within the community, particularly among Casula residents, local artists, cultural stakeholders, and long-standing patrons of the venue.

The Casula Powerhouse name carries strong historical, cultural, and brand recognition across South West Sydney and the broader arts sector. It represents a key part of Liverpool’s identity.

Concerns have been raised regarding:

- Limited measurable community consultation
- Lack of clear economic or tourism evidence supporting the change
- Financial costs associated with the rebrand during a period of budget pressure
- Risk to established brand equity and community trust

The community has clearly indicated a preference for the original name to be reinstated.

RATIONALE

This motion restores community confidence, protects a well-established cultural identity, and ensures responsible financial management.

It delivers a practical solution that:

- Respects community sentiment
- Avoids unnecessary expenditure
- Reinforces transparency and accountability

The Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre is more than a name. It is a symbol of local identity, history, and pride. That should not be discarded without clear justification or community support.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Reinstatement of Name

1.1 Immediately commence the process to reinstate the name:
"Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre"

1.2 Ensure all future official references, communications, and branding revert to this name.

2. Cost-Neutral Implementation Strategy

2.1 Implement the reversion using a cost-minimisation approach, including:

- Updating digital assets (website, social media) internally using existing staff
- Phasing out existing printed and marketing materials as stock is depleted
- Deferring physical signage replacement until scheduled maintenance cycles

2.2 Confirm that no new discretionary budget allocation is to be approved for the renaming reversal.

3. Funding Source (If Required)

3.1 Should any unavoidable costs arise, they are to be funded from:

- Existing communications and marketing operational budgets

3.2 No additional ratepayer funding is to be sought.

4. Future Decision-Making Safeguards

4.1 Develop a policy requiring that any future renaming of significant community assets must include:

- Demonstrated majority community support
- Transparent cost-benefit analysis

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

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

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 136493.2026
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Mayor Mannoun - Haerse Avenue, Chipping Norton

Please address the following and see attached photos in the Council Agenda:

1. When was work started on Haerse Avenue to deliver a footpath?

2. When did excavation and forming the footpath/ramp/kerb take place?

3. When was the formwork removed, dirt and grass replaced, and the curb re-poured?

4. Why was the decision made to undo all the prep work?

5. How much did undoing all this cost?

A response will be prepared and provided at the next Ordinary Council meeting, due to Council not having all information available at the time of compiling.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 118360.2026
SUBJECT: Compulsory Acquisition of Lot 103 in DP 1317978, Lot 103 Kelly Street, Austral (formerly part of 14 Kelly Street, Austral) for drainage purposes for Basin 11 Austral

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

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 119283.2026
SUBJECT: Compulsory acquisition of Lot 11 DP 808614, 95 Fifth Avenue, Austral for SP2 Local Drainage and RE1 Public Recreation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Proceeds with the compulsory acquisition of Lot 11 DP 808614, 95 Fifth Avene, Austral zoned SP2 Local Drainage & RE1 Pubic Recreation.

2. Delegates authority to, and directs the CEO and his delegates, to proceed with making the necessary application to the Minister for Local Government and the Governor in accordance with Section 187(2) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 to obtain approval to give an acquisition notice to the owners of Lot 11 DP 808614, 95 Fifth Avenue, Austral and commence compulsory acquisition under the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act* 1991.

3. Upon gazettal of the compulsory acquisition classify Lot 11 DP 808614 as “Operational 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.

5. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect these resolutions.

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

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 132570.2026
SUBJECT: Compulsory acquisition of lease by TFNSW for M5 upgrade over part Helles Park & Mill Park, Moorebank

COUNCIL DECISION

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

That Council:

1. Agree to TFNSW Compulsory acquisition of a 48-month lease over part Lot 11 DP 881265, Lot 101 DP 1190263 & Lot 6 DP 771470, Helles Park & Mill Park, Moorebank for a site compound as part of the M5 Upgrade project.

2. Accept compensation from TFNSW for the 48-month lease as outlined in this report.

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 04
FILE NO: 099876.2026
SUBJECT: WT 3380 - Panel of Contractors for Construction of Shared Path, Footpath, Traffic Facilities, Kerb & Gutter and Ancillary Items

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Accepts the tenders from the below listed companies for tender WT3380 - Panel of Contractors for Construction of Shared Path, Footpath, Traffic Facilities, Kerb & Gutter and Ancillary Items for an initial three (3) year contract term with the optional extension of two (2) twelve-month terms, in accordance with each successful contractor's tendered rates.
    - Civeco Pty Ltd
    - Citywide Asphalt Pty Ltd T/as Citywide Civil Works
    - Convil Group Pty Ltd
    - Jay & Lel Civil Contractors Pty Ltd
    - KK Consultants Pty Ltd T/as KK Civil Engineering
    - Knight Civil Pty Ltd
    - Mack Civil Pty Ltd
    - MSA Civil and Communications Pty Ltd
    - NSW Building and Civil Pty Ltd
    - NSW Kerbing Pty Ltd
    - Resco Civil Pty Ltd
    - State Civil Pty Ltd
    - Stateline Asphalt Pty Ltd

2. Makes public its decision regarding tender WT3380 - Panel of Contractors for Construction of Shared Path, Footpath, Traffic Facilities, Kerb & Gutter and Ancillary Items.

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.

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

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 134033.2026
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Clr Ristevski - Secondary Employment

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

Item CONF 01 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors). It was provided to Councillors in a Confidential Book.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

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

Division:

Vote for: Nil.

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Note: Clrs Ibrahim, Karnib, Monaghan, Munjiza and Ristevski were not in the meeting when this item was voted on.

ABSENCE OF A QUORUM

Prior to this item being debated, Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in this item.

Mayor Mannoun stated he knows the owners from their ownership of NSW Only Kosher Chicken Processing Facility and through their application for subdivision of which he consulted on when he was not on Council approximately six years ago. Mayor Mannoun stated that he had no involvement in the matter back then and or now however, Mayor Mannoun stated he would leave have to the Chamber for the duration of this item.

As Mayor Mannoun would leave the Chamber due to his interest, there would be an absence of a quorum for item CONF 01.

Clr Macnaught had earlier declared an interest for item CEO 01 and stated she would leave the Chamber, therefore item CEO 01 would also have an absence of a quorum.

Therefore, due to the absence of a quorum for items CONF 01 and CEO 01, the Mayor stated that these items would be deferred to the next ordinary meeting of Council being 17 June 2026 and declared the meeting closed.

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 118360.2026
SUBJECT: Compulsory Acquisition of Lot 103 in DP 1317978, Lot 103 Kelly Street, Austral (formerly part of 14 Kelly Street, Austral) for drainage purposes for Basin 11 Austral

Due to absence of a quorum, this item was deferred to the next Ordinary meeting of Council being 17 June 2026.

Item CONF 01 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

ITEM NO: CEO 01
FILE NO: 119572.2026
SUBJECT: Extension of Mr. Robert Lagaida - Independent Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Member

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Acknowledges Mr. Lagaida's significant contributions on Council's ARIC since his appointment.

2. Having considered the feedback and questionnaire data outcomes, Council considers Mr. Lagaida eligible for reappointment to ARIC.

3. Approves the extension of Mr. Lagaida's appointment as an Independent Member of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee for a further four- year term, expiring in August 2030.

Due to absence of a quorum, this item was deferred to the next Ordinary meeting of Council being 17 June 2026.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 9.15PM

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 17 June 2026

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 May 2026. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.