
Minutes of the Council Meeting 6 March 2019

Meeting commenced at 6:30pm

Present:

Greg Cummings (Mayor)	Councillor
Glenn Elmore (Deputy Mayor)	Councillor
Ned Attie	Councillor
George Campbell	Councillor
Steve Christou	Councillor
Paul Garrard	Councillor
Ross Grove	Councillor
Ola Hamed	Councillor
Kun Huang	Councillor
Lisa Lake	Councillor
Joseph Rahme	Councillor
Suman Saha	Councillor
Eddy Sarkis	Councillor (arrived 7:00pm)
Michael Zaiter	Councillor
Tom Zreika	Councillor
Hamish McNulty	General Manager
Melissa Attia	Director People & Performance
Daniel Cavallo	Director Environment & Planning
Brooke Endycott	Director Community Development
Peter Fitzgerald	Director Works & Infrastructure
Richard Sheridan	Director Finance & Governance

Also Present:

Charlie Ayoub	Group Manager Corporate & Customer
Adrian Burns	Group Manager Parks & Recreation
Carol Karaki	Governance Coordinator
Laith Jammal	Governance Administration Officer

Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was read by Rev. Bob Dennis from Merrylands Baptist Church.

Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor, Councillor Cummings opened the Meeting with the following Acknowledgement of Country:

"I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of this land – the Darug People, and pay my respects to their elders both past and present."

National Anthem

At this point in the meeting the Mayor, Councillor Cummings asked all of those in attendance to stand for the playing of the Australian National Anthem.

Notice of Live Streaming of Council Meeting

The General Manager, Hamish McNulty advised that the Council meeting was being streamed live on Council's website and members of the public must ensure their speech to the Council is respectful and use appropriate language.

Apologies/Leave of Absence

Nil

Declarations of Pecuniary & Non Pecuniary Conflicts of Interest

The Mayor, Councillor Cummings declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in Item C03/19-24 as he is a patron of the Greystanes Football Club. As such, the Mayor exited the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Grove declared a pecuniary interest in Item MM03/19-2 as he is a former shareholder in Cleanaway. As such, Councillor Grove exited the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Confirmation of Minutes

Min.431 C03/19-18 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council - 20 February 2019

Note: Councillor Campbell raised a correction to be made in the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 20 February 2019. Point 2 of Minute 430, the word "procession" should be replaced with "possession".

Resolved (Attie/Campbell)

That Council confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 20 February 2019.

Min.432 MM03/19-2 Mayoral Minute - Recycling

Note: Councillor Grove exited the Chamber at 6:37pm during the consideration of this item as he had declared a pecuniary interest in this item.

Resolved (Cummings)

That Council:

1. Sign up to Local Government NSW's campaign, Save Our Recycling, to advocate that 100% of the Waste Levy collected by the NSW Government be reinvested in waste avoidance, recycling and resource recovery;

2. Make representation to the local State Member(s), in support of this campaign; and
3. Write to the Premier, the Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP, the Opposition Leader, the Hon Michael Daley MP, the Minister for Local Government and the Minister for the Environment, the Hon Gabrielle Upton MP, and the Shadow Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Penny Sharpe MLC, seeking bipartisan support for 100% reinvestment of the waste levy collected each year into waste avoidance, recycling and resource recovery.

Public Forum:

Speakers on General Items

Speaker	Subject	Suburb
Dr John Brodie	Post Amalgamation Enquiries	Guildford

Speakers on Items on the Council Meeting Agenda

Speaker	Item #	Suburb
Ms Darine Abi-Daher	C03/19-22 – Response to Notice of Motion – Ramadan Street Food Event	Granville
Mr Shady Elriche	C03/19-22 – Response to Notice of Motion – Ramadan Street Food Event	Guildford
Ms Julie Overton	C03/19-24 – Development of a Skate Park for Greystanes	Greystanes
Mr Daniel Collins	C03/19-24 – Development of a Skate Park for Greystanes	Pemulwuy
Mr Craig Barnsley	C03/19-24 – Development of a Skate Park for Greystanes	Greystanes
Mr Andrew Overton	C03/19-24 – Development of a Skate Park for Greystanes	Greystanes
Mr Eamonn Donohoe	C03/19-24 – Development of a Skate Park for Greystanes	Greystanes

Councillor Grove returned to the Meeting at 6:40pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 6:43pm and returned to the Meeting at 6:44pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Christou left the Meeting at 7:04pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:08pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 7:06pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:09pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Attie left the Meeting at 7:06pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:10pm during the consideration of this item.

The Mayor, Councillor Cummings advised that Items C03/19-22 and C03/19-24 will be considered following Items by Exception.

Min.433 Items by Exception**Resolved (Attie/Hamed)**

At this time of the meeting, all items on the agenda not called for discussion were moved collectively, as shown:

That item numbers C03/19-20, C03/19-23, C03/19-25 and C03/19-26 be moved in bulk.

**Min.434 C03/19-20 Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) -
National General Assembly of Local Government****Resolved (Attie/Hamed)**

That Council:

1. Give consideration to nominating the Mayor and/or Councillor(s) to attend the 2019 National General Assembly of Local Government to be held in Canberra from 16 – 19 June 2019; and
2. Give consideration to submitting motion(s) to the 2019 National General Assembly of Local Government.

**Min.435 C03/19-23 Adoption of Cumberland Innovate Reconciliation Action
Plan (RAP) 2019 - 2021 - Post Exhibition****Resolved (Attie/Hamed)**

That Council adopt the *Cumberland Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) 2019 - 2021* as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report.

Min.436 C03/19-25 Condition of Local Government Area**Resolved (Attie/Hamed)**

That Council receive and note the report.

**Min.437 C03/19-26 Cumberland Traffic Committee - Minutes of meeting held
on 6 February 2019****Resolved (Attie/Hamed)**

That the minutes of the Cumberland Traffic Committee meeting held on 6 February 2019 be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved.

Min.438 C03/19-22 Response to Notice of Motion - Ramadan Street Food Event

Motion (Hamed/Campbell)

That Council:

1. Deliver a one night Ramadan Street Food Event in the Granville Town Centre as part of Council's Events Program 2018/19.
2. Reallocate \$50,000 within the approved 2018/19 budget to deliver the event as part of the Quarter 2 Budget Review process (from the Iftar Dinner budget and unspent funds from Council's Staff Functions and Activities budget).
3. Approve the associated road closures for the event, subject to the concurrence of the Traffic Committee.
4. Apply a 50% discount to the adopted Event Stall Hire Fees and Charges for the Ramadan Street Food Event in 2019.

Amendment (Zreika/Attie)

Replace the word "Granville" in point 1 of the Motion with "Auburn".

The Amendment moved by Councillor Zreika seconded by Councillor Attie on being Put to the meeting was declared CARRIED.

A division was called, the result of the division required in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice is as follows:

Councillor(s) For the Amendment: Attie, Christou, Garrard, Grove, Rahme, Sarkis, Zaiter and Zreika.

Councillor(s) Against the Amendment: Campbell, Cummings, Elmore, Hamed, Huang, Lake and Saha.

The Amendment moved by Councillor Zreika seconded by Councillor Attie then became the motion as follows:

Motion (Zreika/Attie)

That Council:

1. Deliver a one night Ramadan Street Food Event in the Auburn Town Centre as part of Council's Events Program 2018/19.
2. Reallocate \$50,000 within the approved 2018/19 budget to deliver the event as part of the Quarter 2 Budget Review process (from the Iftar Dinner budget and unspent funds from Council's Staff Functions and Activities budget).

3. Approve the associated road closures for the event, subject to the concurrence of the Traffic Committee.
4. Apply a 50% discount to the adopted Event Stall Hire Fees and Charges for the Ramadan Street Food Event in 2019.

The motion moved by Councillor Zreika seconded by Councillor Attie on being Put to the meeting was declared CARRIED.

A division was called, the result of the division required in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice is as follows:

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Attie, Campbell, Christou, Elmore, Garrard, Grove, Hamed, Huang, Lake, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Zaiter and Zreika.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Cummings

Councillor Grove left the Meeting at 7:26pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:29pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Christou left the Meeting at 7:32pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:34pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 7:41pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:43pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Sarkis left the Meeting at 8:10pm and returned to the Meeting at 8:11pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.439 C03/19-24 Development of a Greystanes Skate Park

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Cummings exited the Chamber at 8:15pm during the consideration of this item as he had declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in this item. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Elmore assumed the Chair accordingly.

Resolved (Sarkis/Grove)

That Council:

1. Defer the matter pending a further report to Council on the feasibility of establishing a Skate Park in Gipps Rd Park, and that the Skate Park be incorporated into Council's Open Space and Recreation Strategy.
2. Receive a briefing from the facilitator of the community forum which was held on 10 November 2018.

Councillor Saha left the Meeting at 8:15pm and returned to the Meeting at 8:17pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillors Hamed and Huang left the Meeting at 8:15pm and returned to the Meeting at 8:25pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 8:30pm and returned to the Meeting at 8:33pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Christou left the Meeting at 8:34pm and returned to the Meeting at 8:36pm during the consideration of this item.

The Mayor, Councillor Cummings assumed the Chair at 8:42pm following the consideration of this item.

Min.440 C03/19-21 Federal Assistance Grants Cumberland - Status of Correspondence sent to Federal Members

Motion (Garrard/Attie)

That Council communicate to the respective Members of Parliament who neglected to make representations on Council's behalf, its extreme disappointment in their lack of endeavour in representing Council, and request assurances that they have made representation on Council's behalf.

Amendment (Campbell/Hamed)

That Council write to the Members of Parliament who have not yet responded to Council's letter and request assurances that they have made representation on Council's behalf.

The Amendment moved by Councillor Campbell seconded by Councillor Hamed on being Put to the meeting was declared LOST.

A division was called, the result of the division required in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice is as follows:

Councillor(s) For the Amendment: Campbell, Christou, Elmore, Hamed, Huang, Lake and Saha.

Councillor(s) Against the Amendment: Attie, Cummings, Garrard, Grove, Rahme, Sarkis, Zaiter and Zreika.

The motion moved by Councillor Garrard seconded by Councillor Attie on being Put was declared CARRIED on the voices.

Councillor Sarkis left the Meeting at 8:42pm and returned to the Meeting at 8:48pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Zaiter left the Meeting at 8:43pm and returned to the Meeting at 8:55pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.441 C03/19-27 Notice of Motion - Granville Town Centre Parking Supply

Resolved (Hamed/Sarkis)

That Council seek a report on parking supply in the Granville Town Centre, including details of the location and number of spaces for both time limited and unlimited parking, and options for increasing the supply of parking.

Min.442 C03/19-19 Legal Register February 2019

Resolved (Attie/Zreika)

That Council receive this report.


Min.443 Leave of Absence – Councillor Sarkis

Note: Councillor Sarkis requested Leave of Absence for the Council Meeting to be held on 20 March 2019 as he will be overseas.

Resolved (Garrard/Zreika)

That Councillor Sarkis be granted Leave of Absence for the Council Meeting to be held on 20 March 2019.

The Mayor, Councillor Cummings closed the meeting at 9:01pm.

Chairperson  General Manager 