
Minutes of the Council Meeting 2 October 2019

Meeting commenced at 6:30pm

Present:

Steve Christou (Mayor)	Councillor
Ned Attie	Councillor
George Campbell	Councillor
Greg Cummings	Councillor
Glenn Elmore	Councillor
Paul Garrard	Councillor
Ola Hamed	Councillor
Kun Huang	Councillor
Lisa Lake	Councillor
Joseph Rahme	Councillor
Suman Saha	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
Charlie Ayoub	Acting Director Finance & Governance

Also Present:

Carol Karaki	Governance Coordinator
Laith Jammal	Governance Officer

Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was read by Reverend Brian Rensford from Holroyd New Life Church.

Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor, Councillor Christou 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 past, present and emerging."

National Anthem

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

Notice of Live Streaming of Council Meeting

The Mayor, Councillor Christou 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.

Min.712 Apologies/Leave of Absence

Resolved (Garrard/Attie)

That:

1. Councillors Zaiter and Zreika be granted Leave of Absence for this Council Meeting.
2. An apology be tendered on behalf of Councillor Sarkis as Leave of Absence for this Council Meeting was granted at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 September 2019.

Declarations of Pecuniary & Non Pecuniary Conflicts of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Confirmation of Minutes

Min.713 C10/19-230 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council - 18 September 2019

Resolved (Garrard/Attie)

That Council confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 18 September 2019.

Min.714 C10/19-231 Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council - 25 September 2019

Resolved (Garrard/Attie)

That Council confirm the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 25 September 2019.

Min.715 MM10/19-11 Mayoral Minute - Enhancement of Business and Employment Opportunities in Cumberland

Resolved (Christou)

That Council:

1. Be provided with a report that will further enhance land identified within the LGA that can be rezoned to suitable employment zoning to increase the opportunities for companies and address some of the shortages in such land types.

2. Approach companies such as but not limited to Kaufland to consider the Cumberland LGA as a prime position for a future outlet location.
3. Promote Cumberland through our website, The Western Sydney Business Chamber and council's existing quarterly publications as a central location for future business operations an employment hub.
4. Arrange a possible deputation to the office of small business upon receipt of the report.

Public Forum:

Speakers on Items on the Council Meeting Agenda

Speaker	Item #	Suburb
Mr Sam Barr	Approval of Heavy Vehicle Access to Cumberland Council Roads	Sydney
Mr Michael Watkins	Approval of Heavy Vehicle Access to Cumberland Council Roads	Auburn
Mr Martin Euren	Approval of Heavy Vehicle Access to Cumberland Council Roads	Regents Park
Mr Tony Oldfield	Approval of Heavy Vehicle Access to Cumberland Council Roads	Auburn
Mrs Durga Owen	Notice of Motion – Dowry Abuse	Doonside

Min.716 Suspension of Standing Orders

Resolved (Garrard/Cummings)

That in accordance with Clause 8.2 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Council suspend standing orders to allow Items C10/19-222 and C10/19-235 to be brought forward for consideration at this time of the Meeting.

Min.717 C10/19-222 Approval of Heavy Vehicle Access to Cumberland Council Roads

Motion (Attie/Rahme)

That Council:

1. Permit a trial period of twelve (12) months, for heavy vehicles under Higher Mass Limits (including Quad Axle vehicles) to access Council roads, subject to a satisfactory assessment of pavement conditions and appropriate dilapidation reports being undertaken by the applicant and submitted to Council's satisfaction. Permissible access to Council's roads would relate to the following road sections:
 - a. Amy Street (between Joseph Street and the Railway Overbridge)
 - b. Rawson Road (between Woodville Road and Clyde Street)
 - c. Clyde Street (between Rawson Road and Wellington Road)
 - d. Wellington Road (between Clyde Street and Park Road)
 - e. Chisholm Road (between Wellington Road and Princess Road East)
 - f. Princess Road East (between Chisholm Road and Commercial Drive)

2. Permit Higher Mass Limit access across the Amy Street Railway Overbridge during the trial period, subject to a satisfactory bridge assessment being undertaken by the applicant to Council's satisfaction.
3. Reject access for heavy vehicles under Higher Mass Limits including Quad Axle vehicles on the following road sections:
 - a. Rawson Street, Auburn (between Highgate Street and South Parade)
 - b. South Parade (between Rawson Street and Park Road)
 - c. Park Road (between South Parade and Commercial Drive)

Foreshadowed Motion (Garrard/Elmore)

That Council not proceed with the trial period and that no further action be taken in relation to this matter.

The Motion moved by Councillor Attie seconded by Councillor Rahme 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 Motion: Attie and Rahme.

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

The Foreshadowed Motion moved by Councillor Garrard seconded by Councillor Elmore then became the Motion as follows:

Motion (Garrard/Elmore)

That Council not proceed with the trial period and that no further action be taken in relation to this matter.

The Motion moved by Councillor Garrard seconded by Councillor Elmore 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: Campbell, Christou, Cummings, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Huang, Lake and Saha.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Attie and Rahme.

Min.718 C10/19-235 Notice of Motion - Dowry Abuse

Resolved (Saha/Lake)

That Council:

1. Submit the following late Motion for inclusion in the business paper for Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2019 :-

That LGNSW lobby the NSW State Government to amend the Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007 to include economic abuse; and that within this inclusion, dowry abuse is recognised as a form of economic abuse.

2. Continue to undertake initiatives aligned to Priority 5 of the *Cumberland Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan* including supporting community-led education and awareness raising campaigns about economic abuse, including dowry abuse.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 7:29pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:34pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.719 Resumption of Standing Orders

Resolved (Cummings/Attie)

That in accordance with Clause 8.2 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Council resume the normal order of business.

Min.720 Presentation of Petitions

Note: Councillor Elmore tabled a Petition in relation to a Telstra Phone Box Removal in front of Bickle's Pharmacy (10C Hilltop Road, Merrylands).

Resolved (Elmore/Cummings)

That Council receive the Petition tabled.

Min.721 C10/19-232 Annual Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest Returns for Councillors & Designated Persons

Resolved (Lake/Cummings)

That Council note the tabling of the Annual Disclosure of Interest Returns.

**Min.722 C10/19-236 Local Government NSW Annual Conference -
Determination of Voting Delegates**

Resolved (Garrard/Cummings)

That Council determine the following 10 voting delegates to vote on Motions and the Board Election at the Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2019:

- Councillor Garrard
- Councillor Elmore
- Councillor Zaiter
- Councillor Christou
- Councillor Lake
- Councillor Campbell
- Councillor Attie
- Councillor Huang
- Councillor Cummings
- Councillor Saha

**Min.723 C10/19-233 Adoption of Cumberland Children and Families
Strategy 2019 - 2023 - Post Exhibition**

Resolved (Lake/Hamed)

That Council adopt the *Draft Cumberland Children and Families Strategy 2019 – 2023* as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report.

**C10/19-234 Proposed Closure of Benaud Street Laneway,
Greystanes - Consultation Report**

This report has been withdrawn by the General Manager.

The Mayor, Councillor Christou closed the meeting at 7:50pm.

Chairperson _____ General Manager _____