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## Minutes of the Council Meeting 20 June 2018

### Meeting commenced at 6:32pm

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**Present:**

Greg Cummings (Mayor)	Councillor
Eddy Sarkis (Deputy Mayor)	Councillor (arrived 7:16pm)
Ned Attie	Councillor
George Campbell	Councillor
Steve Christou	Councillor
Glenn Elmore	Councillor
Paul Garrard	Councillor (arrived 7:04pm)
Ross Grove	Councillor (arrived 7:39pm)
Ola Hamed	Councillor
Kun Huang	Councillor
Lisa Lake	Councillor
Joseph Rahme	Councillor (arrived 6:37pm)
Suman Saha	Councillor
Michael Zaiter	Councillor
Tom Zreika	Councillor
Brendan Govers	Acting General Manager
Adrian Burns	Acting Deputy General Manager - Environment & Infrastructure
Brooke Endycott	Acting Deputy General Manager - Corporate & Community

**Also Present:**

Charlie Ayoub	Group Manager Corporate & Customer
Peter Fitzgerald	Group Manager Roads & Waste
Adan Davis	Group Manager Planning
Stewart Rodham	Acting Group Manager Compliance & Environment
Carol Karaki	Governance Coordinator
Laith Jammal	Governance Administration Officer

**Opening Prayer**

Sheik Dr. Abdurrahman Asaroglu from Auburn Gallipoli Mosque was unable to attend the meeting in order to deliver the prayer.

**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 Acting General Manager 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**

There were no declarations of interest.

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### **Confirmation of Minutes**

**Min.177            C06/18-108 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council - 6 June 2018**

### **Resolved (Christou/Huang)**

That Council confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 6 June 2018.

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**Min.178            MM06/18-9 Mayoral Minute - Local Government Awards**

### **Resolved (Cummings)**

That Council congratulate all staff involved in the planning and delivery of these projects.

Councillor Zaiter left the Meeting at 6:41pm and returned at 6:42pm during the consideration of this item.

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**Public Forum:****Speakers on General items**

Speaker	Subject	Suburb
Mr. David Burrows	Affordable Housing, Woodville Road Neighbourhood Centre /John Cootes Site.	Merrylands/Parramatta

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**Min.179 Items by Exception****Resolved (Attie/Campbell)**

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

That item numbers C06/18-109, C06/18-110, C06/18-111, C06/18-112, C06/18-114, C06/18-115 and C06/18-116 be moved in bulk.

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**Min.180 C06/18-109 Making Rates and Fixing Charges 2018/2019****Resolved (Attie/Campbell)**

1. That Council makes the Rates and Charges for the following rating structures for the 2018/2019 rating year in accordance with Chapter 15, parts 4 and 5 of the Local Government Act 1993: and adopt the overdue Rates and Charges interest rate of 7.5%.

Former Auburn City Council Rate Path

An ordinary residential rate of zero point one four seven three six five (0.147365) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land categorised as Residential in the former Auburn City Council. The minimum ordinary rate shall be five hundred and seventy nine six dollars and fifty five cents (\$579.55) per assessment be made and levied for the rating year 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

An ordinary business amount shall be zero point five one one one five one (0.511151) cents in the dollar applied to the land value on all parcels of Business in the former Auburn City Council. The minimum ordinary rate shall be five hundred and seventy nine dollars and fifty five cents (\$579.55) per assessment be made and levied for the rating year 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

Former Holroyd City Council Rate Path

An ordinary residential rate of zero point one one six seven four three (0.116743) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land categorised as Residential

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in the former Holroyd City Council, together with a residential base rate of \$508.05 per assessment be made and levied for the rating year of 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

An ordinary business rate of zero point six eight two nine three three (0.682933) cents in the dollar on the value of all rateable land categorised as Business in the former Holroyd City Council, subject to a minimum charge of \$1,174.96 per assessment be made and levied for the rating year 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

A special infrastructure rate of zero point zero one four four eight nine (0.014489) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land categorised as Residential in the former Holroyd City Council and levied for the rating year 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

A special infrastructure rate of zero point zero four three one six six (0.043166) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land categorised as Business in the former Holroyd City Council be made and levied for the rating year 1 July 2018 and 30 June 2019.

#### Former Parramatta City Council Rate Path

An ordinary residential rate of zero point one three five seven zero four (0.135704) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land categorised as Residential in the former Parramatta City Council. The minimum ordinary rate shall be six hundred and seventy two dollars (\$672) per assessment be made and levied for the rating year 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

An ordinary business amount shall be zero point six eight five eight five (0.68585) cents in the dollar applied to the value of all rateable land categorised as Business General under the former Parramatta City Council. The minimum ordinary rate shall be six hundred and eighty six dollars (\$686) per assessment be made and levied for the rating year 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

An industrial business amount shall be one point one five zero seven eight (1.15078) cents in the dollar applied to the land value of all rateable land categorised as Business ICA under the former Parramatta City Council. The minimum ordinary rate shall be six hundred and eighty six dollars (\$686) per assessment be made and levied for the rating year 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

A special Open Space and Acquisition Embellishment rate amount shall be zero point zero zero six three one eight (0.006318) cents in the dollar applied to the land value on all parcels of rateable land categorised under the former Parramatta City Council. Together with a base rate of \$18.73 per assessment be made and levied for the rating year of 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

A special Suburban Infrastructure rate amount shall be zero point zero zero seven eight two six (0.007826) cents in the dollar applied to the land value on all parcels of rateable land categorised under the former Parramatta City Council. Together with a base rate of \$7.49 per assessment be made and levied for the rating year of

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1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

2. That the short names of each form of rate and charge pursuant to Section 453 of the Act, shall be as follows:

Ordinary Rates

- Res Ord Rate
- Res Base Amt
- Res Min Rate
- Bus Ord Rate
- Bus Min Rate
- Bus Ind Rate

Special Rates

- Infrastructure Spec Rate Res
- Infrastructure Spec Rate Bus
- O. S. A. & E. Spec Rate
- Suburban Infrastructure Spec Rate

Stormwater Management Service Charges

- Stormwater Management Service Charges for residential and business parcels of land shall be known by the name of Stormwater Management Charge.
- Waste Management Service Charges for residential rateable land shall be known by the name of DWM Chargee.

## CUMBERLAND COUNCIL PENSIONER REBATE POLICY

### Former Auburn Council Rate Path

That pensioner rate rebates continue to apply with eligible pensioners receiving a rebate on their Rates and Domestic Waste Management Charge, to a maximum of \$250.00

### Former Holroyd Council Rate Path

That pensioner rate rebates continue to apply with eligible pensioners receiving a rebate on their Rates and Domestic Waste Management Charge, to a maximum of \$250.00, plus an additional pensioner voluntary rebate of \$15.00 per assessment in accordance with former Holroyd City Council's policy.

### Former Parramatta City Council Rate Path

That pensioner rate rebates continue to apply with eligible pensioners receiving a rebate on their Rates and Domestic Waste Management Charge, to a maximum of \$250.00, plus an additional \$100.00 to eligible pensioners in accordance with former Parramatta City Council's policy.

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3. That the following Stormwater Management Levy be proposed:

Former Auburn City Council rate path

Residential non-strata	-	\$25 per property
Residential strata	-	\$12.50 per property

Business Stormwater

Land areas less than 1,200 sqm	-	\$25 per property
Land area greater than or equal to 1,200 sqm and less than 5,000 sqm	-	\$100 per property
Land area greater than or equal to 5,000 sqm and less than 10,000 sqm	-	\$375 per property
Land area greater than or equal to 10,000 sqm	-	\$725 per property

Business Strata Stormwater

Minimum	-	\$5 per property
Per strata business property apportioned equally to each lot within the strata complex with an area less than 1,200 sqm	-	\$25 per property
Per strata business property apportioned equally to each lot within the strata complex with an area greater than or equal to 1,200 sqm and less than 5,000 sqm	-	\$100 per property
Per strata business property apportioned equally to each lot within the strata complex with an area greater than or equal to 5,000 sqm and less than 10,000 sqm	-	\$375 per property
Per strata business property apportioned equally to each lot within the strata complex with an area greater than or equal to 10,000 sqm	-	\$725 per property

Former Holroyd and Parramatta City Councils Rate Path

Residential	-	\$25 per property
Residential (Strata lots)	-	\$12.50 per Strata Unit
Business	-	\$25 per 350 sqm capped at \$500 per property maximum
Business (Strata lots)	-	\$12.50 per Strata Unit

4. That Council include in the Draft 2018/2019 Operational Budget the following Domestic Waste/ Recycling Service Charge for 2018/2019:

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240L garbage bin, 240L green waste and 240L	-	\$611 recycling bin (Option 3)
120/140L garbage bin, 240L green waste and 240L	-	\$405 recycling bin (Option
120/140L garbage bin and 240L recycling bin	-	\$387 (Option 1)
240L garbage bin, and 240L recycling bin	-	\$447 (Only available to former Holroyd City Council residents)
Availability Charge (vacant land)	-	\$138
Additional garbage	-	\$447 (Only available to former Holroyd City Council residents)
Availability recycling	-	\$ 70

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**Min.181      C06/18-110 Investment Report May 2018**

**Resolved (Attie/Campbell)**

That Council receive this report.

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**Min.182      C06/18-111 Low Cost Loans Initiative funding for Merrylands CBD Major Drainage Upgrade**

**Resolved (Attie/Campbell)**

That Council:

1. Authorise an application for a loan of \$30 million under the Low Cost Loan Initiative program for the Merrylands CBD Major Drainage Project, with the application signed off by the Mayor and General Manager on behalf of Council;
2. Subject to application approval, resolve to enter into a loan of \$30 million under the Low Cost Loan Initiative program; and
3. Subject to application approval, authorise the General Manager to execute the loan documents on behalf of Council.

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**Min.183      C06/18-112 Update on Implementation of the Stronger Communities Fund**

**Resolved (Attie/Campbell)**

That Council:

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1. Note the progress on the implementation of the Stronger Communities Fund.
  2. Submit a copy of this report to the Office of Local Government to meet approval and reporting requirements under the NSW Government's Stronger Communities Fund Guidelines.

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**Min.184      C06/18-114 Organics Collection Grants Program Acceptance****Resolved (Attie/Campbell)**

That Council accept the grant allocation of \$391,450 from the NSW Environment Trust for enhancement of Council's Organics Collection program.

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**Min.185      C06/18-115 Lakewood Estate Riparian Corridor Plan of Management, Pemulwuy****Resolved (Attie/Campbell)**

That Council adopt the Lakewood Estate Riparian Corridor Plan of Management.

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**Min.186      C06/18-116 Quarterly Progress Report and Submissions Received for Council Consultative and Advisory Committees****Resolved (Attie/Campbell)**

That Council:

1. Receive and note the resignations received for the Access Committee (Merrylands), Access Committee (Auburn), Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Advisory Committee, Events Committee and Youth Advisory Committee.
2. Adopt the community representatives listed in the report for membership on Council's Advisory Committees for a two year term and advise all applicants in writing of the outcome of their nomination for membership.
3. Receive the minutes of the Advisory Committee meetings held as listed in the report and included under Attachments 1 - 7.



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**Min.187      C06/18-113 Adoption of the Operational Plan and Fees and Charges 2018/19**

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**Resolved (Lake/Christou)**

That Council:

1. Adopt the Operational Plan 2018/19 which includes:

- a) Fees and Charges 2018/19
- b) Budget 2018/19
- c) Pricing Policy 2018/19
- d) Capital Works Program 2018/19
- e) Key Projects for 2018/19
- f) All administrative changes to documents outlined in this report, plus the following amendments:

- Inclusion of Fees and Charges for Merrylands Oval Hall to be the same as the Fees and Charges listed for Holroyd Sports Ground Hall on page 50.
- Replace the Draft 'Personal Training and Group Fitness Training' Fees and Charges 2018/19 listed on page 71 with the 'Personal Trainers/Fitness Groups – Use of Parks' Fees and Charges adopted for 2017/18 as follows:

Personal Trainers/Fitness Groups - Use of Parks

0-2 Participants: Sessions per Week – 15 (sessions duration (max) - 2 hrs) per application      \$210.00

3-10 Participants: Sessions per Week – 15 (sessions duration (max) - 2 hrs) per application \$885.00

11-18 Participants:      Sessions per Week - 15(sessions duration (max) -2 hrs) per application \$1485.00

And in addition, the following amendments:

Above 18 Participants: Price on application

Not for Profit: Free of charge

- Replace the Draft 'Cat Trap Hire Fee' in the 2018/19 Fees and Charges listed on page 33 with a \$0 fee for Hire and Pensioner Hire, with the return Deposit to be retained. That the Cat Trapping Program be referred to the Companion Animals Advisory Committee for consideration.

2. Upon adoption of the Fees and Charges 2018/19, revoke the Community Facilities and Subsidy Policy from 1 July 2018.

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**C06/18-114 Organics Collection Grants Program Acceptance**

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

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**C06/18-115 Lakewood Estate Riparian Corridor Plan of Management, Pemulwuy**

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

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**C06/18-116 Quarterly Progress Report and Submissions Received for Council Consultative and Advisory Committees**

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

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**Min.188 C06/18-117 Notice of Motion - Requested Roadworks - Corner Clyde and Redfern Street, Granville****Motion (Garrard/Elmore)**

That the General Manager prepare a report on options to modify the boundary fence on the private property located at the south west corner of Clyde Street and Redfern Street, Granville to improve traffic safety.

**Amendment (Attie/Zreika)**

That the matter be referred to the General Manager and the Compliance Department to resolve the issue.

The Amendment moved by Councillor Attie seconded by Councillor Zreika 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, Zreika, Grove, Zaiter, Huang, Lake, Saha, Hamed, Christou, Campbell and Cummings.

Councillor(s) Against the Amendment: Garrard, Sarkis, Rahme and Elmore.

The Amendment moved by Councillor Attie seconded by Councillor Zreika then became the motion.

The motion moved by Councillor Attie seconded by Councillor Zreika on being Put was declared CARRIED to become the resolution of Council (as shown in the amendment).

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

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

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Garrard, Sarkis, Rahme and Elmore.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 7:44pm during the consideration of this item.

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**Min.189      C06/18-118 Notice of Motion - Woodville Golf Course**

**Motion (Garrard/Sarkis)**

That the General Manager review the feasibility and approximate costs of a project to irrigate the Woodville Golf Course and report back to Council on the proposed source of funds and timeline to complete this project.

**Amendment (Christou/Rahme)**

That the General Manager review the feasibility and approximate costs of a project to irrigate the Woodville Golf Course and report back to Council on the timeline to complete this project, and that the report identify whether the proposed source of funds can preferably be the Woodville Ward Reserve Fund.

The Amendment moved by Councillor Christou seconded by Councillor Rahme 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: Grove, Rahme, Huang, Lake, Saha, Hamed, Christou, Campbell and Attie.

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

The Amendment moved by Councillor Christou seconded by Councillor Rahme then became the motion.

The motion moved by Councillor Christou seconded by Councillor Rahme on being Put was declared CARRIED on the voices to become the resolution of Council (as shown in the amendment).

Councillor Rahme returned to the Meeting at 7:49pm during the consideration of this item.

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**Min.190          CLOSED SESSION****Resolved (Elmore/Attie)**

At this stage of the meeting being 8:04pm the Mayor advised that in accordance with Section 10a of the Local Government Act 1993 the meeting would move into Closed Session, with the members of the press and public excluded from the closed session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the closed session being withheld.

This action was taken as the items listed were within the following provisions under Section 10a of the Local Government Act:-

*2(d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:*

- (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or*
- (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or*
- (iii) reveal a trade secret,*

*2(i) alleged contraventions of any code of conduct requirements applicable under section 440.*

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Mayor Councillor Cummings asked the members of the public gallery if they wish to make representation prior to the meeting entering into closed session.

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**Min.191          OPEN SESSION****Resolved (Elmore/Christou)**

Council returned to open session at 10:08pm to resolve the below Confidential Item:

C06/18-119 Tender Evaluation Report for the future use of the former Auburn RSL Bowling Club

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**Min.192          C06/18-119 Tender Evaluation Report for the future use of the former Auburn RSL Bowling Club****Resolved (Attie/Rahme)**

That Council resolves to decline all tenders in accordance with Clause 178(1)(b) and 178(3)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, and a report be brought back to Council with new options that provide greater public benefit for the use of the current building and surrounding area with the potential option of it being used as a community centre for the community.



The Mayor closed the meeting at 8:42pm.

Chairperson

*Greg Hemmings*

Acting General Manager

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