



# CUMBERLAND CITY COUNCIL

## Council Meeting

*Wednesday, 17 April 2024 at 6:30 PM*

Cumberland City Council Chambers

Merrylands Service Centre, 16 Memorial Avenue, Merrylands

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## **MAYORAL MINUTE - CONDOLENCES - BONDI JUNCTION WESTFIELD TRAGEDY**

Author: Mayor Lisa Lake

### **SUMMARY**

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On the afternoon of Saturday 13 April 2024, a tragic act of violence against innocent shoppers occurred at the Bondi Junction Westfield Shopping Centre.

Six people were killed in the attack and a further twelve were seriously injured, including a 9-month-old child whose mother lost her life in the attack. Our community is in shock and disbelief.

This evening, I extend my deepest condolences to the loved ones of those that lost their lives. To those injured, my thoughts and wishes for a full and speedy recovery are with you and your families.

My thoughts are also for those who were there at the time and witnessed this terrible act of violence, and for those who, on learning of this attack, experienced distress and sorrow having recalled previous trauma from their own past. I wish you all comfort and peace during this difficult time.

Thank you for the efforts and hard work of our NSW Police, emergency services and health professionals, and other first responders. These people are always there in times of need and act with courage and selflessness. I also wish to thank the members of the public who bravely stepped into assist, risking their own well-being to help others. Your actions during the incident undoubtedly saved many lives.

I encourage anyone in need to reach out to Lifeline 13 11 14; NSW Mental Health Line 1800 011 511 or Beyond Blue 1300 22 4636.

Therefore Councillors, tonight I move the following:

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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**That Council:**

- 1. Note with sadness the six lives that were lost, those injured, and the shock and trauma this tragedy has caused to those present at the time and the community more broadly; and**
- 2. Observe a minute's silence to honour the six lives that have been tragically lost.**

### **ATTACHMENTS**

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Nil



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## **MAYORAL MINUTE - CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH WAKELEY ATTACK**

Author: Mayor Lisa Lake

### **SUMMARY**

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On the night of Monday 15 April 2024, Bishop Mar Mari Emmanuel, of the Christ the Good Shepherd Church in Wakeley, was the victim of a senseless attack, along with other members of his parish.

On behalf of the Cumberland community, I extend our best wishes for a full and speedy recovery to Bishop Mar Mari Emmanuel, Father Isaac Royel, and other worshippers who were injured during this attack.

To the Assyrian community of Sydney, there is no doubt this unprovoked attack has caused you great shock and distress. I offer you our support. We are thinking of you at this time.

To the paramedics and police who attended the scene to ensure safety, I thank you for your service.

I urge everyone to maintain a sense of calm and compassion, and to reflect on our humanity as the common bond that unites us all.

Therefore Councillors, tonight I move the following:

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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**That Council:**

- 1. Adopt this Mayoral Minute.**
- 2. Send a floral arrangement to Bishop Mar Mari Emmanuel conveying our wishes for his full recovery.**

### **ATTACHMENTS**

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Nil