
Minutes of the Council Meeting 28 May 2026

Note: The Council meeting scheduled for 27 May 2026 was convened on 28 May 2026 under the same agenda. Details are recorded at the commencement.

Present:

Councillors

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| Ola Hamed (Mayor) | Councillor |
| Nadima Kafrouni-Saba (Deputy Mayor) | Councillor |
| Steve Christou | Councillor |
| Dr Diane Colman | Councillor |
| Glenn Elmore | Councillor |
| Paul Garrard | Councillor |
| Helen Hughes | Councillor |
| Ahmed Ouf | Councillor |
| Joseph Rahme | Councillor |
| Suman Saha | Councillor |
| Eddy Sarkis | Councillor (via Audio-Visual – joined 6:36pm) (Exited 10:06pm) |
| Sujan Selventhiran | Councillor |
| Steve Yang | Councillor |
| Enver Yasar | Councillor |
| Michael Zaiter | Councillor |

Officers

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| Peter Fitzgerald | General Manager |
| Tony Chahine | Acting Director Corporate Performance |
| Daniel Cavallo | Director Environment & Planning |
| Brendan Govers | Director City Services |
| Nicole Byrn | Director Community & Culture |
| Charlie Ayoub | Director Governance & Risk |
| Colin McFadzean | General Counsel |
| Bianca Mourched | Acting Manager Governance |
| Darci Boyd | Senior Governance Officer |
| Joyti Sharma | Governance Officer |

The Mayor, Councillor Hamed declared the meeting open at 6.33pm.

The General Manager, Peter Fitzgerald read out the following statement:

“Good evening Councillors and public gallery. I’d like to advise the Chamber and members of the public that due to a Disallowance Motion passed in Parliament late on Tuesday evening, the Office of Local Government’s 2025 Model Code of Meeting Practice is now void, which impacts all Council’s in NSW.”

As a result, to ensure that we can proceed with this meeting with appropriate and current meeting protocols, Councillors have been furnished with a late report to this agenda today, which is also published on Council's website. A hard copy is also in front of each Councillor tonight."

Min.1106 Alteration of Order of Business

Motion (Colman/Kafrouni-Saba)

That Council alter the order of business to allow late item *C05/26-65 Review of Code of Meeting Practice - Following Office of Local Government 2025 Model Code Voided* to be brought forward for consideration at this time of the Meeting.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Min.1107 C05/26-65 Review of Code of Meeting Practice - Following Office of Local Government 2025 Model Code Voided

Motion (Colman/Saha)

That Council:

1. Note the Disallowance Motion passed in NSW Parliament on the evening of 26 May 2026;
2. Rescind the application of the NSW Office of Local Government – '*Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils – August 2025*' as a result; and
3. Revert to its adopted 2022 *Code of Meeting Practice*, adopted on 1 June 2022 (Min. 107).

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Colman, Elmore, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Christou and Garrard.

National Anthem

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

Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor, Councillor Hamed acknowledged country as follows:

“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.”

Min.1108 Apologies / Requests for Leave of Absence/ Requests for Attendance by Audio-Visual Link

Motion (Ouf/Rahme)

That in accordance with Clause 5.24 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Council approve the attendance of Councillor Sarkis at this meeting via Audio/Visual Link due to being overseas.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Notice of Live Streaming of Council Meeting

The Mayor, Councillor Hamed advised that the Council meeting was being streamed live on Council's website and all in attendance must ensure their speech to the Council is respectful and use appropriate language.

Confirmation of Minutes

Min.1109 C05/26-40 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council - 25 March 2026

Motion (Elmore/Kafrouni-Saba)

That Council confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 25 March 2026.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Councillor Sarkis joined the meeting at 6.36pm during this item.

Declarations of Pecuniary & Non Pecuniary Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Selventhiran declared a Less than Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in relation to item C05/26-44 Community Grants - Round 2 2025/2026 Funding Recommendations as he is part of an organisation that is recommended for grant funding. As such, he will leave the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Yasar declared a Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in relation to item C05/26-46 Response to Notice of Motion - Review of the Cumberland Local Environmental Plan and Cumberland Development Control Plan as an organisation he is a part of made a submission on the Draft LEP controls proposed for their site. As such, he will leave the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Yasar declared a Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in relation to item C05/26-44 Community Grants - Round 2 2025/2026 Funding Recommendations as he is part of an organisation that was not recommended for grant funding. He will remain the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Elmore declared a Less than Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in relation to item C05/26-44 Community Grants - Round 2 2025/2026 Funding Recommendations as he volunteers for an organisation (OzHarvest) that was not recommended for grant funding. He will remain the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Elmore declared a Less than Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in relation to item C05/26-49 Property Committee - Minutes of Meeting Held 4 May 2026 as he is a committee member of the Guildford School of Arts. He will remain the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Hughes declared a Less than Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in relation to item C05/26-44 Community Grants - Round 2 2025/2026 Funding Recommendations as she is a member of Dooleys Club, which has made a submission in the community grants. She will remain in the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Garrard declared a Less than Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in relation to item C05/26-44 Community Grants - Round 2 2025/2026 Funding Recommendations as he is a patron of Auburn District Cricket Club which has made a submission in the community grants. He will remain the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Christou declared a Less than Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in relation to item C05/26-44 Community Grants - Round 2 2025/2026 Funding Recommendations as he is a patron of Auburn District Cricket Club which has made a submission in the community grants. He will remain the Chamber during the consideration of this item.

Min.1110 Mayoral Minute - 100 Years of Granville Boys High School

Motion (Hamed)

That Council:

1. Formally acknowledge Granville Boys High School's 100 year milestone and commend its long history of academic, cultural, and community achievement; and
2. Highlight the school's recent accomplishments — including robotics awards, strong HSC results, and sporting achievements — to reinforce its ongoing excellence and community impact.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Min.1111 Mayoral Minute - 10th Anniversary of Cumberland City Council

Motion (Hamed)

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the 10th anniversary of Cumberland City Council and recognises the contributions of Councillors past and present, Council staff, community groups, volunteers, local leaders, external local government stakeholders and advocacy groups, residents, and State and Federal Members of Parliament in shaping a strong and inclusive community; and
2. Notes the achievements of Council over the past decade, including key infrastructure and community initiatives, whilst building a sustainable, vibrant and prosperous future for the Cumberland community.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Min.1112 Mayoral Minute - Condolences - The Late Peter Monaghan

That Council:

1. Note with sadness the passing of former Councillor and Mayor Peter Monaghan, and acknowledge his significant contribution to the former Holroyd and Cumberland community.
2. Extend its sincere condolences to his partner Suzette Thompson, and his daughters Ashley and Georgina.
3. Provide a copy of this Mayoral Minute to his family; and
4. Observe a minute's silence in his honour.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Councillor Sarkis left the Meeting at 7:09pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.1113 Mayoral Minute - Vale Allan Whichelo

Motion (Hamed)

That Council:

1. Note with sadness the passing of Mr Allan Bernard Whichelo, and acknowledge his significant contribution country.
2. Offer its deepest condolences to the family of Mr Allan Bernard Whichelo; and
3. Provide a copy of this Mayoral Minute to his family; and
4. Observe a minute's silence in his honour.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Councillor Sarkis returned to the Meeting at 7:11pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Sarkis left the Meeting at 7:13pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:14pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Sarkis left the Meeting at 7:19pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.1114 Mayoral Minute - Public Screenings of Australia FIFA World Cup Matches

Motion (Hamed)

That Council:

1. Endorse the hosting of public screenings of selected FIFA World Cup matches at Merrylands Civic Square and request that the General Manager undertake the necessary arrangements to deliver the initiative in accordance with all relevant requirements;
2. Endorse Council co-delivering the live screening event of the Australia versus Türkiye World Cup match at Webbs Avenue Playing Fields, hosted by Auburn FC; and
3. Fund these initiatives from the Community Reserve.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Councillor Sarkis returned to the Meeting at 7:20pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.1115 Mayoral Minute - Eid al-Adha

Motion (Hamed)

That Council acknowledge Eid al-Adha 2026 and extend its best wishes to all those celebrating.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Public Forum:

Speakers on Items on the Council Meeting Agenda

| Speaker | Item # | Suburb |
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| Mr Tony Oldfield | C05/26-46 Response to Notice of Motion - Review of the Cumberland Local Environmental Plan and Cumberland Development Control Plan | Auburn |
| Mr Graham King | C05/26-52 - Notice of Motion - Annual Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Scholarship | Westmead |
| Saradha Rama Nathan | C05/26-53 Notice of Motion - Urgent Support for People Experiencing Homelessness at Civic Park, Pendle Hill | Greystanes |

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 7:36pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:37pm during Public Forum.

Min.1116 Alteration of Order of Business

Motion (Sarkis/Selventhiran)

That in accordance with Clause 8.2 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Council alter the order of business to allow items C05/26-46, C05/26-52, C05/26-53 and C05/26-58 to be brought forward for consideration at this time of the Meeting.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Min.1117 C05/26-46 Response to Notice of Motion - Review of the Cumberland Local Environmental Plan and Cumberland Development Control Plan

Motion (Sarkis/Ouf)

That Council:

1. Endorse in-principle the proposed amendments to planning controls in the Cumberland Local Environmental Plan (LEP), as outlined in this report.
2. Endorse in-principle the proposed amendments to planning controls in the Cumberland Development Control Plan (DCP), as outlined in this report.

3. Endorse the preparation of a planning proposal on amendments to the Cumberland LEP, with the following activities to be undertaken prior to a further report being considered by Council:
 - a. Completion of background analysis or technical studies, as required;
 - b. Early community consultation;
 - c. Preparation of a draft planning proposal; and
 - d. Consideration of a draft planning proposal by the Cumberland Local Planning Panel.

4. Endorse the preparation of amendments to the Cumberland DCP, with the following activities to be undertaken prior to a further report being considered by Council:
 - a. Early community consultation; and
 - b. Preparation of draft development controls.

Amendment (Garrard/Hughes)

That Council:

1. Endorse in principle the proposed amendment to the planning controls in the Cumberland local Environment Plan (LEP) as outlined in this report with the following exceptions:
 - a) Introduce planning controls requiring a minimum percentage of dwellings in residential flat buildings or shop top housing to contain 3 or more bedrooms, to reinforce desired planning outcomes for greater housing diversity but ensuring that the carparking requirements are not sacrificed and are adequate to address the increase in dwelling numbers.
 - b) Take no further action to implement planning controls in the in the SEPP (housing) for selected sites within a 400m radius of Berala station that were not included in State provision.
 - c) Take no action on heritage property No.24 Mary Street, Auburn while agreeing to 286-288 Clyde Street and 6-8 Factory street with the consideration of heritage advice or Land and Environment Court decisions.
 - d) Take no action to rezone 106 Woodburn Road, Berala from RE1 Public Recreation to R4 High Density residential.
 - e) Take no action to introduce new permitted uses and associated controls for 40-44 and 46 Wellington Road. South Granville.

The Amendment on being Put was declared **LOST**.

Councillor(s) For the Amendment: Christou, Garrard and Hughes.

Councillor(s) Against the Amendment: Colman, Elmore, Hamed, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang and Zaiter.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Colman, Hamed, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Christou, Elmore, Garrard, Hughes, Saha and Rahme.

Councillor Yasar left the Meeting at 7:40pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Zaier left the Meeting at 7:41pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:42pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Christou left the Meeting at 7:48pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:49pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Christou left the Meeting at 7:51pm and returned to the Meeting at 7:52pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.1118 C05/26-52 Notice of Motion - Annual Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Scholarship

Motion (Selventhiran/ Rahme)

That Council:

1. Establishes a Cumberland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Scholarship Program, awarded on an annual basis to support First Nations residents of the Cumberland LGA in pursuing educational opportunities;
2. The program consist of 2 scholarships valued at \$1,000 each per year, funded from the community reserve;
3. Consults with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Consultative Committee (ATSICC) over the development of:
 - Eligibility criteria and application process;
 - Selection and assessment panel composition;
 - Partnership opportunities with local educational institutions and businesses;
4. Requests the ATSICC consult with local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members and Elders in developing the program, and report all recommendations to Council via the next quarterly ATSICC meeting; and

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5. Requests the scholarship program be promoted annually during NAIDOC Week and National Reconciliation Week to maximise awareness and applications.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil.

Councillor Yasar return to the Meeting at 8:05pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Ouf left the Meeting at 8:04pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Christou left the Meeting at 8:05pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.1119 C05/26-53 Notice of Motion - Urgent Support for People Experiencing Homelessness at Civic Park, Pendle Hill

Motion (Selventhiran /Zaiter)

That Council:

1. Notes the ongoing homelessness situation at Civic Park, Pendle Hill, and acknowledges that many of those sleeping rough are people seeking asylum who are ineligible to access mainstream government homelessness services including Link2home, crisis accommodation, and income support due to their visa status;
2. Directs the General Manager to urgently engage with specialist asylum seeker and refugee support organisations operating in or near the Cumberland LGA to coordinate outreach at Civic Park and connect individuals with:
 - Emergency and transitional accommodation providers that accept people on bridging or temporary visas;
 - Legal assistance for visa and protection claims;
 - Health services, including mental health and drug and alcohol support.
3. Notes that there is currently a community working group actively providing support to asylum seekers and refugees in the local area and directs the General Manager to engage with this working group to coordinate efforts, identify the immediate needs of those sleeping rough at Civic Park, and provide Council support to assist the working group in delivering services to this cohort;
4. Directs the General Manager to activate Priority Area 3 of the Cumberland Homelessness Action Plan 2024–2027 in relation to the Civic Park situation, specifically:

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- Action 3.1 – Undertake coordinated sector advocacy to State and Federal Governments for urgent in-house rehabilitation (Nepal Hospital and Odessey House)
 - Action 3.2 – Identify and promote initiatives improving access to affordable private rental housing for people on temporary or asylum-seeking visas;
 - Action 3.4 – Identify services supporting those at risk or homeless on bridging, partner or student visas.
5. Investigate and consider the budget implications.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Christou.

Councillor Christou returned to the Meeting at 8:07pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Ouf returned to the Meeting at 8:10pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.1120 C05/26-58 Notice of Motion - NAIDOC Week Recognition and Inclusion in Council's Annual Events Calendar

Motion (Colman /Saha)

That Council:

1. Recognise NAIDOC Week as a significant national celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture, achievement and resilience.
2. Include NAIDOC Week in Cumberland City Council's annual civic and community events calendar.
3. Investigate opportunities for Council to support and promote NAIDOC Week through:
 - i) community events and activities;
 - ii) partnerships with local Aboriginal organisations, Elders and community leaders;
 - iii) educational and cultural programming;
 - iv) library, arts and community centre initiatives; and
 - v) promotion through Council communication channels; and
4. Receive a report outlining potential approaches, partnerships, budget implications and opportunities to strengthen Council's engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities through NAIDOC Week and related initiatives.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Christou.

Min.1121 Items Resolved by Exception

Motion (Elmore/Saha)

That Council adopt items C05/26-41, C05/26-42, C05/26-43, C05/26-47, C05/26-50, C05/26-59, C05/26-60, C05/26-61, C05/26-62 and C05/26-64 on the Council Agenda as per the recommendations in the reports.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Councillor Garrard left the Meeting at 9:16pm during the consideration of this item.

C05/26-41 Legal Report

Resolved by Exception

That the report be received.

C05/26-42 Investment Report - April 2026

Resolved by Exception

That Council receive the April 2026 Investment Report.

C05/26-43 Q3 2025/26 Budget Review Statement

Resolved by Exception

That Council approve the revised estimates of income and expenditure for 2025/26 contained in the Quarterly Budget Review Statement.

C05/26-47 Quarterly Progress Report on Council's Section 355 Committee and Community Advisory Committees

Resolved by Exception

That Council receive the report noting the Draft Minutes of Council's Section 355 and Community Advisory Committees recently convened.

C05/26-50 Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee - Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting held on 29 April 2026 and Chairperson's Annual Report 2024/25

Resolved by Exception

That Council:

1. Receive the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Extraordinary Meeting held on 29 April 2026; and
2. Receive the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Chairperson's Annual Report.

C05/26-59 Tender Evaluation Report - Granville Swim Centre - Re-lining of 50 Metre Pool (RFx1483)

Resolved by Exception

That Council:

1. Accept the Tender Evaluation Panel's recommendation to award the contract to Mattioli Bros Pty Ltd (ABN 54 005 064 031), in accordance with Clause 178(1)(a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, for \$1,768,974.80 (excluding GST).
2. Delegate to the General Manager the authority to execute the contract and any associated documents.

C05/26-60 Tender Evaluation Report - Rfx1407 – Multi-function Devices and Print Management

Resolved by Exception

1. Accept the Tender Evaluation Panel's recommendation to select Canon Australia Pty Ltd as the supplier of multifunctional devices, plotters/scanners, print room hardware and related equipment, and lease these items for five years through Vestone Capital Pty Limited under LGP Contract LGP1107-4. Further, award the Schedule of Rates contract to Canon Australia Pty Ltd for operational (click) costs and associated services.
2. Delegate authority to the General Manager to execute the five-year contract with Canon Australia Pty Ltd, valued at \$1,001,652, and any associated documentation.

C05/26-61 Tender Evaluation Report - Peter Hislop Park Fields 1 & 2 Floodlighting Upgrade (Rfx1523)

Resolved by Exception

That Council:

1. Accept the Tender Evaluation Panel's recommendation to award the contract for supply and installation of floodlights at Peter Hislop sports fields 1 & 2, to Rees Electrical Pty Ltd, ABN 59 088 295 79, in accordance with Clause 178(1)(a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, for \$720,000.00 (excluding GST).
2. Delegate to the General Manager the authority to execute the contract and any associated documents.

C05/26-62 Tender Evaluation Report - Granville Park Fields 1 and 2 Floodlighting Upgrade (Rfx1530)

Resolved by Exception

That Council:

1. Accept the Tender Evaluation Panel's recommendation to award the contract to Rees Electrical Pty Ltd (ABN 59 088 295 792) in accordance with Clause 178(1)(a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, for \$1,130,000.00 excluding GST.
2. Delegate to the General Manager the authority to execute the contract and any associated documents.

**C05/26-64 Tender Evaluation Report - Seniors Units Roofing Works
(RFx1521)**

Resolved by Exception

That Council:

1. Accept the Tender Evaluation Panel's recommendation to award the contract to 2020 Projects Pty Ltd (ABN 35 114 198 140), in accordance with Section 178(1)(a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, for \$459,430.00 excluding GST.
2. Delegate to the General Manager the authority to execute the contract and any associated documents.

**Min.1122 C05/26-44 Community Grants - Round 2 2025/2026 Funding
Recommendations**

Motion (Colman/Elmore)

That Council:

1. Adopt the 17 applications recommended for funding in Attachment 2 and allocate the \$175,132.00 from the 2025/2026 Community Grants Program budget.
2. Delegate to the General Manager the authority to execute the grant dispersions and any associated documents.
3. Advise all successful applications of the funding allocations from the Community Grants Program Round 2 2025/2026 and provide feedback and assistance to applicants that were unsuccessful.
4. Attach a table of the successful applicants to the Minutes.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED** Unanimously.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Councillor Selventhiran left the Meeting at 9:17pm prior to the consideration of this item.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 9:17pm and returned to the Meeting at 9:20pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Garrard returned to the Meeting at 9:18pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 9:20pm and returned to the Meeting at 9:21pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Sarkis left the Meeting at 9:23pm and returned to the Meeting at 9:24pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 9:30pm and returned to the Meeting at 9:31pm during the consideration of this item.

Note: At this point in the meeting the Mayor, Councillor Hamed cautioned Councillor Christou to not record the Chamber.

Min.1123 C05/26-45 Draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) 2026 - 2030

Motion (Colman/Kafrouni-Saba)

That Council place the *Draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) 2026 - 2030* on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, with a report to be provided back to Council following the conclusion of the exhibition period.

Min.1124 Extension of Council Meeting

Motion (Kafrouni-Saba/Elmore)

That Council in accordance with clause 18.2 of the *Code of Meeting Practice*, extend the meeting by 1 hour to conclude at 11:00pm, or if an item being discussed is unfinished at 11:00pm, at the conclusion of that item.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Debate then resumed on the Motion.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Councillor Sarkis left the Meeting at 9:49pm and returned to the Meeting at 9:50pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Selventhiran returned to the Meeting at 9:50pm during the consideration of this item

Councillor Zaiter left the Meeting at 9:50pm and returned to the Meeting at 9:52pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Sarkis left the Meeting at 9:53pm and returned to the Meeting at 9:54pm during the consideration of this item.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 9:57pm and returned to the Meeting at 9:59pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.1125 C05/26-48 Cumberland Local Transport Forum - Meeting of 1 April 2026

Motion (Rahme/Elmore)

That Council:

1. Receive and note the minutes of the Cumberland Local Transport Forum held on 1 April 2026, as provided in Attachment 1.
2. Note the items considered under delegated authority by Cumberland Local Transport Forum at the 1 April 2026 meeting, as provided in Attachment 2.
3. Endorse the recommendations for items considered by the Cumberland Local Transport Forum at the 1 April 2026 meeting, as provided in Attachment 3.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Sarkis, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Councillor Saha left the Meeting at 10:05pm during the consideration of this item.

ADJOURNMENT

10:06 pm The Mayor, Councillor Hamed called a recess.

10:34 pm The Mayor, Councillor Hamed resumed the meeting.

Councillor Sarkis left the meeting during the recess at 10:06pm and did not return.

Councillor Saha returned to the meeting at 10:35pm after the recess.

Min.1126 Limitation On the Duration Of Speeches

Motion (Zaiter/Saha)

That in accordance with Clause 10.24 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Council resolve to shorten the duration of speeches to two (2) minutes for the remainder of the meeting.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Christou and Hughes.

Councillor Rahme left the Meeting at 10:35pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.1127 C05/26-49 Property Committee - Minutes of Meeting Held 4 May 2026

Motion (Yasar/Zaiter)

That Council:

1. Receive the Minutes of the Cumberland Property Committee meeting held on 4 May 2026, and adopt the recommendations contained therein with the exception of Item PC020/26 - Cumberland Open Space Planning Proposal which is to be referred back to the Property Committee for further consideration.
2. Include a copy of the resolutions of Council in the Minutes.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED** Unanimously.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Councillor Rahme returned to the Meeting at 10:37pm during the consideration of this item.

Min.1128 C05/26-51 Notice of Motion - Social Media Campaign to Promote Electronic Rates Notices

Motion (Selventhiran/Yasar)

That Council

1. Notes that electronic rates notices have been available to ratepayers since 2012, and that currently only approximately 20% of the 72,000 rates notices issued each quarter are sent electronically, with the quarterly cost of issuing paper notices approximately \$90,000.
2. Directs the General Manager to develop and deliver a three-month social media campaign to promote electronic rates notice opt-in to Cumberland ratepayers, including:
 - Targeted content across Council's social media channels highlighting the convenience, speed, and environmental benefits of switching to electronic notices;
 - Multilingual content reflecting the diversity of Cumberland's community;
 - Promotion through Council's eNews, website, Customer Service Centres, and community facilities.
3. Sets a target to increase the electronic opt-in rate from 20% to at least 30% within six months of the campaign commencing.
4. Requests the General Manager report back to Council at the conclusion of the campaign on:
 - The number of new electronic opt-ins achieved;
 - Estimated cost savings realised;
 - Recommendations for ongoing promotion to further increase uptake.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Min.1129 C05/26-54 Notice of Motion - Cinema in the Park Program

Motion (Zaiter / Rahme)

That Council investigate and report on the establishment of an ongoing free "Cinema in the Park" program for residents within the Cumberland LGA starting Christmas school holidays 2026, including suitable locations, costs, sponsorship opportunities, operational requirements, and an implementation plan.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Min.1130 C05/26-55 Notice of Motion - Audit of Parks and Playgrounds

Motion (Rahme / Zaiter)

That:

1. An audit be undertaken into Council's open space areas and playgrounds, to identify locations which are inclusive, all abilities parks and playgrounds that support children with disability.
2. A report be prepared to a future meeting detailing such locations by ward.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Min.1131 C05/26-56 Notice of Motion - Community Citizenship Test Support

Motion (Ouf /Selventhiran)

That Council:

1. Explore opportunities to partner with local TAFE institutions, universities or relevant organisations to support residents preparing for the Australian Citizenship Test through accessible educational programs within the Cumberland Local Government Area.
2. Investigate the potential use of Council library and community facilities to host such programs or information sessions.

The Motion on being Put was declared **LOST**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Ouf, Selventhiran and Yasar.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Kafrouni-Saba, Rahme, Yang, Saha and Zaiter.

C05/26-57 Notice of Motion - EV Charging Infrastructure across Cumberland

This item was withdrawn by the Mover.

Min.1132 Closed Session

At this stage of the meeting being 10.58pm, the Mayor advised that in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, it is proposed to move into Closed Session to consider the following item:

Item C05/26-63 - Tender Evaluation Report - Depot Office and Workshop Roof Renewals (RFx1518) as the item contains the following:
(2)(d)(i) – *commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.*

Motion (Kafrouni-Saba/Zaiter)

That in accordance with S.10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, enter into Closed Session to consider Item C05/26-63.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Min.1133 C05/26-63 Tender Evaluation Report - Depot Office and Workshop Roof Renewals (RFx1518)

Motion (Colman/Saha)

That Council:

1. Accept the Tender Evaluation Panel's recommendation to award the contract to Protek (Aust) Pty Ltd (ABN 68 129 660 448) in accordance with section 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, for \$601,736.40 (excluding GST).
2. Delegate to the General Manager the authority to execute the contract and any associated documents.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

Min.1134 Open Session

Motion (Colman/Selventhiran)

That Council resume the public meeting.

The Motion on being Put was declared **CARRIED**.

Councillor(s) For the Motion: Christou, Colman, Elmore, Garrard, Hamed, Hughes, Kafrouni-Saba, Ouf, Rahme, Saha, Selventhiran, Yang, Yasar and Zaiter.

Councillor(s) Against the Motion: Nil

On resumption of the public meeting at 11.04pm, the Mayor, Councillor Hamed read out the resolution made in Closed Session.

The Mayor, Councillor Hamed closed the meeting at 11:05pm.

Chairperson_____

Appendix 1 - Community Grants - Round 2 2025/2026 Funding Recommendations – Successful Applicants

| Funding Stream / Application ID | Organisation or Individual | Project Name | Project Description | Amount recommended | Assessment Panel Comments |
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| CONNECTED COMMUNITIES GRANT 26CCGR2003 | Wentworthville Baptist Church | Indigenous boys' didgeridoo and cultural education project | Wentworthville Baptist Church would like to host a series of twelve classes to teach approximately twenty First Nations' boys the didgeridoo (culturally, the didgeridoo is considered a male instrument only). The grant money would be used to fund the teacher. Apart from the didgeridoo it is also envisioned that the classes would also involve indigenous cultural education. The rationale behind the project is that many First Nations' boys live in housing commission and other lower socio-economic conditions. Many have family issues related to drugs and alcohol, and some are being involved even at an early age in illegal activities. | \$6,300.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |
| CONNECTED COMMUNITIES GRANT 26CCGR2010 | NSW Service for the Treatment and Rehabilitation of Torture and Trauma Survivors (STARTTS) | Stepping Forward Afghan Young Women Movement-based and Creative Expression Program | Designed to promote wellbeing, confidence, and social inclusion for newly arrived Afghan young women, Stepping Forward Program will deliver 76 culturally safe sessions over a 30-week duration. Activities include 60 Zumba classes promoting physical fitness and social connection, 10 Creative and Self-Expression Masterclasses supporting identity exploration and confidence, and 6 Health and Wellbeing Sessions addressing mental health and resilience. The program will be facilitated by Afghan bi-cultural workers with language and | \$6,700.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |

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| | | | lived experience support, ensuring a holistic and community-led approach to supporting young women for successful resettlement and wider community integration. | | |
| CONNECTED COMMUNITES GRANT 26CCGR2011 | Educar Foundation | Cumberland Max Potential 2026 | Cumberland Max Potential 2026 is an early intervention youth leadership program for Cumberland young people aged 15–17. With support from a trained volunteer Community Coach, participants build confidence, resilience and positive habits through one-to-one coaching, workshops and a youth-led community project. The program is designed for young people who may need extra encouragement, connection or positive role models. It strengthens wellbeing, community participation and belonging by building positive links between young people, schools, families, the council, local businesses and supports. The program concludes with a community celebration of each young person's growth, contribution and leadership. | \$10,140.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |
| CONNECTED COMMUNITES GRANT 26CCGR2014 | Swimming NSW | Cumberland Splash for Health | Cumberland Splash for Health is a community aquatic participation initiative designed to improve health outcomes, reduce social isolation, and increase access to long-term, inclusive swimming opportunities for People with a Disability (PWD). Swimming NSW (SNSW) will deliver the initiative in conjunction with our affiliated clubs operating in the LGA through 24 free Come and Try sessions. This equates to fortnightly free swim/splash sessions across four swimming clubs. SNSW will work with local | \$12,332.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |

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| | | | communities with people with a disability including Rainbow Club and direct spend towards promotional and marketing activities in the region to encourage families to partake in the initiative. | | |
| CONNECTED COMMUNITIES GRANT 26CCGR2018 | Merrylands Rugby Union Club | Youth Mentor Project 2026 | Merrylands Rugby Union Club seeks a grant to deliver a culturally appropriate mentoring and youth diversion program for young at-risk players within the Cumberland Local Government Area (LGA), with a particular focus on Pasifika and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth. The project aims to reduce youth disengagement and anti-social behaviour while strengthening cultural identity, community connection and pathways to positive participation. | \$12,900.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |
| CONNECTED COMMUNITIES GRANT 26CCGR2025 | The Trustee for The Salvation Army (NSW) Property Trust | Sewing Group – Auburn Salvos | We recently established a women’s sewing group to strengthen social connections, build confidence, and develop practical skills that can support pathways into employment. The group has attracted strong interest from a culturally diverse range of women in our community. However, we are currently operating with a small number of older donated sewing machines, which are difficult to use and limit participation. As a result, we can only accommodate a few attendees at a time, restricting the program’s growth and impact. | \$14,809.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |
| CONNECTED COMMUNITIES GRANT 26CCGR2029 | Auburn Public School P&C (Parents and Citizens) | Auburn P&C Community Sustainability Program | Auburn P&C Community Sustainability Program aims to educate and equip our local Auburn community to live more sustainably in their everyday lives. Through the program, we will | \$11,959.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |

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| | | | facilitate community workshops on topics such as 'Balcony Veggie Gardening', 'Water-wise practices', 'Australian waste sorting systems', 'Composting in small spaces' and 'Planting Australian natives'. These practical workshops will benefit from Auburn Public Schools existing school veggie gardens and environmental program, making their resources more widely accessible to the community. The program will also provide gardening spaces and support to our existing community groups such as our Community Playgroup and our Community English Classes. | | |
| EDUCATION ACCESS GRANT 26EAGR2005 | Granville Multicultural Community Centre TA Cumberland Multicultural Community Services | EmpowerHer Pathways Project | The EmpowerHer Pathways Project targets young women who are at risk of not completing secondary studies or who have significant barriers limiting them from meeting their potential. The program increases the participants employability and life skills through the provision of small group workshops as well as providing the opportunity for participants to gain vocational qualifications. Participants are also provided individualised one on one support to ensure they reach their goals and get the support they require. | \$13,912.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |
| EVENT SUPPORT GRANT 26ESGR2002 | Arabian Music | Arabian Musical Nights | Our project will consist of an Arabian Musical Night for the community once every two months, totalling to six events for this project. These events will gather the members of the community of all backgrounds and bring people from the local community together to enjoy an Arabian Musical Evening/Night consisting of a | \$15,000.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |

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| | | | live band and singers that will be performing, Arabic poetry, raffle prizes to be won and an Arabian themed environment with dinner and dessert. | | |
| EVENT SUPPORT GRANT 26ESGR2004 | Auburn District Cricket Club Inc | Auburn DCC 75th Anniversary Dinner | Auburn District Cricket Club was established at Auburn in 1951 and has been based at Mona Park, Auburn since its inception. The current 2025-26 cricket season is the club's 75th anniversary and club is holding a special dinner to celebrate not only that milestone but to also celebrate the club's long term commitment to serving the local Auburn community over the past 75 years. | \$9,900.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |
| EVENT SUPPORT GRANT 26ESGR2006 | JAFFNA HINDU OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH INCORPORATED | Thaipongal Festival 2026 | Thai Pongal is one of the most significant celebrations in the Tamil calendar, observed on the first day of the Tamil month "Thai" in January each year. For the past 14 years, the Association hosted this event in Pendle Hill, attracting a diverse audience from the local community and surrounding areas. The festival is regularly attended by representatives from Local Council as well as State and Federal Parliaments. The program features traditional music and dance performances, and activities for children. Displays and participation by community organisations and local businesses further enrich the event, creating a vibrant and inclusive community atmosphere. | \$15,000.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |
| EVENT SUPPORT GRANT 26ESGR2007 | Kamban Kazhagam Australia Incorporated | Kamban Tamil Literary Festival | The Kamban Tamil Literary Festival, celebrating its 20th year, is a community-led event spanning two days, promoting Tamil language, literature, and arts in Australia. The program features | \$12,000.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |

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| | | | classical music and dance, dramatic literary performances, speeches, youth wing debates, and Vazhakadu Mandram -a traditional Tamil debate forum where speakers present and challenge viewpoints on literary themes. These sessions involve internationally recognised Tamil orators alongside local talents and young speakers. Winners of the Vellum Sol youth impromptu speech competition are awarded by invited ministers and Cumberland Council councillors. The festival also presents the prestigious Maaruthi Award and recognises respected Tamil community members. | | |
| EVENT SUPPORT GRANT 26ESGR2009 | Didibahini Women's Network Australia, NSW | Teej Cultural Celebration & Women's Wellbeing Festival 2026 | The Teej Cultural Celebration & Women's Wellbeing Festival 2026 is a one-day cultural event organised by (DWNA) – NSW Cumberland Unit to celebrate Teej, a traditional South Asian festival honouring women, cultural identity, and community solidarity. The event will take place on 13 September 2026 at Granville Town Hall and is expected to bring together approximately 400 women from Nepali, South Asian, and wider multicultural communities within Cumberland. The event will include: Traditional cultural performances and music Cultural dance and interactive activities Mental health and wellbeing discussions Distribution of information and resources on family and domestic violence prevention | \$14,700.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |
| EVENT SUPPORT GRANT | Cumberland Women's Health Centre | Women's Health Week | There are often limited opportunities for women from diverse backgrounds to connect in inclusive settings, due to a lack of interactive, culturally | \$1,780.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and |

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| 26ESGR2012 | | | <p>inclusive events that bring women together across different ages and communities. For Women's Health Week 2026, we aim to bring together 50–100 women from across the Cumberland and Parramatta LGAs for a series of interactive workshops, a shared lunch, and informal social networking. This event will foster community connection and cross-cultural understanding, supporting improved health and wellbeing for women and contributing to a more inclusive and connected community in Cumberland.</p> | | <p>demonstrated clear project outcomes.</p> |
| <p>EVENT SUPPORT GRANT 26ESGR2015</p> | <p>Australian homeschool hub</p> | <p>Australian homeschool hub disco and launch</p> | <p>This will be a disco and our launch for our nonprofit organisation. As a community that has been working so hard for 5 years, we have finally got our not for profit and would be using this as an opportunity to gather all community together. This is a great opportunity for those new to homeschooling to meet friends and other homeschooling families as well.</p> | <p>\$1,700.00</p> | <p>Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes.</p> |
| <p>EVENT SUPPORT GRANT 26ESGR2016</p> | <p>Toongabbie Tamil Trade Association</p> | <p>Tamil New Year Festival 2027</p> | <p>The Tamil New Year Festival in Sydney is a premier annual celebration of heritage and new beginnings. Following previous successes, this single-day event is scheduled to be delivered at Girraween Park on 18 April 2027. Organised by the Toongabbie Tamil Trade Association, the festival serves as a vital platform for social cohesion, uniting generations through cultural workshops, folk performances, and local business stalls. Building on this momentum, the association plans to return to Girraween Park in 2027, ensuring a consistent and accessible</p> | <p>\$15,000.00</p> | <p>Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes.</p> |

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| | | | space for seniors, youth, and the CALD community to celebrate Cumberland's unique cultural identity. | | |
| HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN SPORT AND EDUCATION 26HACYR2002 | Young Soon Kim | Football Australia Emerging Championships 2026 – NSW State Team | My son has been selected to represent Football NSW at the Football Australia Emerging Championships 2026. This national football tournament brings together the best youth players from each state across Australia. He will participate as a member of the NSW State Team competing against other state representative teams during the tournament. The event provides a high-level competitive environment where players are identified for future national team pathways and elite development programs. Participation requires commitment to training camps, matches and team preparation during the championship period. | \$1,000.00 | Applicant has met all eligibility criteria and demonstrated clear project outcomes. |

Appendix 2 Resolutions of the Council following consideration of the recommendations of the Property Committee Meeting held at Merrylands Administration Building, 16 Memorial Avenue, Merrylands NSW 2160 on Monday 4 May 2026.

ITEM PC015/26 - Update on Committee Resolutions

RESOLVED

That the Property Committee receive the status update on Committee resolutions.

ITEM PC016/26 - Update on General Property Leases/Transactions

RESOLVED

That the Property Committee receive and note the update.

ITEM PC017/26 - War Memorial - Guildford - Request for Council Maintenance

RESOLVED

The Property Committee recommend that Council:

1. Endorse Council entering into a formal maintenance agreement with the Guildford School of Arts for the maintenance of the war memorial located external to the privately owned facility;
 2. Note that ownership of the property will remain with the Guildford School of Arts, and that Council will not assume responsibility for the maintenance or operation of the hall building or associated facilities; and
 3. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate and execute the maintenance agreement on terms consistent with this report.
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ITEM PC018/26 - Natural Areas Plan of Management - Post Exhibition Report

RESOLVED

That the Property Committee recommend that Council adopt the Natural Areas Plan of Management, as provided in Attachment 1 of this report.

ITEM PC019/26 - 1-47 Percival Road, Smithfield - Letter of Offer for Advertising Sign

RESOLVED

The Property Committee recommend that Council:

1. Note the Letter of Offer received for 1-47 Percival Road, Smithfield, regarding access to digital advertising (equivalent to ten percent of the total content loop) on the approved signage structure (DA2025/0571), to be used at Council's discretion for community, public interest or non-commercial content.
2. Reject the current Letter of Offer and request that the applicant consider the payment of an annual fee for the duration of the approved signage structure (DA2025/0571), in accordance with Council's Large Display Advertising Policy.
3. Subject to agreement by the applicant, endorse that a draft Voluntary Planning Agreement regarding the approved signage structure be prepared for 1-47 Percival Road, Smithfield, and that the draft agreement be publicly exhibited for a period of 28 days in accordance with legislative and policy requirements; and
4. Delegate authority to the General Manager to finalise and execute the Voluntary Planning Agreement on behalf of Council for 1-47 Percival Road, Smithfield, subject to no significant objections on the draft agreement arising from public exhibition.

ITEM PC021/26 - Verbal Update on General & Strategic Property Matters

RESOLVED

The Property Committee recommend that Council resolve:

That Council obtain an independent valuation report on 102 William St Granville, and report the results back to a future Property Committee meeting.

ITEM PC021/26 - Verbal Update on General & Strategic Property Matters

RESOLVED

The Property Committee recommend that Council resolve:

To call a new expressions of interest process for McFarlane St, Merrylands carpark through Council's existing commercial real estate firm, Jones Lang Lasalle Pty Ltd.