

**Ordinary Council 18 May 2020
MINUTES**

MAYORAL MINUTES

**MAYORAL MINUTE – POINTS OF CLARIFICATION ST LEONARDS SOUTH –
DESIGN CHARRETTE FINALISATION DECISION**

72 **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Palmer and Bennison that Council:-

1. Notes that extensive community consultation was held during the period 2012 - 2020 including:
 - a) exhibition of Master Plan (Dec 2014 – May 2015) with 545 submissions received;
 - b) exhibition of draft Planning Proposal (Oct 2017 – Jan 2018) with 340 submissions received;
 - c) a public hearing conducted by the IPC (2019); and
 - d) a review by NSW Planning, State Design Review Panel and NSW Government Architect (2019-2020)
2. Notes that despite the lack of a face-to-face public forum at the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 11 May 2020, that alternate procedures were in place during the pandemic for the public to make last-minute representations to Councillors by email, phone or video and that 97 submissions were in fact received.
3. Considers the pandemic was therefore an irrelevant matter for Council's consideration.
4. Considers that all relevant facts were taken into account in determining the particular merits of the proposal.
5. Acknowledges that it is the sole discretion of the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to determine if the Planning Proposal requires re-exhibition and should he so determine Council is willing to undertake consultation, however, if he determines re-exhibition is not required, the LEP should be made and Gazetted without further delay.
6. Confirms its intention to create additional open space through the closure of Canberra Avenue South and incorporation into Newlands Park, subject to the appropriate consultation on the closure of Canberra Avenue South, and should the closure proceed, Council seek to rezone the land, RE1 Public Open Space and classify it as Community Land, under the Local Government Act.
7. Confirms the 5% reduction in the base FSR proposed in Option 4 in the report, applied across the precinct but did not apply to the floor space bonuses proposed under the LEP to provide community infrastructure (i.e. open space, E-W connections, key worker housing, landscaping, site consolidation, roads).

For the Motion were Councillors Palmer, Bennison, Brent, Brooks-Horn and Strassberg (Total 5).

Against the Motion were Councillors Vissel, Zbik and Morris (Total 3).