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# **Council Meeting AGENDA NO. 8/22**

Meeting Date: Tuesday 28 June 2022 Location: Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and Online Time: 6.00pm

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### Statement of Ethical Obligations

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# MAYORAL MINUTE

# MM15/22 AWARDS RECEIVED BY CITY OF RYDE AND STAFF – Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane

Report prepared by: The Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane File No.: MYR/07/10/20 – BP22/484

# **REPORT SUMMARY**

The City of Ryde has been fortunate to be the recipient of a number of industry awards in recent years.

This Mayoral Minute provides information regarding awards received during the previous twelve months. Some details have been brought to the attention of Council previously.

- **Local Government Professionals Excellence Award** (People, Workplace and Wellbeing) for the inaugural Ticket to Ryde all staff conference. This award recognises outstanding achievement and innovation in local government. It recognises excellence as evidenced by the implementation of a particular project or initiative that demonstrates real benefits to the organisation.
- **2021 Environmental Health Team of the Year** as awarded by Environmental Health Australia. Council's Environmental Health team was recognised for developing a proactive COVID-19 education and inspection program to assist the community to understand Public Health Order requirements. This included undertaking inspections accompanied by interpreters during a high risk period.
- **NSW Engineering Excellence Awards 2022** by Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia -- Highly commended awarded to City of Ryde for the all-abilities playground at Kings Park in Denistone East.
- **The Australian Business Awards 2021** City of Ryde recognised as an employer of choice. The Award recognises organisations that develop workplaces that maximise the full potential of their workforce through established policies and practices which demonstrate effective employee recruitment, engagement and retention.
- Australasian Reporting Awards 2021 gold award provided to City of Ryde for its Annual Report at the 2021 Australasian Reporting Awards. The awards are the leading benchmark in government and corporate reporting. Judging is determined by each entrant's ability to achieve overall excellence in annual reporting, provide full disclosure of key aspects of its core business, address legislative and regulatory requirements and be a model for other peer reports.



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# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council acknowledge the receipt of each of the above awards and that staff be congratulated on their contributions to each award.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

# COUNCIL REPORTS

# 1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager File No.: CLM/22/1/1/2 - BP22/418

# **REPORT SUMMARY**

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council can determine those matters on the Agenda that can be adopted without the need for any discussion.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council determine the Items on Council's Agenda that will be adopted without debate.

# OR

That Council determine all Items on the Agenda.

## 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 24 May 2022

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager File No.: CLM/22/1/1/2 - BP22/419

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In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, a motion or discussion with respect to such minutes shall not be in order except with regard to their accuracy as a true record of the proceedings.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 7/22, held on 24 May 2022 be confirmed.

## ATTACHMENTS

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Council Meeting MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 7/22

 Meeting Date:
 Tuesday 24 May 2022

 Location:
 Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and Online

 Time:
 6.00pm

**Councillors Present in Chambers:** The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen and Purcell.

<u>Note</u>: Councillor Pedersen arrived at the meeting at 6.23pm during discussion on Item 7 and was not present for consideration or voting on Items 1 and 5.

**Councillors Present online via audio visual:** Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Laxale, Song and Yedelian OAM.

Apologies: Nil.

**Staff Present:** Director – City Works, Director – Corporate Services, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, General Counsel, Chief Financial Officer, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – People and Culture, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Manager – Parks, Manager – Library Services, Acting Manager – Transport, Senior Coordinator – Community Services, Team Leader – Community Grants and Direct Services, Team Leader – Customer Service, System Support Officer, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

#### PRAYER

Reverend Matthew Whitfield of the West Ryde Anglican Church was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

#### NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was sung prior to the commencement of the meeting.

#### DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The Mayor, Councillor Lane disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 8 – City of Ryde Community Grants, Round 1, 2022 for the reason that many of the applicants, recipients and organisations are known to him.

Councillor Purcell disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 8 – City of Ryde Community Grants, Round 1, 2022 for the reason that as a Councillor he has discussed these grants with multiple groups, some of whom have been successful.

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Councillor Laxale disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 8 – City of Ryde Community Grants, Round 1, 2022 for the reason that many people involved with community organisations are known to him.

Councillor O'Reilly disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 8 – City of Ryde Community Grants, Round 1, 2022 for the reason that she is associated with community volunteers and several of the organisation's members from her community.

Councillor Han disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 8 – City of Ryde Community Grants, Round 1, 2022 for the reason that he knows some of the applicants but he was not aware of their application.

Councillor Deshpande disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 8 – City of Ryde Community Grants, Round 1, 2022 for the reason that she knows a number of the applicants.

Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 8 – City of Ryde Community Grants, Round 1, 2022 for the reason that he is a former member of Christian Community Aid (CCA NSW) – a grant recipient in this Item.

#### TABLING OF PETITIONS

No petitions were tabled.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The following persons made a written submission to Council:-

Name	Торіс
Stefan Wernik	Item 7 – Meadowbank Skate Park – Lighting
	Extension
Laurence Heffernan	Item 7 – Meadowbank Skate Park – Lighting
	Extension
Tom and Melinda	Item 7 – Meadowbank Skate Park – Lighting
Emeleus	Extension
Andrew Alcorn	Item 7 – Meadowbank Skate Park – Lighting
	Extension
Glen Warton	Item 7 – Meadowbank Skate Park – Lighting
	Extension
Joyce and Robyn	Item 7 – Meadowbank Skate Park – Lighting
Newbery	Extension
Amal and Maree Gittany	Item 10 – Traffic and Parking matters approved by the
	Ryde Traffic Committee Meeting – April 2022

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

No written submissions were received.

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### COUNCIL REPORTS

### 1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

<u>Note</u>: Councillor Pedersen was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and O'Reilly)

That Council adopt Item 2, Item 3, Item 4, Item 6, Item 8, Item 9, Item 11, Precis of Correspondence 1, Notice of Motion 1, Notice of Motion 2 and Item 12 on the Council Agenda as per the recommendations in the reports.

### **Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

### COUNCIL REPORTS

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – Council Meeting held on 26 April 2022

### **RESOLUTION:**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 5/22, held on 26 April 2022 be confirmed.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 10 May 2022

### **RESOLUTION:**

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting 6/22, held on 10 May 2022 be confirmed.

### 4 MARCH QUARTERLY REVIEW REPORT - FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN 2021-2025 AND 2021/2022 OPERATIONAL PLAN

### **RESOLUTION:**

(a) That the report of the March 2022 Quarterly Review Statement - Four Year Delivery Plan 2021-2025 and One Year 2021/2022 Operational Plan, *Quarter Three, January – March 2022* be received and endorsed by Council.

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(b) That the proposed budget adjustments and project changes summarised in the ATTACHMENT (CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER) to the report, resulting in no net impact on Council's projected working capital position of \$4.50 million (as at 30 June 2022) be endorsed by Council.

#### 6 CITY OF RYDE DRAFT DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN 2022-2026 - ENDORSEMENT TO PROCEED TO PUBLIC EXHIBITION

#### **RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That the City of Ryde Draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2022 -2026 be endorsed by Council and placed on public exhibition for a period for 28 days.
- (b) That Councillors are informed of the results of the public exhibition.

### 8 CITY OF RYDE COMMUNITY GRANTS, ROUND 1, 2022

- <u>Note</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Lane disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that many of the applicants, recipients and organisations are known to him.
- <u>Note</u>: Councillor Purcell disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that as a Councillor he has discussed these grants with multiple groups, some of whom have been successful.
- <u>Note</u>: Councillor Laxale disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that many people involved with community organisations are known to him.
- <u>Note</u>: Councillor O'Reilly disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that she is associated with community volunteers and several of the organisation's members from her community.
- <u>Note</u>: Councillor Han disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he knows some of the applicants but he was not aware of their application.
- <u>Note</u>: Councillor Deshpande disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that she knows a number of the applicants.
- <u>Note</u>: Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a former member of Christian Community Aid (CCA NSW) – a grant recipient in this Item.

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## **RESOLUTION:**

(a) That Council endorse funding the following organisations for the City of Ryde Community Grants, Round 1, 2022:

#### **Community Wellbeing**

	Ref No.	Organisation	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Project Name/ Description	Other Comments
1	CW02	Empowering Parents in Crisis Pty Ltd.	\$15,000	\$15,000	Empowering Parents of Teens in Crisis- preparing parents to support their teenagers when they choose risky behaviours.	
2	CW03	CCA NSW Ltd.	\$15,000	\$15,000	Building the Financial Capabilities of People in the Ryde Area- financial literacy sessions, to vulnerable groups in the Ryde area.	
3	CW09	Easy Care Gardening Inc.	\$1,904.50	\$1,904.50	Awareness Raising: Managing Asbestos- Training for volunteers and workers	
4	CW11	Ample Abilities Inc.	\$2,500	\$2,500	Abilities Journey- outings for people with disability and carers, particularly from CALD backgrounds	
5	CW20	The Salvation Army (NSW) Property Trust- Ryde Corps	\$4,470	\$4,470	Ryde Women's Hub- a creative space for women.	
6	CW21	Stryder Inc.	\$4,000	\$2,245	Safe Front Line Worker Training	First aid training is not eligible, as this is their core business.
7	CW23	Australian & New Zealand Tongzhi Alliance Inc.	\$15,000	\$15,000	Tong Xing: Mandarin Speaking LGBTQIA+ Peer Support Program	
8	CW25	Rotary Club of North Ryde Inc.	\$3,000	\$2,500	Seniors Christmas Lunch- frail aged and persons with disability from	Meets the criteria of a small grant up to \$2,500

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			\$70,474.50	\$66,619.50		
		Chinese Senior Citizen Club			activities/day trip for Seniors Club members	criteria of a small grant up to \$2,500 due to the number of people attending. Gifts for participant s not eligible.
9	CW27 Sport16	CASS Care Ltd. Eastwood	\$6,600	\$5,600	Fostering Integration of Young Migrants Outdoor	and scale of project. Ongoing venue hire costs not eligible. Meets the
					North Ryde Community Aid	due to the number of people attending

### Events

	Ref	Organisation	Amount	Amount	Project Name/	Other
	No.	-	Requested	Recommended	Description	Comments
11	EV01	Rotary Club of Macquarie Park	\$15,000	\$15,000	Rotary Carols on the Common	
12	EV02	Sydney Radio Control Off Road Car Club Inc.	\$7,500	\$7,500	RC car racing NSW State Titles- to be held in Ryde.	
13	EV03	Australian South Asia Forum inc.	\$15,000	\$7,500	SAFAL Festival annual South Asian Film, Arts & Literature Festival	Meets criteria for a medium event up to \$7,500 as it is targeted to a segment of the community, with less than 3,000 attendees.
14	Ev04	Melrose Park FC	\$7,500	\$7,500	Street Football World Cup and Intercultural Community Festival	
15	Ev06	Macquarie Anglican	\$3,000	\$1,980	Carols in the Park	Meets the criteria for a small event up to \$2,500 due to the estimated number of attendees. Funding of this grant for essential

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		Total	\$65,500	\$56,980		
18	Ev14	Ryde Indian Association	\$7,500	\$7,500	Diwali Fair in the City of Ryde	
17	Ev12	Persian Association Sydney Inc.	\$7,500	\$7,500	Tirgan Community Festival- Persian Festival	
16	Ev07	Korean Harmony Culture Group	\$2,500	\$2,500	Korean Seniors Festival	
						operational costs to run the event.

### **Facilities and Equipment**

	Ref No.	Organisation	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Project Name/ Description	Other Comments
19	FE03	Taldumande Youth Services	\$5,000	\$5,000	Housing Basics Furniture and Appliances- Furniture replacement for accommodation for homeless youth.	
20	CW0 2	Bike North inc.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Cycling Without Age- purchase of a recreational trishaw bike for residential care residents in Ryde.	
		Total	\$10,000	\$10,000		

#### **Sport and Recreation**

	Ref No.	Organisation	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Project Name/ Description	Other Comments
21	Sport02	Eastwood Ryde Netball Association	\$4,000	\$2,450	Netball for Beginners- introduction to netball skills for 5-7 years of age	Registration and court hire not eligible.
22	Sport06	Ryde Eastwood Touch Association	\$5,000	\$5,000	Whistle While You Work- increase number and retain existing referees.	
23	Sport08	Ryde Dragon Boat Inc.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Junior Ryders' Learn to Paddle, Fit to Paddle	
24	Sport15	North West Sydney Football Ltd.	\$5,000	\$2,280	Kick On for Women 8 week introductory program to encourage female participation.	Field hire and uniforms not eligible.
		Total	\$19,000	\$14,730		

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	Ref. No.	Organisation	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Project Name/ Description	Other Comments
25	SM01	Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Group (auspice Stryder)	\$2,500	\$2,500	Social support group for local seniors	
26	SM04	Riding for the Disabled (NSW) Ryde Centre	\$2,490	\$2,490	RDA Ryde Public Awareness and Engagement	
27	SM05	Macquarie Singers Inc.	\$2,500	\$2,500	Macquarie Singers Community Outreach- performances in City of Ryde	
		Total	\$7,490	\$7,490	, ,,	

- (b) That funding of \$155,819.50 is awarded in this grant round from the Community Grants budget.
- (c) That unspent funding of \$61,680.50 is carried forward to community Grants, Round 2, 202

#### 9 VARIATIONS TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS UNDER CLAUSE 4.6 OF RYDE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN 2014

### **RESOLUTION:**

That the report on the Clause 4.6 variations 1 January to 31 March 2022 be received and noted.

#### 11 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2022

Note: An Information Report was presented to Council.

### PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

1 RESPONSE REGARDING COUNCIL'S LETTER TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REGARDING SAFETY, RESPECT, EQUITY CAMPAIGN

### **RESOLUTION:**

That the correspondence be received and noted.

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### NOTICES OF MOTION

1 ROAD SAFETY MATTERS - Councillor Roy Maggio

#### **RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council investigate the traffic and road safety issues at the following intersections with a view to providing improvements for the safety of our community:
  - i. Coxs Road and Blenheim Road Roundabout
  - ii. Twin Road and Goulding Road T-intersection arrangement
  - iii. Charles Street, outside St Charles primary school pedestrian crossing
- (b) That a workshop be held with Councillors within 3 months, prior to Traffic Committee consideration to discuss possible safety improvements and potential funding requirements.
- 2 ACCESSIBLE PATHWAY BILL MITCHELL PARK Councillor Roy Maggio

#### **RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That staff investigate how an appropriate accessible pathway can be constructed that connects Morrison Road to Bill Mitchell Park.
- (b) That a new accessible pathway be considered for construction that links with the existing pathway to provide a loop around Bill Mitchell Park.
- (c) That staff report back to Council in a workshop within 3 months with costings and potential funding sources for (a) and (b).

### COUNCIL REPORT

#### 12 REQUEST FOR TENDER - COR-RFT-16/21 - COURIER SERVICES

#### **RESOLUTION:**

That, having received no tenders for the proposed contract, Council will under Clause 178(3) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, invite, in accordance with Clause 167, 168 or 169, fresh tenders based on the same or different details.

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### 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 26 April 2022

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 10 May 2022

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

#### 4 MARCH QUARTERLY REVIEW REPORT - FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN 2021-2025 AND 2021/2022 OPERATIONAL PLAN

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

#### 5 ADOPTION OF ANZAC PARK MASTERPLAN

<u>Note</u>: Councillor Pedersen was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That Council adopts the Anzac Park Masterplan 2022 with consideration for the inclusion of an outdoor chess board.
- (b) That Council write to thank all participants in the development of the Masterplan and inform them of this resolution.

#### **Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

#### 6 CITY OF RYDE DRAFT DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN 2022-2026-ENDORSEMENT TO PROCEED TO PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

### 7 MEADOWBANK SKATE PARK - LIGHTING EXTENSION

- <u>Note</u>: Councillor Pedersen arrived at the meeting at 6.23pm during discussion on this Item.
- <u>Note</u>: Stefan Wernik, Laurance Heffernan, Tom and Melinda Emeleus, Andrew Alcorn, Glen Warton and Joyce and Robyn Newbery made a written submission on this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

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# **ITEM 2 (continued)**

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**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That Council defer this matter regarding the lighting extension of the Meadowbank Skate Park for the months of May, June, July and August (excluding Sunday evenings), subject to further consultation with residents and users about a compromise involving an extension of time on certain days of the week, with a further report to come back to Council.
- (b) That prior to the report coming back to Council, a workshop be held with Councillors to discuss all the other issues regarding the Meadowbank Skate Park.

#### **Record of Voting:**

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Laxale, Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

Against the Motion: Councillor Yedelian OAM

### 8 CITY OF RYDE COMMUNITY GRANTS, ROUND 1, 2022

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

### 9 VARIATIONS TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS UNDER CLAUSE 4.6 OF RYDE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN 2014

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

### 10 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS APPROVED BY THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - APRIL 2022

<u>Note</u>: Amal and Maree Gittany made a written submission to Council in relation to Part (H) of this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Han)

That Council endorses the following Ryde Traffic Committee recommendations from the meeting held in April 2022:-

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### (A) 35 WHARF ROAD, GLADESVILLE - EXTENSION OF NO STOPPING ZONE

The following changes be made on Wharf Road, Gladesville:-

a) The existing "No Stopping" zone at the property frontage of 35 Wharf Road be extended to 17.5 metres from the intersection of Ashburn Place, Gladesville.

#### (B) LITTLE VICTORIA ROAD, WEST RYDE - TIMED PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The following changes be made on the southern side of Little Victoria Road, West Ryde:-

a) That 60 metres of '2P 8.30am-6pm Mon-Fri 8.30am-12.30pm Sat' be installed on the southern side of Little Victoria Road, between Ryedale Road and Anzac Avenue.

#### (C) BUNBIE LANE, WEST RYDE - NO STOPPING COUNCIL AUTHORISED VEHICLES EXCEPTED

The following changes be made on Bunbie Lane, West Ryde:-

a) A 5.4m "No Stopping - Council Authorised Vehicles Excepted" parking space be installed within the existing "No Stopping" zone on Bunbie Lane at the rear of 21 Mellor Street, West Ryde.

#### (D) RHODES STREET, WEST RYDE - PARKING RESTRICTION CHANGES

The following changes be made on Rhodes Street, West Ryde:-

- a) The existing "NO PARKING" zones on the northern side of Rhodes Street, West Ryde be converted to "NO STOPPING".
- b) The existing unrestricted parking zones on the northern side of Rhodes Street, West Ryde be converted to "NO STOPPING, 2:30PM-4:00PM, SCHOOL DAYS".

### (E) ROAD SAFETY UPDATE - ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMS

The following changes be made in Thompson Street, Gladesville:-

a) The Road Safety report be received and noted.

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### (F) WICKS ROAD, NORTH RYDE - NO PARKING - ALTERATION TO TIME OF OPERATION

The following changes be made on Wicks Road, North Ryde:-

a) That 80 metres of existing 'No Parking' on the western side of Wicks Road be altered to 'No Parking 6am – 3pm'.

### (G) RYEDALE ROAD, WEST RYDE - PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF MAIL ZONE WITH LOADING ZONE

The following changes be made on Ryedale Road, West Ryde:-

- a) That the Mail Zone on the eastern side of Ryedale Road be converted to a Loading Zone in the purpose-built concrete bay preceding the raised pedestrian crossing.
- b) That a Mail Zone 9am 4pm Mon-Fri be installed on Herbert Street, south of the proposed pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Ryedale Road, West Ryde.

(H) ALTERATIONS TO RECENTLY INSTALLED BUS STOP & BUS ZONE OUTSIDE OF 91 BOWDEN STREET, RYDE - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO MEADOWBANK EDUCATION EMPLOYMENT PRECINCT (MEEP) WORKS

The Ryde Traffic committee resolved to:-

a) Retain the existing bus stop/bus zone outside No 91 Bowden Street, Ryde at its current location.

The residents of 91 Bowden Street, Ryde attended and presented at the meeting in relation to the bus stop.

The Council resolved to:-

a) Remove the existing bus stop/bus zone outside No 91 Bowden Street, Ryde at its current location as soon as practicable.

### (I) ROWE STREET, EASSTWOOD - TIMED PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The following changes be made on Rowe Street, Eastwood:

a) That a 10 metres Mail Zone 8am – 6pm be installed adjacent to 102 Rowe Street

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- b) That motorcycle only bays be installed adjacent to the mail zone and identified by signage and linemarking of the bays.
- c) That the 7 metres of 'No Stopping Australia Post Vehicles Excepted' immediately east of Council's Rowe Street carpark be converted to 'Loading Zone 8am – 6pm'

#### **Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

11 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2022

Note: An Information Report was presented to Council.

#### PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

1 RESPONSE REGARDING COUNCIL'S LETTER TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REGARDING SAFETY, RESPECT, EQUITY CAMPAIGN

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1 ROAD SAFETY MATTERS Councillor Roy Maggio <u>Note</u>: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.
- 2 ACCESSIBLE PATHWAY BILL MITCHELL PARK Councillor Roy Maggio

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

#### CLOSED SESSION

#### MAYORAL MINUTE 14/22 - CONFIDENTIAL STAFF MATTER

#### Confidential

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

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<u>Note</u>: Councillor O'Reilly left the meeting at 7.08pm and was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Han)

That the Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the above matter.

**Record of Voting:** 

For the Motion: Unanimous

<u>Note</u>: The Council closed the meeting at 7.09pm. The public and media left the chamber and the webcast.

### 12 REQUEST FOR TENDER - COR-RFT-16/21 - COURIER SERVICES

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

<u>Note</u>: All staff with the exception of the Manager – People and Culture, Manager – Corporate Governance, Civic Services Manager (Administration Officer) and Civic Support Officer (Minute taker) left the meeting at 7.09pm.

### CONFIDENTIAL MAYORAL MINUTE

#### MM14/22 CONFIDENTIAL STAFF MATTER – The Mayor, Councillor Lane

<u>Note</u>: Councillor O'Reilly returned to the meeting, the time being 7.09pm.

MOTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillor Maggio)

- (a) That Council notes the confidential correspondence between Mr George Dedes, General Manager to Councillor Jordan Lane, Mayor dated 19 May 2022, and accepts his resignation as General Manager of the City of Ryde Council with effect from 5pm, 1 July 2022.
- (b) That Council conveys its sincere thanks to Mr Dedes as he moves on to new opportunities after almost 23 years' service to the local community and the City of Ryde. As General Manager for the past five years he has led Council during a period of unprecedented challenges which have included the once in 100-year pandemic, leaving the organisation in a stable and financially strong position.
- (c) That Council resolves to appoint Wayne Rylands, pursuant to sections 336 and 351 of the Local Government Act 1993, as the Council's Acting General Manager until the commencement of a new General Manager.

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- (d) That Council authorises the Mayor to invite suitable recruitment agencies including Local Government NSW to submit proposals for the recruitment of a new General Manager for the Council.
- (e) That Council instructs the Acting General Manager to immediately engage a suitable provider to review the Council's Organisation Structure and that the Acting General Manager provides a report back to the Council with a recommendation.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and O'Reilly)

That this matter be deferred pending a Confidential workshop with Councillors and the General Manager.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Amendment was five (5) For and seven (7) Against. The Amendment was LOST. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

#### **Record of Voting:**

<u>For the Amendment</u>: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

<u>Against the Amendment</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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- (e) That Council instructs the Acting General Manager to immediately engage a suitable provider to review the Council's Organisation Structure and that the Acting General Manager provides a report back to the Council with a recommendation.

#### **Record of Voting:**

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

<u>Against the Motion</u>: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

### OPEN SESSION

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That the Council resolve itself into open Council.
- (b) That the recommendations of Items considered in Closed Session be received and adopted as resolution of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.
- (c) That the Minutes of the Closed Session be adopted.

On being put to the meeting, Councillors O'Reilly and Pedersen abstained from voting and accordingly their votes were recorded Against the Motion.

### **Record of Voting:**

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

Note: Open Council resumed at 8.29pm.

The meeting closed at 8.29pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 28TH JUNE 2022

Chairperson

## 3 FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PROGRAM 2022-2026 INCLUDING ONE YEAR OPERATIONAL PLAN 2022/23

Report prepared by: Chief Financial Officer File No.: FIM/22/59 - BP22/450

## **REPORT SUMMARY**

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Adoption of this report by Council will ensure it meets its legislative obligations to have a four year Delivery Program and one year Operational Plan.

Council must make and levy Rates and Charges in accordance with the *Local Government Act* 1993 for the 2022/23 financial year to allow the collection of this key source of revenue. The report includes the proposed 2022-2026 Four Year Delivery Program and 2022/23 One Year Operational Plan **ATTACHMENTS 1 AND 2 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**. A draft 2022/23 Fees and Charges Schedule for adoption is provided at **ATTACHMENT 3 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**.

Public submissions received in response to the draft Plans must be considered by Council prior to their adoption. Details of the three submissions and Council officer's responses are provided at **ATTACHMENT 4.** 

In adopting the 2022/23 budget, it is projected that Council will deliver a balanced budget and maintain a Working Capital balance of \$4.50 million as at 30 June 2023.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:-

- (a) Considers the public submissions received during the public exhibition period and the responses to those submissions.
- (b) Adopts the proposed Four Year Delivery Program 2022-2026 including the One year Operational Plan for 2022/23, and 2022/23 Fees and Charges Schedule.
- (c) Makes and levies the rates for the 2022/23 financial year in accordance Section 535 of the *Local Government Act* 1993, such rate to be as follows -



Туре	Name	Base Amount Yield %	Min/Base Amount \$	Ad Valorem (cents in \$)
Ordinary	Residential		\$597.95	0.0764230
Ordinary	Business		\$597.95	0.5970200
Ordinary	Business- Major Retail Centre - Macquarie Park			0.4623300
Ordinary	Business- Major Retail Centre - Top Ryde			0.4623300
Special	Macquarie Park Corridor			0.0974670
Special	Special Infrastructure Renewal	49.97%	\$125.10	0.0206010
Special	Environmental Management	40.37%	\$59.60	0.0144790

(d) Fixes its interest charge on overdue rates and charges in accordance with the Section 566 (3) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 at the rate of six percent (6%) per annum from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, as determined by the Minister for Local Government.

# ATTACHMENTS

- 1 City of Ryde 2022-2026 Four Year Delivery Program CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 2 City of Ryde 2022-2023 One Year Operational Plan CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 3 2022-23 Fees And Charges Report CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 4 Public Submissions and Response

Report Prepared By:

# Aneesh Zahra Chief Financial Officer

Report Approved By:

Mark Eady Director - Corporate Services



# Background

Council resolved, at its Ordinary Meeting on 26 April 2022, to place the Draft Four Year Delivery Program 2022-2026, including One Year Operational Plan 2022/23, on public exhibition for 28 days from 1 May 2022 to 28 May 2022.

The purpose of this report is to consider any public submissions made during that period with regard to changes to either document and have the final documents and associated budgets considered and adopted by Council.

# 2022-2026 Delivery Program

In formulating the Four Year Delivery Program 2022-2026, and the One Year Operational Plan 2022/23, consideration has been given to Council's adopted Ryde 2028 Community Strategic Plan.

A summary of the proposed expenditure, income and working capital in the Draft 2022-2026 Four Year Delivery Program are detailed below:



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# **ITEM 3 (continued)**

Table 1. Projected Operating Result	Proposed Budget 2022/2023 (\$'000)	Proposed Budget 2023/2024 (\$'000)	Proposed Budget 2024/2025 (\$'000)	Proposed Budget 2025/2026 (\$'000)	Four Year Total Estimates
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS					
Rates and annual charges	103,979	106,172	108,411	110,699	429,261
User charges and fees	18,715	100,172	20,478	21,481	79,857
Interest and investment revenue	2,400	2,538	20,478	21,481	10,009
Other revenues	15,917	13,527	15,983	18,693	64,119
Grants & contributions provided for operating	13,317	10,027	13,303	10,055	0 1,113
purposes	5,975	6,069	6,191	6,317	24,552
Grants & contributions provided for capital	3,373	0,005	0,131	0,017	21,552
purposes	8,136	7,777	5,759	5,871	27,544
Net gain from the disposal of assets	100	100	100	100	400
TOTAL INCOME FROM CONTINUING					
OPERATIONS	155,222	155,365	159,368	165,787	635,742
EXPENSES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS					
Employee benefits and on-costs	59,441	61,039	63,160	64,789	248,422
Borrowing costs					
, and the second	164	2,225	2,493	2,326	7,208
Materials and contracts	51,802	52,622	56,495	57,205	218,130
Depreciation and amortisation	25,589	25,845	25,211	25,422	102,067
Other expenses	6,539	6,686	6,837	6,992	27,055
Net loss from the disposal of assets	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	143,534	148,418	154,196	156,734	602,882
NET OPERATING RESULT	11,688	6,947	5,173	9,053	32,861
Capital Expenditure and Repayments to Liability					
Capital Exenditure	109,251	86,770	38,663	33,300	267,984
Loan Repayment	348	2,647	2,895	2,943	8,833
Lease Payment	2,986	3,081	1,594	-	7,661
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND REPAYMENTS TO LIABILITY	112,585	92,498	43,152	36,243	284,478
TOTAL FUNDING REQUIRED	100,897	85,552	37,979	27,190	251,618
Net Reserves Movements	46,524	14,035	7,121	147	67,827
Depreciation Contra	26,889	27,300	26,659	27,043	107,891
Proceeds from Loan	20,889	44,216	4,200	-	75,900
TOTAL FUNDING	100,897	85,552	37,979	27 100	251 410
	100,897	80,002	31,919	27,190	251,618
NET BUDGET POSITION	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
WORKING CAPITAL	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500



# 2022/2023 Operational Plan

During the public exhibition period, minor changes were made to Council's base budget including an expected change in rateable properties. These changes have had no net impact on Council's work capital position of \$4.5m.

Key highlights of the Operational Plan for 2022/23 include:

- The total operating expenditure budget is \$143.53 million, including \$1.35 million for one-off operating projects;
- The Operating Result is projected to be a surplus of \$11.69 million, including Capital Grants and Contributions and \$3.55 million surplus excluding Capital Grants and Contributions;
- Capital Expenditure is budgeted at \$109.25 million, funded primarily by Internal Reserves, Section 7.11 Contributions, Grants and other external sources of income.

A summary of Council's proposed project expenditure of \$110.6 million for 2022/23 is detailed below:

Program	Capital Project \$M	Non-Capital Project \$M	Total Project \$M
City Development program	-	-	-
Community Culture & Wellbeing program	1.25	0.13	1.38
City Sport & Recreation program	6.25	0.20	6.45
Economic Centres & Neighbourhood program	4.14	0.10	4.24
Library program	0.15	-	0.15
Service Delivery Support program	3.65	-	3.65
Catchment & Waterways program	3.33	0.25	3.58
Resilience & Sustainability program	0.05	0.20	0.25
Traffic & Transport program	3.75	-	3.75
Waste & Recycling program	0.60	0.38	0.98
Strategic Property Management program	71.91	-	71.91
Roads program	12.32	-	12.32
Paths and Cycleways program	0.97		0.97
Governance & Corporate Services program	0.88	0.09	0.97
Total	109.25	1.35	110.60

# **Proposed Rating Structure**

The following rating table outlines the various rating categories and associated yields for the 2022/23 financial year. The rating table has been updated to represent the supplementary valuations received during the public exhibition period.



The total projected rates income is forecasted to be \$79.7million in FY 22/23 which represents 51.3% of Council's total revenue.

Rate Pegging in	crease of	0.70%					-			% of	-	
Rate Type	Category/Sub Category	No. of Properties		Land Values \$		Base Charge \$	M	inimum \$	Ad Valorem (cents in \$)	Revenue from Base for each rate	R	ate Yield \$
Ordinary	Residential - Minimum	31,853	s	7,774,994,299			s	597.95			s	19,046,50
Ordinary	Residential - Ad Valorem	20,075	s	21,524,699,453					0.0764230		s	16,449,87
Ordinary	Business - Minimum	488	s	16,609,163			\$	597.95			s	291,80
Ordinary	Business - Ad Valorem	1,597	\$	3,104,390,712		_			0.5970200		\$	18,533,820
Ordinary	Business- Major Retail Centre - Macquarie Park	1	s	380,000,000		_		_	0.4623300		s	1,756,85
Ordinary	Business- Major Retail Centre - Top Ryde	7	s	47,623,900		_	_		0.4623300		s	220,179
TOTAL YIELD	ORDINARY RATES										s	56,299,03
Special	Macquarie Park Corridor – Ad Valorem	537	s	1,911,544,965	Ľ				0.0974670		\$	1,863,133
Special	Special Infrastructure Renewal - Base Charge	54.021			s	125.10				49.97%	s	6,758,027
Special	Special Infrastructure Renewal - Ad Valorem	54,021	s	32,848,317,527					0.0206010		\$	6,767,209
Special	Environmental Management - Base Charge	54,021			ş	59,60				40.37%	s	3,219,652
Special	Environmental Management - Ad Valorem	54,021	s	32,848,317,527					0.0144790		\$	4,755,98
TOTAL YIELD	ORDINARY & SPECIAL RATES										\$	79,663,03

In accordance with section 566 (3) of the Local Government Act 1993, the Minister for Local Government has determined the maximum rate of interest payable on overdue rates and charges for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 (inclusive) will be 6.0%.

# **Public Submissions**

In accordance with Council's resolution at its meeting on 26 April 2022, the Draft Four Year Delivery Program 2022-2026 including One Year Operational Plan 2022/23 and Fees and Charges were advertised between 1 May 2022 and 28 May 2022 seeking feedback from our community.

Council received a total of three (3) public submissions during the exhibition period. These submissions were all in relation to sportsground fees and the recommended responses are included below:

- 1. A request to give same consideration for hiring of ovals for junior sports coaching camps to interstate organisations similar to local organisations as children utilizing the facility are local.
- 2. A request to alter the definitions relating to businesses and seasonal and the turnover thresholds so that it is more fair and equitable.



**Recommendation (1 & 2):** Council officers are proposing to amend the definitions and turnover thresholds for 'Businesses' and 'Seasonal' hiring of sportsfields. Details of these changes are included in **Attachment 4** and the changes have been reflected in the Proposed Fees and Charges 2022/23 in **Attachment 3**.

3. A request from the Sydney Cricket Club to reduce ground hire fees for summer cricket.

**Recommendation (3):** No changes are proposed for this request. Any change to the fees charged to the Sydney Cricket Club would require a change to the definition of a Non CoR based club in the Council Policy or a reduction in the non-CoR fee. Fees charged for CoR based clubs and those clubs outside the LGA are consistent with those fees charged for comparable facilities across other NSROC Councils.

A summary of all submissions received with responses from Council Officers is detailed in **Attachment 4**.

# Fees and Charges – Proposed Changes After Public Exhibition

It is proposed to amend the following Fees and Charges after the public exhibition period in accordance with a recent Circular (22-16) issued by Office of Local Government on 2 June 2022.

# 1. Companion Animal

Details of Fee	Draft Fees & Charge (Public Exhibition)	Amended Fees & Charge
Dog – Desexed (by relevant age)	\$66	\$69
Dog – Desexed (by relevant age eligible pensioner)	\$27	\$29
Dog – Desexed (sold by pound/shelter)	\$0	\$0
Dog – Not Desexed or Desexed (after relevant age)	\$224	\$234
Dog – Not Desexed (not recommended)	\$66	\$69
Dog – Not Desexed (recognised breeder)	\$66	\$69
Dog – Working	\$O	\$0
Dog – Service of the State	\$0	\$0
Assistance Animal	\$0	\$0
Cat – Desexed or Not Desexed	\$56	\$59

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Cat – Eligible Pensioner	\$27	\$29
Cat – Desexed (sold by pound/shelter)	\$0	\$0
Cat – Not Desexed (not recommended)	\$56	\$59
Cat – Not Desexed (recognised breeder)	\$56	\$59
Registration late fee	\$18	\$19
Annual Permit Category: Cat not desexed by four months of age Dangerous dog Restricted dog Permit late fee	\$81 \$197 \$197 \$18	\$85 \$206 \$206 \$19

There are no other changes proposed to the draft 2022/23 Fees and Charges after the public exhibition period.

All Fees and Charges are detailed in **Attachment 3 – Circulated Under Separate Cover**.

## **Document Amendments**

The proposed 2022-26 Delivery Program and 2022/23 Operational Plan and proposed 2022/23 Fees and Charges have been duly exhibited in accordance with legislative requirements and consideration given to all submissions. The documents have been amended to include the reported changes and are presented for adoption at this time.

It should be noted that with the imminent release of new Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Census data, finalisation of the refresh of the Community strategic Plan (CSP) and the recruitment process for the General Manager, cosmetic changes to both documents will occur within the first quarter of the 2022/23 period. Not being of substantive nature to the content of the documents further exhibition will not be required and Councilors will be advised as those updates occur.

## **Financial Implications**

The proposed financial changes outlined in the report will have no net impact on Council's Working Capital position. Overall, Council's Uncommitted Working Capital is forecast to remain at \$4.50 million as at 30 June 2023.

## Conclusion

The proposed 2022-26 Delivery Program, 2022/23 Operational Plan and proposed 2022/23 Fees and Charges, as amended, is presented to Council for adoption.

### **ATTACHMENT 4**

#### ATTACHMENT - Community Submissions

Three (3) community submissions were received from the public exhibition of the Draft 2022-2026 Four Year Delivery Program, One Year Operational Plan 2022-23 and Draft 2022-23 Fees and Charges schedule.

#### Submission 1

A small business operator from Pymble

Re the synthetic field bookings ...

There should be no difference between community clubs / associations / NFPs / or small business operators - if we are to ensure a fair and equitable landscape. At both a costing and accessibility level.

Clubs and Privates charge roughly the same amount per player. So, their company structure shouldn't justify a discounted rate when their operations are clearly commercial.

Of which there is nothing wrong with that. Just like any industry - providing a service (like football coaching) costs money and must be charged. This creates both jobs and training opportunities for young players in the community to develop. But again, rates should have nothing to do with a company structure if operationally they are the same.

Turnover (if that were to become the classification) is also way too low.

Turnover of \$250k or less is barely a micro-business (turnover being very different to profit naturally). And if turnover was to become the definer I would then suggest (for a fair and equitable landscape) this same barometer must be applied to community / NFP / Associations also. Who (for perspective) would likely turnover mush more than any private / "commercial" football operator in the region - the local Association and NPL Clubs (for instance) are turning over over between \$500k to \$2 million a year (certainly NWS would be well over that) as they too (as mentioned above) are operating commercially.

Personally, I think a better measure would be 'number of players' (volume) and camp cost per player. Although hard to regulate naturally.

My suggestion is to remove it all together. The landscape has changed and private "commercial" operators are just as important and valuable to the community and their sporting development as the traditional 'local" club or association. Perhaps even more so as they create more jobs in the local community – and more opportunities for players to develop and be active (being full-year operations in the most part).

If commercial operators were making millions of \$\$ out of their industry, then of course it would be a different story - but the local clubs and associations actually generate more money. So, it makes no sense hurting a local small business and the local community it serves based on a traditional ruling (or labelling) that has become outdated - given the football landscape has changed.

I'd suggest grouping all clubs, associations and private / "commercials" as 'football operators' and corporates as \$3million+ (which is technically what a corporate is defined as).

Private football operators must also start getting an equal share of evening access to synthetic also. Otherwise it risks creating a hyper anti-competitive market.

Thanks for your consideration.

**Recommendation:** Based on feedback received it is recommended that the definition for Businesses for the purposes of fees and charges be adjusted to be:-

Commercial - Business with a turnover of \$2 million and under.

Corporate - Businesses with a turnover over \$2 million.

Commercial businesses (local or otherwise) would be charged at the casual rate applicable to the respective facility.

### **ATTACHMENT 4**

Charge for corporate groups to remain at the proposed fee.

Issue in relation to access for commercial groups to be considered by the Sport, Recreation and Leisure Committee

#### Submission 2

A small business Operator from Victoria

Hiring ovals for junior sports coaching camps, we are charged a commercial higher rate as we are based interstate, the children using the facility on the camps are locals though so looking to get the same consideration and charges as locally based businesses

Recommendation: Based on feedback received it is recommended that the definition for Businesses for the purposes of fees and charges be adjusted to be:-

Commercial - Business with a turnover of \$2 million and under.

Corporate – Businesses with a turnover over \$2 million.

Commercial businesses (local or otherwise) are recommended to be charged at the casual rate applicable to the respective facility.

Charge for corporate groups to remain at the proposed fee.

#### Submission 3

The General Manager of the Sydney Cricket Club

For consideration of changes to Council's fees and charges

25th May 2022

To whom it may concern

Further to a meeting held between the club and the Parks and Operations team it was brought to our attention that we as a club have the opportunity to request a review of the charges for the hire of North Ryde Oval for the coming seasons.

The Sydney Cricket Club has weekly summer bookings and when not playing provides pitch covers to try and ensure games on the following day are not affected by inclement weather, these include local junior and women's club fixtures.

Our club has played at Ryde Oval in excess of 15 years and wish to request a reduction in the cost of ground hire fees in light of the charges applied for both a 'casual hire' and those applied to summer cricket, invoices attached.

Currently as highlighted in the attached summer cricket invoice the club is charged \$880 including GST per game whereas shown in the casual hire invoice, we were only charged \$357.50. We feel the difference in the charges highlighted are somewhat disproportionate and request that consideration be given to reducing the \$880 fee.

If you require any further information regarding our application for discounted rates on our summer hire fees, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Yours faithfully

#### Response

Sydney Cricket Club operates from the Entertainment Quarter in Moore Park, so therefore incurs the Non-CoR fee in accordance with Council's current Sportsground Allocation Policy. Any change to the fees charged to the Sydney Cricket Club would require a change to the definition of a Non CoR based club in the Policy or a reduction in the non-CoR fee. Fees charged for CoR based clubs and those clubs outside the LGA are consistent with those fees charged for comparable facilities across other NSROC Councils.



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## **ATTACHMENT 4**

To clarify on the issue raised in relation to fees applicable for hire of Turf wickets by non CoR based clubs in 2021/22 it is \$110 p/hr for seasonal use and \$335 p/hr for casual use.

Recommendation: No change in the fees and charges applicable for Turf Cricket wickets as outline in the proposed 2022/23 Fees and Charges document.

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## 4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL DETERMINATION -Councillor and Mayoral fees for 2022/2023

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager File No.: CLR/07/8/24 - BP22/431

# **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report is presented to Council to advise of the recent determination made by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal with respect to Councillor and Mayoral fees.

The Tribunal did not undertake a broader review of the categorisation of Councils this year. The Tribunal found that the current allocation of Councils into the current categories was appropriate. Therefore, the City of Ryde remains in the "Metropolitan Large" category.

It is recommended that Council endorse the maximum Councillor and Mayoral fees as set out in this report. There has been a sufficient provision for the payment of the increase in the 2022-2023 Budget.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council adopt the following increases to Councillor and Mayoral fees effective from 1 July 2022:-

- (a) 2% increase to Councillor fees from \$31,020 to \$31,640 per annum.
- (b) 2% increase to Mayoral fees from \$90,370 to \$92,180 per annum; in addition to the Councillor fees.

# ATTACHMENTS

1 Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Annual Report and Determination dated 20 April 2022

Report Prepared By:

## Amanda Janvrin Civic Services Manager

Report Approved By:

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# Context

Section 239 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) provides for the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal to determine the categories of Councils and to place each Council into one of those categories. The categories are to be determined at least once every three (3) years, with the next mandatory review of categories to be undertaken in 2023.

Section 241 of the Act provides for the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal to determine, not later than 1 May in each year, for each of the categories determined under Section 239, the maximum and minimum amount of fees to be paid to Councillors and Mayors.

At its meeting on 25 May 2021, Council resolved to adopt the maximum fees payable to Councillors and the Mayor for the period of 2021/2022 (effective from 1 July 2021).

# Discussion

## Categorisation of Councils

The *"Annual Report and Determination of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal"* dated 20 April 2022 is provided for in **ATTACHMENT 1**.

The Tribunal did not undertake a broad review of the categorisation of Councils and considered only those requests where an individual submission was made. The Tribunal found that the current allocation of Councils into the current categories was appropriate. Therefore, the City of Ryde remains in the "Metropolitan Large" category.

## Review of Mayoral and Councillors Fees

The Tribunal has determined a **2% per annum increase in the minimum and maximum fees applicable to each category**. A summary of the matters the Tribunal considered when making this determination is outlined below:-

- In determining the maximum and minimum fees payable in each of the categories, the Tribunal is required by Section 242A of the Act, to give effect to the same policies on increases in remuneration as those that the Industrial Relations Commission is required to give effect to under Section 146C of the *Industrial Relations Act 1996* (IR Act), when making or varying awards or orders relating to the conditions of employment of public sector employees.
- Pursuant to Section 146C(1)(a) of the IR Act, the current government policy on wages is expressed in the Industrial Relations (Public Sector Conditions of Employment) Regulation 2014 (IR Reg). The IR Reg provides that public sector wages cannot increase by more than 2.5% per annum. The Tribunal therefore has the discretion to determine an increase of up to 2.5% per annum.


- Submissions that addressed fees sought an increase of a maximum of 2.5% per annum or greater. These submissions raised issues such as comparative remuneration, cost of living and increasing workloads. One submission also suggested that higher fees are required to attract a higher standard of candidates to Council roles.
- The LGNSW submission contained three (3) parts. The first part of the submission supported an increase of 2.5% per annum in remuneration, but further argued that the maximum increase is inadequate and does not address the historical undervaluation of work performed by Mayors and Councillors and the substantial expansion of their responsibilities and accountability in recent years. LGNSW used the following economic indexes and wage data in support of their argument:-
  - Consumer price index (CPI)
  - National and state wages cases
  - Wage increases under the Local Government (State) Award 2020
- The second part of LGNSW's submission addressed inequity and impacts of low remuneration. It was supported by the research paper "Councillor perspectives on the (in)adequacy of remuneration in NSW local government: Impacts on well-being, diversity and quality of representation" (the "ANU Paper"), written by Associate Professor Jakimow of the Australian National University. A key finding of the ANU Paper was that "current remuneration levels are perceived as inadequately reflecting the extent and nature of Council work". The finding was derived from the undertaking of a survey of Councillors and Mayors. The paper suggests that there is a disconnect between workload and remuneration and this was identified as the most frequent argument for increasing the current rate.
- The third and final part of LGNSW's submission compared the minimum and maximum rates of NSW Mayor and Councillor remuneration to the remuneration of Directors and Chairpersons of comparable Government bodies and not-forprofits, Mayors and Councillors in Queensland and members of the NSW Parliament. The submission contended that NSW Mayor and Councillor remuneration is below that of their counterparts.
- Following the most recent review by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) the amount that Councils will be able to increase the revenue they can collect from rates will depend on their level of population growth. IPART has set a 2022-23 rate peg for each Council, ranging from 0.7% to 5.0%. IPART's rate peg takes into account the annual change in the Local Government Cost Index, which measures the average costs faced by NSW Councils, in addition to a population factor based on each Council's population growth.



• Employees under the *Local Government (State) Award 2020* will receive a 2% per annum increase in rates of pay from the first full pay period to commence on or after 1 July 2022.

The table below provides a summary of the minimum and maximum fees determined by the Tribunal.

### Tribunal Fee Range for 2022/23

	Minimum Fee Determined by the Tribunal	Maximum Fee Determined by the Tribunal	CoR 2021/22 Current Annual Fee
Councillor fee (per annum)	\$19,180	\$31,640	\$31,020
Mayoral additional fee * (per annum)	\$40,740	\$92,180	\$90,370

\* Note: The Mayor receives a Mayoral fee in addition to the Councillor fee.

In previous years, Council has resolved to endorse the maximum fees payable to Councillors and the Mayor.

Based on the table above, the total annual cost of paying the maximum Councillor and Mayoral fees will be \$471,860. There is provision for this amount in the 2022/23 Budget.

### **Critical Dates**

The new fees are payable as from 1 July 2022.

### **Financial Impact**

There is provision in the 2022/23 Budget to fund the recommended fees and therefore endorsing the recommendation will have no impact on Council's budget.

### **Policy Implications**

Under Sections 239 and 241 of the Local Government Act 1993, the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal determines the category of each Council and the fee range for Councillors and the Mayor. Within that range, Council then determines the fee which will be paid.



# Options

The following options are available:-

- 1. That Council adopt no increase to the Councillor's fees and Mayoral fee.
- 2. That Council adopt a partial increase to the Councillor's fees and Mayoral fee.
- 3. That Council adopt a reduction to the Councillor's and Mayoral fees.
- 4. That Council adopt the full increase to the Councillor's fees and Mayoral fee.

Based on Council's previous resolution on this matter, this report recommends that Council endorse the maximum Councillor and Mayoral fees, noting that there are sufficient funds in the 2022/23 Budget.



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# Annual Report and Determination

Annual report and determination under sections 239 and 241 of the Local Government Act 1993

20 April 2022

NSW Remuneration Tribunals website

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### **Executive Summary**

The *Local Government Act* 1993 (LG Act) requires the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal ("the Tribunal") to report to the Minister for Local Government by 1 May each year on its determination of categories of councils and the maximum and minimum amounts of fees to be paid to mayors, councillors, and chairpersons and members of county councils.

#### Categories

The Tribunal found the allocation of councils into the current categories appropriate. Criteria for each category is published in Appendix 1. These categories have not changed further to the extensive review undertaken as part of the 2020 review.

#### Fees

The Tribunal determined a 2 per cent per annum increase in the minimum and maximum fees applicable to each category.

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### Section 1 Introduction

- Section 239 of the LG Act provides that the Tribunal determine the categories of councils and mayoral offices and to place each council and mayoral office into one of those categories.
- Section 241 of the LG Act provides that the Tribunal determine the maximum and minimum amount of fees to be paid to mayors and councillors of councils, as well as chairpersons and members of county councils for each of the categories determined under section 239.
- 3. Section 242A(1) of the LG Act, requires the Tribunal to give effect to the same policies on increases in remuneration as those of the Industrial Relations Commission.
- The Tribunal can also determine that a council can be placed in another existing or new category with a higher range of fees without breaching the Government's Wages Policy as per section 242A (3) of the LG Act.
- 5. The Tribunal's determinations take effect from 1 July each year.

# Section 2 2021 Determination

- 6. The Tribunal received 18 submissions which included 9 requests for re-categorisation. At the time of making its determination, the Tribunal had available to it the Australian Bureau of Statistics 25 March 2020 population data for FY2018-19. The Tribunal noted the requirement of section 239 of the LG Act that it must determine categories for councils and mayoral offices at least once every 3 years. It noted that the Tribunal had conducted an extensive review in 2020 and decided that the categories would next be considered in 2023.
- The Tribunal found that the current categories and allocation of councils to these categories remained appropriate. The Tribunal's finding had regard to the 2020 review, the current category model and criteria and the evidence put forward in the received submissions.
- 8. In regard to fees, the Tribunal determined a 2 per cent per annum increase in the minimum and maximum fees applicable to each category.

### Section 3 2022 Review

#### Process

9. In 2020, the categories of general purpose councils were determined as follows:

Metropolitan	Non-Metropolitan
Principal CBD	Major Regional City
Major CBD	Major Strategic Area
Metropolitan Large	Regional Strategic Area
Metropolitan Medium	Regional Centre
Metropolitan Small	Regional Rural

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	Rural
202 <sup>°</sup> rega corre 2020 be n requ requ	Tribunal wrote to all mayors or general managers and LGNSW on 14 October I to advise of the commencement of the 2021 review and invited submissions rding recategorisation, fees and other general matters. The Tribunal's espondence advised that an extensive review of categories was undertaken in 0 and, as this was only legislatively required every three years, consideration woul ext be given in 2023. The correspondence further advised that submissions esting to be moved into a different category as part of the 2022 review would ire a strong case supported by evidence that substantiates that the criteria for the ested category is met.
rece	en submissions were received from individual councils and one submission was ived from LGNSW. The Tribunal noted that several of the submissions had not n endorsed by their respective councils. The Tribunal also met with the President, f Executive and Senior Manager of LGNSW.
12. The	Tribunal discussed the submissions at length with the Assessors.
	Tribunal acknowledged previous and ongoing difficulties imposed by COVID19 natural disasters on councils.
loca	Tribunal also acknowledged submissions from councils in regional and remote tions that raised unique challenges, such as travel and connectivity, experienced ayors and councillors in those areas.
	mmary of the matters raised in the received submissions and the Tribunal's ideration of those matters is outlined below.
Catego	prisation
	council submissions requested recategorisation. Three of these requests sought creation new categories.
Metropo	litan Large Councils
How clain cont Cou	rith City Council acknowledged that categories were not being reviewed until 2023 ever, the Council reiterated their previous year's position and contended that their in for the creation of a new category of "Metropolitan Large – Growth Centre" inues to be enhanced through their leading role in the Western Sydney City Deal. ncil's submission further stated that the participation in the Deal demonstrated the onential growth that will occur in the Penrith Local Government Area.
Grov	ktown City Council requested the creation of a new category "Metropolitan Large vth Area". Council stated that the current criteria for "Metropolitan Large" does no ct the Council's size, rate of growth and economic influence.
Cou	ncil based its argument for a new category on the following grounds:
• • •	Significant population growth. Current estimated population of 403,000 with an expected population of 640,000 in 2041. Blacktown being critical to the success of the Greater Sydney Region Plan whil also being part of the fastest growing district for the next 20 years. 4th largest economy in NSW – as of 30 June 2020, Gross Regional Product (GRP) was \$21.98 billion, comparatively City of Parramatta was \$31.36 billion. Undertaking of several transformational projects to increase economy and services. Examples include the redesign of Riverstone Town Centre, Australiar Catholic University establishment of an interim campus for up to 700 undergraded of the services.



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with a permanent campus to open by 2024, the \$1 billion Blacktown Brain and Spinal Institute proposal and Blacktown International Sports Park Masterplan to provide a first-class multi-sport venue.

- Expansion in provision of services such as childcare, aquatic and leisure centres.
- Diversity of population.

#### Non-Metropolitan Major Regional City Councils

- 19. Newcastle Council requested clarification regarding City of Newcastle's status as either Metropolitan or Regional, noting that while City of Newcastle is classified as a "Major Regional City", the Newcastle Local Government Area is often exempt from both regional and metropolitan grant funding due to inconsistencies in classification. Council sought review on the following grounds:
  - Size of council area 187km<sup>2</sup> (in comparison of Parramatta Council 84km<sup>2</sup>).
  - Physical terrain.
  - Population and distribution of population.
  - Nature and volume of business dealt with by Council.
  - Nature and extent of development of City of Newcastle.
  - Diversity of communities served.
  - Regional, national and international significance of City of Newcastle.
  - Transport hubs.
  - Regional services including health, education, smart city services and public administration.
  - Cultural and sporting facilities.
  - Matters that the Tribunal consider relevant

#### **Regional Centre**

- 20. Tweed Shire Council requested to be reclassified as a "Regional Strategic Area" on the following grounds:
  - Proximity to the Gold Coast City and Brisbane.
  - Proximity to Sydney via the Gold Coast airport.
  - Tweed being the major population and city centre for the Northern Rivers Joint Organisation.
  - Tweed being the largest employer and strongest growth area in the Northern Rivers.

#### Non-Metropolitan Rural Councils

- 21. Murrumbidgee Council requested recategorisation to "Regional Rural" as they are a product of the merger of the former Jerilderie Shire Council and the former Murrumbidgee Shire Council. Council also suggested that the criteria for "Regional Rural" is amended to:
  - Councils categorised as Regional Rural will typically have a minimum residential population of 20,000 or can demonstrate one of the following features...."
    - the product of the 2016 amalgamation where two or more Rural classified Local Governments Areas merged.

#### Findings - categorisation

22. The Tribunal assessed each Council's submission and found that the current categories and allocation of councils to these categories remained appropriate. The Tribunal's findings had regard to the 2020 review, the current category model and

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criteria and the evidence put forward in the received submissions.

- 23. Having regard to the requirements of sections 239 and 240 of the LG Act, the Tribunal did not find that any council's submission was strong enough for a change in category or for the creation of a new category.
- The Tribunal did note, however, that some councils may have a better case for recategorisation at the next major review of categories in 2023.
- 25. The Tribunal was of the view that the 2023 determination and review of categories as required by s239 (1) of the LG Act will see more requests from councils for recategorisation and possible determination of new categories. The Tribunal and Assessors may benefit from visits to meet regional organisations of councils and direct opportunities for input from Mayors and general managers in this regard.

#### Fees

- 26. In determining the maximum and minimum fees payable in each of the categories, the Tribunal is required by section 242A of the LG Act, to give effect to the same policies on increases in remuneration as those that the Industrial Relations Commission is required to give effect to under section 146C of the *Industrial Relations Act 1996* (IR Act), when making or varying awards or orders relating to the conditions of employment of public sector employees.
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a survey of councillors and mayors. The paper suggests that there is a disconnect between workload and remuneration and this was identified as the most frequent argument for increasing the current rate.

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- 33. Employees under the Local Government (State) Award 2020 will receive a 2 per cent per annum increase in rates of pay from the first full pay period to commence on or after 1 July 2022.
- 34. The Tribunal has determined a 2 per cent per annum increase in the minimum and maximum fees applicable to each category.

#### Conclusion

- 35. The Tribunal's determinations have been made with the assistance of Assessors Ms Kylie Yates and Ms Melanie Hawyes.
- 36. It is the expectation of the Tribunal that in the future all submissions have council endorsement.
- 37. Determination 1 outlines the allocation of councils into each of the categories as per section 239 of the LG Act.
- 38. Determination 2 outlines the maximum and minimum fees paid to councillors and mayors and members and chairpersons of county councils as per section 241 of the LG Act.

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### Section 4 2021 Determinations

Determination No. 1 - Allocation of councils into each of the categories as per section 239 of the LG Act effective from 1 July 2021

Table 1: General Purpose Councils - Metropolitan

Principal CBD (1)
Sydney

Metropolitan Medium (8)
Campbelltown
Camden
Georges River
Hornsby
Ku-ring-gai
North Sydney
Randwick
Willoughby

Major CBD (1) Parramatta

Metropolitan Large (12)
Bayside
Blacktown
Canterbury-Bankstown
Cumberland
Fairfield
Inner West
Liverpool
Northern Beaches
Penrith
Ryde
Sutherland
The Hills
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Metropolitan Small (8)
Burwood
Canada Bay
Hunters Hill
Lane Cove
Mosman
Strathfield
Waverley
Woollahra

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#### Table 2: General Purpose Councils - Non-Metropolitan

Major Regional City (2)	Major Strategic Area (1)	Regional Strategic Area (1)
Newcastle	Central Coast	Lake Macquarie
Wollongong		Υ

Regional Centre (24)		Regional Rural (13)
Albury	Mid-Coast	Bega
Armidale	Orange	Broken Hill
Ballina	Port Macquarie-Hastings	Byron
Bathurst	Port Stephens	Eurobodalla
Blue Mountains	Queanbeyan-Palerang	Goulburn Mulwaree
Cessnock	Shellharbour	Griffith
Clarence Valley	Shoalhaven	Kempsey
Coffs Harbour	Tamworth	Kiama
Dubbo	Tweed	Lithgow
Hawkesbury	Wagga Wagga	Mid-Western
Lismore	Wingecarribee	Richmond Valley Council
Maitland	Wollondilly	Singleton
		Snowy Monaro

Rural (57)			
Balranald	Cootamundra- Gundagai	Junee	Oberon
Bellingen	Cowra	Kyogle	Parkes
Berrigan	Dungog	Lachlan	Snowy Valleys
Bland	Edward River	Leeton	Temora
Blayney	Federation	Liverpool Plains	Tenterfield
Bogan	Forbes	Lockhart	Upper Hunter
Bourke	Gilgandra	Moree Plains	Upper Lachlan
Brewarrina	Glen Innes Severn	Murray River	Uralla
Cabonne	Greater Hume	Murrumbidgee	Walcha
Carrathool	Gunnedah	Muswellbrook	Walgett
Central Darling	Gwydir	Nambucca	Warren
Cobar	Нау	Narrabri	Warrumbungle
Coolamon	Hilltops	Narrandera	Weddin
Coonamble	Inverell	Narromine	Wentworth

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Rural (57)	
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Water (4)	Other (6)
Central Tablelands	Castlereagh-Macquarie
Goldenfields Water	Central Murray
Riverina Water	Hawkesbury River
Rous	New England Tablelands
	Upper Hunter
	Upper Macquarie

#### Table 3: County Councils

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# Determination No. 2 - Fees for Councillors and Mayors as per section 241 of the LG Act effective from 1 July 2022

The annual fees to be paid in each of the categories to Councillors, Mayors, Members and Chairpersons of County Councils effective on and from 1 July 2022 as per section 241 of the *Local Government Act* 1993 are determined as follows:

Table 4: Fees	for General	Purpose and	County C	ouncils
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Catagony		Councillor/Member		Mayor/Chairperson		
		Annual Fee (\$)		Additional Fee* (\$)		
Cal	Category		effective 1 July 2022		effective 1 July 2022	
		Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	
	Principal CBD	28,750	42,170	175,930	231,500	
General Purpose	Major CBD	19,180	35,520	40,740	114,770	
Councils -	Metropolitan Large	19,180	31,640	40,740	92,180	
Metropolitan	Metropolitan Medium	14,380	26,840	30,550	71,300	
	Metropolitan Small	9,560	21,100	20,370	46,010	
	Major Regional City	19,180	33,330	40,740	103,840	
	Major Strategic Area	19,180	33,330	40,740	103,840	
General Purpose Councils -	Regional Strategic Area	19,180	31,640	40,740	92,180	
Non-Metropolitan	Regional Centre	14,380	25,310	29,920	62,510	
	Regional Rural	9,560	21,100	20,370	46,040	
	Rural	9,560	12,650	10,180	27,600	
County Councils	Water	1,900	10,550	4,080	17,330	
	Other	1,900	6,300	4,080	11,510	

\*This fee must be paid in addition to the fee paid to the Mayor/Chairperson as a Councillor/Member (s.249(2)).

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Appendix 1 Criteria that apply to categories

#### Principal CBD

The Council of the City of Sydney (the City of Sydney) is the principal central business district (CBD) in the Sydney Metropolitan area. The City of Sydney is home to Sydney's primary commercial office district with the largest concentration of businesses and retailers in Sydney. The City of Sydney's sphere of economic influence is the greatest of any local government area in Australia.

The CBD is also host to some of the city's most significant transport infrastructure including Central Station, Circular Quay and International Overseas Passenger Terminal. Sydney is recognised globally with its iconic harbour setting and the City of Sydney is host to the city's historical, cultural and ceremonial precincts. The City of Sydney attracts significant visitor numbers and is home to 60 per cent of metropolitan Sydney's hotels.

The role of Lord Mayor of the City of Sydney has significant prominence reflecting the CBD's importance as home to the country's major business centres and public facilities of state and national importance. The Lord Mayor's responsibilities in developing and maintaining relationships with stakeholders, including other councils, state and federal governments, community and business groups, and the media are considered greater than other mayoral roles in NSW.

#### Major CBD

The Council of the City of Parramatta (City of Parramatta) is the economic capital of Greater Western Sydney and the geographic and demographic centre of Greater Sydney. Parramatta is the second largest economy in NSW (after Sydney CBD) and the sixth largest in Australia.

As a secondary CBD to metropolitan Sydney the Parramatta local government area is a major provider of business and government services with a significant number of organisations relocating their head offices to Parramatta. Public administration and safety have been a growth sector for Parramatta as the State Government has promoted a policy of moving government agencies westward to support economic development beyond the Sydney CBD.

The City of Parramatta provides a broad range of regional services across the Sydney Metropolitan area with a significant transport hub and hospital and educational facilities. The City of Parramatta is home to the Westmead Health and Medical Research precinct which represents the largest concentration of hospital and health services in Australia, servicing Western Sydney and providing other specialised services for the rest of NSW.

The City of Parramatta is also home to a significant number of cultural and sporting facilities (including Sydney Olympic Park) which draw significant domestic and international visitors to the region.



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#### Metropolitan Large

Councils categorised as Metropolitan Large will typically have a minimum residential population of 200,000.

Councils may also be categorised as Metropolitan Large if their residential population combined with their non-resident working population exceeds 200,000. To satisfy this criteria the non-resident working population must exceed 50,000.

Other features may include:

- total operating revenue exceeding \$200M per annum
- the provision of significant regional services to greater Sydney including, but not limited to, major education, health, retail, sports, other recreation and cultural facilities
- significant industrial, commercial and residential centres and development corridors
- high population growth.

Councils categorised as Metropolitan Large will have a sphere of economic influence and provide regional services considered to be greater than those of other metropolitan councils.

#### Metropolitan Medium

Councils categorised as Metropolitan Medium will typically have a minimum residential population of 100,000.

Councils may also be categorised as Metropolitan Medium if their residential population combined with their non-resident working population exceeds 100,000. To satisfy this criteria the non-resident working population must exceed 50,000

Other features may include:

- total operating revenue exceeding \$100M per annum
- services to greater Sydney including, but not limited to, major education, health, retail, sports, other recreation and cultural facilities
- · industrial, commercial and residential centres and development corridors
- high population growth.

The sphere of economic influence, the scale of council operations and the extent of regional servicing would be below that of Metropolitan Large councils.

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#### Metropolitan Small

Councils categorised as Metropolitan Small will typically have a residential population less than 100,000.

Other features which distinguish them from other metropolitan councils include:

• total operating revenue less than \$150M per annum.

While these councils may include some of the facilities and characteristics of both Metropolitan Large and Metropolitan Medium councils the overall sphere of economic influence, the scale of council operations and the extent of regional servicing would be below that of Metropolitan Medium councils.

#### Major Regional City

Newcastle City Council and Wollongong City Councils are categorised as Major Regional City. These councils:

- · are metropolitan in nature with major residential, commercial and industrial areas
- typically host government departments, major tertiary education and health facilities and incorporate high density commercial and residential development
- provide a full range of higher order services and activities along with arts, culture, recreation, sporting and entertainment facilities to service the wider community and broader region
- have significant transport and freight infrastructure servicing international markets, the capital city and regional areas
- have significant natural and man-made assets to support diverse economic activity, trade and future investment
- typically contain ventures which have a broader State and national focus which impact upon the operations of the council.

#### Major Strategic Area

Councils categorised as Major Strategic Area will have a minimum population of 300,000.

Other features may include:

- health services, tertiary education services and major regional airports which service the surrounding and wider regional community
- a full range of high-order services including business, office and retail uses with arts, culture, recreation and entertainment centres
- total operating revenue exceeding \$250M per annum
- significant visitor numbers to established tourism ventures and major events that attract state and national attention
- · a proximity to Sydney which generates economic opportunities.

Currently, only Central Coast Council meets the criteria to be categorised as a Major Strategic Area. Its population, predicted population growth, and scale of the Council's operations warrant that it be differentiated from other non-metropolitan councils. Central Coast Council is also a



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significant contributor to the regional economy associated with proximity to and connections with Sydney and the Hunter Region.

#### **Regional Strategic Area**

Councils categorised as Regional Strategic Area are differentiated from councils in the Regional Centre category on the basis of their significant population and will typically have a residential population above 200,000.

Other features may include:

- health services, tertiary education services and major regional airports which service the surrounding and wider regional community
- a full range of high-order services including business, office and retail uses with arts, culture, recreation and entertainment centres
- total operating revenue exceeding \$250M per annum
- significant visitor numbers to established tourism ventures and major events that attract state and national attention
- a proximity to Sydney which generates economic opportunities.

Currently, only Lake Macquarie Council meets the criteria to be categorised as a Regional Strategic Area. Its population and overall scale of council operations will be greater than Regional Centre councils.

#### **Regional Centre**

Councils categorised as Regional Centre will typically have a minimum residential population of 40,000.

Other features may include:

- a large city or town providing a significant proportion of the region's housing and employment
- health services, tertiary education services and major regional airports which service the surrounding and wider regional community
- a full range of high-order services including business, office and retail uses with arts, culture, recreation and entertainment centres
- total operating revenue exceeding \$100M per annum
- the highest rates of population growth in regional NSW
- significant visitor numbers to established tourism ventures and major events that attract state and national attention
- a proximity to Sydney which generates economic opportunities.

Councils in the category of Regional Centre are often considered the geographic centre of the region providing services to their immediate and wider catchment communities.

### **ATTACHMENT 1**

#### Local Government Remuneration Tribunal

#### **Regional Rural**

Councils categorised as Regional Rural will typically have a minimum residential population of 20,000.

Other features may include:

- a large urban population existing alongside a traditional farming sector, and are surrounded by smaller towns and villages
- health services, tertiary education services and regional airports which service a regional community
- a broad range of industries including agricultural, educational, health, professional, government and retail services
- large visitor numbers to established tourism ventures and events.

Councils in the category of Regional Rural provide a degree of regional servicing below that of a Regional Centre.

#### Rural

Councils categorised as Rural will typically have a residential population less than 20,000. Other features may include:

- one or two significant townships combined with a considerable dispersed population spread over a large area and a long distance from a major regional centre
- a limited range of services, facilities and employment opportunities compared to Regional Rural councils
- local economies based on agricultural/resource industries.

#### **County Councils - Water**

County councils that provide water and/or sewerage functions with a joint approach in planning and installing large water reticulation and sewerage systems.

#### **County Councils - Other**

County councils that administer, control and eradicate declared noxious weeds as a specified Local Control Authority under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*.



# 5 COUNCILLOR SUPERANNUATION

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager File No.: GRP/21/8 - BP22/186

### **REPORT SUMMARY**

Last year, the NSW Government introduced a number of reforms to the *Local Government Act* 1993. This included for the first time, the option for Council to make a superannuation contribution payment to a nominated superannuation account on behalf of the Mayor and Councillors.

Under Section 254B of the *Local Government Act* 1993, a Council is not permitted to make a superannuation contribution payment without firstly passing a resolution at an open meeting of Council to make such a payment.

Council should consider whether it will authorise the General Manager to make a superannuation contribution payment to a superannuation account nominated by a Councillor from the financial year commencing 1 July 2022.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council authorise the payment of a superannuation contribution payment for the Mayor and Councillors who provide a nominated superannuation account in accordance with Section 254B of the *Local Government Act* 1993.

### ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

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Report Approved By:

John Schanz Manager - Corporate Governance

Mark Eady Director - Corporate Services



# Discussion

Following an amendment to the *Local Government Act* 1993 (the Act) last year, Councils can resolve to make contribution payments to a superannuation account nominated by their Councillors, starting from 1 July 2022.

Under the *Commonwealth Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act* 1992, Councils nationally are not required to make a superannuation contribution for Mayors and Councillors, as these roles are not employees of a council. At the City of Ryde, the Mayor and Councillors are paid an allowance each month and at present that allowance does not attract the Superannuation Guarantee Levy which is currently 10%. Prior to the changes to the Act, the only way Councillors can contribute to superannuation is to forego part of their allowance.

Local Government NSW has been advocating for superannuation payments for Councillors for many years. They argue that the non-payment of superannuation is unfair and acts as a deterrent for some sectors of the community to consider standing for Local Government. The Office of Local Government (OLG) issued a discussion paper in 2020 seeking the views of Councils and the communities on whether Councillors should receive superannuation payment.

The amendments that have been made last year to the Act provide the mechanism for Council to contribute superannuation on top of the allowances provided for the Mayor and Councillors.

In order to exercise its discretion to make superannuation contribution payments for their Councillors, Council must first resolve at an open meeting to make such payments for the Councillors.

Where a Council resolves to make superannuation contribution payments for its Councillors, the amount of the payment is to be the amount the Council would have been required to contribute under the *Commonwealth Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992* as superannuation if the Councillors were employees of the Council.

Set out below is an excerpt from the Act detailing the requirements to pay superannuation for Councillors:-

### 254B Payment for superannuation contributions for councillors

(1) A council may make a payment (a "superannuation contribution payment") as a contribution to a superannuation account nominated by a councillor, starting from the financial year commencing 1 July 2022.



- (2) The amount of a superannuation contribution payment is the amount the council would have been required to contribute under the Commonwealth superannuation legislation as superannuation if the councillor were an employee of the council.
- (3) A superannuation contribution payment is payable with, and at the same intervals as, the annual fee is payable to the councillor.
- (4) A council is not permitted to make a superannuation contribution payment:-
  - (a) unless the council has previously passed a resolution at an open meeting to make superannuation contribution payments to its councillors, or
  - (b) if the councillor does not nominate a superannuation account for the payment before the end of the month to which the payment relates, or
  - (c) to the extent the councillor has agreed in writing to forgo or reduce the payment
- (5) The Remuneration Tribunal may not take superannuation contribution payments into account in determining annual fees or other remuneration payable to a mayor or other councillor.
- (6) A person is not, for the purposes of any Act, taken to be an employee of a council and is not disqualified from holding civic office merely because the person is paid a superannuation contribution payment.
- (7) A superannuation contribution payment does not constitute salary for the purposes of any Act.
- (8) Sections 248A and 254A apply in relation to a superannuation contribution payment in the same way as they apply in relation to an annual fee.

### Context

In order to receive a superannuation contribution payment, each Councillor must first nominate a superannuation account for the payment before the end of the month to which the payment relates. The superannuation account nominated by Councillors must be an account for superannuation or retirement benefits from a scheme or fund to which the *Commonwealth Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act* applies. It should be noted that Councils must not make a superannuation contribution payment for a Councillor if the Councillor fails to nominate an eligible superannuation account for the payment before the end of the month to which the payment relates.



The superannuation contribution payment is to be paid at the same intervals as the annual fee is paid to Councillors. Should a Council resolve to make the payment, it remains open for the Mayor and any Councillor to choose to receive the superannuation payment or not. Individual Councillors may opt out of receiving superannuation contribution payments or opt to receive reduced payments and it should be noted that Councillors must do so in writing. Should a Council decide not to resolve to make the payment, the current arrangements for superannuation stand with the only choice available for the Mayor and Councillors being for any superannuation payment to be made from a portion of the fees they receive.

Councils must not make superannuation contribution payments for Councillors during any period in which they are suspended from their civic office or their right to be paid any fee or other remuneration, or expenses, is suspended under the Act.

Councillors are also not entitled to receive a superannuation contribution payment during any period in which they are not entitled to receive their fee under Section 254A of the Act because they are absent.

### **Financial Implications**

As of 1 July 2022, the superannuation guarantee rate will be 10.5%. The rate will increase by half a percent each year until 1 July 2025 when it reaches 12%.

Adoption of the recommendation set out in this report to introduce superannuation contribution payments, based on the current allowances, would add \$48,574.05 to the 2022/2023 budget. This amount assumes all Councillors will opt to receive the contribution.

If Council adopts a 2% increase to the Mayoral and Councillors fees as set out in Report Number 4 on this Agenda (Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Determination – Councillor and Mayoral fees for 2022/2023), the cost of superannuation contribution payments would increase to \$49,545.30 per annum.

# **Timing Implications**

Should Council resolve to make the superannuation payments at its June Ordinary meeting individual Councillors would have the month of July 2022 to fulfill the other individual requirements as outlined in this report.

# Options

The following options are available:-

# Option 1

Council has the option to authorise the payment of a superannuation contribution payment for the Mayor and Councillors who provide a nominated superannuation account in accordance with Section 254B of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

# Option 2

Council has the option not to authorise the payment of a superannuation contribution payment for the Mayor and Councillors who provide a nominated superannuation account in accordance with Section 254B of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

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# 6 WORKING GROUPS - COMMUNITY MEMBER EXPRESSSIONS OF INTEREST AND TERMS OF REFERENCE TEMPLATE

**Report prepared by:** Executive Assistant - Mayor and Councillors File No.: CLR/22/60/2 - BP22/436

# **REPORT SUMMARY**

At its meeting of 22 March 2022, Council resolved to establish a number of Working Parties and to seek expressions of interest from the community with regard to representation on those Working Groups.

This report details the results of the Expression of Interest process and recommends that Council determine the community representatives for each Working Group.

The specific City of Ryde Working Groups addressed within this report are:-

- Festival and the Arts Working Group
- Heritage Working Group
- Inclusion and Access Working Group
- Multicultural Working Group
- Ryde Youth Council
- Small and Family Business Working Group
- Sport, Recreation and Leisure Working Group
- Status of Women Working Group
- Sustainability Working Group

The amended Working Group Terms of Reference template is also presented to Council for its endorsement.

Further reports on the Working Groups will be presented to Council to address the Terms of Reference for each Working Group following their initial meetings.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council resolve to accept the nominations of community members to the Working Groups listed below, in accordance with the recommendations given in the **CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENTS 1 to 9**:-
  - Festival and the Arts Working Group
  - Heritage Working Group
  - Inclusion and Access Working Group
  - Multicultural Working Group
  - Ryde Youth Council
  - Small and Family Business Working Group
  - Sport, Recreation and Leisure Working Group
  - Status of Women Working Group
  - Sustainability Working Group
- (b) That Council adopt the Working Group Terms of Reference template **(ATTACHMENT 10)**.



# ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Festival and Arts Working Group CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 2 Heritage Working Group CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 3 Small and Family Business Working Group CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 4 Sport Recreation and Bicycle Working Group CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 5 Sustainability Working Group CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 6 Status of Women Working Group CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 7 Multicultural Working Group CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 8 Inclusion and Access Working Group CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 9 Ryde Youth Council CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- **10** Working Group Terms of reference Template for Council June 2022

### Report Prepared By:

### Linda Smith Executive Assistant - Mayor and Councillors

Report Approved By:

John Schanz Manager - Corporate Governance

Mark Eady Director - Corporate Services



# Background

At the Council meeting of 22 March 2022, Council resolved that the Working Groups listed below be convened for the 2021-2024 term of Council, and that Council officers commence the Expression of Interest (EOI) process for community members.

- Festival and the Arts Working Group
- Heritage Working Group
- Inclusion and Access Working Group
- Multicultural Working Group
- Ryde Youth Council
- Small and Family Business Working Group
- Sport, Recreation and Leisure Working Group
- Status of Women Working Group
- Sustainability Working Group

### Discussion

### Expressions of Interest (EOI) for Community Representatives

EOIs were called for interested persons to nominate to be Community Representatives for the Working Groups as noted above:

The EOI process was advertised with a closing date of 22 May 2022 in the following ways:

- on the City of Ryde website from 22 April 2022;
- in The Weekly Times (TWT) on 27 April 2022.

All Advisory Committee members from the previous term, were also notified and invited to submit an EOI.

### Community Nominations to Working Groups

The Expressions of Interest (EOI) to become Community Representatives for the City of Ryde Working Groups are listed below:

Working Group	EOI's received	Limit set for working group
Festival and the Arts Working Group	27	20
Heritage Working Group	7	7
Inclusion and Access Working Group	5	15
Multicultural Working Group	29	15
Ryde Youth Council	14	15



Small and Family Business Working Group	9	open
Sport, Recreation and Leisure Working Group	19	15
Status of Women Working Group	9	15
Sustainability Working Group	22	13

The **CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENTS 1 to 9 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**, include a description of each Working Group, its community member profile and selection criteria, the nominations received for each Working Group and recommendations regarding community membership.

This report seeks Council's consideration of the nominations received and determination of the community members to be accepted for each Working Group.

### Meeting Format

At its meeting on 22 March 2022, Council also resolved that all meetings would be hybrid meetings with a quorum achieved via in person or remote audio-visual attendance.

### Working Group - Terms of Reference Template

This report seeks Council's endorsement of the attached Terms of Reference Template **(ATTACHMENT 10)**, which has been created to reflect the processes relevant to the creation of Working Groups.

Councillors are advised that at the first meeting of each Working Group, the draft Terms of Reference will be considered for adoption. Adopted draft Terms of Reference for each Working Group will then be presented to Council for endorsement.

### **Critical Dates**

The City of Ryde Working Groups are an important means of engaging with the local community, providing a mechanism for consultation, advice and feedback.

Council's determination of the community membership of these Working Groups is essential in order to facilitate the implementation of this two-way communication process.

These Working Groups cannot commence until these determinations are made.

### **Financial Implications**

The adoption of these recommendations will have no impact on Council's budget for 2022/23.



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# **ATTACHMENT 10**



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# **Terms of Reference**

Name of Working Group

Adopted: DATE



### **ATTACHMENT 10**

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#### Change History

Version	Issue Date	Author	Reason for Change
1.2	20/4/10	Shane Sullivan	Resolution of Council 7 October 2008: - that at least one (1) Councillor delegate is required to be appointed (with no upper limit) : page 4 - that the Mayor not automatically be represented on certain Committees : page 4 - that where the Mayor is appointed to be a delegate on an Advisory Committee, it not be necessary that the Mayor be Chairperson of this Committee : page 6 - that a Councillor or an appropriate staff member be Chairperson on an Advisory Committee : page 6
1.2	20/4/10	Shane Sullivan	Resolution of Council 8 July 2008 Minutes of all Advisory Committees to be incorporated in the business papers of the next Council/Committee meeting and then placed on Council's website. : page 7
1.2	20/4/10	Shane Sullivan	Resolution of Council 20 April 2010 Provisions for casual vacancies: page 5
1.3	14/9/10	Jennifer Anderson	Resolution of Council 14 September 2010 All Minutes are to be reported in CIB unless a Council resolution of Council is required. Minutes are to be placed on Council's website within 5 days of the Committee Meeting.
1.4	24/8/11	Shane Sullivan	Reformat to align with City of Ryde branding. Insert paragraph linking role to Community Strategic plan

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# **ATTACHMENT 10**

1.5	6/2/13	Lorie Parkinson Lorie	Resolution of Council 16 October 2012. If a member of a Committee misses three consecutive meetings without apology, the position becomes vacant: page 5. Removal of reference to "Committee of the Whole",
1.0	0/2/13	Parkinson	as it is no longer in existence.
2.1	12/12/17	Lorie Parkinson	<ul> <li>Resolution of Council 12 December 2017, to adopt this document as Advisory Committee Terms of Reference Template – November 2017 (D17/161654). The content of this document either incorporates or supersedes previous Council resolutions regarding this Template.</li> <li>This update is made to reflect current practice and provide clarity and includes: <ul> <li>rewording of roles and responsibilities to more clearly state that these committees are advisory only</li> <li>change to methods and timing of publication of minutes and agenda</li> <li>change to method to fill casual vacancies</li> <li>change to method to fill casual vacancies</li> <li>change to meteting schedule requires majority agreement</li> <li>clarification of process to develop agenda</li> <li>removal of requirement for Committee members to speak through the Committee chair</li> <li>addition to clarify that Councillors who are not Committee members are able to attend and participate in meetings.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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### **ATTACHMENT 10**

#### 1. Roles

The City of Ryde has a long term Community Strategic Plan that identifies the community's main priorities and aspirations for the future. All other Council plans, such as the Four Year Delivery Plan and One Year Operational Plan, sit under and reflect and support the realisation of these long term objectives. Council's Working Groups are an important mechanism for consultation, advice and feedback to staff on the implementation and review of these priorities, plans and strategies.

The primary role of <Working Group> is to consider matters and inform Council and Council officers of community views and likely impact regarding:

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- •
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#### 2. Responsibilities

The Working Group is responsible for providing advice and recommendations to Council and Council officers regarding:

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- •
- •
- 3. Membership, Chairperson and Voting

Membership of the <Working Group> comprises:

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- .
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Community members are to be appointed by resolution of Council following advertisement for nominations in at least one local newspaper, on Council's website and in the Mayoral Column. Nominations are to be submitted in writing or online, and are to be circulated in full to the Councillors for evaluation. The Working Group will not be involved in the evaluation or selection process of any community representatives.

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### **ATTACHMENT 10**

The following City of Ryde staff ordinarily attend the Working Group meetings but are not members of the Committee:

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Council officers will provide professional advice and administrative support. It should be noted that employees of the Council are not subject to the direction of the Working Group.

#### Term of Membership to Working Groups

Working Group members shall be appointed for the current Council term (or remaining period of the Council term), although membership can be altered at any time by resolution of Council.

Council Officers and the Working Group Chair will review the membership of the Working Group annually, to ensure representation and member details are current.

Membership of the Working Group can be withdrawn by resolution of Council only. Council staff will be appointed and removed by the General Manager.

If a member of a Working Group misses three consecutive meetings without apology, their membership will be withdrawn and the position will be deemed vacant, in accordance with Council Resolution of 10 October 2012.

Councillors are invited to attend all meetings, and may participate in discussions.

#### **Casual Vacancy**

A casual vacancy caused by the resignation or death of a Member, or the withdrawal of membership, will be filled by undertaking the following process:

- (i) Where a casual vacancy occurs, the Working Group Facilitator will report this matter to the next Working Group meeting and record it appropriately in the Minutes
- (ii) The Working Group Facilitator will provide a report to the next available Council meeting on the vacancy, including the proposed replacement and how they were identified.
  - (a) If the casual vacancy was for a position that represented an organisation, the organisation will be invited to nominate a replacement representative (if no alternate member has previously been nominated).
  - (b) If the casual vacancy was for an individual position, previous nominees that were considered suitable, but were either not offered a

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membership or were unable to accept a position on the Working Group, will be approached by the Working Group Facilitator to confirm that their nomination remains current and valid. If so, they shall be put forward as a nominee.

- (c) Where neither option (a) or (b) is appropriate, an expression of interest process will be undertaken to identify suitable members.
- (iii) A Councillor may also nominate a person to fill a casual vacancy by presenting a Notice of Motion to Council.
- (iv) All prospective community members require their membership to be confirmed via a resolution of Council.
- (v) It should be noted that should a vacancy occur within 9 months of the end of the term of the current Council, the vacancy will not be filled, unless there are extenuating circumstances.
- (vi) Once endorsed by Council, a Member filling a casual vacancy will hold office for the remainder of the term of the Member he/she has replaced.

#### The Chairperson of the Working Group is:

A Member of staff

In the absence of the Chairperson, another Member of the Working Group shall chair the meeting.

A staff member appointed as Chairperson does not become a formal member of the Working Group by virtue of this position. All staff are representatives of Council only and not members of the Working Group.

The Chairperson is to have precedence at the meeting and shall determine the order of proceedings, generally as set by the agenda.

The Chairperson has the discretion to exclude a member of the Working Group if a member displays inappropriate conduct. If this occurs, the matter is to be reported to the next available Council Meeting in accordance with Council resolution 12 December 2017.

Council's Code of Meeting Practice shall be used as the reference guide for any other matters regarding Working Group meetings that are not addressed in these Terms of Reference.

#### Working Group Facilitator

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A Working Group Facilitator (Convenor) shall be appointed by the General Manager. The Facilitator shall be a staff member of Council and is responsible for coordinating the preparation of agendas, invitations and minutes of the Working Group.

The Facilitator shall also be responsible for coordinating any presentations from guest speakers and for considering requests from members of the public to address the Working Group. The Facilitator has the right to refuse a request from a member of the public to address the Working Group if it is deemed more appropriate for that person to address a formal Council or Committee meeting.

#### Voting

No formal voting rules apply. As the Working Group has an advisory role, its recommendations are made by consensus and no recommendation is deemed to be a decision of Council unless the matter is referred to Council for determination. If consensus is not achieved, and if required, the matter shall be referred to Council for determination.

Only members in attendance at the meeting shall be entitled to participate in the decision making process of the Working Group.

If a member is unable to attend the meeting but wishes to be in attendance for discussion of a particular matter, he/she can notify the Chairperson prior to the meeting to request deferral of the item to a subsequent meeting or to request that the Chairperson formally indicate the member's view to the Working Group during the discussion on the matter. The Working Group shall decide if a matter is to be deferred to a subsequent meeting based on the representations made to the Chairperson by the absent member.

#### Quorum

As the Working Group is advisory only, no quorum is required. However, the Chairperson shall use his/her discretion to determine if any item on the agenda should be deferred to a future meeting if it is considered there are insufficient people at the meeting to consider the item.

4. Meetings

#### Meeting Schedule and Procedures

Meetings are to be held on the \*\*\*\*\*\*.

The Chairperson has the authority to call meetings in accordance with the agreed meeting schedule. A proposed change to this meeting schedule, either ongoing or one-off is to give consideration to operational requirements and be agreed by the majority of Working Group members.

The Working Group Facilitator produces a draft agenda in consultation with the Chairperson. Working Group members should raise items they would like to be included

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#### **ATTACHMENT 10**

on the agenda at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Alternatively, the item may be raised as part of General Business during the meeting.

The Facilitator and all members should consider the scheduled meeting length when developing the agenda and participating in the meeting.

The Agenda and meeting papers shall be circulated to members at least 3 days prior to meeting. All agendas shall be published on Council's website and Councillors' BoardVantage at least 3 days prior to the Committee meeting.

Each meeting shall be properly recorded by the taking of minutes.

#### **Public Participation**

All meetings of the Working Group are public meetings. Members of the public and media may attend meetings as observers, however if a person wishes to speak at a meeting they are to make prior arrangements through the Working Group Facilitator, the Chairperson or a Councillor Working Group member.

Presentations shall be limited to a maximum of 5 minutes.

#### 5. Communications and Reporting

The agendas and minutes of the Working Group shall be stored as a permanent record of Council, as determined by the General Manager.

The minutes of each meeting shall be circulated to all Working Group members as soon as practicable. Any questions by members regarding the minutes are to be referred immediately to the Working Group Facilitator and if any error in the minutes is confirmed, the Working Group Facilitator shall arrange to make the appropriate changes.

The draft meeting minutes of all public Working Groups will be published on the Councillors' BoardVantage and City of Ryde website within two weeks of the Working Group meeting. The minutes should note that they are draft and will be confirmed at the following meeting.

Should the Working Group agree on an action that requires a Council resolution, eg allocation of funds, resources or an amendment to any Council policy or plan, or cannot otherwise be actioned within existing Council staff delegations, then the minutes are to be to be reported to the next available Council meeting with a supporting Council report, in accordance with Council resolution of 14 September 2010.

Members of the Working Group are not permitted to speak to the media as representatives of the Working Group.

6. Code of Conduct and Other Council Policies

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#### **ATTACHMENT 10**

Each Working Group member who is not a Councillor, shall be provided with Council's Code of Conduct and other related policies that may be applicable to the operation of the Working Group.

The conduct of each Working Group member is expected to be consistent with the principles outlined in these Council publications.

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#### 7 PLANNING PROPOSAL TO REZONE LAND AT 22 WINBOURNE STREET, WEST RYDE FROM SP2 (EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT) TO PART RE1 PUBLIC RECREATION AND PART C2 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Report prepared by: Senior Strategic Planner File No.: LEP2021/1/5 - BP22/362

#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

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A planning proposal has been received to rezone the site (Lot 1 DP 1274125) known as 22 Winbourne Street, West Ryde, occupied by the former Marsden High School, from SP2 (Educational Establishment) to Part RE1 Public Recreation and Part C2 Environmental Conservation. The application has been submitted by DFP Planning Consultants on behalf of the Department of Education.

The rezoning is to facilitate the relocation of the existing netball courts at Meadowbank to the site. The site was formerly Marsden High School which has been relocated to the Meadowbank Education and Employment Precinct. The existing 28 netball courts at Meadowbank would be relocated to the subject site to create 32 outdoor netball courts and an indoor facility comprising 4 courts and ancillary uses.

The key assessment issues with the proposed changes included:-

- Creation of the C2 Environmental Conservation zone in the northeast of the site to protect the existing creek and riparian area.
- Traffic and parking impacts from the change of use from the school use (distributing traffic across at least 5 weekdays) to the concentration of traffic and parking impacts from netball courts on Wednesday nights and Saturday.
- Change in hardstand area and that impact on stormwater runoff and heat island effects.
- Need for comprehensive public exhibition process to inform surrounding stakeholders.

The planning proposal was submitted for consideration to the Ryde Local Planning Panel at its meeting of 9 June 2022 in accordance with the Ministerial Direction, dated 27 September 2018, made under s9.1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. According to Advice & Statement of Reasons provided by the Ryde Local Planning Panel, the Panel:-

"...advises that it supports the Planning Proposal being submitted for Gateway Determination under 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 subject to the following matters being addressed:

(a) Preparation of a site specific DCP that identifies the important elements of the site – specifically:



- (i) trees to be retained and biodiversity linkages;
- (ii) traffic management and upgrades required;
- (iii) setbacks and /or treatment to residential interfaces; and
- (iv) streetscape controls i.e., setback and vegetation retention."

The advice was unanimous.

The application is now being reported to Council for endorsement to forward to the Department of Planning and Environment for a Gateway Determination.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That the planning proposal, attached to this report, to rezone the land, Lot 1 DP 1274125, at 22 Winbourne Street, West Ryde from SP2 (Educational Establishment) to Part RE1 Public Recreation and Part C2 Environmental Conservation be submitted to the Department of Planning and Environment for Gateway Determination under 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
- (b) That The Department of Planning and Environment be advised that Council wishes to be delegated as the Local Plan-Making Authority.
- (c) That the following public exhibition, the planning proposal and any submissions received be reported back to Council to finalise the application.

#### ATTACHMENTS – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

- 1 Revised Planning Proposal 22 Winbourne Street, West Ryde 31 March 2022
- 2 Planning Proposal Supporting Studies and Concept Plans
- **3** Additional Information Letter, 22 Winbourne
- 4 Applicant Response Letter 16 September 2021
- 5 Additional Information Letter 11 November 2021
- 6 Revised West Ryde Multi Sport Facility Traffic Impact Assessment, Bitzios -30 March 2022

Report Prepared By: Matthew Owens Senior Strategic Planner

Report Approved By: Naomi L'Oste-Brown Senior Coordinator - Strategic Planning

Dyalan Govender Manager - Urban Strategy

Liz Coad Director - City Planning and Environment



#### Discussion

The site, known as 22 Winbourne Street, West Ryde was occupied by the former Marsden High School and is located approximately 1.9km West of West Ryde and approximately 2.3km north west from Meadowbank. Vehicle and pedestrian access are currently via Winbourne Street and Brush Road.

The current school buildings are located on the north west of the site with existing high value biodiversity vegetation in the north west corner of the site. The remainder of the site is open play area.

Adjoining to the south is Ermington Public School (SP2 (Educational Establishment) zone). Low density residential properties (R2 Low Density Residential Zone) surround the site to the north, east, south west corner and to the west. Maze Park (RE1 Public Recreation zone) is located to the south east of the site. There are no building height or floor space ratio controls affecting the site.

There are two, locally, heritage listed items within the vicinity of the site, being Maze Park in Brush Road and the Former School residence and 1887 Ermington School building. The subject site is not affected by any heritage listing or potential items.

A boundary adjustment has recently been completed, along the southern boundary, to rectify an encroachment from Ermington Public School onto the subject site. (See central southern boundary in Figures 1 & 2 below).



Figure 1: Site and surrounds, including recent boundary adjustment on southern boundary





Figure 2: Aerial view of subject site and surrounds, including adjacent heritage items.

NOTE: The central southern property boundary was the subject of a recent minor boundary adjustment to rectify a building encroachment from Ermington Public School

The key details of the planning proposal, as per **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** to this report, are as follows:-

Site Area	5.482ha
Proposed zones	Part RE1 Public Recreation (to create public
	recreation land for proposed future use as
	recreational (indoor/ outdoor and ancillary uses)
	Part C2 Environmental Conservation (to protect and enhance high value biodiversity land).
Intended future use	Netball facility with indoor and outdoor courts,
(Subject to Development	including parking and ancillary uses and ancillary
Approval)	works. Vehicular access is proposed via Winbourne
	Street.
Existing High Value	Retention of existing high value biodiversity
Biodiversity area	vegetation in the north east corner of the site.
Proposed Areas	RE1 Zone – 4.572ha
	C2 Zone – 0.91ha (previously named 'E2')
Local Environmental	Amendment of the land zoning map LZN_002 of the
Plan changes	Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014 (LEP).
	No other changes to the LEP are proposed.



The planning proposal was submitted with supporting studies and concept plans (ATTACHMENT 2 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER).

#### History

A pre-lodgment meeting between the applicant and their consultant, and Council was held on 16 March 2021. Pre-lodgment advice was issued on 29 March 2021, this advice flagged the importance of considering the need for additional sporting facilities, ensuring the high value vegetation and stormwater is addressed, as well as identifying the various supporting documentation that would be required, including a Traffic Impact Assessment that included access and parking provision. The planning proposal was originally submitted to Council on 4 June 2021. The preliminary assessment by Council found potential problems with the submitted concept plans in relation to traffic, parking and flood affectation. Council's concerns related to:-

- Concept plan provided insufficient parking and significantly relied on the surrounding street parking; however, the information provided was not consistent preventing adequate assessment.
- The traffic assessment relied on data that was ten or more years old and compared the weekly average traffic movements for the school and future netball courts, rather than considering the concentrated traffic movements for the netball court use. No traffic modelling was submitted for surrounding intersections.
- The information submitted with the planning proposal did not adequately demonstrate consideration of the increased runoff from the increased hardstand areas from netball courts on the flood affectation of the subject and surrounding properties. Flood evacuation consideration had also not been adequately documented.
- The proposed C2 Environmental Conservation boundary also required amending as it did not adequately cover the high value biodiversity vegetation.

Request for additional information and responses from the applicant were as follows:-

- 16 July 2021– Council request for additional information. (ATTACHMENT 3 CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER)
- 7 September 2021 Acknowledgement email from the applicant.
- 16 September Applicant's initial response to the additional information request. (ATTACHMENT 4 CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER)
- 5 October 2021 Applicant response to Council's additional information request included;
  - o Revised planning proposal
  - Traffic response (Response and traffic modelling note)
  - Flood study report



- 11 November 2021 Additional information request from Council (ATTACHMENT 5 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER) relating to traffic and parking impacts, including overflow parking, traffic model assumptions and traffic generation count concerns.
   31 March 2022 – Applicant response to Council's November 2021 information request submitting:
  - Revised planning proposal (ATTACHMENT 1 CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER)
  - Additional Traffic Impact Assessment. (ATTACHMENT 6 CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER)

The revised planning proposal amended the concept plan for the proposed development in the following manner:-

- Amended building orientation and carpark access and layout to supply additional on-site parking.
- Amended C2 Environmental Conservation boundary.
- Additional flood modelling showing "insignificant" changes in pre to post development scenarios.
- Additional Traffic Impact Assessment and consistent application of traffic assumptions and data, addressing Council's concerns.

The amended planning proposal has adequately addressed the location of the C2 Environmental Conservation Zone boundary and has shown that any potential flooding impacts on adjoining properties are manageable. Similarly, any operational impacts that the proposed netball facility use may have on surrounding properties, such as traffic and parking impacts (See assessment section below), noise, lighting spill and stormwater overland flow, are capable of being managed through the development application process, subject to the Department of Education supporting the imposition of development consent conditions by Council.

#### **Financial Implications**

The applicant has paid the relevant rezoning application fees and the adoption of the recommendation will have no financial impact.

#### Context

The *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* 1979 (the Act), requires a planning proposal to provide justification for the proposal and to consider the strategic merit of the proposal against State and Local strategies and Policies. The planning proposal has provided adequate justification for the proposal, as summarized below:-

Strategic Merit Issue	Comment
State Environmental Planning Policies and Ministerial Directions (S9.1(2))	The Planning Proposal is generally consistent with the relevant State Environmental Planning Policies and Ministerial Directions under Section 9.1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. An analysis of compliance with these policies is provided in the attached planning proposal.
	The most relevant policy is as follows:
	Direction 4.1 – Flooding states the following: (3) A planning proposal must not contain provisions that apply to the flood planning area which: (a) permit development in floodway areas,
	The submitted flood assessment report states that the lower netball courts terrace is located within a Floodway Area in a significant event. This area is currently used as open space/playing field for the school use.
	The proposal to rezone from an SP2 (Educational Establishment) to RE1 Public Recreation is likely to not affect, and may slightly reduce, the density of population using this location. It is considered that this would not change the flood liability relating to the use of this area.
	The inconsistency with this Direction is considered acceptable as the change in use in this locality as the result of the planning proposal is of minor significance and can be adequately managed in a development application for the future use of the site.
Greater Sydney Region Plan - A Metropolis of Three Cities	The Planning Proposal is generally consistent with the Greater Sydney Region Plan - A Metropolis of Three Cities.
North District Plan	The Planning Proposal is generally consistent with the North District Plan.
Local Strategic Planning Statement – Planning Ryde	The Planning Proposal is generally consistent with the Local Strategic Planning Statement – Planning Ryde.



#### Planning Assessment

An assessment of the key issues relevant to the planning proposal is provided in the following table.

Site Specific Issues	Assessment
Traffic	See comments below
Parking	See comments below
Transport	Whilst the site can be serviced by bus routes, it is likely that the majority of visits to the site will be via private vehicle. As such, the assessment of this planning proposal focused on the traffic and parking impacts from the intended future use. The amended analysis indicates that the impacts can be accommodated with appropriate parking levels to be provided on the site and minor improvements to the local traffic infrastructure that can be delivered as part of a future recreation facility development.
Natural environment	The amended proposal will retain the existing high value biodiversity vegetation in the north east corner of the site via the proposed C2 Environmental Conservation zone. The vegetation community is Blue Gum High Forest, a Critically Endangered Ecological Community listed under both the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 and the Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.
	Figure 3: Aerial of high value biodiversity vegetation



ITEM 7 (continued) Site Specific Issues	Assessment
	Figure 4: High value biodiversity vegetationThe flood investigation submitted with the amended planning proposal indicates that there will be an "insignificant" change to adjoining property impacts from flooding or overland flow. This matter will be investigated in more detail as part of a development application assessment.
Social impact	The proposal will likely provide social and economic benefits to the wider community through the provision of land for recreation and open space uses. The proposed netball facility has potential for some detrimental impacts on the amenity of surrounding properties via increase and concentration of traffic and parking at the site during particular times, as detailed below. It should be noted that the previous use also generated significant traffic during particular times (school drop off and pick up). However, following receipt of the additional Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) on 31 March 2022, it is considered that these impacts can be adequately addressed in any future development assessment process.
Heritage	The subject site is not encumbered by any heritage listed items, however, there ae two adjoining heritage listed items, being Maze Park in Brush Road and the Former school residence and 1988 Ermington School building. (See Figure 2 above) The Planning Proposal is not anticipated to have any impact on these items.
Public Infrastructure	The land is currently well serviced by water, sewer, telecommunications facilities that are adequate for the proposed zoning uses.



#### **Traffic and Parking**

Council had significant concerns relating to traffic and parking impacts on surrounding properties from the proposed netball facility use. Whilst the previous use generated significant traffic during particular times (school pick up and drop off), recreation uses have a different generation profile and consideration of the ability for the local network to accommodate this profile was important with respect to its consistency with the guiding strategic planning framework, particularly the relevant Local Strategic Planning Statement.

In addition to the Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) submitted with the original planning proposal, an additional TIA (Bitzios consulting, 30 March 2022) **(ATTACHMENT 6 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER)** was submitted to Council on 31 March 2022 addressing the concerns raised in Council's letter of 11 November 2021. The key findings/recommendations of the amended TIA are as follows:-

- Immediately surrounding the site, some pathways and crossings within the established residential areas to the east of the site incorporate some 'missing links'. Therefore, as part of the future development application it is recommended to investigate with Council the opportunity to address and improve pathways and crossing facilities connecting to the site
- While Council's Development Control Plan does include a parking rate for Recreation Facilities (outdoor) at a rate of 3 spaces per court, this parking rate has been acknowledged by Council as not representative to meeting the practical demands for the proposal and specifically netball courts. Therefore, in response to Council's position, benchmarking of parking rates at similar sites was undertaken to determine a practical parking rate that has been applied by both Council and also other jurisdictions. Based on the review of the similar netball facilities and considering the sites established transport facilities and road network operations, a parking provision of approximately 256 car parking spaces (8 spaces per outdoor court). is considered appropriate for the proposal and consistent with the operation of similar facilities throughout regional New South Wales and metropolitan Sydney.
- Given the site layout and frontage to Brush Road, it is likely that some parking and traffic will seek to access the site from the east via Brush Road. It is therefore recommended that mitigation measures be implemented on the surrounding streets and as part of operational planning for the facility. These measures may include but not limited to:-



- Additional line marking and regulatory signage is installed to formalise parallel parking bays on Brush Road, maintain two-way traffic flow and ensure residents' driveways are not obstructed by visitors parking on street
- The facility's Transport Access Guide (TAG), Green Travel Plan (GTP) and any Event Traffic Management Plans should clearly outline designated parking areas within the facility along with any temporary off-site parking arrangements and alternates transport modes.

#### **Comment**

The review and assessment of the revised TIA found that it has recommended works that any future development should incorporate as follows:-

- Provision of a shared use (bicycle and pedestrian) path along the eastern side of Hermoyne Street between Marsden Road and Hermoyne Street as recommended in Section 6.1.1 of the TIA.
- Provision of a raised pedestrian crossing on Brush Road between Cheers Street and Sindel Street as recommended in Section 6.1.1 of the TIA.
- Provide (at minimum) 256 car parking spaces on site as recommended in Section 5.1 of the TIA.

In addition to the abovementioned recommendations the revised TIA also discussed the traffic conditions and surrounding intersection operation and the impacts that the proposed development may have, noting that more detailed and accurate assessment of the impacts would appropriately be required at the development application stage. It is agreed with the TIA that at the planning proposal stage it is difficult to determine the detailed requirements for any traffic mitigation actions or works. However, Council's Traffic and Transport section's review found that there is a very real need to consider any future development of the site in relation to the impacts it may have on the intersection at Marsden Road and Winbourne Street and the impacts that any spillover parking requirements that may be generated by development.

The assessment of the proposal found that, whilst the performance of the Marsden Road and Winbourne Street intersection may not be significantly impacted under current conditions, the traffic at this intersection is expected to significantly increase in the medium term. Any development of the subject site would contribute up to 30% of the traffic movements at this intersection and any future development of the subject site must either undertake some mitigation measures or contribute to future mitigation measures at this intersection.



The following mitigation measures should be considered in the assessment of any future development application for future use of the site:-

- A more detailed events management plan (EMP) will need be prepared at a later stage to minimise traffic generation and deter spillover of parking onto the surrounding public roads particularly on Brush Road.
- Future upgrade will be required to the junction of Marsden Road and Winbourne Street to assist with the safety of right turn movements out of Winbourne Street, particularly when the queue within the southbound Marsden Road carriageway extend past Winbourne Street as shown in the SIDRA modelling. An example of an improvement at this intersection could be a channelised "seagull" treatment which provides an exclusive right turn lane and a short merge lane within Marsden Road. This measure is expected to improve accessibility to and from the site, which would benefit for future users when the netball courts are operating at full capacity during regular, regional and national competitions.

The amended planning proposal stated:-

In view of these assessments, it is considered that the traffic, parking and transport impacts of the proposal can be appropriately managed to accommodate the proposed use that will be able to be developed following rezoning of the site. Detailed aspects of the site layout, traffic and associated transport infrastructure inclusions will be assessed and determined through a detailed Traffic Impact Assessment which will accompany the Development Application.

It is agreed that impacts from the future development of the site can be addressed through the development application process. However, as previously mentioned, there was a very real need to investigate traffic and parking impacts in more detail prior to finalising the planning proposal to demonstrate that the more detailed assessment of these impacts would be possible, and practicable at the development application stage. As such, the more detailed parking and traffic assessment has been undertaken and the recommendations in the revised Traffic Impact Assessment submitted by the applicant has been included in this report and must also be considered in any future development application assessment.

#### Ryde Local Planning Panel

The planning proposal was submitted for consideration to the Ryde Local Planning Panel (Panel) at its meeting of 9 June 2022 in accordance with the Ministerial Direction, dated 27 September 2018, made under s9.1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.



The Panel supported the change in zoning. However, the concept plans submitted with the planning proposal for a netball facility were not endorsed. The Panel considered that while the appropriateness of the proposed future use of the site will be considered in a future development application, the intensity of the use proposed needs further consideration in relation to the site and surrounding area. The Panel also considered that the important elements of the site, such as identification of important vegetation outside the proposed C2 Environmental Conservation Zone, the likely traffic upgrades, and streetscape and interface controls, should be identified in a site specific development control plan (DCP) and not left just to a development application process. The panel further stated that they believe that the ecological and environmental value of the C2 Environmental Conservation Zone as a small, isolated pocket of vegetation would be higher if it were linked via vegetated corridors to vegetation on the adjoining school site and to the continuation of the creek to the south-east.

According to Panel's Advice & Statement of Reasons, the Panel:-

"...advises that it supports the Planning Proposal being submitted for Gateway Determination under 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 subject to the following matters being addressed:

- (a) Preparation of a site specific DCP that identifies the important elements of the site specifically:
  - (i) trees to be retained and biodiversity linkages;
  - (ii) traffic management and upgrades required;
  - (iii) setbacks and /or treatment to residential interfaces; and
  - (iv) streetscape controls i.e., setback and vegetation retention."

The advice was unanimous.

It is the view of staff, that a DCP is not required to manage the issues raised by the Panel, as they can be addressed as part of the merit assessment of a future development application.

It is also noted that the permissible uses in the proposed RE1 Public Recreation Zone are wider than just the proposed netball facility. While Council has concept plans for a netball facility to support the planning proposal, if that concept is reconsidered (in response to issues identified during assessment of a Development Application, or due to funding changes or other circumstances), a site specific DCP based on a concept that may no longer be relevant would still be applicable to the site. This would result in less desirable outcomes, in particular, parking and traffic generation may vary widely depending on the specific public recreation uses proposed and DCP controls based on the proposed netball uses would not necessarily be appropriate for other public uses should the netball concept be reconsidered in the future. As such it is preferable to address the parking requirements as part of the merit assessment of the Development Application, utilizing the traffic and transport data provided with the Planning Proposal.



With respect to the protection of valuable ecological and environmental assets on the site, the Panel indicated that it considered the extent of the proposed C2 zone to be appropriate, but wanted a DCP to address the trees on the site outside the C2 zone in more detail. Again, it is the view of staff that the appropriate outcome should be balanced against the specific public recreation proposal as part of a future Development Application (DA), rather than via a DCP. Different recreation uses require different footprint configurations and tree removal and replacement can be addressed at the DA stage as part of the merit assessment. Should the number of courts change, or the nature of the facility change to incorporate other uses, or should other unforeseen changes to the project alter the type of public recreation and replacement of the trees outside of the conservation zone in a manner that is consistent with the overall function of the site rather than as required by a DCP predicated on the current concept.

Should Council resolve to forward a request for a Gateway Determination to the Department of Planning and Environment, the Panel's advice will be included in the package of information provided and the Department will have the option of requiring a DCP should they disagree with assessment of Council staff.

Should Council wish to require a site specific DCP, this will delay the planning process for the delivery of the recreation facility by approximately 3-6 months. An exact time frame cannot be predicted with certainty as it will depend on the feedback from the proponent during the DCP drafting process and the community feedback received when any draft DCP is exhibited. Given the issues raised by the panel can, in the view of staff, be adequately addressed during the Development Application stage, the additional work involved in developing a DCP and the associated delay is not considered warranted in the circumstances.

It is also noted that should Council choose not to proceed with the Planning Proposal in it's current form and delay proceeding to develop a draft DCP, the proponent will have the opportunity to seek a rezoning review from the State Government, which would be undertaken by either Planning Secretary or the Sydney North Planning Panel. The proposal could, therefore proceed in advance of any DCP being finalized.

#### **Public Exhibition of Planning Proposal**

The Planning Proposal cannot be placed on public exhibition until the proposal has been endorsed by Council and a Gateway determination has been issued by the Department of Planning and Environment (If the Gateway determination is to not proceed then the application is refused).



The Gateway Determination provides for a range of public exhibition timeframes depending on the complexity of the proposal. These maximum periods range from:-

Basic – 10 working days Standard – 20 working days Complex – 30 working days Principle LEP – 20 working days.

The public exhibition timeframe and referral requirements will be specified in the Gateway determination.

However, as the proposal will change the use from a school to a recreation facility, there is potential, due to the change of operations from weekdays to weekends, for impact on surrounding residents. As such, a tailored public exhibition plan based on the Gateway Determination requirements, in accordance with Council's Community Participation Plan, will be developed that will include:-

- Written notification to surrounding and potentially impacted residents,
- All submitted information will be available on Council's website for review by stakeholders,
- Council staff will be available for queries on processes for the planning proposal, and
- The applicant will be encouraged to provide information sessions for surrounding residents.

The above options are intended to make the proposal readily available to all interested stakeholders and will be delivered above and beyond the standard minimum requirements of the Gateway.

#### Local Plan-Making Authority

The Local Plan-Making Authority in respect of a Planning Proposal is the party delegated to make or reject the proposed amendments to the LEP following the public exhibition and consideration of the submissions.

The Gateway Determination needs to provide Council with the delegation to act as the Local Plan-Making authority, otherwise the State Government will retain the authority to make the decision as to whether or not to proceed following the public exhibition.

When submitting a Planning Proposal, councils are required to identify whether they wish to be authorised to make the plan and therefore become the Local Plan-Making Authority. If Council does not want to be the authority, the Minster for Planning (usually via a delegate at the Department of Planning and Environment) undertakes the role.



It is recommended that Council request to be the Local Plan Making Authority in this instance.

#### Options

Option 1 (recommended) – That Council forward the Planning Proposal (as attached) to the Department of Planning and Environment seeking a Gateway Determination to allow the proposal to proceed to Public Exhibition.

Option 2 (not recommended) – That Council resolve that the proposed rezoning is not supported. Council would need to specify the concerns; it is noted that the applicant would have the option to seek a rezoning review, which would consider the specified concerns against the relevant legislated assessment considerations.



#### 8 2022 SPORTSGROUND AMENITIES AUDIT

**Report prepared by:** Sportsground Liaison Officer, Sportsgrounds and Recreation **File No.:** GRP/22/47 - BP22/432

#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

At its meeting on 31 January 2022 Council resolved that staff undertake an audit of all existing sportsground amenities, asking staff to detail which sporting groups utilise the facilities, whether they are adequate for the needs of the group and whether provisions need to be made for female changing rooms. The resolution also asked staff to outline the current program of works to upgrade sporting amenities and an implementation program with recommendations and timeframes. This report responds to that resolution.

Within the City of Ryde there are 28 sportsground amenities buildings which service 46 sports fields and 31 outdoor courts across the LGA. These amenities buildings are vital park infrastructure and service not only general park users but also organised sporting groups through purpose-built spaces such as changerooms and canteens/kiosks.

A Sportsground Amenities Audit (2022) has been completed by staff and provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**. This audit provides a summary of each sportsground amenities building within the City of Ryde and contains the following information: -

- Sportsground/s Serviced
- Facility Hierarchy
- User Group/s
- Condition Rating
- Amenities provided within the building

To classify condition rating within the Sportsground Amenities Audit (2022), building condition was informed by a 2017 assessment conducted by a quantity surveyor and asset management consultant. Through this assessment and supplementary ongoing monitoring conducted by Council's Operations Department, any building compliance or condition issues have been captured including any issues in relation to the requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA). Functionality / needs of sportsground amenities buildings can be highly subjective given the varying perspectives of differing sports, participants, and the local community. To guide capital upgrades, facility functionality is assessed against facility guidelines prepared by peak sporting organisations (i.e. Football NSW, Cricket Australia) which provide guidance on the type, size and number of amenities that should be delivered to best meet the needs of the sport.



With exponential growth in organised sport participation by females it is recognised that facility design components are incorporated to make amenities more 'female friendly' as a standard practice. Additionally, new facilities incorporate inclusive design principles to ensure that organised sport can sustain and support female participation. Although no single definitive set of guidelines for female friendly sportsground amenities exists, government and industry have adopted approaches to facility design which focus on making infrastructure more female friendly and family orientated through the application of universal design principles. Any upgrade of amenities Council undertakes incorporates these principles.

The prioritisation for the sportsground amenities capital program is determined by a number of factors detailed in the relevant Asset Management Plan. These include – asset condition, facility compliance, Council adopted strategic positions, park masterplans, asset utilisation and functionality assessments. Where these assessments identify that the cost-benefit is best aligned to conducting a refurbishment of an existing facility, the scope of the refurbishment is guided by a condition and compliance assessment alongside consultation with existing facility users. In situations where it is either identified that the cost-benefit value favours a building replacement or where a new facility is proposed due to an adopted strategic position of Council (i.e. Park Masterplan), Council utilises a standard amenities facility design which provides a template for new facilities.

Council's current practice for the preparation of designs for amenities does not include the inclusion of meeting rooms or social spaces as they are not considered essential infrastructure for grass roots community sport and would be inappropriate in many park locations across the LGA. Should any sporting user/s advocate for the inclusion of meeting rooms and/or social spaces in a future facility, these requests will only be considered where the spaces can be made available for a broader community use and where the need has been identified in Council's adopted Halls and Facilities Strategy. Where this inclusion is supported by Council's strategic position and the community advocates for the need, then construction will occur with a capital contribution from the user/s and will be subject to management via lease and/or licence arrangements.

The current program for sportsground amenities building upgrades is determined by funding made available with Council's Four-Year Delivery Plans. The draft 2022-2026 Four-Year Delivery Plan lists the below sportsground amenities building projects.

Facility	Project Year	Project Scope	Supporting Strategic Document
Gannan Park	2022/23	Facility Replacement	Gannan Park Masterplan
Dunbar Park	2023/24	Refurbishment	Condition Assessment
Ryde Park Upper	2023/24	Refurbishment	Condition Assessment
Waterloo Park	2023/24 & 2024/25	Facility Replacement	Condition Assessment
Meadowbank Park – Central	2025/26	Facility Replacement - Design	Meadowbank Park and Memorial Park Masterplan

Should the draft Four-Year Delivery Plan be adopted by Council, implementation of the above listed capital projects will be undertaken via Council's One-Year Operational Plans on an annual basis.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council receives and notes the 2022 Sportsground Amenities Audit.

#### ATTACHMENTS

**1** Sportsground Amenities Audit May 2022

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#### History

At its meeting on 31 January 2022 Council resolved in part:-

- (a) That Council undertakes an audit of all existing sports ground amenities and prepare a report outlining in respect to each facility:-
  - the condition of the facility
  - which sporting groups use the facility
  - whether the current facility is adequate for future needs e.g. meeting rooms
  - whether provision needs to be made for female changing rooms
  - the current program to upgrade sporting amenities
  - an implementation program with recommendations and timeframes for commencement of any works

To inform decision-making over which facilities/areas are prioritised within each building, Council consults with the sporting user groups who provide feedback and assist staff in determining how to best meet the needs of their members i.e. conversion of underutilised change rooms into additional storage areas. When constructing new sportsground amenities buildings, this same consultation process is followed where staff directly engage with the potential sporting user groups for each facility to identify priorities and specific needs to be delivered within the available building footprint and project budget.

#### **Sportsground Amenities Audit (2022)**

A 2022 Sportsground Amenities Audit has been completed by staff and provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**. This audit provides a summary of each sportsground amenities building within the City of Ryde and contains the following information:-

- Sportsground/s Serviced
- Facility Hierarchy
- Tenant Club/s
- Condition Rating
- Amenities provided within the building



#### **Condition of facilities**

In 2017 Council staff engaged a quantity surveyor and asset management consultant to undertake a functionality and condition assessment of all existing sportsground amenities buildings across the LGA. The objective of the assessment was to provide Council staff with additional information on its sportsground amenities assets to inform strategic asset planning and assist in prioritisation for building renewal and replacement. In particular, the assessment was able to provide a detailed assessment of each building and how it is used in relation to building code compliance and relevant legislation.

Although a number of compliance issues were noted across the sportsground amenities building portfolio, the requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA) are not required to be applied retrospectively until refurbishment/renewal works are undertaken.

Overall building condition was also captured within the 2017 assessment with facilities given a condition rating ranging from 'Very Good' to 'Very Poor' under the definitions detailed in the table below.

Description	Definition
Very Good Condition	As new condition, working order and functionality.
Good Condition	In good working order, condition and functionality as originally intended and / or designed. Very minor defects.
Fair Condition	Showing some wear and tear but still in fair working order, condition and functionality as originally intended and / or designed and some minor non- compliance issues.
Poor Condition	Used to describe an element, finish or material where major or serious defects exist.
Very Poor Condition	The item is no longer able to provide its intended condition or function or to operate in accordance with specified parameters or as originally intended and / or designed.



#### **Table 1: Facility Condition Rating Definitions**

Under this condition rating, it was identified that the facilities located in Monash Park and Pidding Park had been deemed to be in 'Very Poor' condition. This information was then utilised to inform the capital upgrades to these facilities with Pidding Park Amenities being replaced with a new purpose-built facility in 2018/19 and Monash Park Grandstand undergoing a major refurbishment in 2019/20.

The 2017 assessment condition ratings have been utilised to inform the condition score found in the 2022 Sportsground Amenities Audit. Where major refurbishments and/or new facilities have been constructed this has been noted in replacement for the 2017 condition assessment.

Beyond the 2017 external assessment, all City of Ryde building assets are subject to continual asset monitoring through internal systems and regular inspections carried out by Council staff. This information is combined alongside functionality assessments and other Council strategic plans and publications such as Park Masterplan, Disability Inclusion Action Plans etc. to inform and guide the sportsground amenities capital works program as delivered via Council's Four-Year Delivery Plan and One-Year Operational Plans.

#### Functionality and Sporting Facility Guidelines

Functionality of sportsground amenities buildings can be highly subjective given the varying needs of differing sports, participants, and the local community. In previous sportsground amenities building capital upgrades, Council has taken a user-centric approach and been responsive to the requests and needs of the existing facility users to develop the facility to best meet their needs.

Beyond this, it has also been Council's approach to consider the requests of user groups alongside industry standards and facility guidelines prepared by National and State Sporting Organisations which provide guidance on the type, size and number of amenities that should be delivered to best meet the needs of the sport. Examples of these guidelines has been provided below in Table 2.



	AFL	Baseball	Cricket	Rugby League	Rugby
Changerooms (Dry Area)	45-55m <sup>2</sup>	56m <sup>2</sup>	20-30m <sup>2</sup>	30m <sup>2</sup>	30-45m <sup>2</sup>
Changerooms (Wet Area)	25m <sup>2</sup>	Incl.	15-20m <sup>2</sup>	15m <sup>2</sup>	25-35m <sup>2</sup>
Canteen/Kiosk	20m <sup>2</sup>	N/A	15-25m <sup>2</sup>	20m <sup>2</sup>	15-30m <sup>2</sup>
Public Toilets (Male/Female)	10m <sup>2</sup>	N/A	10m <sup>2</sup>	10m <sup>2</sup>	N/A
Accessible Toilet	5m <sup>2</sup>	N/A	5.5m <sup>2</sup>	N/A	N/A
Storage Area	20m <sup>2</sup>	N/A	30m <sup>2</sup>	20m <sup>2</sup>	12-20m <sup>2</sup>
Referees Room	20m <sup>2</sup>	18.6m <sup>2</sup>	15m <sup>2</sup>	20m <sup>2</sup>	12-20m <sup>2</sup>
First Aid	15m <sup>2 *</sup>	N/A	10m <sup>2</sup> *	N/A	15-20m <sup>2</sup>
Office/Meeting	15m <sup>2</sup>	N/A	15m <sup>2</sup> *	15m <sup>2</sup>	15m <sup>2</sup> *
Social Room	100m <sup>2</sup>	N/A	100-150m <sup>2</sup>	75m <sup>2</sup>	75-250m <sup>2</sup>

\*Optional Inclusion

#### Table 2: Facility Guideline Summary – Peak Sporting Organisations

Unfortunately, despite being the sport with the highest participation levels within the City of Ryde neither Football NSW nor Football Australia have published facility guidelines for grassroots/community football (soccer) facilities. The most applicable guidelines can be found for representative football competitions however, these guidelines are not prescriptive and provide direction on performance measures that should be met i.e. 'dressing rooms (changerooms) must be able to seat 16 people comfortably'.

#### Female Friendly Facilities

Historically, sporting facilities across Australia have been built to cater only for male participants given the male dominance within organised sport throughout the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Facility design issues such as open plan showers, urinals and poor lighting have discouraged female participation and presented a key barrier which historically has limited growth and development in female sport.

With female sport now commonly reported amongst the fastest growing segments within organised sport, it is necessary that facility design issues are addressed and that new facilities are created with inclusive design principles at the forefront to ensure that organised sport is able to sustain and support female participation. Although there is no one definitive set of guidelines for female friendly sportsground amenities, both government and industry have adopted approaches to facility design which focus on making infrastructure more female friendly and family orientated through a range of factors and attributes such as: -

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- Unisex change facilities with cubicle showers and dedicated seating
- Partitioned toilet facilities inclusive of ambulant accessible cubicles
- Prioritisation of safety through Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)
- Lighting provision within and around facilities
- Inclusion of family friendly attributes such as baby change amenities

#### Universal Design Principles

To ensure best practice in supporting and encouraging participation in organised sport it is essential that the facilities provided minimise and where possible, eliminate factors which act as barriers to participation. Within the context of sportsground amenities buildings, this requires that these facilities are designed and developed to cater for the needs of all residents irrespective of ability, age, gender, income, cultural background (i.e. CALD/LOTE and First Nations People), gender identity or sexual orientation.

This can be achieved through the adoption of universal design principles which expand and build upon factors identified to support female friendly facilities to consider further issues such signage and wayfinding to act as potential enablers that drive more inclusive participation.

When assessing facility functionality and planning for future upgrades, it is these universal design principles that can be identified as best practice and should be aspired to in the design of current and future sportsground amenities facilities.

#### Forward planning future upgrades

Forward planning for future upgrades to Council's portfolio of sportsground amenities building is determined by a myriad of factors including but not limited to – asset condition, facility compliance, Council adopted strategic directions, park masterplans, asset utilisation and functionality assessments. Each of these factors receives consideration and guides staff in a determination for recommending either a refurbishment to an existing facility or the construction of a new replacement building. Where these assessments identify that the cost-benefit is best aligned to conducting a refurbishment of an existing facility, the scope of the refurbishment is guided by the 2017 condition and compliance assessment with staff consulting with any existing facility users to inform potential functionality improvements that can be achieved within the available budget.

In situations where it is identified that either the cost-benefit value favours a building replacement or where a new facility is proposed due an adopted strategic position of Council (i.e. Park Masterplan), Council utilises a standard amenities facility design which provides a template for new facilities.



The standard amenities facility design was prepared in 2021 and provides Council with eight (8) variations of park amenities buildings ranging in size and application to inform detail design of future amenities buildings within Council's parks and sportsgrounds. These eight designs were prepared based on recent park amenities building designs for Meadowbank Park Eastern Amenities, ELS Hall Park Upper Amenities and Kissing Point Park Public Amenities and carefully consider sporting facility guidelines, universal design principles and female friendly principles to provide a guide for detailed design.

Although staff have and will continue to directly consult with sporting user groups through detailed design phase to cater for individual needs, through utilising these template designs, Council is able to reduce design costs, expediate project delivery and provide a consistent offering for these types of facilities across the City.

Recently, through the delivery of sportsground amenities buildings and through the preparation of park masterplans the issue surrounding the inclusion of meeting rooms and social spaces has been raised. Currently, City of Ryde does not support these types of facilities and does not have an amenities facility design which includes these spaces. Although some peak sporting organisations support the inclusion of these spaces within their sporting facility guidelines, these spaces have been excluded from Council's amenities facility designs as they not considered essential infrastructure for grass roots community sport and would be inappropriate in many locations across City of Ryde.

Should a particular sporting user/s advocate for these spaces in a future facility upgrade, it will be considered only where appropriate and where the spaces can be made available for a broader community use (i.e. not sole use by organised sport) in locations that align with Council's Halls and Facilities Strategy. Where these conditions are met and sufficiently supported by the community, then construction will occur at capital cost to the user/s and will be subject to management via lease and/or licence arrangement.







## 1.1 – Bill Mitchell Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	1x Sen	ior Field	, 1x Jun	ior Field	l	
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 2	2				
Tenant Club/s –	None					
Condition Rating (2017) –	Good					
Amenities Provided -	Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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## 1.2 – Bremner Park

1x Senior Field

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Level 2

Putney Rangers FC

Fair

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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### 1.3 – Brush Farm Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	1x Sen	ior Field	l, 4x Out	door Co	ourts	
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 2	2				
Tenant Club/s –	Eastwood Ryde Netball Association (ERNA), Ryde Pickleball				RNA),	
Condition Rating (2017) –	Fair					
Amenities Provided -	Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting

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## 1.4 – Christie Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	2x Synthetic Fields
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 1
Tenant Club/s –	North West Sydney Football, Gladesville Ryde Magic FC, Gladesville Ravens FC
Condition Rating –	New Facility Under Construction

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Amenities Provided -

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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### 1.5 – Darvall Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	1x Junior Field					
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 3					
Tenant Club/s –	None					
Condition Rating (2017) –	Fair					
Amenities Provided –	Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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### 1.6 – Dunbar Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

Facility Hierarchy -

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

**1x Athletics Field** 

Level 2

Ryde Athletics Club

Fair

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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## 1.7 – Eastwood Park (Upper)

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

1x Senior Field

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Level 2

Eastwood St Andrews FC

Fair

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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### 1.7 – Eastwood Park (Lower)

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

1x Senior Field

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) –

Amenities Provided -

Level 2

Eastwood St Andrews FC

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Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.8 – ELS Hall Park (Upper)

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	1x Synthetic Field, 1x Senior Field					
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 2	Level 2				
Tenant Club/s –	North Ryde Dockers, Northern District Cricket Association, North Ryde Hawks JRLFC					
Condition Rating –	New Facility Under Construction					
Amenities Provided –	Public ToiletsChange - RoomsCanteen/ KioskReferee 					

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# 1.9 – ELS Hall Park (Lower)

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	1x Sen	ior Field	,		,	
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 2	2				
Tenant Club/s –	Baseba	lawks B all, Ryde ⁄lagic FC	Panthe	rs FC, C	Sladesvi	lle
Condition Rating (2017) –	N/A - P	art of Ry	yde Con	nmunity	Sports (	Centre
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# 1.10 – Fontenoy Park

1x Junior Field

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Level 3

Macquarie Dragons FC

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Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.11 – Gannan Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) –

Amenities Provided -

1x Senior Field

Level 2

Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club

Fair

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.12 – Magdala Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) –

Amenities Provided –

North Ryde RSL Baseball Club, Gladesville Ryde Magic FC, North Ryde Soccer Club

1x Senior Field, 1x Junior Field

Fair

Level 2

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.13 – Marsfield Park

2x Senior Field Sportsgrounds Serviced -Facility Hierarchy – Level 2 Central Eastwood Rugby, Macquarie Dragons Tenant Club/s -FC, Sydney Oztag Good

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Public Change Canteen/ Referee Storage Social / Toilets Kiosk - Rooms Room Meeting Room Х Х Х

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## 1.14 – Meadowbank Park (LH Waud)

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	3x Senior Field, 27x Outdoor Courts						
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 2						
Tenant Club/s –	Eastwood Ryde Netball Association (ERNA), West Ryde Rovers Sports Club						
Condition Rating (2017) –	Fair						
Amenities Provided –	Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting	

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# 1.15 – Meadowbank Park (Eastern)

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

4x Senior Field

Level 2

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating -

Amenities Provided -

West Ryde Rovers FC, Sydney Oztag

New Facility Constructed FY21/22

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.16 – Meadowbank Park (Tory Wicks)

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

2x Senior Field

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Level 2

North West Sydney Hockey

Poor

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.17 – Monash Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	1x Senior Field					
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 2					
Tenant Club/s –	Gladesville Ravens FC, All Saints Hunters Hill FC					ers
Condition Rating –	Refurbished FY19/20					
Amenities Provided –						Social / Meeting Room

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\*Separate Facility Adjacent

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# 1.18 – Morrison Bay Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	4x Sen	ior Field	s, 2x Ju	nior Fiel	ds	
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 2	2				
Tenant Club/s –	2	, Glades	d Touch, sville Sh			
Condition Rating (2017) –	Good					
Amenities Provided –	Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.19 – North Ryde Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating-

Amenities Provided -

1x Senior Field

Level 2

North Ryde Soccer Club

Refurbished FY21/22

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.20 – Peel Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

1x Senior Field

Facility Hierarchy -

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Level 2

Gladesville Ravens FC

Fair

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.21 – Pidding Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

Facility Hierarchy -

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating –

Amenities Provided -

1x Senior Field, 1x Junior Field

Level 2

Ryde Saints United FC

New facility constructed FY18/19

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.22 – Pioneer Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

1x Senior Field

Facility Hierarchy -

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Macquarie Saints Baseball Club

Fair

Level 2

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.23 – Ryde Park (Upper)

Sportsgrounds Serviced –	1x Senior Field
Facility Hierarchy –	Level 1
Tenant Club/s –	Old Ignatians Rugby Club, Sydney Cricket Club
Condition Rating (2017) –	Poor

Amenities Provided -

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.24 – Ryde Park (Harry Anderson)

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

1x Junior Field

Level 2

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Ryde Rugby Club

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Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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1.25 –	Tuckwell Park
Sportsgrounds Serviced –	1x Senior Field

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Level	2

Ararat FC

Fair

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.26 – Tyagarah Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

1x Junior Field

Facility Hierarchy -

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2020) -

Amenities Provided -

Putney Rangers FC

Poor

Level 3

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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# 1.27 – Waterloo Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced –1x Senior FieldFacility Hierarchy –Level 2Tenant Club/s –Macquarie Dragons FC, Macquarie Saints<br/>Baseball ClubCondition Rating (2017) –Fair

Amenities Provided -

Change Public Canteen/ Referee Storage Social / Toilets - Rooms Kiosk Meeting Room Room Х Х Х Х

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# 1.28 – Westminster Park

Sportsgrounds Serviced -

1x Senior Field

Facility Hierarchy –

Tenant Club/s -

Condition Rating (2017) -

Amenities Provided -

Level 2

**Gladesville Ravens FC** 

Fair

Public Toilets	Change – Rooms	Canteen/ Kiosk	Referee Room	Storage	Social / Meeting Room
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#### 9 MANAGEMENT OF CHRISTIE PARK SYNTHETIC FIELDS

**Report prepared by:** Sportsground Liaison Officer, Sportsgrounds and Recreation **File No.:** GRP/22/47 - BP22/467

#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

Since organised sport recommenced following the lifting of public health orders placed upon public gatherings throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Council has continued to receive significant interested and requests for access to its synthetic sports fields and in particular, an increase in requests for access to the two synthetic fields at Christie Park. This demand has been exacerbated by Football NSW expanding its representative program and increasing the requirements for clubs offering football pathway (participant development opportunities) activities.

This increased demand and interest level has been generated by both 'new' users who do not currently have ongoing access to Christie Park via seasonal hire agreements, as well as requests for additional access by the existing users of the facility.

With Christie Park being the primary venue for representative and football pathway activities within the City of Ryde, the current Sportsground Allocation process for the two synthetic fields at Christie Park have become a de facto 'Centre of Excellence' with limited opportunities and windows for other activities and programs to occur.

Although management of the two Christie Park synthetic fields through the application of Council's Sportsground Allocation Policy aligns to Council's goal for equitable access as outlined in the City of Ryde Sport and Recreation Strategy, the specific activities and primary users of the venue have different needs with an increased season length and higher training demands. These demands have contributed to management challenges regarding the access to the synthetic surfaces amongst both potential users as well as the existing sports clubs. This has led to an increase in resourcing required by Council to address these concerns. It has also led to user groups making regular representations to Councillors over the years seeking to amend the access to Christie Park, resulting in a number of resolutions associated with access to synthetic surfaces as outlined in the body of this report.

Details of these challenges were provided to Council via the Councillor Workshop held in May 2022. Following this workshop, staff have prepared this report recommending that Council seek expressions of interest for an operator to manage the two synthetic sports fields at Christie Park, Macquarie Park. It is considered this is the best way to address the management challenges experienced and to provide certainty to user groups in relation to access into the future.



Under a formal lease/licence agreement, a single external organisation would receive an agreed tenure period in which to manage use of the two synthetic fields. This tenure period would offer a greater level of security in comparison to Council's current seasonal sportsground allocation process which offers no greater than 6-7 months of access to a venue at any given time. Through the security offered by a multi-year agreement, an organisation will have greater confidence in scheduling programs and activities to deliver to either its members and/or the wider sporting community giving potential for greater asset utilisation.

Noting the current use patterns for Christie Park and the historical use of the two synthetic fields by the four representative football teams based in the Ryde LGA (Koalas, Spirit, Ravens and Magic), clear principles for access which ensure continuity of this use will be included with the terms of any agreement. These terms could cater for the peak periods of operation for the representative football users including access for both pre-season and the competitive representative season from the dates adopted by Football NSW as the competition administrators.

In prioritising access amongst the representative football teams, use by the individual teams could be determined via a hierarchy of allocation which is prioritised by age and level of competition. This would be consistent with the Council resolution from the Council meeting held in February 2021 and detailed within the body of this report. The framework for this hierarchy would be finalised prior to undertaking an expression of interest process and require consultation with the current three representative football user groups as the predominant users of Christie Park.

For periods that fall outside of the peak times covered by the historical representative football use, any potential lease holder would have the opportunity to run programs and activities that are commercially viable to maximise utilisation of the asset with confidence in investing in such opportunities. This would be possible in part due to the security of tenure offered by a potential agreement.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council undertakes an expression of interest process for the lease of Christie Park 1 and Christie Park 2 synthetic fields.
- (b) That a further report be brought back to Council outlining the outcomes of this process prior to any lease agreement being finalised.

#### ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.



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#### History

At the Council meeting held on 23 February 2021 Council resolved:-

- (a) That staff ensure that allocations for winter and summer sports at Christie Park prioritise, regardless of gender, local clubs and elite teams.
- (b) That these guiding principles be used to determine allocations for training and matches effective immediately.
- (c) All clubs be invited to participate in a discussion at a future Sports Advisory Committee Meeting to discuss and provide feedback on sports grounds allocations.

Following this resolution of Council, an extraordinary Sport, Recreation and Wheeled Sports Advisory Committee was held on 24 March 2021 during which concerns were raised from City of Ryde based sports clubs regarding the allocation and access to Council's synthetic sports fields for training on weeknights.

Given the proximity to the commencement of the 2021 winter sport season, an allocation was provided to the relevant sporting user groups which had been based upon historical ground use in line with Council's adopted Sportsground Allocation Policy.

Council staff continued discussions with relevant sporting user groups in the lead-up to the 2022 winter sport season however, concerns regarding the allocation and access to Council's synthetic sports field persisted with details on these issues provided to Council via the Councillor Workshop held Tuesday 10 May 2022. As an outcome of the Councillor Workshop held on 10 May 2022, staff were asked to provide a report on management strategies for Council's synthetic sports fields including the potential for a lease/licence arrangement for the two synthetic sports fields at Christie Park, Macquarie Park.

#### Background

With a developed urban landscape, opportunities for creating new open space for the purpose of formalised active recreation are limited. As such, in an effort to meet the community demand for organised sport at the Council meeting held on 15 December 2015 Council adopted the City of Ryde Synthetic Surfaces Action Plan 2016-2026. Under the adopted Synthetic Surfaces Action Plan, Council has delivered three fully synthetic sports fields within the local government area including two football-centric fields at Christie Park, Macquarie Park and one multi-sport synthetic field at ELS Hall Park, Marsfield. In addition, through adopted park masterplans, two further synthetic fields have been identified for delivery within the City of Ryde with these to be located at Meadowbank Park, Meadowbank and Westminster Park, Gladesville.



At the Council meeting held on 22 March 2022, Council resolved to prepare an update to this Synthetic Surface Action Plan with this to be provided to Council for its consideration in mid-2022.

Synthetic sports fields play an important role of meeting community demand of organised sport within the City of Ryde. Specifically, synthetic sports fields are used to supplement natural grass sport fields as they possess a greater capacity for use and have the ability to sustain over 50 hours per week of organised sport in comparison to the 30-hour limit which is currently applied to natural grass fields. Additionally, synthetic sports fields are not impacted by most weather conditions and are able to offer a consistent playing surface that ensures playability performance across all levels of sport from grassroots to elite.

Given the above factors, demand for access to synthetic sports fields for both casual one-off hire as well as for ongoing seasonal use is typically higher than for equivalent natural grass field spaces. Following the construction of the synthetic sports fields at both ELS Hall Park and Christie Park, the initial allocation for use was completed in alignment with the relevant City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy at that point in time which greatly favoured historical users at each venue.

Since then, demand for access to synthetic sports fields has continued to increase with subsequent resolutions of Council providing greater clarity in the allocation process.

At the Council meeting held on 12 December 2017, Council resolved in part:-

- (a) That the Acting General Manager review the existing Sportsground Allocation Policy with a focus on:
  - Ensuring a diversity of sports and residents have access to City of Ryde sporting fields.
  - Determining a priority of allocation between grass roots sports and representative pathway programs.
  - The role that commercial providers have in delivering sports activities to the community.

At its Council meeting held on 24 April 2018, Council resolved in part:-

(b) That, following consultation with the sporting community, Council amend its Sportsground Allocation Policy so that use of any newly constructed synthetic sports field is not restricted to only the historical sporting group user.

In response to the above resolutions of Council, a revised Sportsground Allocation Policy was prepared and endorsed by Council at the Council meeting held on 25 June 2019 following a period of public consultation. This policy was subject to review in April 2021 with no amendments made.



#### **Current Issues**

Since organised sport recommenced following the lifting of various public health orders placed upon public gatherings throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Council has received significant interested and requests for access to its synthetic sports fields and in particular at Christie Park.

This increased demand and interest level has been generated by both 'new' users who do not currently have ongoing access to Christie Park via seasonal hire agreements as well as requests for additional access by the existing users of the facility. The existing users of Christie Park synthetic fields on a seasonal basis are:-

- North West Sydney Spirit FC (Formerly NWS Spirit FC & NWS Koalas FC)
- Gladesville Ryde Magic FC
- Gladesville Ravens FC (NPL)

These three user groups are the only representative football clubs who operate within the City of Ryde and compete in Football NSW sanctioned competitions which provide the pathway linking grassroots community sport to professional sport.

Representative football as administered in NSW by the peak sporting organisation Football NSW, is increasingly becoming a challenge for local government facility providers to manage due to changes in the structure of the competition implemented in recent years. Specifically, recent years have seen an increase in the volume of teams who compete within the representative football structure as well as an extension to the representative football competitive season. This extension of the representative football season has created a separation between the 'traditional' seasons of sport (historically April – August for winter sports) which grassroots sports competitions currently operate across Greater Sydney and the representative football season which now extends from February to October.

Given the level of use and structure of the representative football season, Christie Park as the primary venue for these activities within the City of Ryde has become a de facto 'Centre of Excellence' with limited opportunities and windows for other activities and programs to occur at the venue. However, despite this issue the two synthetic fields at Christie Park are currently managed by Council staff in a consistent manner with all other City of Ryde sportsgrounds via the Seasonal Sportsground Allocation process.

Although consistent management of the two Christie Park synthetic fields through the application of Council's Sportsground Allocation Policy aligns to Council's goal for equitable access as outlined in the City of Ryde Sport and Recreation Strategy, the specific activities and primary users of the venue have different needs with an increased season length and higher training demands. These demands have contributed to the community concerns regarding the access to Christie Park amongst both potential users as well as the existing sports clubs and have contributed to the increased resourcing required by Council to manage these concerns.



#### **Opportunities**

Noting the current challenges in managing the allocation and use of Christie Park under the current sportsground allocation process, consideration can be given to alternative models which may offer efficiencies in the use and allocation of the two synthetic fields and provide better outcomes for the community.

One such alternative model which can be given consideration would be for the two synthetic fields at Christie Park to be managed under a formal lease/licence agreement with an external organisation operating the fields on behalf of Council.

Under a formal lease/licence agreement, a single external organisation would receive a tenure period in which to manage use of the two synthetic fields. This tenure period would offer a greater level of security in comparison to Council's current seasonal sportsground allocation process which offers no greater than 6-7 months of access to a venue at any given time. Through the security offered by a multi-year lease/licence, an organisation could have greater confidence in scheduling programs and activities for the delivery to either its members and/or the wider sporting community giving potential for greater asset utilisation.

Noting the current use of Christie Park as a de facto Centre of Excellence for football and the historical use of the two synthetic fields by the three representative football teams, clear terms for access which ensure continuity of this use could be included within the terms of any agreement. These terms could cater for the peak periods of operation for these three primary users including access for both pre-season and the competitive representative season from the dates adopted by Football NSW as the competition administrators.

In determining access amongst the three representative football teams, access and use by the individual teams could be determined via a hierarchy of allocation which is prioritised by age and level of competition. Final composition of this hierarchy could be finalised prior to undertaking an expression of interest process through consultation with the three representative football user groups.

For periods that fall outside of the peak times covered by the historical representative football use, any potential lease/licence holder would have the opportunity to run programs and activities that are commercially viable and maximise utilisation of the asset with confidence in investing in such opportunities possible in part due to the security of tenure offered by a potential agreement.



#### **Options**

#### **OPTION 1**

### That Council undertakes an expression of interest process for the lease of Christie Park 1 and Christie Park 2 synthetic fields.

This option may provide an opportunity for Council to transfer the maintenance or asset renewal cost to the lease and has the potential to secure a set financial return for the asset. In this option, Council can also set clear terms for access and use of the facilities and specify access for representative football teams via a hierarchy of allocations however, the current demands for access are unlikely to be met and any long-term agreement could impact the ability of Council to respond to the growing needs of the community in the Macquarie Park district.

A long-term agreement for the fields may also lead to management conflicts with future assets that are identified to be to be constructed in Christie Park through the Christie Park Masterplan.

#### **Recommended option**

#### **OPTION 2**

That Council continue to manage the two synthetic fields at Christie Park under the existing Sportsground Allocation Policy.

This option would ensure Christie Park is managed in a consistent manner with all other sportsgrounds within the City of Ryde, however, it may not resolve community concerns regarding current access to the fields requiring continuing increased levels of stakeholder management.

#### Not the recommended option

#### **OPTION 3**

### That Council establish Christie Park as a 'Centre of Excellence' under Council management.

This option would be implemented through the revision of the Sportsground Allocation Policy to include venue-specific terms which recognise Christie Park as a 'Centre of Excellence'. This venue specific policy would also prioritise access for representative football teams determined by a hierarchy of allocation and could consider the specific needs of these groups including the increased season length and higher training demands.



This framework would be flexible and allow for changes in the structure of representative football however, this has the potential to cause significant change amongst the existing users of Christie Park. This option would also require additional staff resources to administer the allocations and would restrict access to Christie Pak during peak periods which limits opportunities for grass roots sports to conduct activities at the venue.

#### Not the recommended option

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#### 10 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS APPROVED BY THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - MAY 2022

Report prepared by: Traffic Engineer File No.: GRP/09/3 - BP22/412

#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report provides recommendations on each traffic/ parking matter separately and details on how Council may proceed with the proposed measures. The May 2022 Traffic Committee was held electronically. Members of the committee are listed below:

City of Ryde (Chair) Senior Coordin	nator Transport Services (for Mgr. Transport)
Transport for New South Wales	Network & Safety Officer, Central River City
NSW Police Force	Ryde Local Area Command
Member for Ryde (8 items)	The Hon. V Dominello MP
Member for Lane Cove (1 item)	The Hon. A Roberts MP

The May 2022 Traffic Committee agenda consisted of Seven (7) traffic and parking proposals. No objections were received from the voting members regarding all items A to F. No pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests were declared.

The proposed traffic and parking matters now require the approval of Council. For ease of review, details of the proposals identified in the recommendations below are provided as **ATTACHMENT 1**.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorses the following Ryde Traffic Committee recommendations from the meeting held in May 2022:

#### (A) CULLODEN ROAD, MARSFIELD - FORMALISE PARALLEL PARKING

The following changes be made on Culloden Road, Marsfield:

- a) The existing informal 2P 7am-7pm Mon-Fri perpendicular (90°) parking on the eastern side of Culloden Road be replaced with 2P 7am-7pm Mon-Fri, parallel parking.
- b) The parallel parking spaces be defined as marked parking bays with 'Park in Bays Only' signage installed to improve enforceability.



#### (B) MCGOWAN STREET, PUTNEY - NO PARKING

The following changes be made on McGowan Street, Putney:

 a) A 126-metre-long 'NO PARKING' zone be installed on the western side of McGowan Street, between the property boundary of 6 Putney parade and 68 Pellisier Road, Putney

#### (C) HILLVIEW LANE, EASTWOOD – REMOVAL OF LOADING ZONE AT THE

#### **REAR OF 127 TO 133 ROWE STREET**

a) The existing Loading Zone on the southern side of Hillview Lane at the rear of properties 127 to 133 Rowe Street, Eastwood be removed and replaced with No Stopping.

#### (D) 17 BUFFALO ROAD, GLADESVILLE – FORMALISATION OF MAIL ZONE

 a) The existing Mail Zone be formalised by installing 5.8 metre long "MAIL ZONE, 10AM – 5PM, MON-FRI" at the property frontage of 17 Buffalo Road, Gladesville.

#### (E) ROAD SAFETY UPDATE – ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMS

a) The Road Safety report be received and noted.

#### (F) BRENDON STREET AND FLINDERS ROAD, NORTH RYDE – PARKING AND ACCESS

- a) Statutory 10 metre No Stopping signs be installed at the intersections of Brendon Street with Flinders Road and Cave Avenue, North Ryde.
- b) Give Way hold lines (TB) and associated signs be installed at the intersections of Brendon Street with Flinders Road and Cave Avenue, North Ryde.
- c) A 13-metre-long section of No Parking be installed on the western side of Brendon Street, opposite its intersection with Cave Avenue.

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**Report Prepared By:** 

#### Muddasir Ilyas Traffic Engineer

Report Approved By:

Yafeng Zhu Acting Manager - Transport

Charles Mahfoud Acting Director - City Works

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#### ITEM (A): CULLODEN ROAD, MARSFIELD SUBJECT: FORMALISE PARALLEL PARKING

ELECTORATE:	RYDE
WARD:	WEST WARD
ROAD CLASS:	NON-CLASSIFIED

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest about the item discussed below.

#### PROPOSAL

Council is reconstructing the road on the eastern side of Culloden Road, Marsfield between Epping Road and Gymnasium Road (approximately 600 metre long). This is to provide a footpath and vertical kerb. Part of this section contains an informal perpendicular parking area that will no longer be accessible over the new vertical kerb.

As such it is intended to convert the current informal perpendicular parking to standard parallel parking, with the same time restriction (2P 7am-7pm Mon-Fri).



Figure 1: Location Map

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#### DISCUSSION

The eastern side of Culloden Road along the boundary of Macquarie University is currently an unpaved road shoulder where vehicles have been parking in informal perpendicular parking zone (figure 2). This was possible as vehicles were able to enter the verge due to the existence of unpaved shoulder. As this area will be reconstructed with a standard vertical kerb, vehicle will no longer be able to park perpendicularly.



#### Figure 2: Current parking conditions

The provision of vertical kerb and a footpath along this section of Culloden Road will improve drainage, parking and pedestrian accessibility.

#### CONSULTATION

This is a construction project with significant benefits to the community, as such this will be a notification of works rather than a consultation. Residents on the western side of Culloden Road will be notified prior to implementation.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

a) The existing informal 2P 7am-7pm Mon-Fri perpendicular (90°) parking on the eastern side of Culloden Road be replaced with 2P 7am-7pm Mon-Fri, parallel parking where road width and statutory No Stopping permits.

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b) The parallel parking spaces be defined as marked parking bays with 'Park in Bays Only' signage installed to improve enforceability.



Figure 3: New kerb alignment with footpath

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Figure 4: Proposed works overview

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ITEM (B):	MCGOWAN STREET, PUTNEY				
SUBJECT:	NO PARKING				
ELECTORATE: WARD:	LANE COVE EAST				
ROAD CLASS:	NON-CLASSIFIED				

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest about the item discussed below.

#### PROPOSAL

Council is proposing to install Kerb and Gutter on the western side of McGowan Street, Putney. This will widen the carriageway to 6.5m along the length of the street.

A 126-metre-long 'NO PARKING' zone will be installed on the western side of McGowan Street, between the property boundary of 6 Putney parade and 68 Pellisier Road, Putney.



Figure 1: Location Plan

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#### DISCUSSION

McGowan Street is a narrow street (4.7m - 5.2m) with steep grades, which discourages residents from parking along its western side. Whilst there are no formal restrictions parking does not occur on this section.

Providing kerb and gutter in this section, combined with the slightly wider carriageway may create a perception that this area is available for parking. Council intends to pre-empt this by installing 126 metres of 'NO PARKING' zone along the western side of McGowan Street between Putney Parade and the rear of 68 Pellisier road, Putney.

This does not represent the removal of parking from a residential area but rather is providing guidance for the effective utilisation of the area.

#### CONSULTATION

The residents will be notified of the proposed works at least 2 weeks prior start of construction. Notification flyers promoting community consultation and response will be distributed to all properties along McGowan Street.

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#### RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

 a) A 126-metre-long 'NO PARKING' zone be installed on the western side of McGowan Street, between the property boundary of 6 Putney parade and 68 Pellisier Road, Putney.



Figure 2: Proposed No Parking zone in McGowan St, Putney

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#### ITEM (C): HILLVIEW LANE, EASTWOOD

#### SUBJECT: REMOVAL OF LOADING ZONE AT THE REAR OF 127 TO 133 ROWE STREET

ELECTORATE:	RYDE
WARD:	CENTRAL
ROAD CLASS:	NON-CLASSIFIED

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest with regards to the item discussed below.

#### PROPOSAL

Council is proposing to remove the existing Loading Zone on the southern side of Hillview Lane, between Coolgun Lane and West Parade, at the rear of properties 127 to 133 Rowe Street, Eastwood.



Figure 1: Location map.

#### DISCUSSION

Hillview Lane is one-way laneway located in the town centre of Eastwood surrounded by commercial businesses. The laneway is approximately 4 metre wide between Coolgun Lane and West Parade and 5.2 metre wide between Lakeside Road and Coolgun lane. There are currently three loading zones on Hillview Lane and two on Coolgun Lane servicing the businesses in that area.



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Figure 2: Loading zones on Hillview Lane and Coolgun Lane

Council has received feedback from the community that the existing Loading Zone at the rear of 127 & 133 Rowe Street, is encroaching onto the intersection of Coolgun Lane and Hillview Lane. When vehicles occupy the Loading Zone, the movement of vehicles on Coolgun Lane and Hillview Lane is obstructed, as other vehicles cannot pass resulting in long delays and traffic congestion. The regular use of the loading zone is also restricting the rear access/driveway to 127-133 Rowe Street. Refer to Figure 3.

The removal of the Loading Zone will improve traffic flow conditions and laneway access.



Figure 3: Loading zone on Hillview Lane near the intersection of Coolgun Lane

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#### CONSULTATION

A "Have Your Say" consultation was carried out for two weeks between 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022 to 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Letters were distributed to local residents and businesses as shown in Figure 4 to determine the level of support for the proposal.



Figure 4: Community Engagement Distribution Map

Two (2) responses were received out of thirty-two (32) surveys distributed, both in favour of the proposal.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

a) The existing Loading Zone on the southern side of Hillview Lane at the rear of properties 127 to 133 Rowe Street, Eastwood be removed and replaced with No Stopping.

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# ITEM (D): 17 BUFFALO ROAD, GLADESVILLE SUBJECT: FORMALISATION OF MAIL ZONE

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest with regards to the item discussed below.

#### PROPOSAL

Council is proposing to formalise the existing Mail Zone (5.8 metre long) in front of 17 Buffalo Road, Gladesville to ensure access during Australia Post operational hours.



Figure 1: Location map

#### DISCUSSION

Council's Rangers Team and Australia Post have reported several instances of vehicles parking in front of the mailbox preventing mail pickup during business hours at the property frontage of 17 Buffalo Road, Gladesville.

To address this issue, it is proposed that 5.8 metre long "MAIL ZONE, 10AM - 5PM, MON-FRI" signage be installed to designate this area.



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Figure 2: Mail zone outside of 17 Buffalo Road Gladesville.

#### CONSULTATION

Australia Post was consulted regarding the operational hours. Public consultation was not required as the mailbox is an existing infrastructure. However, notification letters will be issued prior to the installation of Mail Zone signs.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

 a) The existing Mail Zone be formalised by installing 5.8 metre long "MAIL ZONE, 10AM – 5PM, MON-FRI" at the property frontage of 17 Buffalo Road, Gladesville.

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# ITEM (E): ROAD SAFETY UPDATE SUBJECT: ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMS

ELECTORATE: RYDE / LANE COVE WARD: ALL

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest with regards to the items discussed below.

#### TRANSPORT FOR NEW SOUTH WALES (TINSW) FUNDED PROGRAMS

Safer Driving for Seniors workshop was held on 31 April with 24 attendees. Various information and resources distributed.

#### COUNCIL FUNDED PROGRAMS

#### Youth Week

Car maintenance workshop run by Galmatic with 16 participants was held on 12 April.

#### School Holiday Learn to Ride Program

Learn to Ride and Cycle Skills for Kids classes were held on 22 April. 30 participants in the morning Learn to Ride class, but only five attended in the afternoon class due to poor weather. Will look at making this program a regular school holiday event to support active travel to school programs.

#### School Zone Safety Program

- New footpath flagged for Cooney Street to improve access to Holy Spirit Primary School and enable removal of non-compliant Children's Crossing and relocation of Kiss & Drop zone to Marilyn Street.
- Term 2 School Zone Safety Newsletter has been distributed to all primary schools. This is a joint program with Lane Cove and Hornsby Shire Councils. See below (Figures 1 & 2).
- Working with Meadowbank Public School on school zone safety resources created by students – printing postcards, stickers and fence banners that will be used in safety program rolling out over coming weeks.
- Council's Transport team, Parking Enforcement team and Ryde Police Area Command (PAC) are currently reviewing traffic, parking and safety around the new Meadowbank Employment and Education Precinct now that the new site has

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opened. A number of proposed changes to improve conditions will be discussed at a meeting with School Infrastructure NSW in early May.

#### 'What If?' Young driver safety program

- Program is a partnership between City of Ryde, Hornsby Council, Ryde PAC and Eastwood Gladesville Liquor Accord. Targets four high schools per year to deliver a morning of presentations, activities and demonstrations around alcohol awareness and road safety for young drivers. First school participating in the 2022 program is Ryde Secondary College on 20 May.

#### Upcoming events

- Walk Safely to School Day 20 May encouraging schools to be involved and register for the breakfast packages offered by NSW Health.
- National Road Safety Week 15-22 May:
  - Kidsafe and Transurban are partnering with local Councils to fund a Child Car Seat Checking Day during National Road Safety Week. City of Ryde's will be held on 19 May at Blenheim Park.
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Council will promote messaging on social media and in staff newsletters.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

a) The Road Safety report be received and noted.

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# **Parking Rules**

Please park safely and legally on the streets around your school. Park legally so you do not incur parking fines and demerit points. Council's Traffic Compliance Officers and NSW Police enforce parking around schools. If you park contrary to the road rules you will be fined!





Point's are substantially higher for offences committed in School Zones. All penalties are set by the NSW State-Government.
 For a list of all school zone driving and parking offences in New South Wales visit.
 Https://toads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/documents/hoads/safety-rules/dements-school.pdf

Figure 2

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#### ITEM (F): BRENDON STREET AND FLINDERS ROAD, NORTH RYDE SUBJECT: PARKING AND ACCESS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest with regards to the item discussed below.

#### PROPOSAL

Council is proposing to formalise No Stopping signage, install a section of No Parking and paint the Give Way hold lines at the intersections of Brendon Street with Flinders Road and Cave Avenue, North Ryde.



Figure 1: Location map

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#### DISCUSSION

Council have been contacted by residents of Brendon Street, North Ryde regarding traffic and parking issues in their street.



Figure 2: Overview showing Signage and linemarking changes

The primary nature of the concern is with access to residential driveways caused by vehicles parking on the western side of Brendon Street. This issue is associated with increased parking demand in the area attributed to increased utilisation of the commercial area on Flinders Road.

Council's Urban Strategy department have also received comments regarding this issue and reccomended that a review of the parking arrangements be conducted.

#### CONSULTATION

Aside from the No Parking zone, this is to reinforce the existing conditions and Road Rules. The section of No Parking is considered to be a safety issue. The only affected

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property 5 Brendon Street is currently under construction, thus consultation cannot be carried out.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

- a) Statutory 10 metre No Stopping signs be installed at the intersections of Brendon Street with Flinders Road and Cave Avenue, North Ryde.
- b) Give Way hold lines (TB) and associated signs be installed at the intersections of Brendon Street with Flinders Road and Cave Avenue, North Ryde.
- c) A 13-metre-long section of No Parking be installed on the western side of Brendon Street, opposite its intersection with Cave Avenue.



# INFORMATION REPORT

## 11 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MAY 2022

Report prepared by: Chief Financial Officer File No.: GRP/21/8 - BP22/456

#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report details Council's performance of its investment portfolio as at 31 May 2022 and compares it against key benchmarks. The report includes Council's loan liabilities.

Council's rate of return on investments for the reporting period is 1.78%, which is 1.37% above the benchmark figure of 0.41%.

Income from interest on investments is budgeted at \$2,893K and as at 31 May 2022 funds of \$2,881K have been earned.

## ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

**Report Prepared By:** 

#### Aneesh Zahra Chief Financial Officer

Report Approved By:

Mark Eady Director - Corporate Services

## Discussion

Council's Responsible Accounting Officer is required to report monthly on Council's Investment Portfolio as per the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 Section 212 and certify that the Investments are held in accordance with Council's Investment Policy and Section 625 of the *Local Government Act* 1993.

## **Investment Performance Commentary**

Council's performance against the benchmark for returns of its investment portfolio for May 2022 and the past 12 months are as follows:

	May	12 Mth	FYTD
Council Return	1.78	1.42	1.53
Benchmark	0.41	0.05	0.05
Variance	1.37	1.37	1.48



# **Performance - All Investments**

Council's investment portfolio as at 31 May 2022 was as follows:

Cash/Term Deposits	\$109.67M	48.79%
Floating Rate Notes	\$35.92M	15.98%
Fixed Bonds	\$79.19M	35.23%
Total Investments	\$224.79M	



Council continues to utilise the Federal Government's current guarantee (\$250K) investing in Term Deposits with a range of Authorised Deposit Taking Institutions (ADI's) on short to medium term investments (generally 30 days to 180 days maturity) where more competitive rates are available.

Council's income from investments continues to exceed original budgeted expectations, primarily due to Council's cash reserves balances being higher than anticipated.

## Loan Liability

Council's loan liability as at 31 May 2022 was \$801K which represents the balance of two loans which were established under the Local Infrastructure Renewal Scheme (LIRS). Council receives a 3% interest subsidy payment from the OLG twice a year.

- 1. A \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 31 January 2014 at 180 day Bank Bill Swap rate (BBSW) of +175 basis points for the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 2. The interest rate for this loan is reset every six months.
- 2. A \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 1 September 2014 at 4.95% for Phase 2 of the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 3.

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#### INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS AT 31 MAY 2022

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating ▼	Fossil Fu∉ ▼	Invested at 31-May-22 \$000's <mark>▼</mark>	Annualised Period Return (% ▼	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 202 ▼	% of Total	Maturity 🔻	Tenc
Bank of Queensland	1. Bank of Queensland Floating									
	Rate Note	AAA	Y	1,200	1.68	1.16	1.16	0.53	14/05/2025	1826
National Australia Bank	<ol><li>NAB Fixed Bond (Covered)</li></ol>	AAA	Y	3,748	3.10	3.10	3.10	1.67	16/03/2023	1826
Suncorp-Metway	3. Suncorp Covered Bond	AAA	N	3,958	3.56	3.55	3.55	1.76	24/08/2026	1593
Westpac Banking Corporation	4. WBC Covered Bond	AAA	Y	3,192	3.92	3.92	3.92	1.42	20/05/2025	1096
Australia and New Zealand	5. ANZ Fixed Bond			4 500	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.07	10/01/0000	1000
Banking Group	ANZ Fixed Deed	AA-	Y	1,500	3.16	3.16	3.16	0.67	18/01/2023	1826
Australia and New Zealand	6. ANZ Fixed Bond		v	0.000	0.40	0.44	0.40	1.00	8/02/2024	4000
Banking Group Australia and New Zealand	7. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,999	3.13	3.14	3.13	1.33	8/02/2024	1826
Banking Group	7. ANZ FIXed Bolid	AA-	Y	2,000	1.56	1.57	1.57	0.89	29/08/2024	1827
Australia and New Zealand	8. ANZ Fixed Bond	,,,,		2,000	1.00	1.07	1.07	0.00	20/00/2024	1021
Banking Group		AA-	Y	1,995	1.67	1.67	1.67	0.89	29/08/2024	1805
Australia and New Zealand	9. ANZ Fixed Bond		·····	1,000				0.00	20/00/2021	
Banking Group		AA-	Y	1,998	1.69	1.70	1.70	0.89	16/01/2025	1827
Australia and New Zealand	10. ANZ Fixed Bond									
Banking Group		AA-	Y	2,985	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.33	29/08/2024	1612
Australia and New Zealand	11. ANZ Fixed Bond									
Banking Group		AA-	Y	2,000	4.09	4.09	4.09	0.89	12/05/2025	1096
Australia and New Zealand	12. ANZ Floating Rate Note									
Banking Group		AA-	Y	1,500	1.14	0.81	0.77	0.67	18/01/2023	1826
Australia and New Zealand	<ol> <li>ANZ Floating Rate Note</li> </ol>									
Banking Group		AA-	Y	2,000	1.61	1.01	1.01	0.89	9/05/2023	1826
Australia and New Zealand	14. ANZ Term Deposit									
Banking Group		AA-	Y	4,000	2.17	1.60	1.61	1.78	10/11/2022	2557
Australia and New Zealand	15. ANZ Term Deposit									
Banking Group		AA-	Y	4,000	1.61	1.52	1.52	1.78	15/12/2022	2557
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	16. CBA Business Online Saver		v	04.070	0.40	0.00	0.00	40.00		
Commonwealth Bank of	17. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	24,676	0.42	0.20	0.22	10.98		
Australia	17. CBA Fixed Bolid	AA-	Y	3,996	3.41	3.41	3.41	1.78	25/04/2023	1916
Commonwealth Bank of	18. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	P0000000000000000000000000000000000000	3,990	3.41	3.41	3.41	1.70	25/04/2023	1910
Australia	10. ODA TIXed Dolla	AA-	Y	3,498	3.28	3.27	3.27	1.56	16/08/2023	1826
Commonwealth Bank of	19. CBA Fixed Bond	701	•	0,400	0.20	0.27	0.27	1.00	10/00/2020	1020
Australia		AA-	Y	3,490	3.23	3.23	3.23	1.55	11/01/2024	1826
Commonwealth Bank of	20. CBA Term Deposit		*****							
Australia		AA-	Y	4,000	0.80	0.55	0.56	1.78	22/02/2023	365
National Australia Bank	21. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,999	3.08	3.08	3.08	1.78	10/02/2023	1918
National Australia Bank	22. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,999	2.95	2.93	2.93	1.33	26/02/2024	1826
National Australia Bank	23. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,492	2.98	2.98	2.98	1.55	25/02/2027	1826
National Australia Bank	24. NAB Floating Rate Note	AA-	Y	4,000	1.46	0.99	1.00	1.78	16/05/2023	1826
National Australia Bank	25. NAB Floating Rate Note	AA-	Y	2,000	1.10	0.99	0.99	0.89	19/06/2024	1827
National Australia Bank	26. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.90	0.53	0.55	1.78	24/02/2023	365
National Australia Bank	27. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	2,000	1.83	1.83	1.83	0.89	12/10/2022	146
National Australia Bank	28. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.52	0.43	0.44	1.78	11/11/2022	365
National Australia Bank	29. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.30	0.30	0.30	1.78	16/06/2022	273
National Australia Bank National Australia Bank	30. NAB Term Deposit 31. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y Y	4,000	0.30	0.38 0.53	0.35 0.54	1.78	16/06/2022	273
National Australia Bank	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	AA-	Y Y	4,000	0.65	3.35	0.54	1.78	11/01/2023 18/09/2023	365 1827
National Australia Bank	32. NAB Term Deposit 33. NAB Term Deposit	AA- AA-	Y Y	4,000 2,000	3.35 0.55	0.53	0.53	1.78 0.89	2/12/2022	365
Westpac Banking Corporation	34. Westpac Fixed Bond	AA- AA-	Y	2,000	3.25	3.25	3.25	1.11	24/04/2024	1917
Westpac Banking Corporation	35. Westpac Fixed Bond	AA- AA-	Y	2,491	2.76	2.76	2.76	1.16	17/03/2025	1096
Westpac Banking Corporation	36. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	3.32	3.32	3.32	1.78	9/08/2022	1813
Westpac Banking Corporation	37. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Ý	2,000	3.38	3.38	3.38	0.89	18/08/2022	1815
Westpac Banking Corporation	38. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Ŷ	4,000	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.78	16/02/2024	729
Macquarie Bank	39. Macquarie Bank Fixed Bond	A+	Ŷ	3,999	1.71	1.70	1.70	1.78	12/02/2025	1827
Suncorp-Metway	40. Suncorp-Metway Fixed Bond	A+	N	3,591	2.58	2.58	2.58	1.60	25/01/2027	1826
Suncorp-Metway	41. Suncorp Fixed Bond	A+	N	3,830	3.60	3.58	3.58	1.70	25/01/2027	1763
Suncorp-Metway	42. Suncorp-Metway Floating									
	Rate Note (Covered)	A+	N	1,000	1.53	1.06	1.06	0.44	16/08/2022	1826
Suncorp-Metway	<ol> <li>Suncorp-Metway Floating</li> </ol>									
	Rate Note	A+	N	1,200	1.66	1.22	1.22	0.53	24/04/2025	1823
Bank of Queensland	44. ME Bank At Call Account	BBB+	Y	595	0.35	0.52	0.51	0.26		
Bank of Queensland	45. BoQ Fixed Bond	BBB+	Y	3,795	2.14	2.15	2.15	1.69	27/10/2026	1826
Bank of Queensland	46. BoQ Fixed Bond	BBB+	Y	1,823	4.07	4.00	4.00	0.81	6/05/2026	1496
Bank of Queensland	<ol> <li>Bank of Queensland Term Deposit</li> </ol>	BBB+	Y	2,000	2.55	2.55	2.55	0.89	13/06/2024	1827
Bank of Queensland	48. Bank of Queensland Term	DDDT		2,000	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.03	13/00/2024	1021
	Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	0.43	0.45	0.44	1.78	16/09/2022	365
	49. ME Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	0.43	0.43	0.53	0.89	16/06/2022	363

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#### INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS AT 31 MAY 2022

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating ▼	Fossil Fue T	Invested at 31-May-22 \$000's ▼	Annualised Period Return (%/ ▼	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 202 ▼	% of Total	Maturit, 🔻	Tenc
Bank of Queensland	50. Bank of Queensland Term	Kaung	Fue	\$000 S	Keturn (/	mvesimenta	July 202	Investe	waturity	Tent
Dank of Queensiand	Deposit	BBB+	Y	2.000	0.70	2.23	2.09	0.89	9/12/2022	365
Bank of Queensland	51. Bank of Queensland Term	DDD+		2,000	0.70	2.20	2.03	0.03	3/12/2022	303
Dank of Queensiand	Deposit	BBB+	Y	4.000	3.50	3.50	3.50	1.78	15/11/2022	1804
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	52. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	DDD1	•	4,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.70	10/11/2022	1004
Dendigo and Adelaide Dank	Fixed Bond	BBB+	N	2.000	3.54	3.54	3.54	0.89	25/01/2023	1826
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	53. Bendigo Fixed Bond	BBB+	N	3,743	3.10	3.10	3.10	1.67	17/03/2025	1020
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	54. Bendigo Bank Fixed Bond	BBB+	N	989	3.44	3.44	3.44	0.44	17/03/2025	1088
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	55. Bendigo Fixed Bond	BBB+	N	2.487	3.26	3.23	3.23	1.11	6/09/2024	882
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	56. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	0001		2,407	0.20	0.20	0.20		0/03/2024	002
Bonaigo ana Adolaido Baint	Floating Rate Note	BBB+	N	1.999	1.63	1.20	1.20	0.89	25/01/2023	1532
Heritage Bank	57. Heritage Bank Floating Rate			1,000				0.00	20/01/2020	
nontago Bank	Note	BBB+	N	2.000	1.46	0.90	0.90	0.89	12/08/2022	1085
Members Banking Group	58. RACQ FRN	BBB+	?	2,000	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.89	23/05/2025	1096
MyState Bank	59. MyState FRN	BBB+	N	1,500	0.80	0.71	0.71	0.67	16/06/2025	1461
MyState Bank	60. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	N	2,000	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.89	11/10/2023	730
MyState Bank	61. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	N	2,000	1.69	1.69	1.69	0.89	4/03/2024	732
MyState Bank	62. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	N	2,000	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.89	29/11/2022	365
MyState Bank	63. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	N	2,000	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.89	4/11/2022	365
AMP	64. AMP At Call Account	BBB	Y	398	0.51	0.50	0.50	0.18		
AMP	65. AMP Term Deposit	BBB	Y	1,000	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.44	2/08/2022	368
Auswide Bank	66. Auswide Bank Floating Rate		*********							
	Note	BBB	N	1,500	1.22	1.12	1.12	0.67	17/03/2023	1095
Auswide Bank	67. Auswide Bank Term Deposit	BBB	N	2.000	1.24	1.54	1.53	0.89	5/02/2024	720
Bank Australia	68. Bank Australia Floating Rate									000000000000000000000000000000000000000
	Note	BBB	N	2.000	1.00	0.95	0.96	0.89	2/12/2022	1096
Credit Union Australia	69. Great Southern Bank Floating									
	Rate Note	BBB	N	1.000	1.66	1.22	1.22	0.44	24/10/2024	1827
Credit Union Australia	70. Great Southern Bank Term									
	Deposit	BBB	N	2,000	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.89	31/01/2023	365
Defence Bank	71. Defence Bank Term Deposit	BBB	N	2,000	0.85	0.57	0.58	0.89	8/02/2024	730
Newcastle Permanent Building	72. NPBS FRN		0.0000		0.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000					
Society		BBB	N	2,000	0.77	0.69	0.69	0.89	4/03/2026	1826
Newcastle Permanent Building	73. NPBS FRN									
Society		BBB	N	3,235	0.76	0.76	0.76	1.44	4/03/2026	1458
Newcastle Permanent Building	74. NPBS FRN									
Society		BBB	N	3,688	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.64	10/02/2027	1720
Police & Nurses Limited	75. P&N Bank Term Deposit	BBB	N	1,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	0.44	2/11/2023	1821
Police & Nurses Limited	76. P&N Bank Term Deposit	BBB	N	2,000	1.52	1.52	1.52	0.89	31/01/2024	730
Teachers Mutual Bank	77. Teachers Mutual Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,100	0.84	0.75	0.75	0.49	16/06/2026	1826
QPCU	78. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	1,000	0.93	0.82	0.82	0.44	22/03/2024	1096
QPCU	79. QBank Term Deposit	BBB-	N	1,000	0.65	0.98	0.92	0.44	30/09/2022	364
Warwick Credit Union	80. Warwick CU Term Deposit	NR	?	1,000	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.44	9/03/2023	728
				224,785	1.78	1.58	1.58	100		

\*Monthly returns when annualised can appear to exaggerate performance

Return including Matured/Traded Investments	May	<u>12 Mth</u>	FYTD
Weighted Average Return	1.78	1.42	1.53
Benchmark Return: AusBond Bank Bill Index (%)	0.41	0.05	0.05
Variance From Benchmark (%)	1.37	1.37	1.48









are rated 'AAA'





## **Divestment of Fossil Fuel Aligned Financial Institutions**

Council uses the entity Market Forces to validate its classes of investments into either fossil fuel or non-fossil fuel aligned institutions. The figures below are conservative and do not include any financial institutions that have not declared if they are fossil fuel or non-fossil fuel aligned.

As at 31 May 2022, Council had a total amount of \$61.82M million invested in nonfossil fuel aligned financial institutions, which is 27.5% of its total investment portfolio. This is an increased proportion on previous months, as non-fossil fuel investments have recently offered higher returns that are more in keeping with the broader market.

While all efforts are made to increase Council's proportion of non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, a conflict arises with credit rating requirements. This is because non-fossil fuel investment opportunities are in the main provided by smaller institutions that have lower credit ratings. If more of these where taken up, our overall percentage of lower credit rating institutions would result in a breach of percentages set out in the adopted policy and elsewhere in this report.

This tension will be examined as part of a review of the Policy this year with a recommendation coming back to Council.

#### **Financial Implications**

Council's return for the reporting period is 1.78%, which is 1.37% above the benchmark figure of 0.41%. Income from interest on investments is budgeted at \$2,893K and as at 31 May 2022 funds of \$2,881K have been earned.

## Summary

Council's investment portfolio continues to perform well with returns above benchmark and is consistent with Section 625 of the *Local Government Act* 1993, which deals with the investment of surplus funds by Councils.

## Certificate of the Chief Financial Officer (Responsible Accounting Officer)

I certify that as at the date of this report, the investments listed have been made and are held in compliance with Council's Investment Policy and applicable legislation.

Aneesh Zahra Chief Financial Officer



# NOTICES OF MOTION

## 1 ROAD SAFETY CONCERNS AROUND 72-80 HIGGINBOTHAM ROAD, RYDE - Councillor Roy Maggio

**File Number:** CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/472

## MOTION:

- (a) That Council's Transport department urgently meet with the residents of 72-80 Higginbotham Road, Ryde to discuss their concerns with road safety following a spate of accidents in this area.
- (b) That the staff investigate solutions to minimise the potential for future accidents to occur in this area.
- (c) That a report be tabled for Council's consideration within 3 months that details the solutions investigated and the respective costs.

## 2 COUNCIL REBATE - HIRING OF TURF WICKETS FOR 2021-2022 SUMMER SEASON - Councillor Roy Maggio

**File Number:** CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/503

## **MOTION:**

That due to the significant impact of Covid and weather on the available play time, Council rebate 45% on NDCA's hiring of turf wickets for the recent 2021-2022 summer season.

## 3 SALVATION ARMY RED SHIELD APPEAL 2022 - Councillor Roy Maggio

File Number: CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/471

## **MOTION:**

- (a) That Council make a \$2,500 one off donation to the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal 2022 to be funded from the Councillor Induction Training budget.
- (b) That as part of the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal 2022, a 6<sup>th</sup> Charity Golf Day is to be held at North Ryde Golf Course with a tentative date of Friday, 8 July 2022. Given the fact that this represents an opportunity for further promotion and support by Council of the Red Shield Appeal as well as a valuable marketing, partnership and promotion opportunity for Council (given the prominent location within the LGA), it is recommended that Council purchase a Gold Sponsorship at a cost of \$3,300 to be funded from the Councillor Induction Training budget.
- (c) That the Mayor write to the Principals of Meadowbank High School, Ryde Secondary College, Marist College Eastwood and Holy Cross College Ryde requesting that they nominate two (2) students each to be included in the City of Ryde sponsored teams.
- (d) That a photo shoot be arranged on the golf day that includes the event organisers and City of Ryde participants to advertise Council's support and goodwill for the Red Shield Appeal, that is then released through Council's media channels.

## 4 AUSTRALIAN CHANGE DIVIDEND - Councillor Sophie Lara-Watson

#### File Number: CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/482

## **MOTION:**

That the City of Ryde Council:-

- (a) Recognise the work of the previous Ryde Youth Council, who advocated for stronger climate change action through the Australian Change Dividend model.
- (b) Supports the reduction of emissions through policies like the Australian Climate Dividend as described in Richard Holden and Rosalind Dixon's paper "A Climate Dividend for Australians."
- (c) Request the Mayor to write to the Federal Government to enact policies like the Australian Change Dividend to ensure global warming does not increase above 2°C at the turn of the century.

## 5 SAFE LAUNCHING PLATFORM FOR KAYAKS AT THE WHARF ROAD BOAT RAMP - Councillor Trenton Brown

## File Number: CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/506

#### **MOTION:**

- (a) That the City of Ryde Council acknowledge the proposal from Mr Justin Paine and the Lane Cove River Kayak Club.
- (b) That Ryde Council liaise with TfNSW (Maritime) to:-
  - (i) make minor improvements to improve the safety and accessibility of the Wharf Road Boat Ramp.
  - (ii) permit kayakers to safely launch from the unused northern section of the jetty.
  - (iii) engage with Paddle NSW and the Lane Cove River Kayak Club to improve general access to the ramp.
  - (iv) seek suitable grants to fund the minor improvements referred to in part (a) above.

## 6 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ON CRESSY ROAD AT EAST RYDE - Councillor Penny Pedersen

File Number: CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/496

#### MOTION:

- (a) That Council notes:-
  - (i) That students should be able to walk safely to school, reducing the need for parents and more vehicles to travel into school zones.
  - (ii) That vehicles make U-turns off Twin Road at Cressy Road and John Miller Street in East Ryde.
- (b) That Council staff liaise with residents and school community at Ryde East Public School regarding the safety of students crossing Cressy Road at Twin Road intersection and bring back a report that considers the following suggestions:-
  - (i) No parking near the corner of Cressy Road and Twin Road before and after school, to increase visibility for pedestrians.
  - (ii) Pedestrian refuge devices be installed on Cressy Road on both sides of Twin Road, to prevent U turns and prevent cars cutting corners.
  - (iii) Extension of the 40km zone on Twin Road to the Elliott Avenue and Moncrieff Drive intersection.

## 7 ADVOCATING FOR CHANGE TO THE NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION CODE - Councillor Penny Pedersen

## File Number: CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/497

## **MOTION:**

- (a) That Council notes that:-
  - (i) The National Construction Code (NCC) is updated every 3 years, based on required regulatory practices, industry research, public feedback provided and policy directions from Governments to the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) between publishing cycles. Updated content is included in the PCD for consultation, seeking comment on the suggested amendments and/or inclusions to the next edition of the NCC.



- (ii) The Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) is currently consulting on stage 1 of National Construction Code (NCC) 2022 public comment draft (PCD) and submissions are open <u>until 11:59 PM</u> AEST <u>Sunday 11 July</u>.
- (iii) That following the findings of climate Council's report: 'Tents to Castles: building energy efficient, cost-saving Aussie Homes' they published a series of recommendations.
- (b) That the General Manager:-
  - Forward a submission to the ABCB's online Consultation Hub, calling on the ABCB to adopt the following recommendations from the Climate Council's report:-
    - states and territories should support lifting energy efficiency standards in the 2022 update to the National Construction Code and implement the update at a state and territory level by the end of 2022. If the national update is delayed or unsuccessful, states and territories should nonetheless commit to proceeding with a move to 7-Star homes in their jurisdiction by the end of 2022.
    - push for additional updates to the National Construction Code to ensure homes are future-ready.
    - implement mandatory energy efficiency disclosure at point-of-sale.
    - implement minimum energy efficiency standards for rental properties by 2025.
    - comprehensively upgrade existing social housing so they are energy efficient.
    - increase incentives for home energy efficiency improvements including appliance replacement and thermal-performance upgrades.
    - investigate opportunities to incentivise the replacement of all residential gas appliances.
    - ensure housing standards are prepared for worsening climate extremes.
  - (ii) Write to NSW Minister for Small Business and Minister for Fair Trading, The Hon. Eleni Petinos MP, The Hon. Victor Dominello MP, The Hon. Matt Keen MP and The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning and Homes calling on them to support the findings and recommendations of the Climate Council's report.

#### 8 CONGRATULATIONS TO COUNCILLOR JEROME LAXALE ON BEING ELECTED AS THE NEW MEMBER FOR BENNELONG - Councillor Penny Pedersen

File Number: CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/498

## **MOTION:**

- (a) That Council acknowledge and congratulate Councillor Jerome Laxale on his successful campaign for the seat of Bennelong at the federal election and extend gratitude to all candidates who took time from their lives to contest the election.
- (b) That Council looks forward to working closely with the new federal member and acknowledges the importance of having a federal representative who lives in the electorate and who has represented our community at a local level. Congratulations.



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# **QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS AS PER POLICY**

## 1 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE - Councillor Roy Maggio

**File Number:** CLM/22/1/1/10 - BP22/470

Question 1:

Please provide Cambridge Market charges to stallholders.

Question 2:

What is the Councils return?

Question 3:

Why is the planning department of Council having constant delays in processing development applications?



# **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

## 12 PROPOSED DRAINAGE EASEMENTS WITHIN SMALLS ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW STORMWATER DRAINAGE LINE

## Confidential

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

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