

# MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

# Held at COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HORNSBY

# on Wednesday 11 December 2024

at 6:30 PM



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#### WELCOME TO COUNTRY

A Welcome to Country was given by the Darug and GuriNgai Traditional Owner representative, Aunty Ros Fogg.

#### PRESENT

Councillors Waddell (Chairman), Ball, Conley, Greenwood, McClelland, McIntosh, McSweeney, Seaglove, Simons, and Tilbury.

#### NATIONAL ANTHEM

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Reverend Mike Begbie from St Lukes Anglican Church, Hornsby Heights opened the meeting in prayer.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY

Statement by the Chairman:

"We recognise our Shire's rich cultural and religious diversity and we acknowledge and pay respect to the beliefs of all members of our community, regardless of creed or faith."

#### VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETING

Statement by the Chairman:

"I advise all present that tonight's meeting is being video streamed live via Council's website and also audio recorded for the purposes of providing a record of public comment at the meeting, supporting the democratic process, broadening knowledge and participation in community affairs, and demonstrating Council's commitment to openness and accountability. The audio and video recordings of the non-confidential parts of the meeting will be made available on Council's website once the Minutes have been finalised. All speakers are requested to ensure their comments are relevant to the issue at hand and to refrain from making personal comments or criticisms. No other persons are permitted to record the Meeting, unless specifically authorised by Council to do so."

# **APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

# POLITICAL DONATIONS DISCLOSURE

Statement by the Chairman:

"In accordance with Section 10.4 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, any person or organisation who has made a relevant planning application or a submission in respect of a relevant planning application which is on tonight's agenda, and who has made a reportable political

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donation or gift to a Councillor or employee of the Council, must make a Political Donations Disclosure Statement.

If a Councillor or employee has received a reportable political donation or gift from a person or organisation who has made a relevant planning application or a submission in respect of a relevant planning application which is on tonight's agenda, they must declare a non-pecuniary conflict of interests to the meeting, disclose the nature of the interest and manage the conflict of interests in accordance with Council's Code of Conduct."

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil

#### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR BALL,

THAT the Minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 13 November 2024 be confirmed, a copy having been distributed to all Councillors.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

#### PETITIONS

Nil

#### PRESENTATIONS

Nil

#### **RESCISSION MOTIONS**

Nil

#### **MAYORAL MINUTES**

Nil

# ITEMS PASSED BY EXCEPTION / CALL FOR SPEAKERS ON AGENDA ITEMS

THE MAYOR ANNOUNCED his intention to deal with the balance of the Business Paper by the exception method and announced the items.

Items 1, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 were withdrawn for discussion.

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCSWEENEY,

THAT the recommendations in respect of items 2, 3, 4, 7, 8 and 15 be adopted.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL

#### AGAINST: NIL

For the sake of clarity, the above items are recorded in Agenda sequence.

Note: Item 9 was called over and noted.

Note: Persons wishing to address Council on matters which were on the Agenda were permitted to address or provided a written submission to Council prior to the item being discussed. The names of speakers are recorded in the Minutes in respect of the particular item.

Note: Persons wishing to address Council on Non Agenda items were permitted to speak after all items on the Agenda in respect of which there was a speaker from the public were finalised by Council. Their names are recorded in the Minutes under the heading "Public Forum – Non Agenda Items".

#### GENERAL BUSINESS

#### OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

1 GM55/24 Review of Council's Delegations and Power of Attorney to the General Manager

#### (F2004/09419-015)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR SIMONS, seconded by COUNCILLOR BALL,

THAT:

1. The following delegation be granted to the General Manager, and any person holding the position in an acting capacity:

#### **Delegation of Authority**

Pursuant to the powers of delegation conferred on Council by Sections 377 and 381 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), **HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL** delegates to **STEVEN HEAD**, General Manager of the Council, the power to exercise all the functions, powers, duties, and authorities conferred upon Council pursuant to:

- 1. The Local Government Act 1993 (NSW).
- 2. The Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (NSW).
- 3. All other Acts whatsoever under which Council has functions, powers, duties, and authorities.
- 4. All regulations, by-laws, rules and the like made by or under any of the Acts referred

to in 1, 2 or 3 above.

**Subject to** any resolution made from time to time by the said Council and provided always that such delegation of powers shall not and shall not be deemed to extend to:

- 1. Any of the matters expressly reserved to the Council in section 377 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW).
- 2. The alteration of the meeting cycle of Council.
- 3. The overview and direction of business activities.
- 4. The role of the Mayor as provided for in and determined under section 226 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW).
- 5. Major unique items where no policy, practice or code of the Council exists.
- 6. Adoption of Local Environmental Plans, Development Control Plans and section 7.11 and 7.12 Contribution Plans pursuant to the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (NSW).
- 7. Adoption of Council policies and codes.
- 8. Items in respect of which the Mayor or a Councillor has specifically requested the General Manager to place before Council for determination by Council.

**Subject to** the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW) and the other Acts referred to above the functions, powers, duties and authorities hereby delegated by Council to the General Manager pursuant to this resolution remain in force until otherwise revised or revoked by resolution of the Council; and

**Subject to** Council reviewing each delegation during the first 12 months of each term of office.

2. The following Power of Attorney be granted to the General Manager:

#### **Power of Attorney**

- The Council appoints Steven Head, General Manager of the Hornsby Shire Council to be its Attorney. Council's Attorney may exercise authority conferred on him by Part 2 of the *Powers of Attorney Act 2003* (NSW) to do so on Council's behalf anything Council may lawfully authorise an Attorney to do. Council's Attorney's authority is subject to any additional powers and restrictions specified in Part 2 of this document.
- 2. This Power of Attorney operates from 11 December 2024 until 31 August 2029 unless the General Manager vacates office prior to this date.

#### PART 2 – Additional Powers and Restrictions

This Power of Attorney is subject to the following conditions and limitations:

This Power of Attorney authorises the Attorney to execute documents, dealings and instruments relating to the matter detailed in the Schedule and for the purpose of giving effect to resolutions of the Council where resolutions are required relating to the matters, including

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those detailed in the Schedule:

#### SCHEDULE

- 1. The creation (whether by acquisition or other means), disposal or extinguishment of an interest in land.
- 2. The creation, disposal, variation or extinguishment of a right, obligation, easement, or other interest in land.
- 3. Contracts, and all other necessary documents, for the purchase and sale of land.
- 4. Licences and leases.
- 5. Contracts for works services and supply of goods.
- 3. The Common Seal of Council be affixed to the Power of Attorney document.
- 4. An Informal Councillor Briefing be scheduled within six months, where Councillors can consider the broader framework of delegations management, to identify any opportunities for enhancing Council's governance and management objectives.
- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: NIL

#### 2 GM60/24 Community Engagement Strategy

#### (F2018/00308)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCSWEENEY,

THAT:

- Council adopt the Community Engagement Strategy attached to General Manager's Report No. GM60/24.
- 2. Submitters be advised of Council's decision and thanked for their interest in community engagement in Hornsby Shire.
- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

#### CORPORATE SUPPORT DIVISION

# 3 CS61/24 Investments and Borrowings for 2024/2025 - Status for the Period Ending 31 October 2024

#### (F2004/06987-02)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCSWEENEY,

THAT the contents of Director's Report No. CS61/24 be received and noted.

- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: NIL

# 4 CS62/24 Pecuniary Interest and Other Matters Returns - Disclosures by Councillors

#### (F2024/00316)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCSWEENEY,

THAT Council note the Written Returns of Interest recently lodged with the General Manager by Councillors have been tabled as required by the Local Government Act and Councils Code of Conduct.

- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: NIL

#### COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT DIVISION

Nil

# PLANNING AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION

#### 5 PC19/24 Report on Submissions - Hornsby Affordable Housing Strategy

(F2024/00229#001)

Mr. Roman Goydych, of Cherrybrook addressed Council regarding this item.

Ms Meighan Heard, on behalf of Sydney Alliance, Hornsby Local Team addressed Council regarding this item.

Mr. Justin Micallef, of Oakstand NSW on behalf of Haps Hotels, addressed Council regarding this item.

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR TILBURY,

THAT:

- 1. Council endorse the Hornsby Affordable Housing Strategy attached to Director's Report No. PC19/24.
- 2. Notification be published on Council's website.
- 3. Submitters be advised of Council's decision and thanked for their interest in affordable housing issues in Hornsby Shire.
- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: NIL

# 6 PC20/24 Report on Submissions - Heritage and Housekeeping Planning Proposal

#### (PP/1/2024)

Ms Aino Nareneva, of EPM Projects on behalf of Barker College addressed Council regarding this item.

Mrs Jacqueline Taylor, of Hornsby addressed Council regarding this item.

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCSWEENEY, seconded by COUNCILLOR TILBURY,

THAT:

- 1. Council endorse the Heritage and Housekeeping Planning Proposal as amended (attached to Director's Report No. PC20/24) and progress with finalisation of amendments to the Hornsby Local Environmental Plan 2013 as the Local Plan-Making Authority.
- 2. Submitters be advised of Council's decision.
- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

#### INFRASTRUCTURE AND MAJOR PROJECTS DIVISION

# 7 IM25/24 SRV Shared Path Project Schedule

#### (F2018/00293)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCSWEENEY,

THAT Council endorse the updated prioritisation matrix and project inclusions as part of the SRV allocations for Shared Paths and in accordance with Council's Annual Operational Plan and Delivery Program.

- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: NIL

#### CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

#### 8 CS63/24 Proposed Sale of Surplus Land at Normanhurst

This report was deemed confidential under Section 10A (2) (c) of the Local Government Act, 1993. This report contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

#### (F2021/00288)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCSWEENEY,

THAT:

- Council agree to the sale of the property identified within Confidential Director's Report No. CS63/24 in accordance with the proposed next steps detailed within Confidential Director's Report No. CS63/24.
- 2. The General Manager be authorised to execute any documents in relation to this matter deemed appropriate by Council's legal advisers.
- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

#### PUBLIC FORUM – NON AGENDA ITEMS

Mrs Rebecca Runnalls and Ms Ruth Swadling, on behalf of Hornsby Relay for Life Organising Committee, presented a certificate of appreciation to Council and thanked the staff for all their efforts in assisting the Relay for Life event.

Ms Stacey Powell, of Berowra Heights addressed Council in relation to building and compliance issues in the local area.

Mr Geoff Knowles, on behalf of the Westleigh Water Board Alliance thanked Council for all their efforts regarding Westleigh Park's approval for the next stage of development.

Mr Mick Gallagher, of Mount Colah addressed Council regarding traffic management and parking in the local area.

#### **QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

#### MAYOR'S NOTES

#### 9 MN9/24 Mayors Notes 01 November 2024 to 30 November 2024

#### (F2004/07053-002)

Note: These are the functions that the Mayor, or his representative, has attended in addition to the normal Council Meetings, Workshops, Mayoral Interviews and other Council Committee Meetings.

<u>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Hornsby Relay for Life 2024 at Rolf Park, Hornsby Heights.

<u>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Dish 20-year celebrations at St Peter's Anglican Church, Hornsby.

<u>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Asquith Bowling Club Presentation of the Hornsby Shire Cup at the Asquith Bowling Club.

<u>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Sunset Concert Series Outdoor Concert in Fagan Park, Galston.

<u>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Asquith Girls High School's 2024 Musical "Get with the Times" at the Concourse in Chatswood.

<u>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended an afternoon tea hosted by Studio ARTES, Jersey Lane Hornsby.

<u>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Studio Artes 2024 Annual Ball - Ball of Rock at Hornsby RSL.

<u>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Ferry Artists Presents event at Wisemans Ferry.

Saturday 9th November 2024 - The Mayor attended the Beat Retreat Ceremony at Glenorie RSL

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Club.

<u>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Brooklyn Community Theatre production of "Run for your Wife" at Rest Park Brooklyn.

<u>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Urinetown production presented by Hornsby Musical Society at the pioneer theatre Castle Hill.

<u>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Remembrance Day Service at Anzac Jawan Cenotaph Shepherds Drive, Cherrybrook.

<u>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – On behalf of the Mayor, Councillor Seaglove attended Galston Remembrance Day at the Galston Cenotaph.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024 – The Mayor attended the Remembrance Day Commemorations at the Hornsby RSL club.

<u>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor hosted two Citizenship Ceremonies at the Administration Building at 296 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby.

<u>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attend Glenorie Progress Association AGM and General Meeting at Glenorie RSL.

<u>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended a photo shoot for the Hornsby Aquatic Centre's 10th Birthday at Hornsby Aquatic and Leisure Centre.

<u>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust Public Meeting at the Presbyterian Church in Beecroft.

<u>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai DFV - Walk the Talk at the PCYC, Waitara.

<u>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended an Invitation to Marri Mittigar Special Assistance School at Barker College, Hornsby.

<u>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Galston High School's 50th Anniversary celebrations at Galston.

<u>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u> – The Mayor attended the Sydney Rotary Diwali Celebration at Delhi Heights Indian Restaurant, Dural.

#### CALLED OVER AND NOTED

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

10 NOM8/24 New Line Road/County Drive and New Line Road/Boundary Road Roundabouts

#### (F2004/09785-003)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR GREENWOOD, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH,

THAT Council write to Transport for NSW and Local Members of Parliament requesting that they prioritise meaningful landscape amenity improvements to the New Line Road/County Drive and New Line Road/Boundary Road roundabouts.

- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: NIL

# 11 NOM9/24 Safety Assessment of The Intersection of Beecroft Road and Kirkham Street

#### (F2004/09758)

Mr Ross Walker, on behalf of Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust provided a submission to Council regarding this item.

MOVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR TILBURY seconded by COUNCILLOR MCCLELLAND,

THAT Council:

- 1. Write to both the Transport Minister and Transport for NSW to undertake an urgent safety assessment on the intersection of Beecroft Road and Kirkham Street.
- 2. Work with the local sports clubs that regularly use Cheltenham Oval for training and matches to support council's call for a safety assessment of the Beecroft Road and Kirkham Street intersection.
- 3. Work with the Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust to actively support council's call for a safety assessment of the Beecroft Road and Kirkham Street intersection.
- 4. Write to the new State MP for Epping, Monica Tudehope, to request support for a safety assessment of the Beecroft Road and Kirkham Street intersection.

# AN AMENDMENT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCSWEENEY,

THAT Council:

- 1. Write to both the Transport Minister and Transport for NSW to undertake an urgent safety assessment on the intersection of Beecroft Road and Kirkham Street.
- 2. Work with the local sports clubs that regularly use Cheltenham Oval for training and matches to support council's call for a safety assessment of the Beecroft Road and Kirkham Street intersection.
- 3. Work with the Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust to actively support council's call for a safety assessment of the Beecroft Road and Kirkham Street intersection.
- 4. Write to the new State MP for Epping, Monica Tudehope, to request support for a safety

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assessment of the Beecroft Road and Kirkham Street intersection.

- 5. Noting the poor safety record of other intersections on Beecroft Road, the following intersections be added to points 1 to 4, seek a safety review of each of the following intersections along Beecroft Road.
  - a) Beecroft Road / Albert Street
  - b) Beecroft Road / Chapman Avenue
  - c) Beecroft Road / Hannah Street
  - d) Beecroft Road / Copeland Road
  - e) Beecroft Road / Kirkham Street

DUE TO A LACK OF SECONDER, THE AMENDMENT LAPSED

THE MOTION MOVED BY COUNCILLOR TILBURY, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCCLELLAND WAS PUT AND CARRIED

- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: NIL

#### 12 NOM10/24 Recognition of The Hon Philip Ruddock AO

#### (F2021/00171)

Mr Ross Walker, on behalf of Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust provided a submission to Council regarding this item.

#### MOVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR TILBURY seconded by COUNCILLOR GREENWOOD,

THAT in acknowledgement and gratitude of his long and distinguished career of public service in the Commonwealth Parliament and as a two term popularly elected Mayor, Council:

- 1. Thank and recognise the Hon Philip Ruddock AO.
- 2. Name the soon to be opened Southern Lookout at Hornsby Park in his honour.

AN AMENDMENT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCCLELLAND,

THAT Council in acknowledgement and gratitude of his long and distinguished career of public service in the Commonwealth Parliament and as a two term popularly elected Mayor, Council:

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- 1. Thank and recognise the Hon Philip Ruddock AO.
- 2. Defer consideration of how to most appropriately recognise Mr Ruddock's service in a public and permanent way to an Informal Councillor Briefing.

THE AMENDMENT, MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH seconded by COUNCILLOR MCCELLAND WAS PUT AND CARRIED

- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: COUNCILLORS GREENWOOD AND TILBURY

THE AMENDMENT THEREBY BECAME THE MOTION WHICH WAS PUT AND CARRIED

- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: NIL

# 13 NOM11/24 Signalisation of Intersection of Mt Pleasant Avenue and Pennant Hills Road, Normanhurst

#### (F2004/09788)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCCLELLAND,

THAT Council:

- 1. Acknowledge the ongoing traffic management issues surrounding Loreto Normanhurst and the impact this has upon local residents and users of Loreto, other schools in the precinct together with local aged care facilities.
- 2. Expresses our concern that traffic flows both within Mt Pleasant Avenue and at the intersection itself present very real safety concerns for pedestrians, local residents and vehicle users all of which could be addressed through signalisation of the intersection.
- Write to the NSW Minister for Transport, the NSW Minister for Roads and the State Member for Wahroonga urging their support to prioritise signalisation of this intersection of Mt Pleasant Avenue & Pennant Hills Road, Normanhurst.
- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL

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AGAINST: NIL

#### 14 NOM12/24 Hornsby Shire Events Program

(F2012/00682)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCCLELLAND,

That Council:

- 1. Acknowledge that:
  - a) Council plays a key role in delivering events in our community and in supporting events run by others through support with traffic management, venue hire, waste management, sustainability resources, equipment hire such as the community stage and BBQ; marketing and promotion and through financial support via our Community Events Grants Program;
  - b) There are a large number of community organisations and groups conducting longstanding and greatly valued community events in our Shire along with Council and there is an opportunity for Council to play a role as facilitator, providing a forum for collaboration, partnership and promotion between local organisations responsible for delivering events in our area;
  - c) Our community has told us they want to see a stronger focus on family-friendly and school holiday activities; activities for young people/young adults and events that reflect the demographics of our Shire: events that celebrate our multicultural community, healthy ageing, gender diversity and disability inclusion; and
  - d) There is a strategic approach required for our events program which needs to reflect the broad range of our adopted strategies including, but not limited to policies on: Community Grants and Sponsorship, Community Engagement, Sustainability, Waste Management, Active Transport, Disability Inclusion and Healthy Ageing along with Economic Development and Tourism and our focus in regard to place branding, the night time economy and destination marketing.
- 2. Undertakes a comprehensive review of our current Events Program, including the Community Events Grants Program, to consider whether existing events meet Council's strategic priorities and the needs of our residents along with how Council may play a greater role in encouraging collaboration.
- 3. Commences the review with an Informal Councillor Briefing to hear the views of Councillors and discuss the scope of the review program.
- 4. Consider ways in which Council can promote local events and destinations through a review of Council's on-line Events Calendar or through other means.
- 5. Hosts a regular Community Events Forum, inviting local event organisers to come together to

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obtain information about the levels of Council support available; evaluate the local events program both Council and community-based and to open a dialogue seeking collaboration and information-sharing to ensure that the local events calendar provides support for a variety of events throughout the whole year.

- 6. Report the outcomes prior to the implementation of any changes to the Events Program and Community Events Grants Program.
- FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL
- AGAINST: NIL

#### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS

#### 15 GM64/24 Establishment of a Trial Hornsby Special Entertainment Precinct

(F2004/06327)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR MCSWEENEY,

THAT Council approves the establishment of a Special Entertainment Precinct in the Hornsby Town Centre within the footprint of the Hornsby Town Centre Masterplan and apply for grant funding to roll out the trial.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, CONLEY, GREENWOOD, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, MCSWEENEY, SEAGLOVE, SIMONS, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

# MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil

**THE MEETING** concluded at 8.22pm.

These Minutes were confirmed at the meeting held on Wednesday 12 February 2025, at which meeting the signature hereunder was subscribed.

CONFIRMED

CHAIRMAN