



# **SUPPLEMENTARY BUSINESS PAPER**

**(Mayoral Minute MM8/26 - Item 13)**

**General Meeting**

**Wednesday 12 August 2026**

**at 6:30 PM**



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### 13 CONNECTING HORNSBY AND WESTLEIGH PARKS

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On Sunday, I joined members of our mountain biking community for a 'Golden Hour Ride' celebrating the end of an era for Westleigh H2O Mountain Bike Trails and a new beginning as Council commences construction for a new, formalised and improved trail network at Westleigh Park.

For over 15 years Council has been working with our mountain biking community to identify and deliver formalised mountain biking facilities in the area, with the Old Man's Valley trails at Hornsby Park first opening in 2013, and construction commencing at Westleigh Park in 2026.

Across this entire time the local community has advocated for the provision of an off-road link connecting the Old Man's Valley and Westleigh Park trails as a matter of significant public interest. As we progress with the construction of the Westleigh Park Trail network, I want to make sure that we don't lose sight of this shared-use connection linking two of Council's major recreational destinations for mountain bikers, pedestrians and bushwalkers alike. As well as improving cycling opportunities, it would strengthen bushland trail connections and provide greater recreational access for the broader community.

I understand that for some time Council has been progressing planning and design investigation works for the connection as part of our commitment to delivering a network of recreational trails that can be enjoyed by a wide range of users.

Upon finalisation of designs, and once approvals are secured, I want to ensure that Council has a funding model prepared to enable its delivery.

#### RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. Council note that planning and design is being progressed for a future shared-use connection between the Westleigh Mountain Bike Trails and Hornsby Park.
2. As part of the development of future budgets, Council prioritise funding to enable the link to be delivered once approvals are secured.

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Mayor

**Attachments:**

There are no attachments for this report.

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