

**MM-1 MAYORAL MINUTE - OPENING OF LIVVIS PLACE CAFE AT
TIMBRELL PARK FIVE DOCK**

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REPORT

At the 5 November 2013 meeting, Council considered a report regarding a Social Enterprise pop-up café as part of Touched by Olivia's (TBO) Livvi's Place playground in Timbrell Park. Council resolved to support the proposed partnership and enter a Memorandum of Understanding (including providing the site through a rent free licence for 18 months) with the Touched by Olivia Foundation).

On Friday 11 July, I was privileged to be invited by Touched By Olivia to officially open the new Livvi's Place Café at Timbrell Park.

This marks another major milestone and achievement in the innovative partnership between the City of Canada Bay and the Touched by Olivia Foundation.

As Councillors are aware, Touched By Olivia is a national charity established by Justine and John Perkins to create a national network of world-class, inclusive play spaces. Livvi's Place at Five Dock is their flagship playspace and the one which others around Australia are modelled on. The growth of the playground network is dependent on partnerships developed by Touched By Olivia with government, communities and private enterprise. These partnerships will create a legacy of play spaces aimed at including all citizens, regardless of age or ability.

The launch on Friday is another outstanding example of this approach. Livvi's Café represents a partnership between Touched By Olivia, the Stockland Group which provided the physical structure, café operators Daniel Cordaro and Karina Funke, and Michelle Piccolo from Break Thru People Solutions, all working with Council to deliver this social enterprise initiative.

I would like to congratulate John and Justine Perkins, from Touched by Olivia for their passion and contribution to our local community and also recognise the amazing work of Rebecca Ho the Executive Officer in delivering this initiative.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council note the report and offer congratulations to John and Justine Perkins and Rebecca Ho from Touched by Olivia for initiating this venture.