

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at the:

Council Chambers, City of Canada Bay Civic Centre, Drummoyne

Tuesday, 20 October 2026

Beginning at 6:00 PM for the purpose of considering and determining matters included in this agenda.



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Statement of Ethical Obligations

The Mayor and Councillors are bound by the Oath/Affirmation of Office made at the start of the Council term to undertake their civic duties in the best interests of the people of the City of Canada Bay and to faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the Local Government Act or any other Act, to the best of their skill and judgement.

It is also a requirement that the Mayor and Councillors disclose conflicts of interest in relation to items listed for consideration on the Agenda or which are considered at this meeting in accordance with Council's Code of Conduct and Code of Meeting Practice.

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Commencing at 6:00 PM

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1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The City of Canada Bay acknowledges the Wangal clan, one of the 29 tribes of the Eora nation and the traditional custodians of this land.

The City's Council pays respect to Elders past and present and extends this respect to all Aboriginal people living in or visiting the City of Canada Bay.

2 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

In accordance with Part 5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Councillor should submit an apology for the meetings they are unable to attend, state the reasons for their absence from the meetings and request that Council grant them a leave of absence from the relevant meetings. In response to any apology submitted, Council must determine by resolution whether to grant the Councillor a leave of absence for the meeting. If Council resolves not to grant a leave of absence for the meeting, it must state the reasons for its decisions in its resolution.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 MINUTES OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 15 SEPTEMBER 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 15 September 2026 copies of which were previously circulated, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

4 DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

In accordance with Part 16 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, all Councillors must disclose and manage any conflicts of interest they may have in matters being considered at the meeting.

5 MAYORAL MINUTE(S)**ITEM 5.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - CR MEGNA - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS AND THE FUTURE FUNDING OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

Submitted by: Councillor Michael Megna (Mayor)

MOTION

That:

1. Council notes the current NSW Local Government Grants Commission review of the methodology used to distribute Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants and the potential for proposed changes to significantly reduce funding to several councils.
 2. Council acknowledges the legitimate financial pressures faced by councils across NSW and supports councils identified as underfunded receiving the financial support necessary to deliver essential services and infrastructure.
 3. Council expresses its view that addressing funding shortfalls in some local government areas should not be achieved by significantly reducing Financial Assistance Grant funding to other councils.
 4. The Mayor writes to the NSW Minister for Local Government calling on the NSW Government to:
 - a. ensure councils identified as underfunded have their funding needs appropriately addressed;
 - b. reject any approach that transfers funding pressures from one group of councils to another;
 - c. advocate to the Australian Government for an increase in the overall Financial Assistance Grants funding pool.
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BACKGROUND

Financial Assistance Grants are an important source of untied Commonwealth funding for councils, supporting the delivery and maintenance of local roads, parks, libraries, community facilities, recreation infrastructure and other essential services.

The NSW Local Government Grants Commission is currently reviewing the methodology used to distribute these grants across NSW, with a new methodology proposed to apply from the 2027–28 allocation.

Several councils have raised serious concerns that the proposed changes could see substantial funding redirected away from their communities. As an example, Lake Macquarie, Newcastle, Central Coast and Mid-Coast councils have estimated a combined reduction of almost \$500 million over the next decade.

Our own Finance team has reviewed the indicative impact on the City of Canada Bay and estimates the proposed changes could reduce our Financial Assistance Grant funding by approximately \$500,000 each year.

Of particular concern for metropolitan councils is the proposed change to the Local Roads component of the grant. Under the existing methodology for metropolitan councils, population is an important factor in determining funding. The proposed model moves away from population and instead places greater emphasis on the length of a council's road network and a regional construction-cost index.

This risks failing to recognise the real costs of maintaining road infrastructure in densely populated metropolitan areas.

The City of Canada Bay supports ensuring that councils which have been identified as underfunded receive the resources they need. Rural, regional and metropolitan councils all face different pressures, and there are councils across NSW dealing with significant infrastructure backlogs and growing demands on their services.

However, the answer cannot be to create a new group of underfunded councils by taking resources away from others.

This is particularly important for the City of Canada Bay. We are preparing for substantial increases in housing and population, with significant new density being planned across our local government area. That growth will place increasing pressure on our roads and footpaths, parks and open space, sporting facilities, libraries, drainage and other community infrastructure and services.

At the same time, the NSW Government is asking councils like ours to accommodate significantly more housing, often through planning reforms that reduce local influence over where and how that growth occurs. It is difficult to reconcile those demands with a funding model that could take approximately \$500,000 a year away from our Council as we prepare for the resulting increase in demand on local infrastructure and services.

The broader issue is that the overall funding available to local government has not kept pace with the responsibilities councils are being asked to carry. The Australian Local Government Association has noted that Financial Assistance Grants have fallen from around 1 per cent of Commonwealth taxation revenue in 1996 to approximately 0.49 per cent in 2026–27.

If this review has demonstrated that some NSW councils are genuinely underfunded, that needs to be addressed. But it should be addressed by ensuring local government is properly funded – not by moving the shortfall from one community to another.

ITEM 5.2 MAYORAL MINUTE - CR MEGNA - SMART GLASSES AND PRIVACY IN COUNCIL FACILITIES

Submitted by: Councillor Michael Megna (Mayor)

MOTION

That:

1. Council notes that existing restrictions within Council facilities on unauthorised filming and recording apply to smart glasses at its recreation centres, swimming centres, libraries and childcare services.
 2. Council request that Officers update signage, customer information and, where needed, conditions of entry to:
 - a. Specifically include smart glasses where relevant alongside other recording devices.
 - b. Clearly state that filming and recording at recreation centres, swimming centres and libraries require prior approval from facility management.
 - c. Reinforce Council's strict restrictions on the use of recording devices in change rooms, toilets and showers, and the existing restrictions applying to Council's childcare services.
 3. Council advise facility users and members of these requirements through Council's website, facility newsletters and other customer communications, including how to seek approval for recording and report concerns to staff.
 4. The Mayor write to the Federal Attorney-General calling for stronger national protections against the misuse of wearable recording devices and clear guidance for councils, including arrangements for people who rely on these devices as a disability aid.
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BACKGROUND

Several residents have raised concerns with Council about smart glasses being used to record people without their knowledge or consent. I share these concerns, particularly about the privacy and safety of children and families using our facilities.

Council Officers have been reviewing the rules at our recreation centres, swimming pools, libraries and childcare services.

Council already has, and enforces, strict restrictions on the use of recording devices in change rooms, toilets and showers, and at Council's childcare services.

Unauthorised recording at our recreation facilities and swimming pools is already prohibited, and these restrictions do apply to smart glasses.

Council Officers are reviewing and updating our signage and customer information to make this clear and further confirming whether any changes to conditions of entry are needed.

The updated information will explain that people must seek approval from facility management before filming or recording at our recreation centres, swimming pools and libraries.

This allows Council Officers to consider reasonable requests, such as someone recording an exercise routine for their coach, and arrange a suitable time or location so other users are not included in the recording. It also allows staff to set clear requirements to protect children and other people nearby.

Restrictions on using recording devices in change rooms will be reinforced, with new signage created to specifically identify smart glasses. Council's existing restrictions on recording devices in childcare centres will remain in place, and families will be reminded that these include smart glasses.

Council Officers will be given clear instructions on how to respond when someone records without approval. This includes asking them to stop and put the device away, referring the matter to a manager where necessary, and using existing conditions of entry and membership agreements to address serious or repeated breaches. Depending on the circumstances, this may include a written warning, requiring someone to leave or restricting their access to the facility.

We also need to make suitable arrangements for people who rely on smart glasses as a disability aid. Facility managers will be able to discuss these needs with individual users and approve appropriate use, without overriding restrictions in change rooms.

Alongside the updated signage, Council will explain the requirements through facility newsletters, customer communications and our website. This information will tell people where recording is restricted, when they need approval and who to speak to if they are concerned about someone recording them or their children.

I have requested that this work be completed as a priority.

I also propose to write to the Federal Attorney-General to seek stronger privacy protections and consistent national guidance on the use of this technology.

It makes no sense for there to be a patchwork of rules and restrictions across various Councils in Sydney, NSW and Australia. The City of Canada Bay will take practical steps within its facilities, but rules need to be supported by a broader response that protects privacy without unfairly excluding people who rely on smart glasses as a disability aid.

6 ITEMS RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

In accordance with Part 13 of the Code of Meeting Practice, items that are dealt with by exception are items where the recommendations contained in the staff reports in the agenda are adopted without discussion.

7 EXECUTIVE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

8 ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING DIRECTORATE REPORTS

ITEM 8.1 PLANNING PROPOSAL - 4 LEEDS STREET, RHODES - RECLASSIFICATION OF PUBLIC CARPARK

Reporting Manager Manager Strategic Planning

Attachments: 1. Planning Proposal - 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes (*Provided in Attachment Booklet*) [📄](#)

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

That:

1. The Planning Proposal for the reclassification of 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes from community land to operational land be endorsed for submission to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for a Gateway Determination.
 2. The General Manager be authorised to make minor variations to the Planning Proposal to correct any drafting errors or to ensure that it is consistent with the Gateway Determination.
 3. The Planning Proposal be placed on public exhibition in accordance with relevant conditions imposed under the Gateway Determination.
 4. An Independent Chair be appointed to conduct a public hearing and prepare a report on the proposed reclassification of the land, consistent with the requirements of section 47G of the *Local Government Act 1993*.
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PURPOSE

To seek endorsement of a Planning Proposal to reclassify 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes (Council car park) from Community Land to Operational Land, including the discharge of any public trusts and other interests arising from the circumstances of the acquisition of the land and historical carparking contributions, and forwarding of the Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for a Gateway Determination.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The property at 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes is owned by the City of Canada Bay and contains an at-grade public car park that has operated since the early 1970s.

The Planning Proposal (Attachment 1) seeks to amend the *Canada Bay Local Environmental Plan 2013* to reclassify the land from Community Land to Operational Land and extinguish any public trust or interest arising from the circumstances of acquisition of the land and historical parking contributions. The proposal also identifies those interests that are to remain over the land following reclassification, including easements, rights of way, Crown Grant conditions, mineral reservations and telecommunications leases.

The primary purpose of the Planning Proposal (PP) is to facilitate outcomes consistent with the vision of the Rhodes Place Strategy, provide certainty around the classification of the land as operational land, ensure that any public trust obligations are appropriately addressed through the statutory reclassification process prescribed by the Local Government Act 1993 and to provide Council with flexibility to enter long term leases, redevelop or sell the land.

The proposal aligns with the strategic planning framework established through the Rhodes Place Strategy 2021, which identified the site as part of the precinct's transition from industrial land uses to a high-density residential neighbourhood. Reclassification would provide Council with greater flexibility to consider future opportunities for the site consistent with the existing planning framework, while retaining all applicable development controls.

An assessment of the proposal has found that it is generally consistent with the NSW Government's Local Environmental Plan Making Guideline and the requirements for the reclassification of public land.

It is recommended that Council endorse the Planning Proposal for submission to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for a Gateway Determination.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 4: Infrastructure and Transport

Goal IT 1: Manage local assets to ensure they continue to meet community needs and address climate adaptation

Goal IT 3: Encourage active and accessible transport opportunities

Direction 5: Civic Leadership

Goal CL 1: Council is accountable, efficient, and ready to meet future challenges

Direction 3: Vibrant Urban Living

Goal VUL 1: Creative vibrant local village centres and community hubs

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Background

Number 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes is owned by City of Canada Bay Council and contains an at-grade carpark containing 45 parking spaces. It has frontages to Leeds Street and Concord Road, with a small triangular portion of the Concord Road frontage reserved for road acquisition. The site is approximately 950m walk from Rhodes station, 1200m walk to Rhodes shopping centre and 150m from the Parramatta River foreshore. Figures 1 - 5 provide site location, context images and current zoning information.

The carpark was created in the early 1970s and appears to have been created as part of planning for the industrial precinct. Many industrial uses surround the site, although recent rezoning of the precinct (Rhodes Precinct Place Strategy 2021¹) is resulting in rapid evolution of the area into a transit oriented residential & mixed-use precinct. It is possible the land was acquired by Council at no cost and for the purposes of carparking, and the circumstances of its acquisition may have created a public trust over the land.

To date the site has provided public parking for local businesses and visitors to the precinct. Historically monetary contributions have been paid to Council to offset parking requirements associated with nearby development approvals, with some of these collected under the previous Concord Planning Scheme Ordinance 1969 and Concord Development Control Plan 7 (1984-2008). These contributions intended to increase parking supply for the precinct through construction of a parking deck over the site.

Given the available records do not conclusively establish the status of all trusts and interests affecting the land, a precautionary approach has been adopted and the Planning Proposal (PP) seeks to remove any such trusts and interests through the statutory reclassification process.

¹ [Rhodes Precinct Place Strategy | Planning Portal - Department of Planning and Environment.](#)



Figure 1: Site location



Figure 2: Site Map



Figure 3: Street view image from Leeds Street looking south-east towards the site

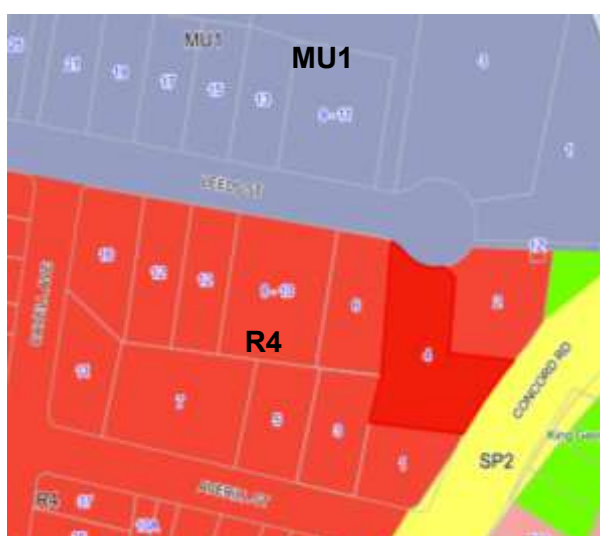


Figure 4: Zoning
(R4 – High Density Residential)



Figure 5: Land for acquisition – Road Widening

Rhodes Place Strategy 2021

The site is located within the Rhodes Precinct and was identified in the Rhodes Place Strategy 2021 as part of the area's transition from industrial land uses to a high-density residential neighbourhood. Consistent with this vision, the land was rezoned from an industrial zone to a high-density residential zone and is subject to a maximum building height of 31 metres and a maximum floor space ratio of 1.7:1. The site forms part of the precinct's planned growth area and is subject to a planning framework that anticipates future redevelopment of the site consistent with the objectives of the Rhodes Place Strategy 2021. This could include entering long term leases, redevelopment by Council or sale of the site.

The broader Rhodes Precinct is undergoing significant urban renewal, with industrial land progressively being redeveloped for higher-density residential and mixed-use purposes. This transformation has been driven by strong market interest and has been further accelerated by a number of development proposals progressing through the State Significant Development pathway under the Housing Delivery Authority.

Importantly, the Planning Proposal does not seek to amend the site's zoning, maximum building height, floor space ratio or any other planning controls. The statutory planning framework established through the Rhodes Place Strategy 2021 will remain unchanged, with the proposal limited to the specific matters outlined elsewhere in this report.

Acquisition of the land

According to Council's records (which are incomplete) the site was acquired by Council in 1971 at no cost. There is a reference in Council's records to a '*parking deed*' dated 1971 in respect of 1 Averill Street, Rhodes. The deed has not been seen or located, and it is unclear whether the acquisition of the site for nil consideration in 1971 was on condition that it be maintained as a car park.

Parking Contributions Summary

The Concord Planning Scheme Ordinance 1969 authorised the collection of monetary contributions in lieu of onsite parking where development could not provide parking on site. Concord DCP 7 (1984-2008) subsequently set out parking entitlements and monetary contributions available to development on identified sites. The DCP was prepared specifically to assist with funding for a new parking deck over the site, as opposed to facilitating allocation of existing parking spaces to individual businesses.

The proposed parking deck has not been constructed.

DCP 7 also refers to '*previous contributions for car parking*'.

The following development consents have been identified that reference the provision of car parking on the site or contributions in lieu of the provision of on-site car parking:

Site address	No. of spaces	Comment
3 Averill Street, Rhodes	12	1994 DA - Contributions applied under DCP 7
6 Leeds Street, Rhodes	7	1995 DA – Contributions applied under DCP 7
12-14 Leeds Street, Rhodes	10	1995 DA – Condition of consent, mechanism unknown Now included in redevelopment site.
19 Leeds Street, Rhodes	5	1999 DA – Contributions applied under DCP 7. Conditions of consent expressly state that " <i>exclusive right to access and/or use [the parking spaces] is not granted.</i> "
TOTAL	34	Note: as known to Council using available records.



? Number of parking spaces – contributions received

Figure 6: Known historical parking contributions or deeds

The method of Council's acquisition of the site in 1971, and possibly historical parking contributions associated with the site, may have created a trust for a public purpose of the type discussed by the High Court in *Bathurst City Council v PWC Properties Pty Ltd* [1998] HCA (Bathurst). If such a trust existed over the land before 1993, it would have prevented the land being classified as operational land on the coming into force of the *Local Government Act 1993* (LG Act). As the available records do not conclusively resolve the status or existence of any trust, the Planning Proposal adopts a precautionary approach and seeks to reclassify the land to operational land and to extinguish any public trusts.

Given DCP 7 has been repealed and the parking deck was never constructed, it is understood that any contributions collected would have been absorbed into subsequent contributions plans and reallocated to alternative local infrastructure.

Reclassification of the site

The Local Government Act 1993 (LG Act)

Under the LG Act, all "*public land*" as defined in the Dictionary to the LG Act must be classified as either community land or operational land (ss.25, 26). The car park is public land as it is owned by Council and does not fall within any of the exclusions to the definition of 'public land'.

- Community land is land council makes available for use by the general public, for example, parks, reserves or sports grounds. It cannot be sold, exchanged or otherwise disposed of by a council. It can be leased or licensed, but there are restrictions on the grant of leases and licences, and on the way community land can be used.
- Operational land is land which facilitates the functions of council, and may not be open to the general public, for example, a works depot or council garage. There are no special restrictions on how Councils manage, develop, dispose of, or change the nature and use of operational land.

The classification or reclassification of public land can be given effect by way of a Local Environmental Plan. Under s30 of the LG Act any such plan which reclassifies community land to operational land may also make provision to the effect that the land is discharged from any trusts,

estates, interests, dedications, conditions, restrictions and covenants affecting the land or any part of the land. In certain circumstances the Act gives Councils power to reclassify land purely through a resolution of Council (under ss.31, 32, or 33 (LG Act s.27(2)) however these circumstances do not apply to this reclassification process.

Reclassification of 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes

The former Concord Council resolved to classify the land as Operational Land in May 1994.

On the coming into force of the LG Act, the savings provisions in clause 6 of Schedule 7 of the LG Act provided that:

- Council could make a resolution before 1 July 1994 to classify land it owned prior to 1 July 1993 as operational under the LG Act, but.
- Any land owned by Council prior to 1 July 1993 that was 'subject to a trust for a public purpose' (amongst other things) could not be classified as operational land by way of such a resolution and became community land on the commencement of the LG Act.

As the land was owned by the Council before 1 July 1993, Concord Council could have resolved that it be operational land before 1 July 1994, but only if it was not subject to a trust for a public purpose, or the other matters in cl6(2) of Schedule 7 to the LG Act.

There is a significant body of caselaw regarding the circumstances in which land could be considered to be subject to a trust for a public purpose, some of which are set out below. If the car park was created in any of the below circumstances, it is subject to a public trust:

- Land was acquired or constructed using s7.11 (previously s94) funds, or
- Land was compulsorily acquired for public purposes, or
- Land was dedicated to Council through a deed that required it remain as a carpark.

The historic records suggest that Council may have acquired the land at no cost, and this may have occurred through a deed (a 'parking deed' referenced in Council's records) which required the land to be used for carparking.

It cannot be conclusively demonstrated that none of the above circumstances apply, and therefore that the land was not subject to a trust for a public purpose at the time of the 1994 resolution or thereafter. For that reason, a precautionary approach has been adopted with the land treated as Community Land for the purposes of the LG Act until reclassification occurs through the LEP process. Accordingly, a Planning Proposal is required to reclassify the land and to extinguish any public trust or other interests (other than those identified to be retained) affecting the land in accordance with the LG Act.

Of note, development approvals with conditions of consent requiring parking contributions are not changed by the discharge of any relevant public trust. Rather, the removal of this trust specifically provides greater flexibility in relation to the future of the site.

Other interests over the land

A number of other interests apply to the site (see Table 1 below). These include two rights of way, an easement, reservations and conditions in the Crown Grant, exclusion of minerals and three current leases for telecommunications towers. These interests are not proposed to be discharged.

Proposed Amendment to Canada Bay LEP 2013

The objectives of the Planning Proposal are to:

- enable flexibility in relation to the use of the site for long term leases, redevelopment or sale of the site;
- facilitate outcomes consistent with the vision contained in the Rhodes Place Strategy; and
- remove relevant encumbrances over the land.

This will be achieved by reclassifying 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes (Council carpark) from Community Land to Operational Land, including the discharge of any public trusts and other interests over the land which may have arisen due to the circumstances of its acquisition and historical carparking contributions. Noting that *interests* and *public trusts* are considered as separate encumbrances over land (e.g. an easement is an interest and may not have a public purpose). This is achieved by amending Schedule 4 of the *Canada Bay Local Environmental Plan 2013* to include the site and list any trusts not discharged by the reclassification.

Interests and Public Trusts

The site is subject to 'known interests', potential interests' and 'potential public trusts', where potential trusts and potential interests are those that cannot be fully proven or may exist from historical dealings but are unknown to Council. Table 1 lists known and potential interests over the land and Table 2 lists potential public trusts over the land.

Title Reference	Interests
1	Reservations and conditions in the Crown Grant
2	Right of way
3	Land excludes minerals (s.134 Public Works Act 1900)
4	Easement to permit encroaching structure 1.2m wide and variable
5	Right of footway 1.2m wide
7	Lease to Amplitel Pty Ltd Expires 31/10/2030
9	Lease to Vodafone Network Expires 31/10/2030
11	Lease to Optus Mobile Pty Ltd Expires 31/10/2030
N/A	Potential historical car parking contributions
N/A	Any other interests

Table 1: Interests and potential interests over 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes

Reference	Public Trusts
1	Any potential public trust related to the acquisition of the land and historical car parking contributions.
2	Other public trusts not identified above

Table 2: Potential public trusts over 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes

The Planning Proposal intends to:

- Retain known interests in the form of restrictions and easements listed on the title deed. These continue to perform important community and safety benefits.
- Extinguish the potential interests associated with any historical carparking contributions collected under DCP 7.
- Extinguish any potential public trusts related to the acquisition of the land and any other historical car parking contributions.

Strategic merit

Planning proposals are required to be assessed for *strategic merit* against plans and strategies prepared by State and local government.

The PP is generally consistent with the broad objectives and priorities of the *Sydney Plan*, the previous *Sydney Region Plan* and *Eastern City District Plan* (in force at the time of lodgement) and the *Canada Bay Local Strategic Planning Statement*.

Alignment with Rhodes Place Strategy 2021

The site is located within the Rhodes Precinct and was identified in the Rhodes Place Strategy 2021 as part of the area's transition from industrial land uses to a high - density residential and mixed-use neighbourhood. Under the Strategy this site was rezoned R4 - High Density Residential with a maximum building height of 31m and a maximum floor space ratio of 1.7:1.

These new controls reflect the Strategy's intention for the site and establish a clear strategic role for the land in supporting future renewal of Rhodes, including achieving expected dwelling yields.

The Rhodes Place Strategy 2021 also has a focus on sustainable living with greater public and active transport use and reduced reliance on private vehicle use. Retention of this site for free carparking is contrary to this vision.

The outcomes of this Planning Proposal will therefore better align the classification and management of the land with the strategic outcome envisaged by the strategy and facilitate opportunities for amalgamation with adjoining properties, supporting a more coordinated development response and improved built form outcomes across the site and within the precinct.

Consistency with NSW Government requirements

An assessment of the proposal has found that it is generally consistent with the NSW Government's Local Environmental Plan Making Guideline and the requirements for the reclassification of public land.

Local Planning Panel Advice

On 16 September 2026, the Local Planning Panel (LPP) considered a report on the Planning Proposal and provided the following advice.

The Panel:

- *Supports the Planning Proposal to reclassify the land as Operational Land and is satisfied that any relevant public trusts/interests would be appropriately discharged through the proposed amendment to the Canada Bay LEP 2013;*
- *Supports the recommended amendments to the Planning Proposal prepared by the Council's Planning Staff as outlined in the Report to the LPP;*
- *Subject to those amendments, is satisfied that the reclassification to Operational land has both strategic and site-specific merit, noting the land has been rezoned R4 High Density Residential in accordance with the Rhodes Place Strategy. Consequently, it reflects a change in circumstances; and*
- *Noted that the proposal to reclassify the land and discharge public trusts/interests is subject to a rigorous probity and governance process including public exhibition, a public hearing conducted by an independent Chair, and the likely finalisation of the LEP amendment by the Minister for Planning.*

The Planning Proposal has been amended in response to the supported amendments.

Conclusion

The Planning Proposal seeks to reclassify 4 Leeds Street, Rhodes (Council carpark) from Community Land to Operational Land, including the discharge of any public trusts and other interests arising from the circumstances of the acquisition of the land and historical carparking contributions.

The proposal responds to the significant shift in the vision for Rhodes facilitated by the Rhodes Place Strategy 2021, including rezoning of the site for high-density residential. The proposal aligns the classification of the land with this contemporary planning framework while providing certainty regarding the status of historical trusts and parking contribution interests.

It is recommended that Council endorse the Planning Proposal for submission to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for Gateway determination.

TIMING / CONSULTATION AND / OR RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Public Exhibition

Should the Planning Proposal proceed to Gateway Determination, it will be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days in accordance with the Statewide Community Participation Plan.

The timing of the Gateway Determination is dependent on the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure and any requirements specified in the Gateway determination. The proposal may also be amended following agency consultation and consideration of submissions received during public exhibition. These will be reported back to Council prior to finalisation.

Public Hearing

Consistent with s.57 & LG Act s.29 of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*, Council will facilitate a public hearing to support this reclassification. Public notice of 21 days will be given before the hearing, and an Independent Chair will be engaged to hold the hearing and prepare a report (LG Act s.47G).

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Reclassification of the site creates greater flexibility for Councils use of this site. This may include alternative management and leasing arrangement or the potential sale of the land.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

The Planning Proposal has been prepared in accordance with Section 3.33 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, Chapter 6 Part 2 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and the NSW Department of Planning and Environment's *Local Environmental Plan Making Guideline 2026*.

The proposal has also been prepared having regard to applicable Section 9.1 Ministerial Directions and state planning policies as addressed in the Planning Proposal.

Should the Planning Proposal proceed, the Schedule 4 of the *Canada Bay Local Environmental Plan 2013* will be amended to include the land and list any trusts not discharged by the reclassification.

ITEM 8.2 BULK HOUSEHOLD COLLECTION SERVICE UPDATE**Reporting Manager Manager Sustainability and Waste****Attachments: Nil**

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

That Council note the implementation progress and performance outcomes of the revised Bulky Household Collection service as detailed in the report.

PURPOSE

This report provides an implementation update on the revised Bulky Household Collection service following Council's resolution of 20 June 2023 (157/23) Bulky Waste Collection Service, and the commencement of service changes on 1 January 2025.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The revised Bulky Household Collection service commenced on 1 January 2025 following Council's resolution of 20 June 2023 (157/23) - Bulky Waste Collection Service. Under the previous service, all property types received two (2) scheduled bulky household waste collections per year. Council resolved to implement Service Design Option 2, which provides up to four (4) on-call booked collections for houses and low-density units, four scheduled collections for medium apartment buildings, and up to six (6) scheduled collections for eligible large apartment buildings.

The change was introduced to provide greater flexibility for residents, respond to growth in multi-unit dwellings, improve storage and presentation of bulky waste, and support improved operational management ahead of the new waste collection contract commencing in July 2026.

Since implementation, the service has delivered up to 14,000 booked collections and approximately 68,000 scheduled collections per annum. In 2025-26, approximately 2,400 tonnes of bulky household waste were collected, representing a 10% reduction in tonnages under the new service model, with approximately 80% of material diverted from landfill through a new processing contract. Missed services is averaging approximately 1.5% and continues to be monitored through contractor performance management.

Customer research undertaken by Micromex Research in June 2026 found that 95% of surveyed users of Council's bookable bulky household waste collection service were satisfied or somewhat satisfied with the service. The survey also found that 97% of respondents considered the booking process easy to use and 98% were satisfied with the condition and cleanliness of the kerbside following collection, indicating strong customer acceptance of the bookable service component.

Implementation outcomes indicate that the revised service is achieving its intended objectives of increasing service flexibility, improving support for multi-unit dwellings, maintaining strong customer satisfaction outcomes for the bookable service component and delivering strong resource recovery performance, while continuing to be monitored as part of ongoing service delivery and contract management.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 2: Sustainable and Thriving Environment

Goal STE 3: Reduce waste to landfill through avoidance and increased recycling and reuse
The revised service supports this goal by separating bulky waste into collection streams and maintaining approximately 80% diversion from landfill.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Council's resolution of 20 June 2023 (157/23) Bulky Waste Collection Service granted approval to implement changes to the household bulky waste collection service, determined the preferred service design model, approved subsidisation through the Domestic Waste Management Reserve, and confirmed the commencement date for service changes. Council also resolved to change the service to provide additional and more flexible collection options for residents.

The change was considered in response to then upcoming waste contract renewal, growth in multi-unit dwellings, resident requests for more flexible services, operational issues, illegal dumping concerns, safety considerations and limited storage space in apartments.

The revised service commenced on 1 January 2025. Under the approved service model, houses and low-density units receive up to four on-call booked collections per year through an online booking system, medium apartment buildings receive four scheduled collections per year, and eligible large apartment buildings receive up to six (6) scheduled collections per year. Five (5) buildings currently receive six (6) scheduled collections, and this service level will be retained. Additional buildings will be considered on a case-by-case basis, considering the number of dwellings and the available on-site storage capacity for bulky household clean-up material. The service also separates collections into four (4) material streams to increase recycling and resource recovery.

Implementation to date indicates that the revised service is achieving the key objectives identified in the previous report. The service has increased collection flexibility for residents, improved support for medium and large apartment buildings, strengthened separation of material streams, reduced bulky waste tonnages presented for collection and maintained strong resource recovery outcomes. Ongoing monitoring will continue to assess customer experience, presentation behaviour, illegal dumping trends and future contract requirements.

PERFORMANCE SNAPSHOT

Original risk / issue	Current indicator	Status / comment
Slow uptake of booked services	Up to 14,000 booked collections per annum	Uptake indicates the booked service is being used across general waste, garden organics, metals and mattresses.
Overuse of booked service	Up to 14,000 booked collections per annum	The booking volume equates to almost one booked collection per household per annum, indicating use is within expected service levels.
Booking waiting times	Service standard: collection within 21 days of booking	Council monitors booking availability to ensure the service standard is maintained and opens additional collection slots when required.
Apartment building demand	Approximately 68,000 scheduled collections per annum	Additional scheduled collections provide more regular removal of bulky material and support safer presentation areas.
Community satisfaction impacts	95% satisfaction	Customer research indicates strong acceptance of the revised service.
Customer understanding of service requirements	97% found the booking process easy to use	Survey results indicate the booking process is well understood, with opportunities to improve communication regarding item separation requirements.
Missed or delayed collections	Approximately 1.5%	Missed services remain low and are monitored through contractor performance management on a regular basis.
Non-compliance and early presentation	More than 3,500 inspections; approximately 9% non-	Monitoring has supported education, prevention and enforcement activity.

Original risk / issue	Current indicator	Status / comment
	compliance have been rectified	
Cost impacts	Approximately \$2,042,712 excluding GST in 2025-26	Actual costs include both collection and processing costs and continue to be monitored against service volumes and contractor claims.
Tonnages and diversion	Approximately 2,400 tonnes collected; 80% diversion from landfill	This represents a 10% reduction in tonnages under the new service and supports resource recovery objectives.
Illegal dumping and presentation behaviour	Approximately 15% increase in illegal dumping incidents	Illegal dumping incidents increased by approximately 15% in 2025–26, compared with a 37% like-for-like increase from January to June 2025. This indicates the rate of increase is moderating. Council is responding through improved incident validation, targeted education, surveillance and enforcement in priority hotspots under the five-year Illegal Dumping Prevention Plan.

SERVICE IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

Since commencement, Council has worked with the contractor, customer service teams and internal staff to support the revised service model. Implementation activities have included resident communications, booking support, monitoring of presentation and collection issues, review of customer enquiries and complaints, and ongoing liaison with the contractor regarding collection performance.

Additional temporary part-time resources were engaged for less than twelve (12) months to assist with implementation and service stabilisation. This included a Waste Non-Compliance Officer, who conducted more than 3,500 inspections and identified approximately 9% non-compliance relating to early presentation, illegal dumping, non-compliant items or excess volume related to the booking system. Identified matters were rectified where required, and residents were educated on the revised service requirements. A Waste Improvements Officer also supported implementation by helping build the processes and systems required to manage the revised service.

The revised service is currently delivering up to 14,000 booked collections and approximately 68,000 scheduled collections per annum across the local government area. In 2025-26, approximately 2,400 tonnes of bulky household waste was collected, representing a 10% reduction in tonnages compared with previous service arrangements, while approximately 80% of collected material has been diverted from landfill through resource recovery process under a new processing contract. Missed services remain low at approximately 1.5% and continue to be monitored through contractor performance management processes.

CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY FINDINGS

In June 2026, Micromex Research completed a customer satisfaction survey of residents who had used Council's bookable bulky household waste collection service. The survey received 413 responses, comprising 228 online responses and 185 telephone interviews. The survey has a maximum sampling error of plus or minus 4.8% at 95% confidence.

The survey results indicate strong customer satisfaction with the bookable service component. Overall, 95% of respondents were at least somewhat satisfied with the service, 97% found the booking process easy to use, and 98% were satisfied with the condition and cleanliness of the kerbside area following collection. Most respondents (83%) made their booking through the online portal. The main opportunities for improvement relate to the time between booking and collection, and clearer communication regarding the separation of items into collection categories.

The survey results relate only to residents who used the bookable bulky household waste collection service. Residents in apartment buildings receiving scheduled bulky waste collections were not included, as these properties continue to receive a scheduled service similar to the previous system, with more frequent collections under the revised service model.

ILLEGAL DUMPING UPDATE

Illegal dumping increased by 24% in 2024–25 following commencement of the revised Bulky Household Collection service, compared with 2023–24. On a like-for-like basis, incidents from January to June 2025 were 37% higher than for the same period in 2024. In 2025–26, 1,090 incidents were recorded, an increase of approximately 15% from 955 incidents in 2024–25, indicating that the rate of increase is moderating.

Analysis indicates that 65% of incidents occur across six priority suburbs: Five Dock (17%), Concord (15%), Drummoyne (12%), Rhodes (9%), North Strathfield (6%) and Concord West (6%). Approximately 20% of incidents originate from identified properties and streets, enabling Council to focus resources on recurring locations. Contributing factors may include residents adjusting to booking and presentation requirements, improved identification and reporting of genuine illegal dumping incidents, and increased monitoring and inspections.

Council will implement the five (5) year Illegal Dumping Prevention Plan, with priority actions including collaboration with building managers, strata managers and property owners; targeted education campaigns in hotspot areas; warning letters and other proportionate enforcement action; and expanded use of mobile CCTV and surveillance cameras to detect and deter illegal dumping in hotspots.

TIMING / CONSULTATION AND / OR RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Implementation has involved ongoing liaison with the contractor, customer service teams, internal staff, building managers and residents through service communications, booking support, inspections, customer enquiry review and customer feedback review.

Key risks continue to be monitored during implementation, including cost impacts, slow uptake of booked services, community satisfaction impacts, service overuse and non-compliance, illegal dumping, and material being presented outside approved collection requirements.

Current controls include booking limits, booking waiting times, customer service support, resident communications, contractor liaison and compliance monitoring. Council will continue to monitor service performance, resident feedback, illegal dumping trends and operational risks during the implementation period.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

As outlined in the previous Council report, the revised Bulky Household Collection service is being delivered under Service Design Option 2 and was subsidised through the Domestic Waste Management Reserve until 30 June 2026. The estimated costs of the revised service are within the range of current service costs. Costs will continue to be monitored against booking volumes, scheduled collection frequency, tonnages, contractor claims and service-related administrative costs.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Relevant legislative and policy considerations include the City of Canada Bay Resource Recovery and Waste Strategy 2020, the Office of Local Government Revenue and Rating Manual, and the Local Government Act 1993.

9 CITY ASSETS DIRECTORATE REPORTS

ITEM 9.1 CITY OF CANADA BAY LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM UNCONFIRMED MINUTES - 10 SEPTEMBER 2026

Reporting Manager Manager Traffic and Transport

Attachments:

1. Local Transport Forum - 10 September 2026 - Agenda [↓](#)
2. Local Transport Forum - 10 September 2026 - Unconfirmed Minutes [↓](#)

RECOMMENDATION OF ACTING DIRECTOR CITY ASSETS

That the unconfirmed minutes and recommendations of the City of Canada Bay Local Transport Forum Meeting held 10 September 2026 attached to the report be adopted.

PURPOSE

To submit to Council the City of Canada Bay Local Transport Forum's unconfirmed minutes of 10 September 2026.

REPORT

Attached to this report are the unconfirmed minutes, including recommendations for the City of Canada Bay Local Transport Forum held on 10 September 2026 for Council's adoption. Also attached is the agenda for that meeting.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 4: Infrastructure and Transport

Goal IT 2: Manage traffic and parking to minimise congestion and increase road safety

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations associated with the report.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

The City of Canada Bay Local Transport Forum meetings are held in line with Transport for NSW guidelines.

CITY OF CANADA BAY LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM MEETING

AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that a City of Canada Bay Local Transport Forum Meeting will be held at the:

Electronically, via email

Thursday, 10 September 2026

Beginning at 10:00 AM for the purpose of considering and determining matters included in this agenda.

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2 APOLOGIES

In accordance with clauses 6.3, 6.4 and 6.5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, apologies must be received and accepted from absent Councillors and a leave of absence from the Council Meeting may be granted.

3 DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

In accordance with Part 16 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, all Committee members must disclose and manage any conflicts of interest they may have in matters being considered at the meeting.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**4.1 MINUTES OF CITY OF CANADA BAY LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM MEETING HELD 13 AUGUST 2026**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the City of Canada Bay Local Transport Forum Meeting of 13 August 2026 copies of which were previously circulated, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

5 REPORTS

Nil

6 GENERAL BUSINESS**ITEM 6.1 GENERAL BUSINESS****Author** Coordinator Traffic and Transport**Attachments:** Nil**ITEM 1: ITEMS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATION****SUMMARY**

To facilitate more efficient and localised decision making, Transport for NSW (TfNSW) has issued delegation of specific powers to Council. At the Council Meeting on 21 October 2025, Council resolved to give the General Manager and relevant staff the power to approve works covered under the Delegation.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The following items were approved under Delegation granted to Council from TfNSW.

1. Louden Street, Canada Bay – Proposed Mobility Parking SpaceRecommendation

That a 5.4 m Mobility Parking Space (MPS) be installed on Louden Street, Canda Bay outside property No. 1, as shown on the plan in the memo.

2. Preston Avenue, Five Dock – Proposed Chevron Line MarkingRecommendation

That chevron line marking is installed in front of property No.48 Preston Avenue, Five Dock.

3. Ramsay Road, Five Dock – Proposed Bus Zone restrictionsRecommendation

That a 30m 'Bus Zone' is installed on Ramsay Road, Five Dock, as per the plan in the memo.

4. Pine Avenue, Russell Lea – Proposed Chevron Line MarkingRecommendation

That chevron line marking is installed between property No.14 and No.16 Pine Avenue, Russell Lea.

5. 419 Great North Road, Abbotsford – Proposed Timed Parking Space ExtensionRecommendation

That '1/2P, 8.30AM – 4.30PM, Monday to Friday and 8.30AM – 12.30PM, Saturday' parking restriction be installed fronting No.419 Great North Road, Abbotsford.

6. Walker Street, Canada Bay – Proposed No Parking restrictionRecommendation

That 12.5m 'No Parking' restrictions are installed between the driveway of property No.30 Walker Street and No.15B Renown Street, Canada Bay, per the plan in the memo.

7. Streets within Canada Bay - Proposed No StoppingRecommendation

That 'No Stopping' restrictions are installed at the following locations, per the plan in the memo.

- Walker Street, Canada Bay
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- Watts Street Canada Bay
- Regatta Road, Canada Bay
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- Maple Close, Canada Bay

8. Proposed Works Zone – 62 Colane Street, Concord WestRecommendation

THAT:

1. A 9m 'Works Zone, 7am to 5pm Monday – Saturday' at 62 Colane Street, Concord West be installed for a duration of 12 weeks commencing end of August 2026, as per the plan in the memo.

2. That the parking restrictions be returned to their original status at the completion of the Works Zone.

CITY OF CANADA BAY LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM MEETING

MINUTES

The meeting was held electronically via email.

Thursday, 10 September 2026

Minutes of a City of Canada Bay Local Transport Forum Meeting Held on Thursday 10 September 2026

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor Hugo Robinson - Chairperson
Sergeant Tohme - NSW Police
Van Le - Transport for NSW
Taskira Islam - Transport for NSW
Stephanie Di Pasqua - Local Member of Parliament

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ben Cantor – Busways
Julius Villanueva - Transit Systems
David Martin - BayBUG - Canada Bay Bicycle Users Group
Tania Gamble - Community Development Manager (CCB Council) on behalf of the Access Committee

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

F Guerrisi - CCBC Council
R Ristevski - CCBC Council
H Huynh - CCBC Council
L Huang - CCBC Council
S Tran - CCBC Council
M Saini - CCBC Council
Y Fu - CCB Council
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NOTES

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Refer to the City of Canada Bay Local Transport Forum Meeting Agenda papers in the attached booklet.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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TfNSW Comments:

Council should note that Australian Standard AS 2890.5:2020 recommends a minimum dimension of 7.8 m long by 3.2 m wide for on-street disability parking spaces.

While these dimensions provide the preferred standard, Council may install the most appropriate accessible parking space having regard to local conditions and operational requirements.

Council Comments:

Council notes the comments made by TfNSW.

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TfNSW Comments:

Vehicles turning out of Colane Street onto Concord Road must have an unobstructed line of sight. Please ensure high-sided construction vehicles must not obstruct sightlines and compromise safety for vehicles exiting Colane Street onto Concord Road.

Due to the Works Zone's proximity to the Concord Road (60km/h) intersection, install advance warning signs (e.g. Road Work Ahead or Works Zone Ahead) further along Colane Street to provide adequate notice to approaching drivers

Council Comments:

Council notes the comments made by TfNSW.

CHAIRPERSON

ITEM 9.2 CAMPBELL PARK AND LYSAGHT PARK PRECINCT MASTERPLAN**Reporting Manager** Manager Project Management Office

Attachments:

1. **Campbell & Lysaght Parks Precinct Masterplan - final draft**
(Provided in Attachment Booklet) [⇒](#)
2. **Public Exhibition Feedback Schedule Camp-Lys Parks Precinct MP**
(Provided in Attachment Booklet) [⇒](#)

RECOMMENDATION OF ACTING DIRECTOR CITY ASSETS

That:

1. Council adopt the draft Masterplan for Campbell Park and Lysaght Park Precinct attached to the report.
 2. The installation of sportsfield lighting for Russell Park be included in the draft 2027-28 Capital Works Program for consideration in conjunction with the 2027-28 Operational Plan and Budget.
 3. All stakeholders and community members who made a submission in relation to the draft Masterplan be notified of Council's decision.
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PURPOSE

This report outlines the outcomes from the public exhibition of the draft Masterplan for Campbell Park and Lysaght Park Precinct and seeks Council adoption of the draft Masterplan.

The report also proposes inclusion of a priority project in the draft 2027-28 Capital Works Program for the consideration of Council in conjunction with the 2027-28 Operational Plan and Budget.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The draft Masterplan for Campbell Park and Lysaght Park Precinct (the draft Masterplan) has been publicly exhibited. This report provides details on the response to and outcomes from the public exhibition and recommends the adoption of the draft Masterplan.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 1: Connected Community

- Goal CC 1: Foster an inclusive community where diversity is welcomed and celebrated
- Goal CC 3: Provide the community with equitable access to a range of programs, services, and facilities
- Goal CC 4: Promote a community where residents feel safe and enjoy good health
- Goal CC 5: Provide open space, facilities, and programs that promote active lifestyles

Direction 2: Sustainable and Thriving Environment

Goal STE 2: Increase urban tree canopy

Direction 4: Infrastructure and Transport

Goal IT 3: Encourage active and accessible transport opportunities

Direction 5: Civic Leadership

- Goal CL 1: Council is accountable, efficient, and ready to meet future challenges
Goal CL 4: The City of Canada Bay community is well informed and eager to engage in issues and decisions that impact them

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

At the meeting of 21 July 2026, Council resolved that:

1. *Council endorse the draft Campbell and Lysaght Parks Precinct Masterplan attached to the report for public exhibition.*
2. *Following public exhibition, a report be prepared and submitted to a future meeting of Council detailing the outcomes of the public exhibition process referred to in (1) above and to consider the adoption of the final Campbell and Lysaght Parks Precinct Masterplan.*

Process

The draft Masterplan was developed following a robust engagement process with the community and stakeholder groups.

Following Council's endorsement, the draft Masterplan was placed on public exhibition from 24 July until 23 August 2026.

The draft Masterplan was advertised through:

- Council's 'Collaborate' community engagement portal
- Email to previous participants
- Posters displayed in Campbell, Lysaght, Allison and Russell Parks
- City of Canada Bay print newsletter
- City of Canada Bay e-newsletter and What's On e-newsletter
- 4 social media posts (2 Instagram and 2 Facebook posts)

Respondents were asked to provide their comments / feedback on the draft Masterplan and proposed facilities. In addition to the promotion outlined above, the public exhibition process included two on site drop-in sessions and engagement with key stakeholders.

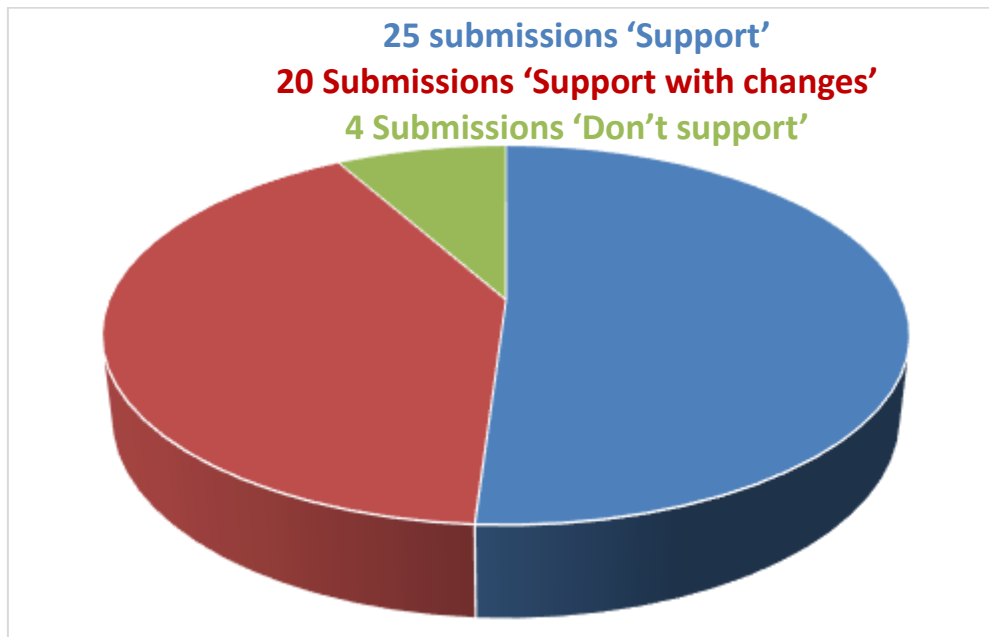
This report details the submissions from the public exhibition process and presents the draft Masterplan (**Attachment 1**) to Council for adoption.

TIMING / CONSULTATION AND / OR RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Council received the following in response to the public exhibition process:

- 935 Collaborate page views
- 605 unique site visitors
- 49 online submissions

The online survey respondents were asked for an indication of the level of support for the draft Masterplan:



The overall level of support was high with 92% supporting or supporting with some changes.

Attachment 2 reflects the Schedule of Feedback and includes:

- all submissions received during the public exhibition,
- Council's response to each, and
- any resulting changes to the draft Masterplan.

All submissions (Collaborate and email) were grouped by 'theme', the most frequently mentioned of which are summarised below:

Sportsfields

- 15 submissions supported a synthetic turf sportsfield
- 6 submissions were opposed to a synthetic turf sportsfield
- 1 submission supported increased sportsfield capacity without specific reference to the methodology

The draft Masterplan identifies opportunities to increase sportsfield capacity through improvements to natural turf surfaces and the potential future use of synthetic turf. Council is not committing to the delivery of synthetic sportsfields at this stage; however, synthetic turf may be considered in the future as part of the broader infrastructure strategy.

The draft Masterplan also identifies opportunities to provide additional sportsfield capacity through:

Installing sportsfield lighting at Russell Park, which is classified for active recreation but is currently underutilised due to the absence of lighting. The proposed lighting would increase sportsfield capacity across the precinct by enabling Abbotsford Junior Football Club to use the ground for winter season training (see item 18 on page 31 of the Masterplan report);

Improving existing natural turf surfaces.

Accordingly, it is proposed to include sportsfield lighting for Russell Park in the 2027-28 Capital Works Program for Council's consideration with a view to delivering an increase in usable sportsfield capacity, while longer-term surface options are considered through the broader infrastructure strategy.

Infrastructure Strategy – Synthetic sportsfields

Council is in the process of undertaking an Infrastructure Strategy which will investigate the feasibility of synthetic sports surfaces across all sportsfields in the City of Canada Bay. This Strategy will determine the suitability of using synthetic surfaces across the City of Canada Bay as a whole and subsequently whether Campbell Park is a suitable location for such a facility.

Pedestrian Safety

- 9 submissions

A variety of submissions, largely supportive of the infrastructure associated with the development of the Parramatta to Sydney Foreshore Link (PSFL) which includes additional pedestrian crossings and traffic calming measures. Some submissions suggested additional measures. The implementation section of the draft Masterplan addresses this through the inclusion of an action in the short, medium and long-term for “Periodic investigations for traffic and need for changes to conditions and / or additional parking.”

Support

- 9 submissions

Submissions expressing overall support for the proposed direction, facilities and infrastructure contained in the draft Masterplan.

Dog Off Leash Area (DOLA)

- 8 submissions

The submissions covered a range of topics. Some submissions requested more fencing. The current DOLA facility is the result of an extensive engagement process undertaken in 2023/24 and is consistent with the future delivery of the PSFL and Council’s Dogs in Public Places Policy. It strikes a balance between dog safety by fencing adjacent to busy roads while still encouraging multipurpose use and responsible dog ownership behaviours with non-fenced boundaries.

Some requests were concerned with the proposed reduction in the DOLA associated with the proposed upgrade to the Lysaght Park foreshore. The current Lysaght DOLA is one of the largest in the LGA. The proposed decrease results in a reduction of 20% and results in an area of approximately 16,000 m² - the 2nd largest in the City of Canada Bay. The amended DOLA is proposed to be implemented once the foreshore area is upgraded to avoid conflicting uses with picnickers. A gate is proposed to upgrade the existing non-gated DOLA entrance on Bibby St.

Pathways

- 7 submissions

Submissions are largely supportive of the PSFL, the loop path around Campbell Park and the retention of the foreshore path in Lysaght Park.

Trees

- 6 submissions

Some submissions expressed concerns with potential impact on resident views from additional planting. Council’s Open Space team has confirmed that new planting along foreshores will always be accompanied by an engagement process with residents to manage such items.

Cricket Wicket Configuration

- 1 submission

Council has liaised throughout the project with Inner West Harbour Cricket Association as a key sports stakeholder. Earlier iterations of the draft Masterplan proposed a reconfiguration of the cricket wicket orientation, however following a public exhibition submission from Cricket NSW, it has been

concluded and agreed that the existing configuration is preferred by cricket users. The final draft Masterplan reflects the agreed configuration.

Changes to the draft Masterplan

Following the public exhibition process, the following amendments have been made to the draft Masterplan (**Attachment 1**):

- Upgrade ungated DOLA entrance on Bibby St,
- Retention of the existing cricket wicket configuration.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The development of the draft plans includes the development of an 'opinion of probable cost' for all elements of the draft Masterplan which will inform the development of future projects for inclusion in the capital works programs and external funding applications over the next 10 years. This is not included in the draft documents to avoid conferring any commercial advantage on future contractors or service providers.

It is proposed to include the upgrade of sports lighting at Russell Park in the draft 2027-28 Capital Works Program for the consideration of Council in conjunction with the 2027-28 Operational Plan and Budget with a view to contributing to improved sportsfield capacity across the Precinct.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

The draft Masterplan has been developed based on a robust engagement process which identified community and stakeholder needs.

It will provide a sound strategic platform on which to base the planning, delivery and funding of future facilities and projects for the next 10 years.

ITEM 9.3 CITY OF CANADA BAY COUNCIL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES - YARALLA BAY AND RHODES FLOOD STUDY**Reporting Manager** Manager Strategic Asset Services and Innovation**Attachments:**

1. Yaralla Bay & Rhodes Flood Risk Management Committee - 29 September 2026 - Agenda [↓](#)
2. Yaralla Bay & Rhodes Flood Risk Management Committee - 29 September 2026 - Meeting Minutes [↓](#)

RECOMMENDATION OF ACTING DIRECTOR CITY ASSETS

That the Minutes of the Flood Risk Management Committee for the Yaralla Bay and Rhodes Flood Study catchment held on 29 September 2026, attached to the report be adopted.

PURPOSE

To submit the Flood Risk Management Committee meeting minutes 29 September 2026 to Council for consideration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Voting members (Mayor and residents) of the Flood Risk Management committee have indicated their support for community engagement for the data collection phase for the Yaralla Bay and Rhodes Flood Study to be put forward to Council meeting for adoption

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 4: Infrastructure and Transport

Goal IT 1: Manage local assets to ensure they continue to meet community needs and address climate adaptation

Direction 3: Vibrant Urban Living

Goal VUL 4: Ensure the built environment respect the unique neighbourhood character and responds deftly to evolving community needs

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The City of Canada Bay is undertaking a Flood Study for the Yaralla Bay and Rhodes catchment area, including parts of Rhodes and Concord West. The study aims to improve Council's understanding of flood behaviour, risks and impacts within the catchment and will inform future flood risk management planning.

To support the study, Council has engaged specialist consultants WMAwater to undertake technical investigations and collect information on historical flooding. As part of the data collection phase, community consultation is proposed to be undertaken from mid-October to 29 November 2026 to gather local knowledge, including records, photographs, videos and observations of past flood events from residents, businesses and property owners within the catchment.

At its meeting on 29 September 2026, the Flood Risk Management Committee considered the proposed flood study process and community consultation approach. Voting members supported proceeding with community consultation to inform the data collection phase of the Flood Study.

TIMING / CONSULTATION AND / OR RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Community consultation is proposed to commence in mid-October 2026 and conclude on 29 November 2026. Feedback received will support the data collection phase of the Flood Study and assist Council and its consultant in developing an accurate understanding of flood behaviour within the catchment.

There are no risks associated with this report, which is provided for Council's consideration of the Committee meeting minutes.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations associated with the creation of the City of Canada Bay Floodplain Risk Management Committee for the Yaralla Bay and Rhodes Flood Study.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

The Yaralla Bay and Rhodes Flood Risk Committee meeting was held, with appointed committee members supporting Council in fulfilling its responsibilities under Section 733 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the *NSW Flood Risk Management Manual (2023)*, and the *NSW Flood Prone Land Policy*.

YARALLA BAY FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

AGENDA

CONCORD OVAL - CANADIAN EXILES ROOM 1
Tuesday, 29 September 2026 from 2.00 to 4.00pm



INVITEES

Voting Members

Michael Megna – Mayor (MYR)
Mas Meuross – Councillor (MM)
Richard Low – Resident (RL)
Anthony Gelonesi – Resident (AG)

Non-Voting Members

Vanessa Stanmore – Resident (VS)
Behzad Jamali – WMA Water Pty Ltd (BJ)
Sarath Dantanarayana – Transport for NSW (TfNSW)
Bill Stavropoulos – Transport for NSW (TfNSW)
David Grasby – Sydney Water (DG)
David Johnsun – State Emergency Services (SES)
Harry Biffin – DCCEEW – A/Senior Natural Resource Officer (Floodplain Management)
Manisha Devarapalli – Canada Bay Council, Manager Strategic Asset Services & Innovation
Stephen Chow – Canada Bay Council, Acting Engineering Services Manager
Harrison Steen – Canada Bay Council, Drainage, Marine and Floodplain Engineer
Peter Giaprakas – Canada Bay Council, Senior Town Planner Statutory Planning
Anthony Wynen – Canada Bay Council, Senior Strategic Planner
Paul Dewar – Canada Bay Council, Manager, Strategic Planning
Angelena Locke – Canada Bay Council, Community Engagement Coordinator
Nikki Azzopardi – Canada Bay Council, SASI Operational Services Support Officer (Minutes)

Timing	ITEM	Discussion / Action	PRESENTER
2:00pm - 10 min	1	- Welcome and Introduction - Acknowledgement of Country - Outline purpose of meeting	Chair – Myr
2:10pm - 10 min	2	- Introductions of committee members and guests /advisors - Apologies	Chair – MYR Members
2:20pm - 10 min	3	Introduction to Floodplain Risk Management and FRMC Committee	MD, SC
2:30pm - 30 min	4	Consultant Update and Presentation	BJ, HS
3:00pm - 15 min	5	Council Update - Community Engagement Presentation	AL
3:15pm - 30 min	6	Open Discussion	Members
3:45pm - 10 min	7	Vote to Support Public Consultation	Voting Members
3:50pm - 5 min	8	Next Meeting	Chair - Myr
4:00pm	9	Close	

**YARALLA BAY FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

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ITEM	Discussion / Action	PRESENTER
Agenda Item 1 – Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country – Outline of Meeting		
The Mayor welcomed attendees, introduced himself and delivered the Acknowledgement of Country. The Committee was provided with an overview of Council's responsibilities for managing flood-prone land, including the preparation of flood studies and plans to better understand and manage flood risks. The importance of developing an evidence-based understanding of flooding and associated infrastructure impacts was highlighted.		
Item 2 – Introductions of committee members and guests /advisors & Apologies		
Round the table introductions. Apologies: Mas Meuross – Councillor, Sarath Dantanarayana – Transport for NSW, Bill Stavropoulos – Transport for NSW, David Grasby – Sydney Water, Harry Biffin – DCCEEW, Peter Giaprakas – Canada Bay Council, and Paul Dewar – Canada Bay Council.		
Item 3 - Introduction to Floodplain Risk Management and FRMC Committee		
Manisha Devarapalli introduced Stephen Chow and Harrison Steen, with Stephen identified as the Council's project lead and Harrison as Council's project manager for the flood study. Stephen provided a high-level overview of Council's flood study program, noting that the City of Canada Bay is divided into ten catchments and that the Yaralla Bay and Rhodes catchment is the third study being undertaken. The study will consider existing flood risks and hazards, significant development within the catchment, impacts on infrastructure and community safety. WMA Water will provide specialist flood modelling and technical support. The Committee's local knowledge and feedback will be important in identifying known flooding locations and other matters requiring consideration. Agency representatives outlined their respective roles, including emergency response, management of major roads, sewer infrastructure and State Government floodplain management and grant oversight. Committee members were encouraged to identify any additional locations or issues that should be considered as part of the study.		

Item 4 - Consultant Update and Presentation

Behzad Jamali from WMA Water presented an overview of the **Yaralla Bay and Rhodes Flood Study**, including its objectives, methodology, anticipated timeline, community consultation process and opportunities for committee input.

The flood study and flood risk management study process includes:

- Data collection
- Flood Study
- Flood Risk Management Study
- Flood Risk Management Plan

Community engagement will occur throughout key stages of the project.

The study aims to improve the understanding of flood behaviour and impacts across a range of flood scenarios. Previous flooding information, resident reports, historical events and changes in development across the catchment will be considered.

Committee members were asked to identify known flooding areas and provide relevant supporting information, particularly **dates, photographs and details of previous flood events**, to assist with model calibration and validation.

Item 5 - Council Update - Community Engagement Presentation

Angelena Locke outlined the proposed community engagement approach and advised that lessons learned from previous flood studies would be incorporated. Communication will be tailored to ensure information regarding flood risk is clear, accessible and does not unnecessarily cause concern to residents. Community consultation is proposed to commence in mid-October 2026 and remain open until the end of November 2026 to support the data collection phase of the study.

Anthony Gelonesi raised the importance of clearly explaining the definition and varying levels of flooding, noting that community perceptions of what constitutes flooding may differ.

It was agreed that flood education and clearly communicating flood levels and risk will be an important component of community engagement.

A location near the new soccer field/Northern Street and golf course was raised for consideration. Harrison Steen confirmed that the matter sits outside the scope of the current flood study.

Project information and opportunities for residents and stakeholders to provide feedback will be available through the Collaborate Page on Council's website.

The Mayor queried the length of the proposed project timeframe. Council officers and WMA Water explained that significant data collection, modelling, validation and consultation are required. Modelling can require multiple runs and refinements before results are finalised. The stated project dates are therefore indicative and may be brought forward where possible.

Committee members were encouraged to provide any additional information or feedback following the meeting.

Item 6 - Open Discussion

Members expressed general support for the study process and acknowledged the importance of understanding flood risk given changing and unpredictable weather conditions.

The importance of reliable historical information was reiterated. WMA Water requested that, where possible, photographs and records of previous flooding include **accurate dates and times**, as this information assists with evaluating and validating the flood model.

Vanessa Stanmore advised she has not noticed significant flooding around Loch Maree Parade.

Item 7 - Vote to Support Public Consultation

Voting members present were asked to support progression to public consultation.

Outcome: Three votes were received in favour. The motion was **carried unanimously** by the voting members present.

Item 8 - Next Meeting

The project will proceed through data collection, further modelling and preparation of the draft study.

The next Committee meeting will be scheduled following the relevant consultation and draft review stage. The draft findings will be presented to the Committee, including consideration of feedback received and comparisons with the current understanding of flood behaviour, prior to progressing the study to Council for approval.

Committee members were encouraged to continue providing relevant data, observations and feedback to assist with development of the study.

Next meeting: To be confirmed following the close of community consultation on 29 November 2026 and consideration of the consultation outcomes.

Item 9 – Close

Mayor (Chair) thanked attendees for their participation and contributions.

Meeting closed at 3.00 pm.

10 COMMUNITY CULTURE AND LEISURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

ITEM 10.1 DRAFT COMMUNITY FUNDING POLICY & UPDATED SPONSORSHIP POLICY

Reporting Manager Manager Place and Events

Attachments:

1. Draft Community Funding Policy (*Provided in Attachment Booklet*) [⇒](#)
2. Draft Sponsorship Policy 2026 (*Provided in Attachment Booklet*) [⇒](#)

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR COMMUNITY CULTURE AND LEISURE

That:

1. Council endorses the draft Community Funding Policy (2026), and the updated Sponsorship Policy (2026) attached to this report, for public exhibition for a period of at least 28 days.
 2. Following the public exhibition period referred to in point 1 above, a report be prepared and submitted to Council on any submissions received, and any subsequently proposed amendments to the Community Funding Policy and Sponsorship Policy.
 3. The General Manager be authorised to make minor editorial amendments for clarity or correction of drafting errors prior to the exhibition of the draft Policies.
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PURPOSE

The report seeks Council endorsement to place the draft Community Funding Policy and updated Sponsorship Policy, attached to the report, for public exhibition for a period of at least 28 days.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council currently administers three (3) grant programs across three (3) directorates, as well as outbound sponsorships and other community funding arrangements. These funding opportunities are currently governed through a combination of separate policies and guidelines, with some arrangements not currently covered by a specific policy.

Following a review of the existing funding opportunities and arrangements currently in place, a new Community Funding Policy has been developed to provide consistency, transparency and a clear framework to govern grants, outbound sponsorships, memoranda of understanding, statements of intent and partnership agreements.

The new policy replaces the Community Grants Policy, Small Grants for Individuals & Teams Policy and will also provide governance for Heritage Grants and any future grant programs, as well as outbound sponsorships and other funding arrangements.

Program specific details including funding allocations, criteria, and program requirements will be contained in individual grant program guidelines providing flexibility to respond to the changing community and operational needs and priorities whilst retaining consistent governance across community funding.

The Sponsorship Policy has also been amended as a result of this review, to remove outbound sponsorships and provide a clear distinction between funds provided by Council and funds provided to Council.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 1:	Connected Community
Goal CC 3:	Provide the community with equitable access to a range of programs, services, and facilities
Direction 5:	Civic Leadership
Goal CL 1:	Council is accountable, efficient, and ready to meet future challenges

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Following the finalisation of the 2026/27 Community Grant Program, a review was undertaken to identify opportunities to improve processes and procedures and to provide greater transparency to both the community and Council officers administering and assessing the Grant Program.

Part of this work involved a broader review of Council's current grant, sponsorship and outbound funding arrangements. The review identified that Council's community funding opportunities are currently governed through a number of separate policies and guidelines, with some funding programs not currently covered by a specific policy.

This recognised the opportunity to consolidate these arrangements under a single Community Funding Policy to provide governance across all outgoing funding provided by Council.

REVIEW PROCESS

A cross-departmental working group was established with representatives from Executive Services, Community, Culture & Leisure, and Environment & Planning, incorporating key stakeholders involved in the administration of Council's existing grant and sponsorship programs.

The working group reviewed the existing policies and funding guidelines and provided feedback which informed the development of the consolidated draft Community Funding Policy.

The draft Policy was then reviewed by Council's Manager Governance, Risk and Strategy and the Executive Team.

The review considered Council's existing three (3) Grants programs and their associated policy and guideline documents;

1. Community Grants Program - governed by Community Grants Policy and supporting guidelines
2. Small Grants for Individuals and Teams Program – governed by Small Grants for Individuals and Teams Policy
3. Heritage Grants Program – supported with guidelines

The review also considered outbound sponsorships which currently sit within Council's Sponsorship Policy as well as memoranda of understandings, statements of intent and partnership agreements.

The draft Community Funding Policy establishes a single overarching governance framework for all Council grants and outbound sponsorships. This Policy would supersede the existing Community Grants Policy (2024) and Small Grants for Individuals and Teams Policy (2025).

Heritage Grants, any future grant programs and outbound sponsorships would also be governed by the new proposed Policy. In addition to this, memoranda of understandings, statements of intent and partnership agreements would also have a clear policy which they are governed by.

As part of the review, detailed program specific criteria and requirements, including funding allocations and program categories have been removed from the overarching policy. These details will instead be contained with program specific grant guidelines which a standardised guideline template has been created to ensure that all details are captured and consistent.

This approach maintains consistent governance principals across all grant programs while allowing flexibility within the individual grant programs to review and update their programs in response to community and operational needs.

Following this review, the two existing Environmental Grants categories, Support Grants and Development Grants, have been merged into a single Environment and Circular Economy Grants category to streamline the application process and make it easier for community groups and organisations to access funding for environmental projects.

The Sponsorship Policy has been amended as a result of the recommendation to move outbound sponsorships and funding provided by Council into the Community Funding Policy.

The Sponsorship Policy will now solely focus on sponsorships received by Council, providing a clear distinction between funding provided by Council and sponsorships received by Council. Any reference to outbound sponsorship has been removed from the current Sponsorship Policy and the updated Sponsorship Policy is attached to this report.

TIMING / CONSULTATION AND / OR RISK CONSIDERATIONS

This report seeks Council endorsement to place the proposed draft Community Funding Policy (2026), and the updated Sponsorship Policy, on public exhibition for a period of at least 28 days.

Feedback received during the public exhibition period will be reviewed and reported back to Council at the December Council Meeting for final determination.

The Community Grants Program 2027/2028 will be to open to the community under the proposed new policy framework from early December.

There are no risk considerations associated with this report.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no direct financial implications associated with the endorsement of the draft Community Funding Policy.

Funding amounts for the individual grant programs, however, will no longer be prescribed within a policy and will instead be detailed in the relevant program guidelines.

Funding for each program will remain subject to Council's annual budget review and allocations.

There are no direct financial implications associated with the endorsement of the updated Sponsorship Policy.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

This Policy is to be read in conjunction with applicable legislation, including:

- *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)*

ITEM 10.2 STREET PERFORMANCE PERMIT PILOT - EXTENSION**Reporting Manager Manager Place and Events****Attachments: Nil**

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR COMMUNITY CULTURE AND LEISURE

That Council:

1. Approve the six (6) month extension of the Street Performance Pilot program from 1 November 2026 to 30 April 2027 as outlined in the report.
 2. Officers prepare and submit a report to a future meeting of Council on the findings and recommendations at the conclusion of the Pilot program as referred to in 1 above.
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PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval to extend the period of the current Street Performance Pilot program for an additional six (6) months from 1 November 2026 to 30 April 2027, to enable further testing and evaluation of the program across the upcoming spring and summer seasons.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council received funding through the NSW Government's Permit/Plug/Play Pilot Program, part of its Vibrant Streets Package, which aims to reduce the cost and complexity of delivering street-based events.

A Street Performance Pilot Program was developed in response to community feedback received during Permit/Plug/Play Pilot Program community consultation and guided by Council's strategic directions outlined in Our Creative City-Cultural Plan 2033 and Our City after 5: Evening Economy and Activation Plan 2021 – 2031.

The pilot program was endorsed for an initial six (6) month period by Council at its meeting on 19 August 2025. Following an expression of interest, the development of the permit application process was completed, and the Street Performance Pilot program was officially launched in May 2026 and is due to end on 31 October 2026.

During the initial pilot period, there has been limited opportunity to fully test all six (6) Street Performance Pilot Sites, with only a small number of permit holders actively using their permits to book available sites and these have only represented music performance.

It is recommended that the Street Performance Permit Pilot program be extended for a further six (6) months to include the warmer months of the year, and to fully test all six (6) performance sites with a diverse range of Street Performance applicants.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 3: Vibrant Urban Living

Goal VUL 1: Creative vibrant local village centres and community hubs

Goal VUL 2: Improve access to local art, culture and creative activities

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Council received funding through the NSW Government's Permit/Plug/Play Pilot Program, part of its Vibrant Streets Package, which aims to reduce the cost and complexity of delivering street-based events.

During the initial stages of Permit/Plug/Pilot Program community consultation, feedback received identified the need for including live music and broader performance as part of event programs, in addition to more ad-hoc, smaller activations to support vibrancy in local town centres. A review of Council's procedures identified the lack of a clear application or approval pathway for Street Performers.

A Street Performance Pilot program was developed in response to the community feedback received and guided by Council's strategic directions outlined in Our Creative City-Cultural Plan 2033 and Our City after 5: Evening Economy and Activation Plan 2021 – 2031.

The proposed Street Performance Pilot program at six (6) identified locations within the LGA, including Concord, Drummoyne, Five Dock and Rhodes, was endorsed for an initial six (6) month period by Council at its meeting on 19 August 2025. The report to Council specified clear conditions of use, restricted activities and the permit approval process.

Following approval, an Expressions of Interest process was undertaken, with information regarding the program published on Council's Collaborate page. During the EOI, Council received several submissions from performers under the age of 18 and further development of the permit application process was required to support the inclusion of children and young people. The pilot program was officially launched (later than originally intended) in May 2026.

During the initial pilot period a total of 25 permits have been issued to music performers, nineteen (19) of which were issued to performers aged over 18, two were issued to performers aged over 15, and four were issued to performers aged under 14. No permit applications have been received to date for other performance categories. Of the 25 permits that were issued, seven (7) permit holders started actively using their permits to book available performance sites.

The performance sites that have received repeat bookings by performers include Under Bennelong Bridge in Rhodes, Peter Woods Place in Concord, Church Street Shared Space in Drummoyne and Fred Kelly Place in Five Dock. No issues or incidents have been reported to date.

During the period May to end September 2026, the performance site within Union Square in Rhodes has not been available due to the construction works relating to Rhodes Station Precinct Revitalisation project.

Due to the limited opportunity to fully test all six (6) sites with a diverse range of street performers it is recommended that the Street Performance Permit Pilot period be extended for an additional six-months to include the warmer months of the year, from 1 November 2026 to 30 April 2027.

Further marketing and promotion of the Street Performance Pilot program will be undertaken to encourage participation, and a report will be prepared and submitted to Council on the findings and recommendations at the conclusion of the extended pilot period.

TIMING / CONSULTATION AND / OR RISK CONSIDERATIONS

The Street Performance Pilot Program is proposed to run for an additional six (6) months from 1 November 2026 to 30 April 2027. Council will continue to monitor and evaluate the pilot program throughout the trial period, with outcomes measured to include the suitability of the site locations, feedback from performers, community and local businesses; permit application/approval process, administration and management; associated costs and activation value to the cultural vibrancy objectives of the program.

Risk considerations are included in the approved and restricted permit activities, clearly communicated through the issuing of the permit and street performer site terms and conditions. The

Place & Events team will monitor and manage any risk management changes required throughout the extended trial period.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations with this report.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

The Street Performance Pilot Program considers the legislative and policy requirements applicable to the relevant land classification under Council's Local Approvals Policy – Section 68 of the Local Government Act 1993; Roads Act 1993; and the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1975.

ITEM 10.3 CHILDREN'S SERVICES - FINANCIAL UPDATE**Reporting Manager** Manager Library and Community Services**Attachments:** Nil

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR COMMUNITY CULTURE AND LEISURE

That:

1. Council notes the financial update on Council's Children's Services following the impact of Start Strong program funding changes and operating cost increases, particularly those resulting from the new Local Government (State) Award 2026 and an additional public holiday.
 2. The proposed daily fee increase for Wellbank Children's Centre and Victoria Avenue Children's Centre from \$179 to \$184 per day from 7 January 2027 be placed on public exhibition for a period of at least 28 days in accordance with Section 610F of the Local Government Act 1993.
 3. A further report be prepared and submitted to the December 2026 meeting of Council following the public exhibition period referred to in 2 above.
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PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval to place on public exhibition a proposed increase in the daily fee charged at Council's two long day care centres, Wellbank Children's Centre and Victoria Avenue Children's Centre. The increase is proposed to maintain the financial sustainability of Council's not-for-profit early childhood education and care services following the impact of the Start Strong program funding changes and the significant unanticipated operating cost increases arising from changes to the Local Government (State) Award 2026.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council operates two (2) not-for-profit long day care centres providing a combined total of 98 childcare places to local families. Fees for both services were set at \$179 per day through the adoption of Council's Fees and Charges for 2026-27.

Since the adoption of the 2026-27 budget and related fees and charges, new budgetary pressures have emerged.

These include:

- The NSW Government Start Strong program payment funding received by councils operating long day care services ceasing on 1 January 2027. This funding will be redirected by the State Government to community-based preschools.
- The introduction by the NSW Government of an additional Anzac Day public holiday has resulted in a loss of fees for that day
- The implementation of new leave provisions under the Local Government (State) Award. These leave provisions provide an additional five days leave annually for permanent early childhood education and care employees in recognition of the additional pressures staff in children's centres are experiencing. These changes are estimated to increase operating costs by \$90,391 during FY27.
- Early Learning Commission annual service fees increasing from \$964 to \$3,284

Without a fee adjustment, the combined projected operating surplus for the two centres is expected to be reduced from \$91,000 to approximately \$609, with Victoria Avenue Children's Centre forecast

to record an operating deficit. A proposed increase of \$5 per day from January 2027 is forecast to improve the combined operating surplus to approximately \$59,409 while maintaining the competitiveness of Council's services within the local childcare market.

The report recommends that Council place the proposed revised fee of \$184 per day on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, with a further report to come back to Council in December for consideration of any community feedback prior to making a final decision.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 1: Connected Community

Goal CC 3: Provide the community with equitable access to a range of programs, services, and facilities

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Council currently operates two not-for-profit long day care centres:

- Wellbank Children's Centre (51 places)
- Victoria Avenue Children's Centre (47 places)

Any operating surpluses generated by the centres are retained within the services through reserve funding and are reinvested into service delivery, capital improvements, staffing and operational requirements. Fees are reviewed annually through the budget process with the objective of balancing affordability, service quality, market competitiveness and occupancy levels.

The daily fee for 2026-27 set at \$179 per day through the adoption of Council's Fees and Charges.

At the Council Meeting held on 15 April 2014 the following resolution was made:

That:

1. *Council progress with Option 3, that is to directly manage the 47-place childcare service to be located within the new community precinct at Powells Creek.*
2. *The operation of the service be reviewed after operating for one full financial year and then every 3 years.*
3. ***Should the Centre's operating result reflect a deficit in the future, that Council reconsider the management model.***
4. *A further report be provided to Council on the partnership model between Council, NSW Department of Education and Communities, and NSW Department of Health, as it relates to the Powells Creek Community Precinct.*

Point 3 of this resolution is relevant to the current financial position as without an additional fee increase Victoria Avenue Children's Centre is projected to be in an operating deficit this financial year. It is important to note that the anticipated deficit for 2026-27 is due to unexpected changes and the associated financial implications. The management model remains financially sustainable for Council in the longer term noting that Victoria Avenue Children's Centre has achieved operating surpluses every year over the 11 years since opening in January 2015.

It is noted that points 1, 2 and 4 of this resolution have been actioned, with reporting on the operation of Victoria Avenue being incorporated into Council's six (6) monthly and Annual Community Strategic Plan reporting.

Following adoption of the budget and associated fees and charges, three (3) significant external cost increases have occurred:

- The NSW Government Start Strong program funding received by councils operating long day care services will cease from 1 January 2027. This funding will be redirected by the State Government to community-based preschools through Start Strong fee relief for families. This cost will need to be absorbed by councils or recovered through increased fees. Alternatively, staff training and educational resources will need to be cut back, compromising the quality of the service.
- Creation of an additional Anzac Day public holiday resulting in loss of revenue for this day.
- Implementation of leave provisions under the Local Government (State) Award, providing five additional leave days annually for permanent children's services employees in recognition of the additional pressures staff in the early education and care sector are experiencing.
- Early Learning Commission annual service fees increasing from \$964 to \$3284 during the current financial year.

These changes are expected to increase operating costs by \$47,270 at Wellbank Children's Centre and \$43,121 at Victoria Avenue Children's Centre, resulting in a total additional cost of \$90,391.

Projected losses FY27	Wellbank	Victoria Avenue	TOTAL
Additional Public Holiday	-\$9,129	-\$8,413	-\$17,542
Local Government Award Changes	-\$38,141	-\$34,708	-\$72,849
Start Strong*	-\$17,052	-\$14,644	-\$31,696
Early Learning Commission annual service fee	-\$1,160	-\$1,160	-\$2,320
TOTAL	-\$65,482	-\$58,925	-\$124,407

Projected operating results FY27	Wellbank	Victoria Avenue	TOTAL
Initial Target Surplus	\$65,000	\$26,000	\$91,000
Projected Operating Result (no fee increase)*	\$16,570	-\$18,281	-\$1,711
Projected Surplus (\$5 increase January 2027)*	\$47,170	\$9,919	\$57,089

*Impact of start strong funding may be mitigated by delaying or reducing training or purchase of educational resources – therefore not included in the projected operating result.

Without an increase in fees, the combined 2026-27 operating surplus is projected to reduce from \$91,000 to approximately -\$1,711. More significantly, Victoria Avenue Children's Centre is projected to record a deficit of -\$18,281.

The proposed fee increase of \$5 per day, effective from 7 January 2027, is forecast to improve the combined operating surplus to \$57,089 and return both centres to a positive operating position.

Analysis of fees across the City of Canada Bay local government area demonstrates that the proposed fee remains competitive. Daily fees range from \$135 to \$207. The median fee in the City of Canada Bay is \$180 with 10 services charging between \$180 and \$184. Council's proposed fee of \$184 remains below several private operators and within the range charged by comparable not-for-profit providers, as demonstrated in the following table.

Provider type	Example service	Current daily fees
Commercial provider	Rhodes-1	\$ 207.00
Commercial provider	Rhodes-2	\$ 195.00
Commercial provider	Five Dock-1	\$ 193.00
Commercial provider	Breakfast Point-1	\$ 188.00
Not-for-profit provider	Concord-1	\$ 188.00
Commercial provider	North Strathfield-1	\$ 187.00
Commercial provider	Russell Lea -1	\$ 186.00
Commercial provider	Rhodes-3	\$ 185.00
Council not-for-profit	Council Children's Centre Proposed Fee	\$ 184.00
Commercial provider	Concord-2	\$ 181.00
Commercial provider	Concord-3	\$ 181.00
Council not-for-profit	Council Children's Centre Current Fee	\$ 179.00
Not-for-profit provider	Abbotsford-1	\$ 155.00
Not-for-profit provider	Concord West-1	\$ 135.00

TIMING / CONSULTATION AND / OR RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Subject to Council approval, the proposed revised fee will be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days to provide families enrolled in the centres, and the broader community, with an opportunity to comment on the proposal. Feedback received during the exhibition period will be reviewed and reported back to Council at the December Council Meeting for final determination. If the revised fee is adopted by Council in accordance with the recommendations contained in this report, it will be implemented from 7 January 2027.

Should the fee increase not proceed, there is a significant risk that the anticipated operating surpluses of the children's services will be substantially eroded, reducing the capacity of the services to maintain reserves, respond to future cost increases and undertake ongoing investment in facilities and service quality.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

As indicated in the report above.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Local Government Act 1993

ITEM 10.4 CANADA BAY MEN'S KITCHEN - UPDATE**Reporting Manager** Manager Library and Community Services**Attachments:** Nil

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR COMMUNITY CULTURE AND LEISURE

That Council note the update on the support provided to the Men's Kitchen Association to assist with the establishment of a City of Canada Bay Men's Kitchen group.

PURPOSE

This report provides an update on the support that has been provided to facilitate the establishment of a Men's Kitchen group in the City of Canada Bay.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In July 2026, Council resolved that Council Officers meet with the Men's Kitchen Association and explore potential opportunities to assist with establishing a Men's Kitchen within the local area and provide a report back to Council.

Council Officers have held several meetings with the Men's Kitchen Association, assisting with venue hire, promotion and potential funding opportunities. The Association identified Concord Senior Citizens Centre as its preferred venue and commenced weekly hire of the space in early October 2026. Council has actively promoted the group through its Mental Health Month activities, local service providers and library displays. In addition, Council has provided information and guidance on both Council and external grant opportunities to assist the Association in building its capacity and long-term sustainability.

This report provides further details on the assistance that has been provided to establish a Men's Kitchen in City of Canada Bay.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 1: Connected Community

Goal CC 3: Provide the community with equitable access to a range of programs, services, and facilities

Goal CC 4: Promote a community where residents feel safe and enjoy good health

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The Men's Kitchen Association (the Association) is a not-for-profit organisation that runs cooking classes for older men. As well as learning to cook, it is an opportunity for men to develop social connections and friendships through the group.

The Association commenced in Sydney's Northern Beaches area and is looking to expand its operations into the City of Canada Bay in 2026/2027, providing an opportunity for local men to participate.

At the Council meeting held on 21 July 2026, Council resolved that:

1. *Council officers meet with the Men's Kitchen Association and explore potential opportunities to assist with establishing a Men's Kitchen Association Service within the City of Canada Bay.*
2. *Officers prepare and submit a report to a future meeting of Council detailing the outcomes of 1 above.*

Council Officers have met with representatives from the Association to provide support to establish a group in the City of Canada Bay as outlined below:

1. **Venue** – The Association was provided with information regarding Council venues for hire, including a tour of suitable venues. The Association identified Concord Senior Citizens Centre as the preferred venue and has commenced hiring the venue once a week from the beginning of October 2026. The Association has worked with Council's Venues team regarding this hire who have arranged storage for the Association's equipment. The Association has made several suggestions for enhancements to the venue's kitchen, which would make the venue more suitable for their use. This is currently being reviewed by the Venues and Facilities teams to ensure the requested change does not negatively impact other regular hirers.
2. **Promotion** – Council officers also discussed opportunities to promote the local group with the Association. A call out for volunteers and participants has been included in Council's Mental Health Month promotions during October 2026. Council officers have promoted information regarding a Canada Bay group to local service providers such as community centres and health services and have requested that they share this information with their clients. Concord Library is displaying Men's Kitchen brochures. Council will also support the Association to participate in future promotional opportunities such as via Council's Seniors Festival.
3. **Funding opportunities** – Council officers have provided information regarding the City of Canada Bay Community Grants Program, including details on how and when to apply, as well as the type of projects that can be supported. The Association has also been provided with information on non-Council grant opportunities.

TIMING / CONSULTATION AND / OR RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Council Officers will continue to liaise with the Men's Kitchen Association and provide support where possible to establish a group in the City of Canada Bay area.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations associated with this report.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

There are no legislative or policy considerations associated with this report.

11 CORPORATE SERVICES AND STRATEGY DIRECTORATE REPORTS

ITEM 11.1 CASH AND INVESTMENTS REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2026

Reporting Manager Chief Financial Officer

Attachments: 1. Investment Report September 2026 (*Provided in Attachment Booklet*) ➡

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES AND STRATEGY

That the September 2026 Cash and Investments Report as attached to the report be received and noted.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present Council's Investment portfolio performance for September 2026.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council's investments are reported monthly to Council in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 and Council's Investment Policy.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 5: Civic Leadership

Goal CL 1: Council is accountable, efficient, and ready to meet future challenges

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

This report incorporates the September 2026 Cash and Investments Reports, for Council's consideration.

Certification - Responsible Accounting Officer

Jourdan Di Leo as the Responsible Accounting Officer has certified that the investments listed in the attached report have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 and clause 212 of the Local Government General Regulation 2021.

As at 30 September 2026, the portfolio comprised of the following investment ratings:

Compliant	LT Ratings	Invested (\$)	% Invested per category	Minimum Limit %	% Maximum Limit per category
✓	AAA, AA-	\$69,449,500.00	36.74%	30%	100%
✓	A+, A, A-	\$58,106,229.92	30.74%	0%	70%
✓	BBB+, BBB, BBB-	\$61,450,500.00	32.51%	0%	
✓	Unrated	\$0.00	0.00%	0%	0%
		\$189,006,229.92	100.00%		

Investments are compliant with Council's Investment Policy.

Summary position as of 30 September 2026

The Cash at Bank and Cash Investments are summarised below:

Month	Cash At Bank	Cash Investments	Total Cash
30 September 2026	\$1,813,299.80	\$189,006,229.92	\$190,819,529.72

The detailed Schedule of Investments held as at 30 September 2026 is provided over the next page.

STATEMENT OF CASH INVESTMENTS							
Maturity Date	Bank/Issuer	Long Term Rating	Fair Value	Term	Interest	Issue Date	Investment Type
07/10/26	Heartland Bank Australia	BBB	\$2,500,000.00	229	4.85%	20/02/26	Term Deposits
14/10/26	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	84	4.95%	22/07/26	Term Deposits
21/10/26	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	56	4.80%	26/08/26	Term Deposits
21/10/26	Heartland Bank Australia	BBB	\$2,000,000.00	232	4.95%	03/03/26	Term Deposits
28/10/26	ING	A	\$2,000,000.00	372	4.74%	21/10/24	Term Deposits
05/11/26	ING	A	\$16,500,000.00	372	4.94%	29/10/24	Term Deposits
02/12/26	State Bank of India, Sydney Branch	BBB	\$2,000,000.00	124	5.20%	31/07/26	Term Deposits
09/12/26	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	160	5.04%	02/07/26	Term Deposits
16/12/26	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	328	4.55%	22/01/26	Term Deposits
16/12/26	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	140	5.22%	29/07/26	Term Deposits
13/01/27	ING	A	\$2,000,000.00	334	4.84%	13/02/26	Term Deposits
20/01/27	ING	A	\$2,000,000.00	348	4.79%	06/02/26	Term Deposits
27/01/27	ING	A	\$3,000,000.00	362	4.78%	30/01/26	Term Deposits
04/02/27	ING	A	\$4,000,000.00	279	4.10%	01/05/25	Term Deposits
10/02/27	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	209	5.10%	16/07/26	Term Deposits
17/02/27	Heartland Bank Australia	BBB	\$2,000,000.00	365	5.00%	17/02/26	Term Deposits
03/03/27	Heartland Bank Australia	BBB	\$2,500,000.00	369	5.00%	27/02/26	Term Deposits
10/03/27	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$3,000,000.00	224	5.33%	29/07/26	Term Deposits
18/03/27	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	311	4.09%	09/05/25	Term Deposits
01/04/27	ING	A	\$4,000,000.00	335	4.08%	01/05/25	Term Deposits
07/04/27	State Bank of India, Sydney Branch	BBB	\$3,000,000.00	252	5.40%	29/07/26	Term Deposits
14/04/27	Heartland Bank Australia	BBB	\$2,500,000.00	411	5.05%	27/02/26	Term Deposits
21/04/27	Heartland Bank Australia	BBB	\$2,000,000.00	414	5.10%	03/03/26	Term Deposits
28/04/27	Great Southern Bank	BBB+	\$2,000,000.00	239	5.46%	01/09/26	Term Deposits
06/05/27	ING	A	\$2,500,000.00	363	4.03%	08/05/25	Term Deposits
12/05/27	Rabobank Aus Limited	A	\$2,000,000.00	365	4.22%	12/05/25	Term Deposits
20/05/27	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	374	4.07%	09/05/25	Term Deposits
26/05/27	Beyond Bank	BBB+	\$2,500,000.00	447	5.10%	05/03/26	Term Deposits
09/06/27	Queensland Police Credit Union	BBB	\$2,000,000.00	454	5.30%	12/03/26	Term Deposits
16/06/27	State Bank of India, Sydney Branch	BBB	\$3,000,000.00	322	5.40%	29/07/26	Term Deposits
23/06/27	Judo Bank	BBB	\$2,000,000.00	462	5.37%	18/03/26	Term Deposits
23/06/27	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$2,500,000.00	266	5.50%	30/09/26	Term Deposits
30/06/27	Beyond Bank	BBB+	\$2,500,000.00	482	5.10%	05/03/26	Term Deposits
01/07/27	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$3,000,000.00	337	5.38%	29/07/26	Term Deposits
07/07/27	Judo Bank	BBB	\$2,000,000.00	476	5.37%	18/03/26	Term Deposits
14/07/27	Judo Bank	BBB	\$2,000,000.00	476	5.55%	25/03/26	Term Deposits
21/07/27	Unity Bank	BBB+	\$2,000,000.00	476	5.65%	01/04/26	Term Deposits
04/08/27	Unity Bank	BBB+	\$2,000,000.00	482	5.67%	09/04/26	Term Deposits
01/09/27	Unity Bank	BBB+	\$2,000,000.00	510	5.67%	09/04/26	Term Deposits
29/09/27	Unity Bank	BBB+	\$2,000,000.00	531	5.60%	16/04/26	Term Deposits
06/10/27	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	404	5.31%	28/08/26	Term Deposits
13/10/27	Credit Union SA	BBB+	\$2,500,000.00	531	5.70%	01/05/26	Term Deposits
29/10/27	ING	A	\$2,000,000.00	729	4.25%	30/10/25	Term Deposits
17/11/27	Credit Union SA	BBB+	\$2,000,000.00	566	5.70%	01/05/26	Term Deposits
01/12/27	Credit Union SA	BBB+	\$2,000,000.00	580	5.70%	01/05/26	Term Deposits
08/12/27	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	463	5.50%	01/09/26	Term Deposits
15/12/27	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	471	5.47%	31/08/26	Term Deposits
22/12/27	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	504	5.34%	05/08/26	Term Deposits
08/03/28	Judo Bank	BBB	\$2,000,000.00	721	5.40%	18/03/26	Term Deposits
22/03/28	Rabobank Aus Limited	A	\$2,000,000.00	553	5.76%	16/09/26	Term Deposits
11/05/28	Rabobank Aus Limited	A	\$2,000,000.00	730	4.37%	12/05/25	Term Deposits
28/06/28	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	651	5.76%	16/09/26	Term Deposits
30/10/28	ING	A	\$2,000,000.00	1096	4.33%	30/10/25	Term Deposits
30/10/26	Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	183	4.30%	30/10/25	Tailored Deposit
01/03/28	Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	545	5.53%	03/09/26	Tailored Deposit
23/12/26	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$2,000,000.00	91	5.13%	23/09/21	Floating Rate Notes
22/03/27	ING	A	\$1,000,000.00	181	5.68%	22/03/24	Floating Rate Notes
14/05/27	Bendigo Adelaide Bank	A-	\$800,000.00	273	5.51%	14/05/24	Floating Rate Notes
18/08/27	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$1,100,000.00	365	5.52%	18/08/22	Floating Rate Notes
13/09/27	AMP	BBB+	\$1,300,000.00	364	5.94%	13/09/24	Floating Rate Notes
01/11/27	Great Southern Bank	BBB+	\$1,150,000.00	454	5.54%	01/11/24	Floating Rate Notes
13/01/28	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$1,500,000.00	549	5.61%	13/01/23	Floating Rate Notes
19/01/28	Rabobank Aus Branch	A+	\$1,000,000.00	548	5.65%	19/01/23	Floating Rate Notes
16/02/28	Westpac	AA-	\$1,000,000.00	548	5.49%	16/02/23	Floating Rate Notes
09/05/28	Bank of Queensland Covered	AAA	\$1,250,000.00	638	5.70%	09/05/23	Floating Rate Notes
17/08/28	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$1,250,000.00	731	5.46%	17/08/23	Floating Rate Notes
03/10/28	Teachers Mutual Bank	BBB+	\$2,000,000.00	823	5.41%	03/10/25	Floating Rate Notes
20/11/28	Bank of Queensland	A-	\$1,500,000.00	823	5.27%	20/11/25	Floating Rate Notes
23/04/29	Bendigo Adelaide Bank	A-	\$500,000.00	1005	5.31%	23/04/26	Floating Rate Notes
20/08/29	ING	A	\$1,800,000.00	1096	5.52%	20/08/24	Floating Rate Notes
27/09/29	Suncorp Bank	AA-	\$2,100,000.00	1095	5.69%	27/09/24	Floating Rate Notes
18/03/30	National Australia Bank (NAB)	AA-	\$1,600,000.00	1277	5.52%	18/03/25	Floating Rate Notes
21/05/30	Suncorp Bank	AA-	\$700,000.00	1369	5.42%	21/05/25	Floating Rate Notes
19/06/30	Westpac	AA-	\$1,200,000.00	1367	5.56%	19/06/25	Floating Rate Notes
10/07/30	Rabobank Aus Branch	A+	\$1,000,000.00	1461	5.32%	10/07/25	Floating Rate Notes
17/07/30	Macquarie Bank	A+	\$1,100,000.00	1461	5.29%	17/07/25	Floating Rate Notes
15/08/30	ING Bank Covered	AAA	\$500,000.00	1459	5.29%	15/08/25	Floating Rate Notes
15/01/31	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$1,500,000.00	1645	5.20%	15/01/26	Floating Rate Notes
09/07/31	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$1,500,000.00	1826	5.14%	09/07/26	Floating Rate Notes
21/01/30	Westpac	AA-	\$1,800,000.00	1280	4.95%	21/01/25	Fixed Rate Bond
21/05/30	Suncorp Bank	AA-	\$500,000.00	1461	4.60%	21/05/25	Fixed Rate Bond
17/07/30	Macquarie Bank	A+	\$1,000,000.00	1461	4.37%	17/07/25	Fixed Rate Bond
15/08/30	ING	A	\$500,000.00	1459	4.28%	15/08/25	Fixed Rate Bond
15/01/31	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$800,000.00	1645	5.03%	15/01/26	Fixed Rate Bond
09/07/31	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$1,500,000.00	1826	5.15%	09/07/26	Fixed Rate Bond
	AMP	BBB+	\$4,000,000.00		5.00%		AMP
	AMP	BBB+	\$500.00		2.25%		AMP
	Macquarie Bank	A+	\$1,906,229.92		4.65%		Macquarie Bank
	Commonwealth Bank	AA-	\$8,149,500.00		4.60%		CBA BOS
	30/09/2026		\$189,006,229.92		5.0733%		
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS at 31/08/2026		\$185,666,202.44		4.9962%		
	Net Increase/(Decrease) in Investments		\$3,340,027.48		0.0771%		

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Council's adopted budget for 2026-27 forecast interest earnings of \$8.5M. Council earned \$793,145.76 in September 2026.

The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) Monetary Policy Board met on 29 September 2026 and determined that the cash rate would increase to 4.60%.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Council's investments are made in accordance with the Local Government Act (1993), the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 and Council's Investment Policy. Section 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 states:

- (1) The responsible accounting officer of a council:
 - (a) must provide the council with a written report (setting out details of all money that the council has invested under section 625 of the Act) to be presented;
 - (i) if only one ordinary meeting of the council is held in a month, at that meeting, or
 - (ii) if more than one such meeting is held in a month, at whichever of those meetings the council by resolution determines, and
 - (b) must include in the report a certificate as to whether the investment has been made in accordance with the Act, the regulations and the council's investment policies.
- (2) The report must be made up to the last day of the month immediately preceding the meeting.

ITEM 11.2 ANNUAL PECUNIARY INTEREST RETURNS FOR COUNCILLORS AND DESIGNATED PERSONS - 2025-2026**Reporting Manager Manager Governance Risk and Strategy****Attachments: Nil**

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES AND STRATEGY

That the tabling of the Annual Pecuniary Interest Returns for Councillors and Designated Persons for 2025/26 report be noted.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to table the register of Annual Pecuniary Interest Returns for the period 2025/26.

REPORT

Clause 4.21 of Council's Code of Conduct (the 'Code'), based on the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW requires that Councillors and those staff members deemed to be 'designated persons', annually lodge with the General Manager, within three (3) months after 30 June, a return disclosing interests, in the form prescribed by Schedule 2 of the Code.

Clause 4.8 of the Code defines designated persons to include:

- a) *the general manager*
- b) *other senior staff of the council for the purposes of section 332 of the LGA*
- c) *a person (other than a member of the senior staff of the council) who is a member of staff of the council or a delegate of the council and who holds a position identified by the council as the position of a designated person because it involves the exercise of functions (such as regulatory functions or contractual functions) that, in their exercise, could give rise to a conflict between the person's duty as a member of staff or delegate and the person's private interest*
- d) *a person (other than a member of the senior staff of the council) who is a member of a committee of the council identified by the council as a committee whose members are designated persons because the functions of the committee involve the exercise of the council's functions (such as regulatory functions or contractual functions) that, in their exercise, could give rise to a conflict between the member's duty as a member of the committee and the member's private interest.*

Further, in accordance with Clause 4.24 of the Code, the General must keep a register of the Returns received with Clause 4.25 requiring these returns to be tabled at the first meeting of the Council after the last day the return is required to be lodged.

In accordance with these requirements, the Register is hereby tabled.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 5: Civic Leadership

Goal CL 1: Council is accountable, efficient, and ready to meet future challenges

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations associated with this report.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Clause 4.8 and 4.21 of Council's Code of Conduct, based on the Office of Local Government Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW.

RISK CONSIDERATIONS

There are no risk considerations associated with this report.

ITEM 11.3 FIRST QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW - JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2026**Reporting Manager** Corporate Accounting Manager

Chief Financial Officer

Attachments:

1. **QBRs - September 2026** (*Provided in Attachment Booklet*) [⇒](#)
2. **Capital Works Program as at 30 September 2026** (*Provided in Attachment Booklet*) [⇒](#)

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES AND STRATEGY

That the first quarter Budget Review for 2026/27, including the variations as identified in the report and attachments be adopted.

PURPOSE

To inform Council of the results of the first quarter budget review and what material changes to the annual budget have occurred from July 2026 to September 2026. Revised year end forecasts are based on financial performance and trends over the period 1 July 2026 to 30 September 2026.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement (QBRs) provides a summary of Council's financial position at the end of each quarter and highlights progress against both the original Operational Plan and the last revised budget, in addition to any recommended revisions identified as part of the budget review process.

The first quarter review forecasts the Operating Budget result to have improved from the adopted budget surplus of \$140K to a surplus of \$2,956K, excluding capital income and reserves movements. Overall, the consolidated budget position incorporating the Capital Budget has not changed from a balanced budget.

Recommended changes to the operating budget of \$2,816K are outlined in the report and attachments. A net gain from the sale of 4-6 Beaconsfield Lane, Concord (former Concord Council Works Depot) and 63 Blaxland Rd, Rhodes (former Community Centre) properties has been accounted for in this review. Excluding this adjustment, the budget result would be a surplus of \$18K.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

This report supports Our Future 2036 outcome area:

Direction 5: Civic Leadership

Goal CL 1: Council is accountable, efficient, and ready to meet future challenges

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Significant material Operational Plan revisions arising in the September 2026 quarter forecast are as follows:

		Original Budget	September Movement	Proposed Budget
Operational				
Income	<i>Rates and Annual Charges</i>	81,834,835	0	81,834,835
	<i>User Fees and Charges</i>	25,019,393	(12,129)	25,007,265
	<i>Other Revenue</i>	7,827,262	85,477	7,912,739
	<i>Grants and Contributions-Operational</i>	11,509,626	152,543	11,662,169
	<i>Interest</i>	8,783,750	1,110,000	9,893,750
	<i>Other Income/Rental Income</i>	6,042,356	(378,783)	5,663,573
	<i>Net Gain from disposal of assets</i>	0	2,937,500	2,937,500
	Total operating income	141,017,222	3,894,608	144,911,831
Expense	<i>Employee Costs</i>	59,166,533	291,029	59,457,562
	<i>Materials & Services</i>	51,143,577	787,645	51,931,222
	<i>Borrowings</i>	515,968	0	515,968
	<i>Other Expenses</i>	7,651,414	(500)	7,650,914
	<i>Net Loss from disposal of assets</i>	0	0	0
	<i>Depreciation</i>	22,399,200	0	22,399,200
	Total operating expenditure	140,876,692	1,078,173	141,954,865
Operational result - surplus/(deficit)		140,530	2,816,435	2,956,966
Capital				
Income	<i>Grants And Contributions-Capital</i>	67,593,526	2,145,604	69,739,130
	<i>New Loans</i>	0	0	0
	<i>Proceeds From The Disposal Of Assets</i>	703,000	26,250,000	26,953,000
	Total Capital Income	68,296,526	28,395,604	96,692,130
Expense	<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	62,972,276	7,973,960	70,946,236
	<i>Capital Expenditure - Principal Loan</i>	862,913	0	862,913
	<i>Capital Expenditure - Other</i>	1,220,485	430,224	1,650,709
	Total capital expenditure	65,055,673	8,404,184	73,459,858
Capital result - surplus/(deficit)		3,240,853	19,991,420	23,232,273
Funding Movements				
	<i>Add Back Depreciation & Amortisation -</i>	22,399,200	0	22,399,200
	<i>Gain/Loss from disposal of assets</i>	0	(2,937,500)	(2,937,500)
	<i>Transfer From Reserve</i>	42,505,769	6,117,145	48,622,914
	<i>Transfer To Reserve</i>	(68,286,351)	(25,987,500)	(94,273,851)
	Total Funding Movements	(3,381,383)	(22,807,855)	(26,189,238)
Net result - surplus/(deficit)		0	0	0

Increase in Income: \$3,895K (Excluding Capital Grants and Contributions)

- Forecast decrease in User Fees and Charges of \$12K. Revenue is better than forecast in Road Closure Fees \$65K and Rezoning Fees \$20K offset by reductions in revenue collected from Parking Meters (\$25K) and credit card fees (\$73K).

The Reserve Bank's ban on credit card surcharges came into effect on 1 October 2026. The adopted budget included an allowance for credit card surcharges of \$106K. Revenue collected up until the ban, amounted to \$33K. A revenue write-down of \$73K has been included in this review.

- Forecast increase in interest and investment revenue of \$1.1M, resulting from favourable market conditions and more funds available to invest than anticipated. The investment portfolio held \$190.8M at the end of September 2026. Average investment returns on the portfolio of 5.07% are being achieved.
- Forecast increase in operating grants and contributions of \$153K. This is attributable to the additional funding received for the contract extension for the Sydney Metro Liaison Officer \$119K and Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway Staffing contribution of \$76K. Reduction in the anticipated Grant for Ferragosto (\$56K).

- *Forecast increase in other revenue of \$85K.* This increase is attributable to an insurance recovery for a damaged flood light at Powells Creek of \$72K and Waste Infringement income up \$18K.
- *Forecast decrease in other income of \$379K.* This decrease is attributable to revenue forecast write downs for leasing of commercial spaces at the Rhodes Recreation Centre of \$167K, large format advertising signage of \$135K and the Watershed café of \$89K.
- *Forecast increase from net gain on disposal of assets of \$2,938K.* This increase results from the sale of Beaconsfield Ave and 63 Blaxland Rd properties. Total sale proceeds of \$26.25M exceeds the combined book value by this amount.

Increase in Expenditure: \$1,079K

- *Forecast increase in employee benefits and on costs of \$291K.* This is attributable to a worker's compensation premium cost increase of \$123K, Metro Liaison Officer \$119K and Kokoda Track staffing increase of \$76K.
- *Forecast increase in materials and services of \$788K.* Additional costs associated with Drainage maintenance of \$278K (Funding reallocated from the Capital Budget), Parramatta Road Corridor Strategy Project continuation of \$254K, Kings Bay Master Planning of \$60K, consulting costs relating to State Significant Developments of \$50K and Legal Costs of \$50K.

Increase in Capital Grants and Contributions: \$2,146K

- Capital Grants and Contributions are partly utilised to fund the current year's Capital Works Program and the remainder reserved to fund new facilities and infrastructure planned for the future.

Grant funding brought to account for 2026/27 for the following projects:

- Regional Cycleway Upgrade - \$1,983K
- Community Sports facility Upgrade – St Lukes Oval - \$83K
- Upgrade – Howley Park East - \$180K
- Five Dock Park multi court - \$19K

New and additional grants have been brought to account for the following projects:

- Timbrell Park traffic study initiatives \$125K
- Drummoyne – Safer her ways \$95K
- Livvis Place Project Management contribution \$48K

Further, a reduction to the original budget funding allocation for the Black Spot Program works at Nullawarra Ave and Boronia Ave to reflect the rephasing of the project to next financial year has been brought to account – (\$560K). Timing / Consultation and / or Risk Considerations

Not later than 2 months after the end of each quarter, the responsible accounting officer of a council must prepare and submit to the council a budget review statement that shows, by reference to the estimate of income and expenditure set out in the management plan that the council has adopted for the relevant year, a revised estimate of the income and expenditure for that year.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

This review recommends several changes to the Continuing Operations Budget and provides revised estimates for the full year. In some cases, the recommended changes to the budget are movements of funds across functions or activities of Council. The overall consolidated budget movement over the first quarter is zero, which maintains unrestricted cash reserves at budget forecast balances.

Material variations highlighted during the quarter are detailed in the Quarterly Budget Review Statement attachment.

Capital Works Program

The Capital Budget includes the Capital Works Program comprising new and renewal infrastructure projects, planned purchases and disposals of major equipment, loan repayments and allocations to reserves. The capital expenditure program is funded from developer contributions, grants, funds drawn down from reserves and specific purpose income such as the Stormwater Management Charge.

The following table summarises variances to the original budget for Capital Expenditure:

Type	Original Budget \$'000	September Variations \$'000	Proposed Budget \$'000
Capital Expenditure	62,973	7,974	70,947
Intangible Assets	1,220	430	1,650
Loans	863	0	863
Total Capital	65,056	8,404	73,460

The above table shows the net movement in the Capital Expenditure Program, increasing by \$8.4M. The significant expenditures included in this review include \$1.98M for Regional Cycleway works, \$1.3M for Rhodes Public Domain Construction and \$550K for upgrade to HVAC at Concord Library and Wellbank Childrens Centre.

Full details of the recommended variations to forecast budgets are shown in the first quarter Budget Review Capital Works Program in Attachment 2 to the report.

Cash & Investments

The Statement of Investments as at 30 September 2026 will be presented at the Council Meeting of 20 October 2026. At the end of the first quarter, Council's Cash and Investments amounted to \$190,819,529.72. By comparison, at the end of the first quarter in September 2025, Cash and Investments amounted to \$206,823,716.68. These funds are invested in accordance with Council's Investment Policy.

A detailed Statement of Cash and Investments is incorporated in Attachment 1 to the report.

Cash flows from rate collections over the first three months of the 2026/27 financial year amount to approximately \$31 million of the \$84 million rate debtor. This represents 37% of the total collectible compared to 38% for the same period last year.

Financial Assistance Grant

The budget also accounts for the ongoing payment in advance of the Financial Assistance Grant. The advance payment of Financial Assistance Grant would usually be paid in June 2027.

Failure to receive this grant will result in the forecast result being unachievable.

Financial Impact

The first quarter review forecasts a revised operating budget surplus of \$2,956K, including \$2,938K in net gain from disposal of assets.

The capital program has been updated to reflect current budget phasing, with an increase of \$8.4M in expenditure. The impact of these combined funding movements results in the revised capital works program being adjusted up from \$65.1M to \$73.5M.

The following statement is made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021.

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for City of Canada Bay for the quarter ended 30/09/2026 indicates that Council's projected financial position as at 30 June 2027 will be satisfactory at the year end, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure. This opinion focuses on Council's projected short-term liquidity position at year end. It does not extend to an opinion relating to Council's long-term financial position.

Jourdan Di Leo - Responsible Accounting Officer.

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 requires that at the end of each quarter, a Budget Review Statement be prepared and submitted to Council that provides the latest estimate of Income and Expenditure for the current financial year.

12 NOTICES OF MOTION**ITEM 12.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR FERGUSON - PARKING OF BOATS, TRAILERS AND OVERSIZED VEHICLES ON COUNCIL STREETS**

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Ferguson

MOTION

That Council:

1. Notes the increasing number of boats, trailers and other oversized recreational vehicles being parked for extended periods on residential streets in the Drummoyne area, particularly around Drummoyne Avenue, and surrounding streets.
 2. Acknowledges the frustration expressed by residents that these vehicles, many of which appear to originate from outside of the City of Canada Bay, occupy valuable on-street parking for prolonged periods and reduce parking opportunities for residents and their visitors.
 3. Notes that an 8-storey apartment block is presently being constructed on the corner of Westbourne St and Hythe St, Drummoyne which will further impact parking.
 4. Officers investigate the boats, trailers and oversized recreational vehicles parked in the Drummoyne area for extended periods, including consideration of parking availability, traffic and pedestrian safety, visibility, enforcement and the length of time boats and trailers remain parked on residential streets.
 5. Officers present to a future Councillor Workshop on the outcomes of the investigations referred to in 4. above and options to consult with affected residents in and around Drummoyne Avenue, Drummoyne around practical options to better manage boats, trailers and oversized recreational vehicles parked in the Drummoyne area for extended periods, including appropriate signage, parking restrictions, enforcement measures or other regulatory options.
 6. Officers prepare and submit a report to a future meeting of Council outlining the outcomes of 4 and 5 above.
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BACKGROUND FROM COUNCILLOR ANDREW FERGUSON

I have raised these concerns on many occasions and feel the issue does not receive ongoing attention.

ITEM 12.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR FERGUSON - FIVE DOCK ROTARY

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Ferguson

MOTION

That Council:

1. Acknowledges and congratulates the Rotary Club of Five Dock, and its current and past office bearers, members and volunteers, for more than five (5) decades of outstanding service to the local community and for its significant contribution to charitable, community, health, educational, youth and humanitarian causes locally, nationally and internationally.
 2. Recognises the important contribution made by volunteer organisations such as the Rotary Club of Five Dock to strengthening community connections and supporting organisations and individuals in need throughout the City of Canada Bay and beyond.
 3. Promote future Rotary Club of Five Dock events, where Council has provided financial and/or in-kind support, through Council's social media platforms, website, community communications and other available communication channels as appropriate for the event.
 4. Notes the important role of the Rotary Club of Five Dock in supporting the community and encourages the Club to continue its outstanding work for many years to come.
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BACKGROUND FROM COUNCILLOR ANDREW FERGUSON

The Rotary Club of Five Dock has made an outstanding contribution to the local community for more than 50 years, with its inaugural meeting held in April 1973 and its formal establishment following later that year. From its earliest days, the Club has demonstrated a strong commitment to the principle of Service Above Self, supporting local, national and international charitable and community initiatives.

For more than five (5) decades, the Rotary Club of Five Dock and its volunteers have raised and distributed substantial funds to community organisations and charitable causes. Its work has included support for Lucas Gardens School, Concord Hospital, Balmain Hospital, The Children's Hospital at Westmead, Australian Rotary Health, Rivendell Youth Mental Health, Abbotsford Sea Scouts, Sailability, Handital and numerous other community organisations.

The Club has also played an important role in community projects, including the significant restoration of Rodd Point and the historic Rodd Cross and Tomb. In 2005, the Club donated the Five Dock Rotary Clock, which remains a prominent feature of the Five Dock shopping precinct.

The Club's history also demonstrates a longstanding commitment to young people, education, health, disability services, emergency services and international humanitarian projects. Its fundraising has supported projects ranging from local schools and sporting organisations to medical and humanitarian initiatives overseas.

The Club has continued this tradition of service into the present day, with recent fundraising events including its Christmas in July Trivia Night and Ferragosto Dinner, which have supported organisations including the Royal Flying Doctor Service and Lucas Gardens School.

ITEM 12.3 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR ALAFACI - MAJORS BAY ROAD SHOPPING VILLAGE - PARKING ACCESS, CAPACITY AND TURNOVER REVIEW

Submitted by: Councillor Sylvia Alafaci

MOTION

That Council:

1. Notes that in 2019 an extensive assessment was undertaken and report prepared which details the parking requirements and capacity constraints within the Majors Bay Road Shopping Village, Concord and surrounding streets, including Majors Bay Road, Jellicoe Street, Warbrick Street and the Brewer Street Car Park, Concord.
 2. Officers investigate opportunities to increase parking capacity in Jellicoe Street, Concord and Warbrick Street, Concord including the feasibility of introducing 45-degree or other angled parking on one or both sides where practicable, having regard to road width, pedestrian and vehicle safety, accessibility, property access, traffic movements and relevant road safety requirements.
 3. Officers include as part of the Jellicoe Street, Concord and Warbrick Street, Concord investigation consideration of:
 - a) whether existing parking restrictions remain appropriate;
 - b) whether additional short-, medium- or longer-stay parking can reasonably be provided;
 4. Officers examine comparable parking arrangements in other Sydney commercial centres where an initial free period is provided before paid parking applies and assess whether a similar model is appropriate for Majors Bay Road, Concord.
 5. Officers investigate options to increase capacity of the Brewer Street Car Park, Concord including:
 - a) the number of additional parking spaces that could be created;
 - b) access, engineering, planning, property and legal constraints;
 - c) indicative capital and operating costs;
 - d) accessible parking, electric vehicle charging, security, lighting and pedestrian connections; and
 - e) the feasibility of providing up to two hours free parking during regulated hours, with free parking outside those hours.
 6. Authorises the General Manager to write to Transport for NSW seeking financial assistance from the NSW Government and other external funding sources, should an expanded Brewer Street Car Park, Concord be found to be technically feasible, noting the additional infrastructure demands associated with State-led housing and population growth within the City of Canada Bay.
 7. Officers prepare and submit a report to a future meeting of Council including the following:
 - a. A summary of the key findings from the assessment report as detailed in 1 above, including the outcome of community consultation at that time;
 - b. The outcome of the investigations as detailed in 2 and 3 above;
 - c. The outcome of the examination into comparable parking arrangements in other Sydney commercial centres as detailed in 4 above;
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- d. The outcome of investigations related to increasing the parking capacity of the Brewer Street Car Park, Concord.
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BACKGROUND FROM COUNCILLOR SYLVIA ALAFACI

Majors Bay Road Shopping Village, Concord is an important local commercial and community centre serving residents, businesses and visitors to Concord.

Parking availability, convenience and turnover have been longstanding concerns within the precinct. Council has previously undertaken parking studies and community consultation in response to concerns raised by residents, businesses and the Majors Bay Road business community, and several changes to parking arrangements have been implemented over time.

The precinct serves people with different parking needs. Some visitors require only a short stay to collect takeaway food, coffee, prescriptions or other purchases, while others may need additional time to attend restaurants, medical appointments, hairdressers, professional services or visit several businesses during the same trip.

The current mix of short-term parking restrictions can create difficulties for customers wishing to remain within the precinct for longer periods. At the same time, maintaining appropriate turnover of the most convenient parking spaces on Majors Bay Road, Concord is important to support local businesses.

There is therefore an opportunity to consider whether a more flexible parking model could better balance these competing needs.

There is also an opportunity to examine parking capacity and utilisation across the broader precinct rather than considering Majors Bay Road, Concord in isolation. Jellicoe Street, Concord and Warbrick Street, Concord may provide opportunities for additional parking, including the potential for angled parking where road width, safety and other technical requirements permit.

Any changes to parking arrangements in surrounding residential streets should also have regard to the needs of existing residents, including whether resident and visitor parking permit arrangements may be appropriate where changes increase demand for on-street parking.

The Brewer Street Carpark, Concord is an important public parking facility serving the shopping village. Council has previously considered options to increase its capacity, including possible multi-level parking, although earlier investigations identified financial, legal, access and design constraints. Given the continuing importance of parking to the precinct, it is appropriate to re-examine whether those constraints remain applicable and whether circumstances, funding opportunities or available design solutions have changed.

An expanded Brewer Street Carpark, Concord could potentially provide longer-stay parking close to the commercial centre, while allowing the most convenient spaces on Majors Bay Road, Concord to primarily serve shorter visits and maintain higher turnover.

The City of Canada Bay is also experiencing significant housing and population growth, including growth arising from the NSW Government housing targets and planning policy. This growth places additional pressure on local infrastructure and town centres, including parking, transport access, public-domain facilities and other services required to support a growing population.

Where additional infrastructure is required because of this growth, it is appropriate for Council to investigate opportunities for external funding. Accordingly, if an expanded Brewer Street Carpark, Concord is found to be technically and financially feasible, Council should consider seeking NSW Government infrastructure funding, grants, co-funding arrangements and other external funding opportunities, having regard to the additional infrastructure demands associated with State-led housing and population growth.

The review also provides an opportunity to examine how existing parking can be used more efficiently through measures such as short-stay pick-up and drop-off spaces, appropriate loading-

zone hours, improved signage and wayfinding, accessible parking, improved pedestrian connections and contemporary parking technology.

The purpose of this Notice of Motion is not to predetermine the introduction of paid parking or any new parking configurations. It seeks an evidence-based review of the available options, supported by consultation with residents, businesses, property owners and users of the Majors Bay Road Shopping Village, before Council considers any significant changes to existing parking arrangements.

ITEM 12.4 **NOTICE OF MOTION - CR ALAFACI - COORDINATED PLANNING AND OPEN SPACE PROTECTION IN CONCORD, CONCORD WEST AND NORTH STRATHFIELD**

Submitted by: Councillor Sylvia Alafaci

MOTION

That:

1. Council notes the community concerns regarding the impacts of housing reforms and proposed major developments affecting Concord, Concord West and North Strathfield.
 2. Council Officers prepare and submit a report to a future meeting of Council outlining existing and proposed character planning work for Concord, Concord West and North Strathfield and recommending the scope, priorities, indicative costs, resource requirements and timeframe for preparing Desired Future Character Statements and associated Development Control Plan amendments.
 3. The report outlined in (2) above includes proposed opportunities for community input and the role of the Development Control Plan in protecting public space in Concord, Concord West and North Strathfield.
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BACKGROUND FROM COUNCILLOR SYLVIA ALAFACI

Residents of Concord, Concord West and North Strathfield have raised concerns about the effects of housing reforms and increasing development pressure on neighbourhood character and residential amenities.

Council has prepared draft Desired Future Character controls for Drummoyne. This motion seeks a report on extending appropriate character planning work to Concord, Concord West and North Strathfield, taking account of each area's circumstances.

It is proposed that the report identify existing work and recommend the scope, priorities, costs, resources and timeframe for further character statements and associated Development Control Plan amendments, together with opportunities for community input.

These controls can help guide the design of development assessed by Council, subject to State Government planning requirements. They will not resolve the broader impacts of State Significant Developments, which remain matters for State Government assessment and ongoing advocacy.

ITEM 12.5 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR JAGO - MINIMISING MICROPLASTICSSubmitted by: Councillor Charles Jago

MOTION

That Council:

1. Recognises microplastic pollution as a growing environmental and public health issue.
 2. Undertakes a review of microplastics within the City of Canada Bay covering the key types of microplastics considering practical measures for Council including:
 - a) Sources of microplastics and strategies to manage them, with prioritised opportunities for Council to reduce microplastic pollution within its areas of responsibility.
 - b) Adoption of AUSMAPs Microplastic Reduction Framework (MRF) for continual monitoring, source identification and location specific responses.
 - c) Reviewing and improving the provision and maintenance of gross pollutant traps, stormwater filtration systems and any other methods capable of capturing microplastics.
 - d) Incorporating microplastic monitoring into existing water quality and environmental reporting, with consideration to broader water monitoring options.
 - e) Reviewing current and potential measures to reduce the escape of expanded polystyrene and plastic debris into the environment.
 - f) Law Enforcement Officers continuing to monitor development sites and taking appropriate action against owners, builders and developers that allow pollutants to enter the stormwater system.
 - g) Reviewing procurement and purchasing policies to require a shift from degradable to biodegradable products where possible.
 - h) Reviewing current and planned community education programs to inform the community about the risks of microplastics and practical steps to reduce proliferation.
 - i) The cumulative impact on current waste strategies.
 3. Officers prepare and submit a report to a future meeting of Council detailing the outcome of the review as outlined in 2 above.
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ITEM 12.6 **NOTICE OF MOTION - CR JAGO - DESIRED CHARACTER AREA STATEMENTS FOR CONCORD WEST, NORTH STRATHFIELD, CONCORD AND FIVE DOCK**

Submitted by: Councillor Charles Jago

MOTION

That:

1. Council Officers prepare and submit a report to a future meeting of Council outlining a proposal to develop desired character area statements for Concord West, North Strathfield, Concord and Five Dock, building on the approach used in developing character area statements for Drummoyne.
 2. The report as outlined in 1 above also include consideration of:
 - a) whether additional locality-wide planning guidance is warranted to support Council's desired future character outcomes;
 - b) resources required for the preparation of the Desired Future Character Statements, including Council Officer expertise and capacity, financial resources, and a project plan.
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BACKGROUND FROM COUNCILLOR CHARLES JAGO

This notice of motion responds to concerns especially amongst some residents of Concord West who have seen Council's work on desired future character areas in Drummoyne.

Residents in these areas, especially Concord West, are seeing applications for State Significant Developments (SSDAs) and expecting further development under the government's Low and Medium Rise (LMR) program. Given the enormous impacts on residents including overshadowing, traffic chaos, enormous loss of trees and more, they are seeking to ensure similar protection through establishing future character area statements in more areas.

The future character area statements are each customised to specific suburbs or localities and are incorporated into Canada Bay's Development Control Plan (DCP). The desired future character statements include built-form transitions between higher-density redevelopment areas and adjoining established residential neighbourhoods as an intended outcome.

The character area approach has potential benefit for Concord West, North Strathfield, Concord and Five Dock. Clearly, the objective is to improve the quality of DA's and resulting new residential buildings. "Burwood North" (part of Concord) is not included because the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure is preparing a Design Guide for the Burwood North Precinct that will replace Council's DCP.

13 NOTICES OF MOTION OF RESCISSION

NIL

14 MATTERS OF URGENCY

NIL

15 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

NIL

16 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RECOMMENDATION

That

1. Council moves into closed session to deal with the matters listed below, which are classified as confidential under section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act, 1993* for the reasons specified:

ITEM 16.1 PROPERTY ACQUISITION - AFFORDABLE HOUSING

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (c) of the Local Government Act, as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

Further it is considered that discussions of this matter in open Council would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it would prejudice Council's ability to secure the optimum outcome for the community.

ITEM 16.2 TENDER 2026 CSS3 - LEASE OF RESTAURANT/CAFE AT 443 CONCORD ROAD, RHODES

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (c) of the Local Government Act, as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

Further it is considered that discussions of this matter in open Council would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it would prejudice Council's ability to secure the optimum outcome for the community.

ITEM 16.3 FORESHORE ACCESS AND CONNECTIVITY UPDATE

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (c) and (g) of the Local Government Act, as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and advice concerning litigation, or advice as comprises a discussion of this matter, that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

Further it is considered that discussions of this matter in open Council would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it would prejudice Council's ability to secure the optimum outcome for the community.

2. Pursuant to section 10A(1), 10(2) and 10A(3) of the Local Government Act, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified as confidential under section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act.
3. The correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from the media and public as provided by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act.
4. The resolutions made by the Council in Closed Session be made public after the conclusion of the closed session and such resolutions be recorded in the minutes of the Council meeting.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

In accordance with section 10A(2) of the Act, Council may close part of its meeting to deal with business of the following kind:

- (a) Personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).
- (b) Personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer.
- (c) Information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.
- (d) Commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
 - (i) Prejudice the commercial position of a person who supplied it: or
 - (ii) Confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of Council;
 - (iii) Reveal a trade secret.
- (e) Information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law.
- (f) Matters affecting the security of Council, Councillors, Council staff and Council property.
- (g) Advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the grounds of legal professional privilege.
- (h) Information concerning the nature and location of a place or an item of Aboriginal significance on community land.
 - (i) Alleged contraventions of any Code of Conduct requirements applicable under section 440.

It is considered that the business listed in the recommendation is of a kind referred to in section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 and, under the provisions of the Act and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, should be dealt with in a part of the meeting that is closed to members of the public and the media.

Pursuant to section 10A(4) of the Act and clauses 14.9–14.10 of the City of Canada Bay Code of Meeting Practice, members of the public may make representations to the meeting immediately after the motion to close part of the meeting is moved and seconded, as to whether that part of the meeting should be closed.

17 CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTIONS

In accordance with Part 14 of the Code of Meeting Practice, resolutions passed during a meeting, or a part of a meeting that is closed to the public must be made public by the chairperson as soon as practicable. The resolution must be recorded in the publicly available minutes of the meeting.
