



Ordinary Council

Monday, 25 August 2025
6:30 PM

Minutes



Ordinary Council Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting of Ordinary Council held at the Council Chambers, 536 New South Head Road, Double Bay, on 25 August 2025 at 6:30 PM.

Present: Her Worship the Mayor, Councillor Sarah Swan, ex-officio

Councillors: Alexander Andruska
James Ardouin (via Zoom)
Sean Carmichael
Mary-Lou Jarvis
Julian Parmegiani
Harriet Price
Matthew Robertson
Mark Silcocks
Torsten
Merrill Witt
Hugh Woodgate
Toni Zeltzer
Lucinda Regan

Staff: Tom O'Hanlon - A/General Manager
Jennifer Chenhall - Manager, Governance & Risk
Micaela Hopkins - Team Leader Environment & Sustainability (via Zoom)
Rhys Johnson - Governance Coordinator
Zubin Marolia - Manager, Property & Projects (via Zoom)
Sue Meekin - Director, Corporate Performance (via Zoom)
Carolyn Nurmi - Governance Officer
Patricia Occelli - Director, Community & Customer Experience
Scott Pedder - Director, Planning & Place
Anne White - Manager, Strategic Planning & Place

Also in Attendance: Nil

1. Opening

The Mayor declared the Ordinary Council of 25 August 2025 open and welcomed Councillors, staff and members of the public who are watching and listening to this evening's meeting.

2. Prayer

The Mayor read the Prayer:

Almighty God, you have given us a beautiful place to live in. We pray for your gift of wisdom that the decisions of this Council may benefit those we serve. Be with us in our deliberations that this Municipality may know your blessing. Amen.

3. Acknowledgement of Country (Gadigal People and Birrabirragal People)

The Mayor read the following Acknowledgement of Country:

I would like to acknowledge that we are here today on the land of the Gadigal and Birrabirragal people, the traditional custodians of the land. On behalf of Woollahra Council, I acknowledge Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people attending today and I pay my respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

4. Acknowledgement of the Sovereign of the Day (King Charles III)

The Mayor read the following Acknowledgement of the Sovereign of the Day (King Charles III):

I also acknowledge the King of Australia, King Charles III.

5. Apologies and Applications for a Leave of Absence or Attendance by Audio-Visual Link by Councillors

An apology was received from the General Manager, Craig Swift-McNair.

(Councillor Zeltzer/Councillor Parmegiani)

467/2025 Resolved:

THAT in accordance with clause 5.23 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council Meeting approves the following Councillor participation in the Ordinary Council Meeting of 25 August 2025 via Audio-Visual Link:

- Councillor Ardouin and Councillor Mitchell.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

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Against the Motion

None

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1. Confirmation of Minutes Ordinary Council Meeting - 28 July 2025 (Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

469/2025 Resolved:

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 28 July 2025 be taken as read and confirmed.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

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Against the Motion

None

6.2. Confirmation of Minutes Strategic & Corporate Committee - 18 August 2025 (Councillor Price/Councillor Zeltzer)

468/2025 Resolved:

THAT the Minutes of the Strategic & Corporate Committee of 18 August 2025 be taken as read and confirmed, subject to the administrative amendments and confirmation by Governance, as raised at the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2025.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

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Against the Motion

None

7. Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Price disclosed a Non-significant, Non-pecuniary interest in relation to item 12.1.3, as Councillor Price is a potential candidate at the next Local Government election. Councillor Price remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Councillor Jarvis disclosed a Non-significant, Non-pecuniary interest in relation to item 12.1.3, as Councillor Jarvis is a potential candidate at the next Local Government election. Councillor Jarvis remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Councillor Robertson declared a Significant, Pecuniary Interest in Item 12.3.1, namely heritage item *vii "Orange Tree Grove"* as Councillor Robertson is a lot owner within the property. Councillor Robertson left the meeting at this item, did not participate in debate and did not vote on the matter.

Councillor Carmichael declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 12.3.2, namely heritage item *xv "St Marks Square"* as Councillor Carmichael's partner is associated with one of the residents. Councillor Carmichael remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Councillor Carmichael declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 12.3.2, namely heritage item *xii "Hamilton House"* as Councillor Carmichael, in a professional capacity, knows the property owner. Councillor Carmichael remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Councillor Carmichael declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in the Mayoral Minute on Council's Response to the NSW Government's Rail and Housing Plans for Woollahra, as Councillor Carmichael's mother owns a property in Trelawny Street, Woollahra. Councillor Carmichael remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Councillor Regan declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in Items 11.1 and 11.2, as Councillor Regan is socially associated with the member of the public who registered to address the Council on those items. Councillor Regan remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matters.

Councillor Regan declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 12.3.2, as Councillor Regan knows some of the individuals who provided submissions. Councillor Regan remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Councillor Witt declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in Items 11.1 and 11.2, as Councillor Witt is socially associated with the member of the public who registered to address the Council on those items. Councillor Witt remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matters.

The Mayor, Councillor Swan declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 12.3.2, namely heritage item *xii "Hamilton House"* as Councillor Swan, in a professional capacity, knows the property owner. Councillor Swan remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

8. Petitions Tabled

Nil

9. Mayoral Minute

9.1. Senior Rabbis at Emanuel Synagogue (Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

472/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT the Mayor, on behalf of Woollahra Council write to Jeffrey B. Kamins OAM and Rabbi Jacqueline Ninio OAM to commend them on their leadership at Emanuel Synagogue, Woollahra, to congratulate them on their transition to new roles and offer our continued support.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

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Against the Motion

None

9.2. Response to the NSW Government's desperate rail and housing plans for Woollahra

Note: Councillor Carmichael declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in this item, as Councillor Carmichael's mother owns a property in Trelawny Street, Woollahra. Councillor Carmichael remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Councillor Swan

501/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

1. Endorse the Mayor seeking an urgent meeting with the NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to advocate for our position and secure a seat at the planning table.
2. Requests the Premier and Minister for Transport and Roads release the business case and details of public funds to be used for the construction of the Woollahra station including the relevant Government P90 cost estimate.
3. Requests the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces immediately turn off the Low and Mid-Rise Housing Policy plans for Edgecliff and Double Bay, noting that it is the policy of this Government to turn off the Low and Mid-Rise Housing Policy (LMR) where a transit orientated development is proposed.
4. Requests the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces immediately puts a hold on the progress of any state significant development within the proposed areas to be rezoned.
5. Requests the Mayor and General Manager seek legal advice on our avenues to challenge the proposed plans.

6. Requests the Mayor write to the Member for Vaucluse, the Member for Wentworth and the Member for Sydney for an urgent meeting to discuss the government's announcement and its impact on our local community.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

**9.3. Excavation in Rose Bay
(Councillor Swan/None)**

502/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

- A. Request the General Manager make an urgent submission to the Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure, requesting again that Rose Bay Centre is excluded from the State led Low and Mid Rise Housing reforms due to it being a high risk hazard area due to its sensitive hydro-geotechnical conditions; and
- B. Request the General Manager make an urgent submission to the Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure, requesting that Double Bay is excluded from the State led Low and Mid Rise Housing reforms due to it being a high risk hazard area due to its sensitive hydro-geotechnical conditions.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

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Against the Motion

None

10. Public Forum

11. General Manager and Officer's Report

11.1. Coastal Vulnerability Area Mapping

Note: Councillor Regan declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in this item, as Councillor Regan is socially associated with the member of the public who registered to address the Council on those items. Councillor Regan remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matters.

Note: Sheridan Hopkins addressed the Council.

(Councillor Woodgate/Councillor Jarvis)

483/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council receive and note the report on Coastal Vulnerability Area mapping.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

11.2. Funding sources for Rose Bay and Double Bay Hydrological Studies

Note: Councillor Regan declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in this item, as Councillor Regan is socially associated with the member of the public who registered to address the Council on those items. Councillor Regan remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matters.

Note: Councillor Witt declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in this item, as Councillor Witt is socially associated with the member of the public who registered to address the Council on those items. Councillor Witt remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matters.

Note: Sheridan Hopkins addressed the Council.

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Amy Denmeade, David Jacobs, Felicity Jensen, Debbie Seidler, and the Double Bay Residents Association.

Note: The Council amended the Recommendation by adding new Parts A and B ahead of the vote.

**Motion moved by Councillor Jarvis
Seconded by Councillor Zeltzer**

THAT Council:

- A. Resolves to endeavour to fund a hydrological study of the Rose Bay and Double Bay LMR areas through the September Quarterly Budget Review process, with specific consideration given to use of unspent funds from Holdsworth Community.
- B. Notes that the Rose Bay Community Action group will approach the Federal Member for Wentworth in relation to securing funding for the purpose of undertaking such a study.

**Amendment moved by Councillor Witt
Seconded by Councillor Regan**

THAT Council:

- A. Notes the risks of excavation for basement parking highlighted in the GHD *Double Bay Hydrogeological Geotechnical Impacts Groundwater and Geotechnical Assessment Report* (June 2020) and the GHD *Rose Bay Hydrogeological and Geotechnical Impacts Study* (July 2024).
- B. Notes that the above mentioned reports explained that the excavation risk for parking in both Rose Bay and Double Bay is exacerbated by dewatering into predominantly weak compressible soils, which are known to cause settlement over a wide area and lead to “movement and distortion of structures”.
- C. Notes that Council and the NSW Building Commissioner have received and/or investigated multiple reports of damage to buildings in Double Bay and Rose Bay that are linked to excavation for basement parking in both the commercial and residential zones.
- D. Notes that the above mentioned GHD Study for Rose Bay said that “specific groundwater modelling would be required to assess the long-term impact that could be anticipated from any future major development proposal with an extensively large and deep basement that blocks a significant portion of the flow path”; and that currently under consideration are multiple DAs for residential and shop top housing developments requesting excavation for up to 3 levels of basement parking located in close proximity to each other (eg Dover Road, Spencer Street, Old South Head Road and New South Head Road).
- E. Requests that Council Staff secure competitive quotes for the modelling of the dewatering and associated excavation risks of both currently proposed and anticipated DAs under the LMR reforms for basement car parks in Rose Bay and Double Bay, noting that significant information about the risks of excavation have already been assessed in the above mentioned studies.
- F. Resolves that Council identifies and prioritises funding for the hydrological modelling in the September budget review.
- G. Requests that Staff writes to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, The Honorable Paul Scully MP, and the Secretary of the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure, Kiersten Fishburn, about reports of damage to properties in Rose Bay and Double Bay as a result of basement excavations for parking.

Councillor Witt withdrew the Amendment after debate.

(Councillor Jarvis/Councillor Zeltzer)

484/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

- A. Resolves to endeavour to fund a hydrological study of the Rose Bay and Double Bay LMR areas through the September Quarterly Budget Review process, with specific consideration given to use of unspent funds from Holdsworth Community.
- B. Notes that the Rose Bay Community Action group will approach the Federal Member for Wentworth in relation to securing funding for the purpose of undertaking such a study.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Zeltzer,
Councillor Regan

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Against the Motion

Councillor Woodgate

11.3. Policy - Draft Amended Councillors' Expenses and Facilities Policy for the Mayor and Councillors.

Note: The Council amended Part B of the Resolution ahead of the vote.

Note: Councillor Witt left the meeting at 10:03pm ahead of the vote.

(Councillor Carmichael/Councillor Price)

487/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

- A. Notes the proposed changes in the *draft Councillors' Expenses and Facilities Policy*, as contained at Attachment 1.
- B. Endorse the *draft Councillors' Expenses and Facilities Policy* for the purpose of then placing the draft Policy on public exhibition for a period of at least 28 days, subject to the administrative changes discussed at the Council Meeting of 25 August 2025.
- C. Notes that a further report will be presented to a future meeting of Council regarding submissions received on the *draft Councillors' Expenses and Facilities Policy*, following the public exhibition period.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Woodgate, Councillor Zeltzer,
Councillor Regan

13/0

Against the Motion

None

12. Reports of the Committees

12.1. Environmental Planning Committee

12.1.1. Post Exhibition Report - Biodiversity Conservation Strategy 2025-2035

(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

470/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council:

- A. Receive and note the Post Exhibition Report for the Biodiversity Conservation Strategy 2025-35.
- B. Adopt the Biodiversity Conservation Strategy 2025-35.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

12.1.2. Oxford Street Properties and Centennial Flats Heritage Assessment - Planning Proposal to List Five Local Heritage Items

Note: Councillor Witt returned to the meeting, the time being 10:06pm

(Councillor Carmichael/Councillor Zeltzer)

489/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council:

- A. Note the advice provided by the Woollahra Local Planning Panel on 17 July 2025 regarding the planning proposal to list five (5) buildings as local heritage items .
- B. Endorse the Planning Proposal as contained at Attachment 1 of the report to the Environmental Planning Committee of 4 August 2025 to list the following five buildings (5) buildings as local heritage items in Schedule 5 and on the associated Heritage Maps of the Woollahra Local Environmental Plan 2014:
 - i. “Centennial Flats – residential flat building, including interiors” at 2A Queen Street Woollahra (Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 6, DP 15117)
 - ii. “Former gymnasium, restaurant and nightclub” at 60-80 Oxford Street Woollahra (previously known as 78-80 Oxford Street), (part of Lot 103, DP 1290591)
 - iii. “Victorian Rustic Gothic Terraces heritage item group” (see also 84 and 86 Oxford Street, Woollahra) at 82 Oxford Street Woollahra (Lot 11, DP 598783)
 - iv. “Victorian Rustic Gothic Terraces heritage item group ” (see also 82 and 86 Oxford Street, Woollahra) at 84 Oxford Street Woollahra (Lot 2, DP 225838)
 - v. “Victorian Rustic Gothic Terraces heritage item group ” (see also 82 and 84 Oxford Street, Woollahra) at 86 Oxford Street Woollahra (Lot 3, DP 225838)
- C. Request the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces (or delegate) to authorise Council as the local plan-making authority in relation to the planning proposal, to make the local environmental plan under section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
- D. Request staff carry out an investigation into the heritage significance of places that may have significance to the LGBTQIA+ community along Oxford Street, including the former gymnasium, restaurant and nightclub at 60-80 Oxford Street Woollahra, subject to the investigation being identified as a medium priority action under the Woollahra Heritage Gap Analysis.
- E. Note that staff will contact the developer/owner of 60-80 Oxford Street Woollahra encouraging them to name the building after one of its previous names rather than ‘Ox House’.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

12.1.3.Housing delivery update in the Woollahra Local Government Area

Note: Councillor Price disclosed a Non-significant, Non-pecuniary interest in this item, as Councillor Price is a potential candidate at the next Local Government election. Councillor Price remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Note: Councillor Jarvis disclosed a Non-significant, Non-pecuniary interest in this item, as Councillor Jarvis is a potential candidate at the next Local Government election. Councillor Jarvis remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Fiona Aghili (Council's Strategic Planner).

Note: The Council added new sub-list item 'j' to Part B of the Resolution ahead of the vote.

(Councillor Carmichael/Councillor Regan)

463/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

- A. Receives and notes the report on housing delivery provided to the Environmental Planning Committee of 4 August 2025.
- B. Requests the Mayor write to the NSW Premier, the Hon. Chris Minns MP, the NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, the Hon. Paul Scully MP, the Member for Vaucluse and Member for Sydney explaining:
 - a. That there was no consultation by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure with Council before imposing the substantially increased five-year housing target of 1,900 gross completed dwellings that commenced on 1 July 2024;
 - b. That Council delivered 188 gross completed dwellings, or 86 net additional completed dwellings for the period of 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025;
 - c. That Council surpassed its housing targets in previous years but was given no carry-over credit – exceeding the housing target by 82% for the period 2016 to 2021, and delivering 60.8% of the target of 500 for 2021-2026 as at 1 May 2024;
 - d. That the Woollahra Local Government Area is the 7th densest in NSW (77.8% of its dwellings are medium or high density compared to 46% for Greater Sydney);
 - e. That Council notes the State Government's clarification on the shift in reporting requirements for housing targets from net additional dwellings (based on construction commencements), to gross dwelling completions (in line with the Australian Bureau of Statistics Building Activity Survey);
 - f. That Council will continue to report on both net additional and gross additional completed dwellings, to maintain transparency to our community;
 - g. That the State Government has repeatedly advised Council that no new significant state infrastructure will be provided to support additional density in the municipality;
 - h. That Council raises concern with the cumulative impacts of increased density on traffic, water hydrology, geotechnical risk hazards and high-risk flooding areas;
 - i. That due to the high level of development activity over the past decade, Council regularly receives complaints from the community regarding traffic congestion, lack of parking, inadequate public transport options, pressure on public parks and community facilities, loss of local character and heritage.
 - j. Note the reduction in processing times for DAs has been improved by 47 days over the 2024/25 Financial Year.
- C. Thanks planning staff for their diligence in collecting and reporting on housing delivery information.
- D. Request staff report the next housing delivery update to the Environmental Planning Committee and Council in September 2026.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

12.2. Finance, Community & Services Committee

12.2.1. Landowner's Consent - To permit the licensee to operate a Bring Your Own (BYO) Alcohol at Camp Cove Kiosk, Watsons Bay

Note: This item was considered immediately after Item 11.2

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Sonia Borella for George Miller, Andrew Maloney, and Zubin Marolia (Council's Manager Property & Projects).

Motion moved by Councillor Jarvis

Seconded by Councillor Woodgate

THAT the Council defer this item for further discussions between staff and the licensee noting that:

1. Most if not all conditions requested by the Council have now been agreed.
2. A defined area of service limited to the canopy area, restricted to 35 seats remains the position of Council.

Amendment moved by Councillor Silcocks

Seconded by Councillor Zeltzer

THAT Council, in its capacity as landowner, not grant consent to the licensee Denim Collaborations Pty Ltd, to vary the Deed of Licence conditions to permit the option to Bring Your Own (BYO) Alcohol at Camp Cove Kiosk, Watsons Bay.

The Amendment was put and lost on the casting vote of the Mayor.

For the Amendment

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Zeltzer,
Councillor Regan

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Against the Amendment

Councillor Ardouin, Councillor Carmichael,
Councillor Jarvis, Councillor Parmegiani,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten, Councillor
Woodgate

(Councillor Jarvis/Councillor Woodgate)

486/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council defer this item to the 24 September 2025 Council Meeting to allow for further discussions between staff and the licensee noting that:

1. The negotiations with the proprietor will continue in accordance with the recommendations of the Finance, Community & Services Committee of 11 August 2025.
2. A defined area of service limited to the canopy area, restricted to 35 seats remains the position of Council.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Swan,
Councillor Torsten, Councillor Woodgate

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Against the Motion

Councillor Price, Councillor Robertson,
Councillor Silcocks, Councillor Witt, Councillor
Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

**12.2.2.Easement for encroaching structure at 1 Windsor Lane, Paddington
(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)**

471/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council:

- A. Approves the granting of an easement permitting the enclosed building verandah, balcony and sidewalls at 1 Windsor Lane, Paddington to remain on Windsor Lane road reserve for the life of the building, or the redevelopment of the site, or the redevelopment of the structure, whichever occurs first subject to the payment of an easement compensation amount to Council.
- B. Approves a \$22,000 (incl GST) easement compensation payment for the encroachment on Windsor Lane being an estimated 1.384 sqm area for the purpose of an enclosed building verandah, building and sidewalls at 1 Windsor Lane, Paddington.
- C. Authorises the General Manager to do all things necessary to finalise the documentation pursuant to Council's granting of an easement in favour of the owner 1 Windsor Lane, Paddington.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

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Against the Motion

None

12.2.3.Draft Election Poster Policy

Note: In accordance with Clause 18.2 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice the Council extended the time of the meeting for a maximum period of 30 minutes.

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Jennifer Chenhall (Council's Manager Governance & Risk).

**Motion moved by Councillor Carmichael
Seconded by Councillor Andruska**

THAT Council defer consideration of the 'Draft Election Poster Policy' 2025 to the Council Meeting of 27 October 2025 to allow for further work to be undertaken on the Policy regarding questions and feedback from Councillors.

**Amendment moved by Councillor Silcocks
Seconded by Councillor Price**

THAT Council notes the draft election poster policy and takes no further action.

The Amendment was put and lost.

The Motion was put and carried.

For the Amendment

Councillor Price, Councillor Robertson,
Councillor Silcocks, Councillor Witt,
Councillor Regan

Against the Amendment

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Swan,
Councillor Torsten, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer

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(Councillor Carmichael/Councillor Andruska)

465/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council defer consideration of the 'Draft Election Poster Policy' 2025 to the Council Meeting of 27 October 2025 to allow for further work to be undertaken on the Policy regarding questions and feedback from Councillors.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Swan,
Councillor Torsten, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer

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Against the Motion

Councillor Price, Councillor Robertson,
Councillor Silcocks, Councillor Witt, Councillor
Regan

12.2.4.Draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan and Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander Protocols and Guidelines for Public Exhibition

(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

473/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council:

- A. Endorse the draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan and revised Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander Protocols and Guidelines for the purpose of placing on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.
- B. Note that a further report will be presented to a future meeting of Council on submissions received on the draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan and revised Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander Protocols and Guidelines following the public exhibition period.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

12.2.5.Disability Inclusion Action Plan (2022-2026), Annual Report 2024/25 and development of the new plan (2026-2030)

(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

474/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council Receive and note the Disability Inclusion Action Plan, 2022-2026 Annual Report for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 and update on the development of the new Woollahra Disability Inclusion Action Plan, 2026-2030.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

12.2.6. Community Engagement Update January-June 2025

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Vicki Munro (Council's Manager Community and Culture).

(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

477/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council:

- A. Note the contents of this Community Engagement Update January-June 2025 report.
- B. Note that a similar engagement report will be tabled every six months for the information of Councillors and the community.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

12.2.7. Delivery Program 2022/23 - 2025/26 and Operational Plan 2024/25 - Progress Report June 2025

(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

475/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT the June 2025 Progress Report on Council's Delivery Program 2022-2023 to 2025-2026 and Operational Plan 2024-2025 be received and noted.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

12.2.8.Monthly Financial Report - 30 June 2025
Investments held as at 31 July 2025
(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

476/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council:

- A. Receive and note the Monthly Financial Report – June 2025.
- B. Note that the Council's 12-month weighted average return for June 2025 on its direct investment portfolio of 4.80% (LM: 4.87%, LY: 5.25%) exceeds the benchmark 90-day AusBond Bank Bill Index of 4.15%.
- C. Note that the interest revenue for the year to date June 2025 is \$5.76M, exceeding our revised budget of \$4.95M for the same period.
- D. Receive and note the list of Council's investments held as of 31 July 2025.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

12.2.9.Capital Works Program Status Report - June 2025 including 2024-2025 Budget Rollovers and Revotes

Note: The Council added new Part C to the Resolution ahead of the vote.

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Paul Ryan (Council's Chief Financial Officer).

(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

461/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

- A. Note and receive the Quarterly Progress Report – Capital Works Program for June 2025.
- B. Approve the items identified as Capital Revotes in Attachment 1 totalling \$359,645 and in Attachment 2 as Operational Revotes totalling \$1,254,605 to the 2025-2026 Budget.
- C. The remaining budget of \$10,015 for Capital Project 01874 – Installation of further planter boxes and trees along New South Head Road, Rose Bay be added to Council's 2025-2026 capital budget for the installation of additional planter boxes.

- D. Note that the net impact of the Operational Rollovers is a decrease of \$0.964m in Council's 2025-2026 Net Operating Result before Capital Grants & Contributions from an Original Budget surplus of \$3.405m to a revised budget surplus of \$2.441m.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten, Councillor
Witt, Councillor Woodgate, Councillor Zeltzer,
Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

12.2.10. Policy - Review of Investment Policy

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Paul Ryan (Council's Chief Financial Officer).

Note: The Council considered Parts A and B, followed by Part C in seriatim.

(Councillor Andruska/Councillor Ardouin)

498/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

- A. Approve Council's Investment Policy be amended to change in the Counterparty Limit for 'A Category' financial institutions, from 15% to 20% to make the steps between categories more consistent.
- B. Adopt the revised Investment Policy with changes from Part A above presented as Attachment 1 to this report.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

**Motion moved by Councillor Andruska
Seconded by Councillor Ardouin**

THAT Council:

- C. Request that the General Manager write to the Minister for Local Government to request that they review the *Investment Order 2011*, with the objective of enabling Councils to have greater flexibility in the forms of investment that they may make, in order to maximise the risk-adjusted returns on their investment portfolio.

The Motion was put and Lost.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Woodgate

Against the Motion

Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Torsten, Councillor Witt, Councillor
Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

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12.3. Strategic & Corporate Committee

12.3.1. Modern Buildings Priority Study - Planning Proposal to List Local Heritage Item - "Orange Tree Grove"

Note: Councillor Robertson declared a Significant, Pecuniary Interest in this item, as Councillor Robertson is a lot owner within the property. Councillor Robertson left the meeting at this item, did not participate in debate and did not vote on the matter.

(Councillor Carmichael/Councillor Zeltzer)

490/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

- A. Note the advice provided by the Woollahra Local Planning Panel of 9 May 2025 regarding the planning proposal to list a number of modern buildings as local heritage items.
- B. Endorse the Planning Proposal as contained at **Attachment 1** of the report to the Strategic and Corporate Committee of 18 August 2025 to list the following building as a local heritage item in Schedule 5 and associated Heritage Maps of the Woollahra Local Environmental Plan 2014, and resolves to forward this to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure with a request for a Gateway Determination to allow public exhibition:
- vii. "Orange Tree Grove" – residential flat building and grounds, including Cyathea australis, Cyathea cooperi, Angophora costata, excluding dwelling interiors, 8 Bennetts Grove Avenue, Paddington (SP 15048)*
- C. Request the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces (or delegate) to authorise Council as the local plan-making authority in relation to the planning proposal, to make the local environmental plan under section 3.36 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.
- D. Note that upgrades will be required to the units at Orange Tree Grove (including the planter boxes) to comply with the relevant legislation.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Against the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Ardouin, Councillor Parmegiani
Councillor Jarvis, Councillor Price,
Councillor Silcocks, Councillor Swan,
Councillor Torsten, Councillor Witt,
Councillor Woodgate, Councillor Zeltzer,
Councillor Regan

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12.3.2.Modern Buildings Priority Study - Planning Proposal to List Seventeen Local Heritage Items

Note: Councillor Carmichael declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in this item, namely heritage item *xv "St Marks Square"* as Councillor Carmichael's partner is associated with one of the residents. Councillor Carmichael remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Note: Councillor Carmichael declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in this item, namely heritage item *xii "Hamilton House"* as Councillor Carmichael, in a professional capacity, knows the property owner. Councillor Carmichael remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Note: Councillor Regan declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in this item, as Councillor Regan knows some of the individuals who provided submissions. Councillor Regan remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Swan declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in this item, namely heritage item *xii "Hamilton House"* as Councillor Swan, in a professional capacity, knows the property owner. Councillor Swan remained in the meeting, participated in debate and voted on the matter.

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Anne White (Council's Manager Strategic Planning & Place).

Note: The Council amended Part B of the Resolution ahead of the vote.

(Councillor Robertson/Councillor Zeltzer)

491/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

- A. Note the advice provided by the Woollahra Local Planning Panel of 9 May 2025 regarding the planning proposal to list a number of modern buildings as local heritage items.
- B. Endorse the Planning Proposal as contained at **Attachment 1** of the report to the Strategic and Corporate Committee of 18 August 2025 to list the following seventeen buildings as local heritage items in Schedule 5 and associated Heritage Maps of the Woollahra Local Environmental Plan 2014, and resolves to forward this to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure with a request for a Gateway Determination to allow public exhibition:
 - i. *Residential flat building - excluding dwelling interiors*, 10 Etham Avenue, Darling Point (Lot X and Lot Y, DP 434806)
 - ii. *"Goomerah Court" - residential flat building, excluding dwelling interiors*, 9 Goomerah Crescent, Darling Point (Lot 2, DP 1036705)

- iii. *"President Towers" - residential flat building and grounds, excluding dwelling interiors, 75-79 Darling Point Road, Darling Point (SP 6673).*
 - iv. *"Glenhurst Gardens" - residential flat building and grounds, excluding dwelling interiors, 11 Yarranabbe Road, Darling Point (Lot 5, DP 1066997).*
 - v. *"Rosemont Gardens" - residential flat building and grounds, excluding dwelling interiors, 93 Ocean Street, Woollahra (SP 10701)*
 - vi. *"Wingate" – residential flat building, excluding dwelling interiors, 21 Manning Road, Double Bay (SP 187)*
 - vii. **"Orange Tree Grove" considered as a stand-alone item (Item 12.3.1 of the Council Meeting 25 August 2025)**
 - viii. *"Twenty Seven" - residential flat building and grounds, excluding dwelling interiors, 27 Sutherland Crescent, Darling Point (SP 692)*
 - ix. *"Stephen Towers" – residential flat building, excluding dwelling interiors, 40 Stephen Street, Paddington (SP 11374)*
 - x. *"Broadwaters" - residential flat building and grounds, excluding dwelling interiors, 11 Sutherland Crescent, Darling Point (SP 963, SP 31982)*
 - xi. *"Yarranabbe Gardens" residential flat building and grounds, excluding dwelling interiors, 87-97 Yarranabbe Road, Darling Point (Lot 1 DP 205510)*
 - xii. *"Hamilton House" and grounds – including interiors, 48 Wentworth Road, Vaucluse (Lot 1 DP 947941)*
 - xiii. *"Stux House" – front (east), south and north elevations, mosaic, 11 Cranbrook Road, Bellevue Hill (Lot 1 DP 28700)*
 - xiv. *"Sten House" – house, including original internal elements, 86B Victoria Road, Bellevue Hill (Lot 1 DP 540104)*
 - xv. *"St Marks Square" - residential flat building and townhouses, including lobby interior and fountain, excluding dwelling interiors, 45 Ocean Avenue, Double Bay (SP 2795)*
 - xvi. *"Barrett House" – house, including interiors, 132 Paddington Street, Paddington (Lot 1 DP 439064)*
 - xvii. *"Dalglish House" - house and grounds, including interiors, 29C Wunulla Road, Point Piper (Lot 1 DP 551578, Lot 1 DP 211954, & Lot 1 DP 1053864)*
- C. Request the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces (or delegate) to authorise Council as the local plan-making authority in relation to the planning proposal, to make the local environmental plan under section 3.36 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.
- D. Requests staff to include an assessment of the heritage significance of the mature tree located in the southeastern corner of 40 Stephen Street Paddington as part of the update to the Woollahra Significant Tree Register.
- E. Acknowledges submissions made in response to the Modern Buildings Priority Study (and in particular, concerns raised about potential costs consequences associated with a heritage listing).
- F. Requests that the General Manager:
- a. Prepares a report to a future meeting of Council on preparing a policy on ways to support owners of newly listed heritage properties.;
 - b. Considers as part of the Report, whether Council could:
 - i. incorporate certain criteria from its 'Financial Hardship Policy' to such a policy;
 - ii. provide fee waivers, discounts, or concessions on certain Council-related costs (such as development application fees, compliance certificates, or other charges) for newly listed heritage properties;
 - iii. introduce a new stream to Council's Grants Program to assist owners of newly listed heritage properties, and
 - iv. investigate whether State Government funding is available to assist with grant funding.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Against the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Ardouin, Councillor Parmegiani
Councillor Jarvis, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

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**12.3.3. Use of Unspent funding from previous Women's Housing Company Funding Agreements.
(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)**

499/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council:

- A. Endorses the use of the projected unspent funding of \$237,200 to expand the Woollahra Domestic and Family Violence Accommodation and Support Program provided by Women's Housing Company by supplying two additional properties until 30 June 2028.
- B. Give further consideration of the remaining \$40,134 at the September quarterly budget review.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Against the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

None

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**12.3.4. Regulatory Services Service Review outcomes
(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)**

482/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council:

- A. Note the Regulatory Services Service Review report dated May 2025.
- B. Note that the report details five key action focus areas comprising twenty-five operational recommendations.

- C. Note the Management Response to these recommendations and requests that items prioritised as:
 - i. 'High' will be actioned within 12-18 months; and
 - ii. 'Medium' will be actioned within 18 months to 2 years.
- D. Resolves to prepare a business case to employ additional parking officers to address identified staffing gaps (recommendation 1.2) in time for Council's 2026/27 budget deliberations.
- E. Note that any additional permanent resourcing requirements will be considered as part of the development of Council's 2026-2027 budget or via Council's Quarterly Budget Review process.
- F. Thank regulatory staff for the often challenging work they undertake so diligently.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

13. Rescission Motion

14. Notices of Motion

**14.1. Contribution of the LGBTQIA+ Community to the broader Woollahra Community
(Councillor Robertson/Councillor Price)**

493/2025 Resolved:

THAT Council:

A. Notes:

- a. The contribution of the **LGBTQIA+** community to the broader Woollahra community.
- b. Woollahra Council's historical advocacy and support for the **LGBTQIA+** community including its 2009 relationships register and its advocacy position as the first conservative-led council in Australia to endorse marriage equality.
- c. The significance of Oxford Street to the **LGBTQIA+** community both historically, culturally and socially; and that this significance is alive today.

- B. Requests the General Manager table a report at the October 2025 Council meeting detailing a cost estimate for the development of a Woollahra **LGBTQIA+** Social and Cultural Place Strategy and a potential funding source for such a study.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Against the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Carmichael, None
Councillor Jarvis, Councillor Parmegiani,
Councillor Price, Councillor Robertson,
Councillor Silcocks, Councillor Swan,
Councillor Torsten, Councillor Witt,
Councillor Woodgate, Councillor Zeltzer,
Councillor Regan

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14.2. Carparking in areas subject to the NSW Government's LMR Housing Reforms

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Sheridan Hopkins and Adrienne Tuart.

(Councillor Jarvis/Councillor Swan)

494/2025 Resolved:

THAT the General Manager urgently prepare a report reviewing the current requirements and development standards for carparking within areas subject to the NSW Governments LMR housing planning provisions, with the objective of:

- A. Developing clear guidelines for car parking rates in those LMR areas to achieve clarity around these requirements; and
- B. Encouraging housing diversity and affordability; and
- C. Limiting excavation.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Against the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

None

14/0

14.3. Parsley Bay Aquatic Reserve

(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

478/2025 Resolved without debate:

THAT Council:

- A. Notes the significant and ongoing interest by members of the community in preserving and maintaining the health and biodiversity of Parsley Bay.
- B. Requests the General Manager to investigate and provide a report to Council on whether Council should make a formal application to the relevant NSW State Government Minister under section 34 of the Marine Estate Management Act 2014 to declare Parsley Bay as an aquatic reserve under the Act.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

15. Questions With Notice

(Councillor Swan/Councillor Zeltzer)

479/2025 Resolved:

THAT the Questions with Notice be received and noted.

The Motion was put and Carried.

Note: In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.

For the Motion

Councillor Andruska, Councillor Ardouin,
Councillor Carmichael, Councillor Jarvis,
Councillor Parmegiani, Councillor Price,
Councillor Robertson, Councillor Silcocks,
Councillor Swan, Councillor Torsten,
Councillor Witt, Councillor Woodgate,
Councillor Zeltzer, Councillor Regan

14/0

Against the Motion

None

15.1. Structural viability of the Cross Street Parking Station

Note: Late correspondence was tabled by Tom O'Hanlon (Council's Director Infrastructure and Sustainability).

Councillor Torsten asking:

Please advise on the progress and likely release date of the latest building assessment regarding the long-term structural viability of the Cross Street Parking Station.

Director Infrastructure & Sustainability in Response:

Response provided as late correspondence.

15.2. Cooper Park Community Hall

Councillor Torsten asking:

The mezzanine level of the Cooper Park Community Hall has not been used by anyone in years.

Please advise what needs to be done in order for the space to be utilised by the Bushland Maintenance Team and Bushcare volunteers. The community hall mezzanine has its own external entry and does not interfere with hiring out the hall. The space is central to Cooper Park, Cooper Park North, Bellevue Park, Harbourview Park and March Street Reserve while also providing toilet facilities and a kitchenette.

The tiny shed near the Cooper Park amphitheatre currently used by the team does not have a toilet nor electricity.

Director Infrastructure & Sustainability in Response:

Response provided as late correspondence.

16. Supplementary Responses to Previous Questions with Notice

17. Confidential Matters

18. Councillor Reports/Councillor Updates (Section 8.4)

Mayor Swan

- Change of Name

Mayor Swan noted that as of 26 August 2025, her surname will change to Dixon following her recent nuptials.

Mayor Swan noted that this Wednesday 27 August 2025 Woollahra Gallery is hosting the Youth Photo Prize, and she encouraged Councillors to join her in attending, due to the impressive talent showcased at previous years.

Councillor Robertson

- Senior Rabbis at Emanuel Synagogue
- Paddington Society Annual Dinner

Councillor Robertson extended his gratitude to Rabbi Kamins OAM and commended his leadership at Emanuel Synagogue, while also congratulating Rabbi Ninio OAM on her appointment.

Councillor Robertson recently attended the Paddington Society's annual dinner alongside Councillor Witt and noted it was a wonderful occasion to commend the efforts of those who work to preserve the heritage of Paddington.

Councillor Andruska

- Citizenship Ceremony

Councillor Andruska attended Woollahra Council's most recent citizenship ceremony alongside Mayor Swan and recognised that it was an excellent event.

Councillor Price

- Kids Giving Back Event

Councillor Price attended the Kids Giving Back fundraising event in lieu of Mayor Swan last week, an organisation which encourages children and teenagers to volunteer. Councillor Price congratulated the organisation on their excellent work to date.

19. Conclusion of the Meeting

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 10:55pm

We certify that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Woollahra Municipal Council held on 25/08/2025 and confirmed by the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 24/09/2025 as correct.

General Manager

Mayor