



### **AGENDA**

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Meeting of the Hunter's Hill Council will be held in the Council Chambers at 22 Alexandra Street Hunters Hill on

Monday 16 December 2024

Beginning at 6.00pm for the purpose of considering and determining matters included in this agenda.

Mitchell Murphy General Manager

## **Hunter's Hill Council Values**

Our values are at the **HEART** of what we do and who we are. As such, we are represented by the following values:

**H** onesty

**E** xcellence

**A** ccountability

**R** espect

**T** eamwork



## HUNTER'S HILL COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS SEATING PLAN

	MAYOR		
CR KASSAB  CR VIRGARA		CR LANE  CR TANNOUS SLEIMAN	_
CR PRIESTON		CR WILLIAMS	
	SPEAKER		
	GALLERY		

ENTRANCE

#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Prayer by Rev'd Michael Armstrong Attendance, Apologies Declarations of Interests

- 1 Confirmation of Minutes
- 2 Business Arising
- 3 Reports
- 4 Other Business

#### Charter of Respectful Behaviour

- 1. Comments to be "task" focused + Focus on the issue
- 2. Actively listen + be attentive
- 3. Allow others to finish their point
- 4. Deliver solutions based comments
- 5. Develop your resilience
- 6. Be informed + ask questions
- 7. Seek to understand others
- 8. Be on time + use time wisely
- 9. Acknowledge differences or personal circumstances
- 10. Value each other's contributions

# HUNTER'S HILL COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 16 December 2024

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**SUBJECT**: VALE ALICE ARNOTT OPPEN OAM

**STRATEGIC OUTCOME** : THE COMMUNITY IS WELL INFORMED

**ACTION** : TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PASSING OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO

HAS MADE A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO THE HUNTERS

HILL COMMUNITY AND SOCIETY

**REPORTING OFFICER** : MAYOR ZAC MILES

Ref:740523

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to acknowledge the dedication and achievements of the late Alice Arnott Oppen OAM.

#### RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the report be received and noted.
- 2. That a letter of condolence be forwarded to Alice's family.

#### **REPORT**

With heavy hearts, we recognise the passing of a truly remarkable woman, Alice Arnott Oppen, on 2 December 2024.

Born in New Jersey on 12 February 1939, Alice moved to Australia in 1964 and was a long-time resident of Hunters Hill, having moved here with her husband, the late Conrad Oppen in 1966 when they were married.

They were both early members of the Hunters Hill Trust when it was formed in the late '60s. Alice served on the Auxiliary, Committee and for four terms as President. During this time, she helped protect the heritage values that are characteristic of our municipality today.

Alice had a Bachelor of Arts Degree (English Language and Literature/Letters) from Smith College in Northampton, and a Master of Teaching from the University of Chicago. She taught literature in secondary schools and tertiary establishments including Knox Grammar School, TAFE and the University of Sydney, where she also pursued her Master in Australian Literature.

She published two books - *Shakespeare: Listening to the Women* (1999) and *Just While I'm waiting* (2009).

Alice was a board member of the Jessie Street National Library (1988), Chair of the State Library of NSW Foundation (1998-99), served on the Board of the Christian Children's Fund of Australia (1998-2006) and was part of the Sydney Harbour and Foreshores Committee.

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She was also the founder of the Women's Plans in 2002 (later renamed the Women's Plans Foundation in 2004), advocating for better outcomes for women and their families by making contraceptives available to people who have limited or no access to family planning services, and providing education about family planning.

Alice is a descendant of the Arnott's family, famous for their biscuit empire in Australia. She was director of Arnott's Ltd from 1994 to 1997 and fought to keep the company in Australia.

It was fitting for a woman like Alice who has such a vast list of achievements, made a lasting community impact and who advocated strongly for what she believed in, to be awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in 2011. The OAM was presented to Alice for her service to the community through a range of roles with heritage, women's and charitable organisations.

Her funeral was held on Thursday 12 December at All Saints Church in Hunters Hill with hundreds of people attending to pay tribute to her well-lived life.

She will be sorely missed by so many people in the Hunters Hill community and the legacy of her hard work will continue through all the people she's touched.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

There is no direct financial impact on Council's adopted budget as a result of this report.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

There is no direct environmental impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

#### SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

There is no direct social impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

#### **RISK ASSESSMENT**

There are no direct or indirect risks impacting on Council arising from consideration of this matter.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There were no attachments to this report.

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