

## COMMENCEMENT

The meeting opened with Acknowledgement of Country and Prayer at 6pm.

## IN ATTENDANCE

The Mayor Zac Miles, Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston, Councillors Carla Kassab, Carol Tannous Sleiman, Tatyana Virgara, Ross Williams and Marc Lane.

## ALSO PRESENT

Acting General Manager Nick Tobin, Director Community and Customer Services Annie Goodman, Director Infrastructure and Environmental Sustainability Samantha Urquhart, Director People and Culture Rosanna Guerra, Director Town Planning Steve Kourepis, Chief Financial Officer Christian Menday, Recording Jade Reed and Minute-taker Sarah Valentine.

## APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Mayor called for Declarations of Interest and Cr Lane declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 3.1 as he is Jewish. The Mayor advised that it is appropriate for Cr Lane to remain in Chambers for this Item.

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**121/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Williams, seconded Deputy Mayor Prieston That the Minutes of Ordinary Meeting No. 4546, 23 June 2025 be confirmed.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

Cr Kassab joined the meeting at 6.05pm.

**TABLING OF PETITIONS**

## PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Nil

**ADDRESSES FROM THE PUBLIC**

## PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Refer to Items 3.1, 4.5 and 4.11

**NOTICES OF MOTION INCLUDING RESCISSION MOTIONS****3.1 COMBATTING ANTISEMITISM**

## PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Colonel Scott addressed the meeting.

An extension of time for Colonel Scott was moved by Deputy Mayor Prieston and seconded by Cr Lane.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

Anthony Roberts MP addressed the meeting.

Cr Kassab entered the meeting at 6.12pm.

The Acting General Manager read a statement from Kathy Miller.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the council

1. Acknowledges a national rise in antisemitism, particularly following the events of October 7, 2023, and a number of local incidents including an act of vandalism outside the office of our local State Member for Lane Cove.
2. Reaffirm our commitment to combatting antisemitism and all forms of prejudice and racism against minority or ethnic groups in our community.

3. Develop a formal, localised strategy to combat antisemitism.

AN AMENDMENT WAS MOVED on the MOTION of Councillor Lane, seconded Councillor Williams :

That the council:

1. Acknowledges a national rise in antisemitism and Islamophobia, particularly following the events of October 7, 2023, and a number of local incidents including an act of vandalism outside the office of our local State Member for Lane Cove. It is important however not to conflate the state of Israel and its actions with the religion of Judaism and its adherents.
2. Reaffirm our commitment to combatting antisemitism and all forms of prejudice and racism against minority or ethnic groups in our community.
3. Develop a formal, localised strategy to combat antisemitism and Islamophobia; and for this to be brought back to council for endorsement.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Councillor Ross Williams	Mayor Zac Miles
Councillor Marc Lane	Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston
	Councillor Carla Kassab
	Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman
	Councillor Tatyana Virgara

The AMENDMENT on being put to the meeting was LOST.

**122/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Tannous Sleiman, seconded Councillor Virgara

That the council

1. Acknowledges a national rise in antisemitism, particularly following the events of October 7, 2023, and a number of local incidents including an act of vandalism outside the office of our local State Member for Lane Cove.
2. Reaffirm our commitment to combatting antisemitism and all forms of prejudice and racism against minority or ethnic groups in our community.
3. Develop a formal, localised strategy to combat antisemitism.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	

Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

## COUNCIL REPORTS

### 4.1 YOUTH SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

#### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That Council allocate \$10,000 in the 2025-26 budget for youth programs, services and activities, which will include funding of one Man Cave and Enlighten Program at Hunters Hill High School.

An AMENDED MOTION was moved by Cr Carla Kassab seconded by Cr Tatyana Virgara that:

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That Council allocate \$10,000 in the 2025-26 budget for youth programs, services and activities.
3. Subject to the report at Item 7, any money provided to schools must be acquitted on programs which will benefit 2 or more schools located in the Hunters Hill municipality.
4. That Council engages relevant service providers to facilitate programs and/or seminars which are accessible to all local high school aged children. These programs and/or seminars are to be focused on but not limited to mental health and wellbeing, suicide prevention, body image and respectful relationships.
5. That Council engages with the City of Ryde Council to gauge their interest in forming a partnership to work on a Youth Mental Health Forum for the students who attend the high schools within Ryde and Hunters Hill LGA's.
6. That council writes to The Hon. Prue Car MP – Minister for Education and Early Learning to advocate for The Man Cave and Enlighten Education programs at Hunters Hill High School.
7. That a report on 3, 4, 5 and 6 be brought to the September 2025 meeting of council.

Deputy Mayor Prieston left the meeting at 06:48 pm.

**123/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Kassab, seconded Councillor Virgara

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That Council allocate \$10,000 in the 2025-26 budget for youth programs, services and activities.
3. Subject to the report at Item 7, any money provided to schools must be acquitted on programs which will benefit 2 or more schools located in the Hunters Hill municipality.
4. That Council engages relevant service providers to facilitate programs and/or seminars which are accessible to all local high school aged children. These programs and/or seminars are to be focused on but not limited to mental health and wellbeing, suicide prevention, body image and respectful relationships.
5. That Council engages with the City of Ryde Council to gauge their interest in forming a partnership to work on a Youth Mental Health Forum for the students who attend the high schools within Ryde and Hunters Hill LGA's.
6. That council writes to The Hon. Prue Car MP – Minister for Education and Early Learning to advocate for The Man Cave and Enlighten Education programs at Hunters Hill High School.
7. That a report on 3, 4, 5 and 6 be brought to the September 2025 meeting of council.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

4.2 GLADESVILLE OCCASSIONAL CHILDCARE CENTRE INC-DEED OF LICENCE 6  
PITTWATER RD GLADESVILLE

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Deputy Mayor Prieston returned to the meeting at 06:49 pm.

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the Acting General Manager be authorised to sign the Deed of Licence.
2. That the term of the lease be granted from 1 August 2025.

An AMENDMENT was moved by Cr Marc Lane seconded by Cr Ross Williams that:

1. That the Acting General Manager be authorised to sign the Deed of Licence; and
2. Use its best endeavours to, working with Ryde Council, ensure that relocation, full establishment and opening of an occasional childcare service supported by Council or a not-for-profit organisation such as GOCCC offering affordable fees is operating from an agreed, similar local, central, accessible and suitable site in Gladesville/Hunters Hill before the sale of land and without any interruption to the occasional child care service.

Councillor Tannous Sleiman left the meeting at 07:00 pm.

Councillor Tannous Sleiman returned to the meeting at 07:01 pm.

Cr Prieston FORESHADOWED the original recommendation in the report.

The AMENDED MOTION was PUT to the meeting:

1. That the Acting General Manager be authorised to sign the Deed of Licence; and
2. Use its best endeavours to, working with Ryde Council, ensure that relocation, full establishment and opening of an occasional childcare service supported by Council or a not-for-profit organisation such as GOCCC offering affordable fees is operating from an agreed, similar local, central, accessible and suitable site in Gladesville/Hunters Hill before the sale of land and without any interruption to the occasional child care service.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston
Councillor Ross Williams	Councillor Carla Kassab
Councillor Marc Lane	Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman
	Councillor Tatyana Virgara

The MOTION was NOT CARRIED

**124/25** RESOLVED on the FORESHADOWED MOTION of Deputy Mayor Prieston, seconded Councillor Virgara

1. That the Acting General Manager be authorised to sign the Deed of Licence.
2. That the term of the lease be granted from 1 August 2025.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

## MOVE ITEM

**125/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Williams, seconded Councillor Virgara That at 07:11 pm, Item 4.11 be brought forward to be discussed prior to Item 4.3.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED

Cr Lane left the meeting at 07:12 pm.

Cr Tannous Sleiman left the meeting at 07:13 pm.

Cr Lane returned to the meeting at 07:14 pm.

**4.11 REVISED HUNTER'S HILL COUNCIL POLICY FOR DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL LAND**

## PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Annette Gallard addressed the meeting.

An extension of time was moved by Cr Williams and seconded by Cr Lane.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

Cr Tannous Sleiman returned to the meeting at 07:16 pm.

Jim Sanderson addressed the meeting.

An extension of time was moved by Cr Williams and seconded by Cr Lane.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston
Councillor Carla Kassab	Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That Council adopts the revised Policy for Disposal of Council Land.

An AMENDMENT was moved by Clr Marc Lane seconded by Clr Ross Williams that:

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That Council adopts the revised Policy for Disposal of Council Land.
3. As soon as is practical, Council will update its Land Register under s53 of the Local Government Act.
4. Regularising Roads: In order to improve the efficiency of future reviews, land providing access to properties but through omission not opened as a public road, that council determines is not suitable for disposal, is to be dedicated as public roads under the Roads Act.
5. A procedure be prepared to give effect to the Policy.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Councillor Ross Williams	Mayor Zac Miles
Councillor Marc Lane	Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston
	Councillor Carla Kassab
	Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman
	Councillor Tatyana Virgara

The AMENDMENT was NOT CARRIED

**126/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Mayor Miles, seconded Deputy Mayor Prieston

1. That the report be received and noted.



2. That Council adopts the revised Policy for Disposal of Council Land.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	Councillor Ross Williams
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	Councillor Marc Lane
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	

The MOTION was CARRIED

- 4.3 PROGRESS REPORT ON THE DELIVERY PROGRAM AND OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR THE 6 MONTH PERIOD 01 JANUARY - 30 JUNE 2025

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

- 127/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Kassab, seconded Councillor Virgara

1. That the report be received and noted.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

- 4.4 LGNSW 2025 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

- 128/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Deputy Mayor Prieston, seconded Councillor Tannous Sleiman

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That Council endorses that the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and the Acting General Manager attend the LGNSW 2025 annual conference.
3. That Council confirm that the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor are the voting delegates.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	

Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.5 MINUTES OF THE HUNTERS HILL LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD ON 26 JUNE 2025

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

A statement from Paul Poissant was read to the meeting.

Cr Virgara left the meeting at 08:03 pm.

Cr Virgara returned to the meeting at 08:05 pm.

##### RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes be received and noted.

#### 129/25 RESOLVED on the AMENDED MOTION of Councillor Kassab, seconded Councillor Lane :

1. That the Minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted with the exception of Item 3.3 which will be deferred to the August 2025 Council meeting.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 4.6 RECLASSIFICATION OF LAND AT 4 PITTWATER ROAD GLADESVILLE

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**130/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Kassab, seconded Deputy Mayor Prieston

1. That the report be received and noted.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.7 DRAFT COMMUNITY GRANTS POLICY AND 2025 PROGRAM TIMELINE

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

##### RECOMMENDATION

The Recommendation was MOVED by Cr Kassab, seconded by Cr Williams.

1. That Council adopt the Community Grants Policy.
2. That Council nominate 2 Councillors, in addition to the General Manager, Mayor, and Deputy Mayor to assess Community Grant submissions received.
3. That a further report be brought back to Council in October 2025 with a recommended list of projects to be funded.

An AMENDMENT was moved by Cr Marc Lane seconded by Cr Ross Williams that:

1. That Council adopt the Community Grants Policy.
2. That Council nominate 2 Councillors, in addition to the General Manager, Mayor, and Deputy Mayor to assess Community Grant submissions received.
3. That a further report be brought back to Council in October 2025 with a recommended list of projects to be funded.
4. Add a new section 9 to the Policy as follows:

##### **9. Unallocated Funds**

1. *Council, following appropriate due diligence by the relevant director of Council and a report being brought to Council in relation to any unallocated funds, may assign unallocated funds to another*

*community program and that program will be treated as if its allocation for this year has been increased by that amount, OR*

**2. If an amount remains unallocated and unassigned:**

- a. council may, by an ordinary motion and majority vote, allocate that unspent amount in whole or part at a later date, to programs that are otherwise eligible under this program but for the timeline in 4. and*
- b. once that motion is received, the panel set out in item 7 will use its best endeavours to meet and assess the request, prior to the council meeting.*

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The AMENDED MOTION was CARRIED and became the MOTION.

**131/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Kassab, seconded Councillor Williams

1. That Council adopt the Community Grants Policy.
2. That Council nominate 2 Councillors, in addition to the General Manager, Mayor, and Deputy Mayor to assess Community Grant submissions received.
3. That a further report be brought back to Council in October 2025 with a recommended list of projects to be funded.
4. Add a new section 9 to the Policy as follows:

**9. Unallocated Funds**

- 1. Council, following appropriate due diligence by the relevant director of Council and a report being brought to Council in relation to any unallocated funds, may assign unallocated funds to another community program and that program will be treated as if its allocation for this year has been increased by that amount, OR*
- 2. If an amount remains unallocated and unassigned:*
  - a. council may, by an ordinary motion and majority vote, allocate that unspent amount in whole or part at a later date, to*

*programs that are otherwise eligible under this program but for the timeline in 4. and*

- b. once that motion is received, the panel set out in item 7 will use its best endeavours to meet and assess the request, prior to the council meeting.*

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

Cr Kassab and Cr Tannous-Sleiman were elected as the 2 Councillors to assist the General Manager, Mayor, and Deputy Mayor to assess Community Grant submissions received.

#### 4.8 CODE OF CONDUCT

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Mayor Miles left the meeting at 08:16 pm.

**132/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Williams, seconded Councillor Tannous Sleiman

1. That Council adopt the Code of Conduct attached to this report.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.9 PROCEDURES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Mayor Miles returned to the meeting at 08:19 pm.

**133/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Williams, seconded Councillor Tannous Sleiman

1. That Council adopt the Procedures for the Administrative of the Model Code of Conduct Policy attached to this report.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### MOVE ITEMS IN BLOCK

**134/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Tannous Sleiman, seconded Councillor Virgara

That Items 4.10, 4.12, 4.13, 4.14, 4.15, 4.16, 4.17, 4.18 and 4.19 be moved in block.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.10 DRAFT COMPLAINTS HANDLING POLICY AND PROCEDURES

#### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**135/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That Council adopt the draft Complaints Handling Policy and Procedures.

3. That the Complaints Handling Policy and Procedures be updated every two (2) years or in line with any legislative updates from the NSW Ombudsman.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.12 COUNCILLOR AND STAFF INTERACTION POLICY

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**136/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams

1. That Council adopt the Councillor and Staff Interaction Policy attached to this report.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.13 COUNCILLOR EXPENSES AND FACILITIES POLICY

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**137/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams

1. That Council adopt the Code of Conduct attached to this report.

RECORD OF VOTING
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For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.14 PUBLIC GALLERY ATTENDANCE PROTOCOLS

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**138/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams  
That Council:

1. Adopt the Public Gallery Attendance Protocols document attached to this report (see **Attachment 1**).

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.15 REVISED CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE - FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**139/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams  
That Council:

1. Endorse the DRAFT Code of Meeting Practice attached to this report (see Attachment 1).
2. Place the endorsed Code of Meeting Practice on exhibition for a period of not less than 42 days, inviting submissions from the public.
3. Receive a further report on the Code of Meeting Practice that includes consideration of any submissions made within the time allowed, prior to formal adoption.



RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.16 SUMMARY OF COUNCIL INVESTMENTS AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**140/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams

1. That the report on Investments held at 30 June 2025, prepared in accordance with clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, be received and noted.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.17 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY IN JUNE 2025

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**141/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams

1. That the report be received and noted.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.18 REPORT OF LEGAL MATTERS - JUNE 2025

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**142/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams

1. That the report be received and noted.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

#### 4.19 COUNCILLOR BRIEFING AND WORKSHOPS

##### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

**143/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams

1. That the report be received and noted.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

## QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE

### 7.1 CR MARC LANE (SUBJECT: ANNUAL LEGAL COSTS)

#### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

#### QUESTIONS FROM CR LANE

Question/s or service/s requested:

1. What is the amount we have spent each year on legal costs, since 2020?

#### RESPONSE:

#### Legal Fee Expenditure, Original Budget and Revised Budget by Type (\$)

*Nominal*

Year	2020			2021			2022		
Type	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actual
Development Application	255,700	255,700	292,133	261,632	261,632	330,052	264,775	264,775	558,199
Property Legals	0	0	16,448	19,361	19,361	42,685	26,477	26,477	97,638
Various Miscellaneous Legal Advice	20,400	20,400	49,649	1,570	21,870	22,181	0	0	0
Infrastructure Projects	5,100	26,100	27,572	5,233	5,233	51,278	0	0	0
Environmental Legal Expenses	5,200	5,200	0	5,233	5,233	0	5,296	5,296	31,573
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>286,400</b>	<b>307,400</b>	<b>385,802</b>	<b>293,028</b>	<b>313,328</b>	<b>446,196</b>	<b>296,548</b>	<b>296,548</b>	<b>687,411</b>

Year	2023			2024			2025		
Type	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actual
Development Application	272,718	272,718	410,315	289,856	659,856	615,653	429,218	682,218	979,213
Property Legals	0	0	12,501	5,683	5,683	110,135	50,000	50,000	16,702
Various Miscellaneous Legal Advice	0	0	0	17,050	17,050	0	60,000	40,000	69,833
Infrastructure Projects	27,271	27,271	13,733	5,683	5,683	8,266	0	0	0
Environmental Legal Expenses	5,455	5,455	648	0	0	0	0	0	4,203

Grand Total	305,444	305,444	437,198	318,272	688,272	734,054	539,218	772,218	1,069,951
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## COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**144/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Kassab, seconded Councillor Tannous Sleiman

1. That pursuant to Section 10A subsections 2 & 3 and Section 10B of the *Local Government Act, 1993* (as amended) the following items on the agenda for the Ordinary Council meeting be dealt with in Closed Session for the reasons specified below:
2. The press and public be excluded from the proceedings of the Council in Closed Session on the basis that these items are considered to be of a confidential nature.

**8.1 Disposal of 16C Vernon Street Hunters Hill**

Item 8.1 is confidential in accordance with s10A(2)(d)i of the *Local Government Act* because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

3. That the Minutes and Business Papers including any reports, correspondence, documentation or information relating to such matter be treated as confidential and be withheld from access by the press and public, until such time as the Council resolves that the reason for confidentiality has passes or become irrelevant.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

## OPEN COUNCIL RESUMED

**145/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Virgara, seconded Councillor Williams  
That at 8.44pm the meeting resume in Open Council and the gallery be invited back into the Chamber.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against

Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

## REPORT OF COUNCIL IN CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

The Mayor advised that during closed session, one resolution was passed unanimously.

**146/25** RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Williams, seconded Councillor Kassab

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That the disposal process for 16C Vernon Street be discontinued and the tenderer be advised.
3. A further report be bought back to Council as part of a wider report concerning all 46 parcels of identified remnant land.

RECORD OF VOTING	
For	Against
Mayor Zac Miles	
Deputy Mayor Julia Prieston	
Councillor Carla Kassab	
Councillor Carol Tannous Sleiman	
Councillor Tatyana Virgara	
Councillor Ross Williams	
Councillor Marc Lane	

The MOTION was CARRIED unanimously

## GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

## CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 8.45pm.

I confirm that these Minutes are a true and accurate record of Ordinary Meeting No. 4547 held on 28 July 2025.

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Councillor Zac Miles  
MAYOR

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Nick Tobin  
ACTING GENERAL MANAGER