



**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MORELAND CIVIC CENTRE,
90 BELL STREET, COBURG
ON WEDNESDAY 13 JULY 2016**

The meeting commenced at 7 pm and closed at 12.11 am.

Present:	Time In	Time Out
Cr Samantha Ratnam (Mayor)	7 pm	12.11 am
Cr Lita Gillies (Deputy Mayor)	7 pm	12.11 am
Cr Sue Bolton	7 pm	12.11 am
Cr Helen Davidson	7 pm	12.11 am
Cr Meghan Hopper	7 pm	12.11 am
Cr John Kavanagh	7 pm	12.11 am
Cr Lambros Tapinos	7 pm	12.11 am
Cr Lenka Thompson	7 pm	12.11 am
Cr Rob Thompson	7 pm	12.11 am
Cr Oscar Yildiz JP	7 pm	12.11 am

APOLOGIES:

Cr Teti.

Cr Gillies moved, Cr Hopper seconded that the apology for Cr Teti be accepted.

Carried

OFFICERS:

Chief Executive Officer – Nerina Di Lorenzo
Acting Director Corporate Services – Hans Wolf
Director City Infrastructure – Grant Thorne
Director Social Development – Arden Joseph
Director Planning and Economic Development - Kirsten Coster
Executive Manager Organisation Development - Anita Craven
Manager Governance – Lidia Harding

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND/OR CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

Cr Hopper advised that she previously worked for one of the recipients of a community grant being awarded tonight, however does not have a conflict of interest in this matter.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr Gillies seconded that -

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 6 June 2016, 8 June 2016, the Special Council Meeting held on 14 June 2016 and the Council Meeting held on 14 June 2016 be confirmed, subject to the following amendments:

NOM26/16 Moreland Says Yes to Multiculturalism (D16/175510) 8 June 2016 be amended as follows:

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr Davidson seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. As soon as it is practicable that Moreland replace the current 'Moreland Says No to Racism' with 'Moreland Says Yes to Multiculturalism.'
2. A 'Moreland Says Yes to Multiculturalism' banner be ordered and erected as part of the banner schedule on 4 January 2017 and annually after that.

Amendment

Cr L Thompson moved that:

Council resolve:

1. A 'Moreland Says Yes to Multiculturalism' banner be added to the rolling stock of Council banners and the 'Moreland Says No to Racism' banner be retained.
2. The 'Moreland Says Yes to Multiculturalism' banner be scheduled for installation from the 10 October 2016 period, and annually at that time.

**The amendment became part of the substantive motion
The substantive motion was lost**

Cr Hopper called for a division.

For

Cr Kavanagh
Cr L Thompson
Cr Tapinos
Cr Davidson

Total For (4)

Against

Cr Bolton
Cr Yildiz
Cr R Thompson
Cr Hopper
Cr Gillies

Total Against (5)

DCI22/16 Brunswick Street, Coburg - Road Design (D16/121551) 8 June 2016 be amended as follows:

Cr L Thompson moved, Cr Hopper seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. That the laneway between Bell Street and Soudan Street, Coburg remain open.
2. That the unmade section of Brunswick Street be maintained as a two way road, but ensure that traffic calming measures are included in any proposed design.
3. To support the proposed concept design for Brunswick Street creating a footpath, retaining the trees (to the satisfaction of the Tree Protection Zone of each tree) and reducing its appeal to cut through traffic. Further that this would reduce the possible number of legal parking spaces from 24 to eight spaces.
4. To survey the abutting owners of the unmade section of Brunswick Street seeking an indication of support for the construction of Brunswick Street using a special charge scheme. If at least two thirds of respondents are supportive of the concept, then Council officers will report back to council seeking approval for the commencement of a formal section 163 process to initiate a special charge scheme.

Appendix A1 Fees and Charges Schedule of the Council Meeting minutes of 14 June 2016 be adopted with the following amendments:

- No usage of lights, full size pitch – MCC – Sports Clubs and Schools 15/16 - \$55.50 per hour to \$44.00 per hour
- No usage of lights, full size pitch – MCC – Sports Clubs and Schools 15/16 - \$62.30 per hour to \$44.00 per hour
- Synthetic Sports Ground Hire - No Usage of Lights, Full Size Pitch - General – Private and Commercial – per hour - should be \$95.30 not \$120.25
- Corporate Services - Finance & Business Systems - Credit Card Surcharge – Per payment – should be 0.51% not \$1.50.

Carried

PETITIONS:

PET20/16 PETITION SEEKING RETENTION OF ON STREET PARKING IN PRIMULA BOULEVARD GOWANBRAE AND REQUESTING INDENTED PARKING (D16/203696)

A petition (D16/203548) has been received containing six signatures requesting Council to retain on street parking and construct indented parking in the nature strip of Primula Boulevard, Gowanbrae.

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr L Thompson seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. The petition be received and noted.
2. The petition be referred to the Director City Infrastructure for consideration.
3. Any proposed action is emailed to all Ward Councillors and Councillor Responsible For Sustainability, Transport, Climate Change and Water, allowing seven clear days for Councillor feedback.
4. The first named signatory to the petition be advised of this action.

Carried

PET21/16 REINSTATE COUNCIL'S RESPITE SERVICES

A petition (D16/242931) has been received containing 421 signatures requesting Council to reinstate access to after-hours home service for existing and new clients, with the time and day of access based on when the client or carer decides they need the service.

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Bolton seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. The petition be received and noted.
2. The petition be referred to the Director Social Development for consideration.
3. Any proposed action is emailed to all Ward Councillors and Councillor Responsible For Aged Services allowing seven clear days for Councillor feedback.
4. The first named signatory to the petition be advised of this action.

Carried

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE TO COUNCIL:

RCC17/16 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT FORUM - MAY 2016 (D16/178183)

The minutes of the Metropolitan Transport Forum meeting held on 4 May 2016 are provided for Council's information.

Key Items Discussed:

- Western Distributor Concept Design Update
- Transport aspects of Victorian State Government Budget
- Public Transport Users Association's 'Connecting Places' Bus improvement advocacy campaign.

Cr L Thompson moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that the report from Committee to Council be received and noted.

Carried

RCC18/16 DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (D16/192689)

The minutes of the Moreland Disability Advisory Committee meetings held on 1 April 2016 and 13 May 2016 are provided for Council's information.

Key Items Discussed:

- Draft *Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2016-2020* was tabled, final feedback sought from members prior to adoption by Council.
- Planning the future role and purpose of DAC in relation to the new Human Rights Policy Advisory Committee, soon to be created.
- Availability and use of Hearing Augmentation equipment in Council facilities/venues.
- Potential changes to the Disabled Parking Permit renewal process causing concern for DAC members and residents with disability.
- Community member roles on all Council Advisory Committees will soon be declared vacant and positions (re-)advertised.

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Yildiz seconded that the report from Committee to Council be received and noted.

Carried

**RCC19/16 MORELAND LIBRARIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MORLAC) MINUTES
10 MAY 2016 (D16/179936)**

The minutes of the Moreland Libraries Advisory Committee (MorLAC) meeting held on 10 May 2016 are provided for Council's information.

Key Items Discussed:

- Commendation for Glenroy library staff by Emergency Services for saving life of heart attack victim
- Overview of library services to children
- STEAM storytime program for preschoolers incorporating science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics
- Extension of contract for Libero Library Management System (LMS)
- Library Service feedback from MorLAC
- MorLAC EOI process

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Gillies seconded that the report from Committee to Council be received and noted.

Carried

QUESTION TIME:

QT69/16 MR TOMOHIRO MATSUOKA - COBURG

Mr Matsuoka asked Council in relation to the changes to aged and disability home support services why the Director Social Development had taken no action in relation to his questions from the Council meeting in June 2016 and subsequent meeting held with him. He asked why staff have not changed their message to the community about the service no longer changing and advised that he supports the notices of motions proposed in the Council agenda around this issue, but clarified what the term 'no further change' means in the motion?

Cr Ratnam advised that Council appreciates his advocacy in this matter on behalf of the community and it has made Councillors think more about the decision they made in December 2015. The Notices of Motion tabled will address some of the residents' concerns and will be debated later in the meeting.

Arden Joseph, Director Social Development advised that he did respond to Mr Matsuoka's queries following their meeting in an email dated 8 July 2016 and subsequently received a response from him on 11 July 2016, but has not responded because the matter was being considered tonight.

Cr Kavanagh thanked Mr Matsuoka for his advocacy in this matter and explained the process of how Notices of Motion get into the agenda and the required deadlines spelt out in the Meeting Procedure Local Law, but advised that Councillors at tonight's meeting will have opportunities to amend those motions as written and clarify the meaning of the term 'no further change'.

Cr Bolton advised that this issue became complex because there was contradictory information given to affected residents.

Cr Gillies advised that she did not vote for this matter at the December 2015 meeting, but dealt with it during her time as Acting Mayor and as a result Councillors have further discussed this matter in much more detail and are better informed about the decisions they are making.

Cr Kavanagh advised that the process the officers are following currently has not changed even following internal discussions because they are acting on the current resolution of Council from December 2015 and until this is changed, possibly at tonight's meeting, they need to follow that process.

QT70/16 MS KAREN STANDKE - COBURG

Ms Standke asked Council if it was aware of the impact the cut to after-hours respite care has on migrants and residents of Moreland with a CALD background? She is aware of at least one client who was not informed of the phasing out of the service and her respite cut will be effective immediately. She advised that often migrants have no support network as their families have remained overseas, so at least seeing this respite care through to the rollout of the NDIS in 2018 would be appreciated.

Cr Ratnam advised that Council understands that the service cuts from the State and Federal Government have impacted the community and Council. The transition process has raised anxiety for residents and hence Council is revisiting its decision of December 2015.

Nerina Di Lorenzo, Chief Executive Officer advised that it was Council's intent to contact all affected people in writing and advise them of their options, it certainly was not Council's intent to just cut the service off for people over the phone.

Cr Bolton advised that at least three people had contacted her and told her that their service had been cut off as of the end of July over the phone.

QT71/16 MS LAURA MAKHOUL - PASCOE VALE SOUTH

Ms Makhoul asked Council why it is cutting this service 2 years before the National Disability Insurance Scheme actually gets rolled out in Moreland?

Cr Gillies advised that all Councillors want to continue to provide this service for as long as possible and apologised for any stress caused for residents through this process of change.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

NOM38/16 AFTER-HOURS AGED AND DISABILITY HOME SUPPORT SERVICE (D16/224023)

Residents who use the Council's services received a sudden letter dated 1 June 2016, announcing that the after-hours Aged and Disability Home Support Services would be phased out from 2 June.

The letter stated that a Council officer would visit clients to review needs and develop a plan to shift clients to a 7am-7pm weekdays service and that the changes will come into effect over the next six months and are planned to be completed by the end of 2016.

Aged and Disability Home Support Service provides support to families and carers of seniors and people with disabilities, who require care, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The ending of access to an after-hours service will have a serious effect on some of the most vulnerable people, especially people who don't have access to family support such as many migrants.

Restricting the hours of access will have a negative effect on the quality of life of some of Moreland's most vulnerable residents.

The Council's home services staff are well-trained unlike some private disability providers.

People who use the Council's after-hours service use it because private services are either non-existent or unsuitable.

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Gillies seconded that -

Council notes that:

1. The after-hours Aged and Disability Home Support Service provides a critical service, providing families of elderly people and people with disabilities with support and allowing families and carers to recuperate from the stresses of full-time caring, do household chores; spend quality time with other children and family members For the service to be most effective, it needs to be offered at times that best suit the needs of clients.
2. The after-hours service is especially important for migrants and people who don't have access to family support and carers who have full-time jobs.
3. Council has well-trained staff who are capable of caring for people with a wider range of disabilities whereas many private agencies are selective about who they provide care for.
4. To remove the confidential status of the detailed points in NOM43/16 relating to the specifics of the after-hours service change:
 - a) Immediately cease individual meetings with clients which are aimed at shifting clients off the after-hours service and onto the 7am-7pm weekday service or other providers.
 - b) Reinstate access to the after-hours Aged and Disability Home Support Service for existing and new clients with the time and day of access based on when the client or their carer decides they need the service as per the current Federal Government guidelines for the service.

- c) Send a new letter to clients, informing them of the reinstatement of the after-hours service and that this letter be circulated to all Councillors prior to being sent to clients.
 - d) Publish a statement on the Council's page in the *Moreland Leader* newspaper announcing the reinstatement of the after-hours service.
 - e) Individually contact all of the clients who had agreed to the shift in service to 7am-7pm on weekdays and notify them of their right to continue to receive the after-hours service if they so wish.
 - f) Invite all clients and disability services to attend a community information forum about the service.
 - g) Further assess the service once the implications of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) introduction in the Moreland local government area are known.
5. Note that Councils across Victoria face significant changes to their capacity to deliver aged, disability and social support services in future because of Federal Government changes to the Home and Community Care(HACC)/Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) program and introduction of the NDIS.
 6. Acknowledge that in 2019 Council will be in a new competitive environment and new service procurement models, the parameters of which are unclear at this stage. Council will undertake to investigate options that are available to maintain aged care service delivery.
 7. Note that in 2015-2016 Council received \$6.8 million Federal and State Government grants to operate the HACC service and contributes \$4.8 million rates funding to deliver the service because the Federal and State government contribution is inadequate.
 8. To acknowledge that recent changes to the after-hours respite service were intended to assist the transition of Council's services in response to anticipated changed funding conditions.
 9. Note that Council's communications regarding this change to existing clients were unclear.
 10. To communicate to all existing and new clients of the service, that the service is likely to cease in June 2019 if Council is unsuccessful in receiving Federal Government funding to deliver the service.
 11. Conduct an independent quality review process for all communications with clients contacted to date about the changes to the service as per the process.
 12. Prepare information for the public about the timeline of funding changes to the Commonwealth and State funding of aged and disability services and their possible implications.
 13. Provide a further update to Council through a report in the October 2016 cycle.

Carried unanimously

QT72/16 MR ROD CALLANDER - PASCOE VALE

Mr Callander asked Council why hasn't the construction of bike lanes taken place on Cumberland Road?

QT73/16 MR PAUL GAVIN - PASCOE VALE

Mr Gavin advised that Council proposed in a report in 2012 to provide cyclists north of Bell Street with a shimmy that 'will be completed by the end of August 2016'. The map in the report shows the proposed route taking the path through Council's own construction zone in Rogers Memorial Reserve. Therefore construction of the shimmy cannot be completed in the timeframe in the Council report. He questioned the accuracy of the report to Council and Council's commitment to the Moreland Bicycle Strategy when bicycle infrastructure should be provided fairly throughout the municipality.

QT74/16 MS JENICA BROOKE - PASCOE VALE

Ms Brooke asked Council what action it is taking to ensure VicRoads resolve the unacceptable safety risk posed by the sub-standard design and implementation of Gaffney Street cycling facilitated, in particular:

- Bike lanes, traffic lanes and parking lanes are all significantly narrower than what is prescribed by AustRoads Guidelines.
- Increasing truck and bus traffic (now with two bus routes), in these sub-standard narrow lanes.
- Bike lanes with no buffer between it and parked cars on the left, nor moving traffic on the right.
- Bike lanes marked adjacent to parked cars, placing cyclists in danger of car dooring.
- Bike lanes ending entirely at the western end of Gaffney Street, at a dangerous merge point at the bottom of Gaffney Hill, just before the Craigieburn train line.
- 60kp/h zoning, even in high pedestrian/bicycle use areas (e.g. around Pascoe Vale Station?).

Cr L Thompson advised that Cumberland Road is a VicRoads owned road and Council is dependent on them to do works with bike infrastructure and continues to advocate for this. A Council report tonight will be considered about this site.

With regards to Gaffney Street, Cr L Thompson advised that she has seen the videos posted by Ms Brooke and understands that there are safety concerns especially since the construction of Coles. Council will continue to advocate to VicRoads for better safety measures and advised she would be happy to meet with the resident to discuss the matter further.

Cr Kavanagh advised that he proposes to defer the Cumberland Road report to seek further input into the proposals from the Moreland Bicycle Users Group and other members of the community.

Grant Thorne, Director City Infrastructure advised that that the shimmy will partially go through Rogers Reserve.

QT75/16 MR ROD CALLANDER - PASCOE VALE

Mr Callander asked Council why the recent footpath widening of the Cumberland Road shopping strip of \$475,000 plus has been built without reference to the bicycle lanes which have been in the planning for over 6 years?

Grant Thorne, Director City Infrastructure advised that VicRoads have limitations in this area due to the road capacity.

QT76/16 MS ROHINI RATNAKER - BRUNSWICK

Ms Ratnaker asked Council why it would even consider part of the Edward Street car park (or section 69) as a suitable site for the Amendment 158C – or to be zoned under ‘transitional residential’ for the possibility of affordable housing, firstly when:

- There are other areas in Victoria Street or Albert Street owned and nominated by Council to be rezoned, which are not used as existing car parks and
- The cost in the Council report is assessed at \$3.2 million to relocate 42 cars underground?

What is the outcome of the Black Street airspace feasibility study and sale of the airspace which was noted as determining the outcome of Edward Street?

Cr Ratnam advised that Council is doing a lot of work in this area and this Amendment leaves options open for this car park.

Cr Tapinos advised that this area presents great opportunities and Council need to take advantage of the air rights over car park therefore requiring options to remain open and this Amendment does this. He advised he is planning to make some amendments to this Council report when considered.

Extension of Time

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that question time be extended by 30 minutes.

Carried

QT77/16 MS MARILYN MOORE - PASCOE VALE SOUTH

Ms Moore asked Council if it was willing to undertake an audit in relation to the Pentridge master plans to determine the location of heritage and proposed buildings, number of storeys, height setbacks and uses, when planning and heritage (if applicable) permits were issued, by whom, extensions of permits, public open space locations and areas?

Cr Bolton advised there is an alternate resolution proposed to this report which may address the residents’ concerns and Council should be in a position to decide on the audit at the next Council meeting.

ON7/16 MS ANNELY AEUCKENS - COBURG NORTH

Ms Aeuckens asked Council if the Shayer Group is intending to provide any open space in Pentridge or are they counting heritage buildings as part of open space?

Cr Ratnam took the question on notice.

QT77/16 MR MICHAEL PETIT - BRUNSWICK

Mr Petit advised Council that the Edwards Street car park provides 128 spaces accessed by traders, customers and residents from reduced parking concessions given new multi-story apartment buildings built and planned on one-block long dead end Dods Street. 37% or 47 spaces exist on the ‘transitional residential’ designation given to the northern 40% of the car park fronting Dods Street. Given the special use agreement Council has with the Sydney Road Brunswick Association, is there a guarantee that there will be no loss in parking should rezoning and a subsequent planning application be filed for this area?

Cr Tapinos advised that there would be a decision made on this matter later in the meeting.

QT78/16 MR SIMON MAY - COBURG NORTH

Mr May spoke in relation to a previously tabled petition signed by 111 in relation to Amendment C159. He asked Council where remnants of an original use of an area, such as a high percentage of residential, should there not be more stringent restrictions placed on noise, pollution and heavy vehicle traffic than there might otherwise be within an Industrial 1 zoned area.

Cr Ratnam advised that there were no greater controls that could be placed on industry in industrial areas. Officers would continue to work with residents about this issues. The requirements around residential amenity don't exist as they do for residents adjoining these areas..

QT79/16 MS CLARE PERRY - BRUNSWICK

Ms Perry asked Council when it is going to demonstrate support for the businesses and help maintain the ongoing viability of the retail backbone to the local economy in Moreland – rather than deter, alienate and strip back any possibilities for people to stop, park, shop and do business here?

Cr Ratnam advised that Council has a strong commitment to economic development in the city. Car parks have a number of issues and Council has medium to long terms plans for them in relation to options for open space, affordable housing and business opportunities. There are no immediate changed planned.

Cr Tapinos advised that air rights projects would not go ahead unless the car parking issues are resolved. Car parks may need to go underground. He advised that he proposed to move an amendment to the Council report being presented. Council currently collects \$250,000 of revenue through these car parks annually, with most of that going to the State Government levy. He encouraged free parking in Brunswick.

QT80/16 MS JOANNA STANLEY - BRUNSWICK EAST

Ms Stanely advised Council with development in Brunswick comes economic growth for traders. Residents should be made to shift their thinking about car park requirements as the area needs more open space. In relation to Balfe Park she advised Council that the stone pillars and trees were removed some years ago and asked if Council is planning to replace them?

Cr Ratnam advised that this is an ongoing and complex issue and Council is testing different models at the moment and will continue to work with the community to look at options available. She advised that Balfe Park is being considered for improvements. Council has to constantly compete with other markets to buy strategic parcels of land and will always make open space improvements and activation and renewal.

Cr Kavanagh advised that open space acquisition has changed over the years and prices have increased.

Extension of Time

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Tapinos seconded that question time be extended by 30 minutes.

Carried

QT81/16 MS ANTONIJA PERIC - BRUNSWICK

Ms Peric advised Council that Council's Open Space Contribution Fund currently has several million dollars in it. In the 2013-2014 financial year, 1% of this was spent on open space in the South Ward. Council received a report in December 2015 saying that park acquisition of \$3.2 million was not supported. She asked Council why the PPRZ funding was not considered for use as part of the feasibility study conducted in relation to this acquisition?

Kirsten Coster, Director Planning and Economic Development advised that to make use of the PPRZ funding for open space existing car parks would need to be relocated. Officers need to further address the requirements for this to occur.

Ms Peric urged Councillors to support the motion proposed in NOM40/16 and asked if it had a date for the release of the bluestone policy and strategy and if so will it go out to consultation?

Grant Thorne, Director City Infrastructure advised that NOM40/16 outlines the details regarding a bluestone policy and strategy in the officer's comments.

QT82/16 MR JASON SENNIT - PRESIDENT, COBURG TRADERS ASSOCIATION

Mr Sennit asked Council why Cr Sue Bolton did not seek specific consultation with the CTA before Victoria Police recommended to Council that this event not go ahead, and is an apology forthcoming regarding the disruption to trade?

Cr Bolton advised that she would not apologise to the traders for holding the rally and although it is a shame that traders lost money on this day she believes that if the Police had not made Council do a letter drop to households asking people to stay away from the area this would not have happened. The rally was over Federal Government changes to aboriginal communities and other issues and in previous occasions the Police have not gone out to terrify traders and residents like they did this time. The fact that another group decided to rally on the same day made this rally more complicated.

QT83/16 MR NORM BOUCHIER - COBURG TRADERS ASSOCIATION

Mr Bouchier asked Council if it will develop a clear policy about endorsement of rallies, protests and demonstrations to ensure that individual political agendas are not used for the disadvantage of the community?

Cr Gillies advised that Cr Bolton was only one of many people residents that helped organise the rally and it is the communities right to free speech and anyone that places boundaries on this to ensure it does not happen again is being undemocratic. We live in a multicultural and often racist community, supporting a 'Say No to Racism' rally was appropriate and the rally organisers should not have stopped the rally from going ahead because of a right wing group organising a rally against them. Council gives trader a lot of support.

QT84/16 SILVANA ON BEHALF OF SHARON RIGBY - COBURG TRADERS ASSOCIATION

Silvana asked Council what is it going to do to repair the reputational damage to the Coburg Shopping Precinct?

Cr Kavanagh advised that he had tried to put forward motions at the June Council meeting about implementing changes to the General Local Law to address rallies etc but the motions were voted down.

Cr Tapinos advised that he experienced racism whilst he was growing up, but believes it has reduced because of the work Council has done with the community. He believes the rally was counterproductive and agrees with the traders comments.

Cr Bolton advised that there were three rallies on 28 May 2016. Racism is prevalent in Moreland.

ON8/16 MS JENNIFER JACOMB - BRUNSWICK WEST

Ms Jacomb asked Council if it could reinstate the bench that was removed outside of 789 Sydney Road, Brunswick.

Cr Ratnam took this question on notice.

QT85/16 MR MARK HIGGINBOTHAM - BRUNSWICK WEST

Mr Higginbotham asked Council if it has had a response from the Minister of Planning to the letter from Council dated 16 March 2016 regarding a request for the Minister to review clause 52.06 of the Victorian Planning Provisions or the relevant Australian Standards seeking new standards for car stackers?

Kirsten Coster, Director Planning and Economic Development advised that there has been no response by the Minister as yet.

Mr Higginbotham asked Council if it has changed the way it notifies objectors and other interested parties of planning briefings and other associated meetings, considering the changes to the postal service?

Kirsten Coster, Director Planning and Economic Development advised that officers have looked at changing the process currently used to ensure as many affected people are advised of planned meetings.

Mr Higginbotham advised that there was to be a three month trial of objectors being part of planning and information discussion meetings, what is the progress of this?

Kirsten Coster, Director Planning and Economic Development advised that this is the subject of a future council report.

Adjournment of Meeting

Cr Ratnam moved that Council resolve that Standing Orders be suspended.

The Council meeting was adjourned at 9.34 pm.

Carried

Resumption of Meeting

Cr Ratnam moved that Council resolve that Standing Orders be resumed.

The Council meeting was resumed at 9.48 pm with all Councillors present.

Carried

ON NOTICE ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING:

ONR5/16 ON NOTICE ITEMS - MAY 2016 COUNCIL MEETING (D16/189509)

The following items were taken on notice at the previous Council meeting.

- ON5/16 – Coburg Primary School – pedestrian/bike safety

Cr L Thompson moved, Cr Yildiz seconded that the On Notice Item from the Council meeting dated 11 May 2016 be noted.

Carried

REPORTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS:

MCC14/16 Cr John Kavanagh

Cr Kavanagh advised Council that Big Belly bins have been installed in Brunswick. The bins have a sensor in them that tells Council when it needs emptying. They are a great initiative.

MCC15/16 Cr Lita Gillies

Cr Gillies advised that while she was Acting Mayor she attended many functions and events. Highlights were the opening of the Lighthouse Foundation for young mothers which she credited Cr Yildiz for this initiative and doing Storytime at Coburg Library where she had the opportunity to read 'The Very Cranky Bear'.

9.52 pm Cr R Thompson left the Council Chamber.

Cr Gillies stated she was privileged to present service recognition certificates to staff and thanked the Councillors and staff for their support during this time.

9.54 pm Cr R Thompson returned to the Council Chamber and resumed his seat.

MCC16/16 Cr Sue Bolton

Cr Bolton paid her condolences to the family of Lynn Beaton, who passed away a few weeks ago. Lynne was a well known trade unionist and helped to develop the concept of work with comparative value, to allow women to be paid appropriately. The family thanked Council for their support with the use of the Brunswick Town Hall for the memorial.

MCC17/16 Cr Lenka Thompson

Cr L Thompson advised that she attended the Moreland Business Network Meeting - Sustainability for Businesses. A Brunswick business spoke of sustainability in the clothing industry.

Residents commended Council on the installation of the pedestrian/bicycle refuge along the Upfield Shared Path at Munroe Street, Coburg. They noted the smaller option of making this area safe was a very worthwhile project and thanks Council for its action on this.

MCC18/16 Cr Lambros Tapinos

100th Anniversary of Fromelles Battle

Cr Tapinos acknowledged the 100th Anniversary of the Fromelles Battle of WW1 which will occur on 19 July 2016. Council proudly has an honour board at the Brunswick Town Hall which was restored in 2014 by Council with money received by the then State Government. This Honour Board features the names of many Brunswick men who were killed or wounded among the 5533 casualties during this 24 hour battle. Lest we forget.

MCC19/16 Cr Oscar Yildiz

Cr Yildiz advised that he also attended the Moreland Business Network Meeting which was a great event and well organised by the Economic Development team.

He acknowledged staff involved in the Lighthouse Foundation project.

He thanked Cr Lita Gillies for her commitment to the Acting Mayoralty in the absence of Cr Ratnam.

MCC20/16 Cr Samantha Ratnam

Cr Ratnam acknowledged the death of Len Bergemann – Secretary of Coburg Table Tennis Centre. Len was an outstanding community member who volunteered with the table tennis centre for over 50 years. His passion for community service and civic knowledge were unsurpassed. We offer our condolences to his family, friends and members of the Coburg Table Tennis Centre.

You can read about him at: <http://www.heraldsun.com.au/leader/north/coburg-table-tennis-clubs-secretary-len-bergemann-a-stable-force/news-story/df39e6d570d1b52829458cd26ef95827>

Extension of Time

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Davidson seconded that the Council meeting be extended by 30 minutes.

Carried

COUNCIL REPORTS:

DCS36/16 ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS RECORD 1 MAY TO 31 MAY 2016 (D16/4307)

Pursuant to Section 80A of the *Local Government Act 1989*, an Assembly of Councillors Record must be reported to the next practicable Council meeting and recorded in the minutes.

The Assembly of Councillors Record for the period 1 May 2016 to 31 May 2016 is presented at Attachment 1.

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that Council resolve to receive and note the Assembly of Councillors Record for the period, 1 May 2016 to 31 May 2016 at Attachment 1.

Carried

DCS37/16 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT - FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 2016 (D16/211860)

This report presents the Financial Management Report for the financial year to date (YTD) period ending 31 May 2016.

The Base Operating Performance shows a year to date actual result of \$40.56 million before operating projects, capital projects and other items.

Base Operating Performance	\$9.1 million	Better than budget
Operating Projects and New Initiatives Expenditure	\$0.57 million	Less than budget
Capital Projects Expenditure	\$9.4 million	Less than budget
Accounting Surplus	\$21.0 million	Better than budget
Underlying Result	\$9.5 million	Better than budget

Some of the YTD variances are due to timing differences between budget and actual results, however there are also a number of permanent savings that have been identified that will remain at year end.

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that Council note the Financial Management Report for the financial year to 31 May 2016.

Carried

DCI37/16 CLARITY OF INFRINGEMENT NOTICES (D16/174875)

At the Council meeting on 9 March 2016 (GB12/16), it was resolved that a report be prepared recommending how Council can adjust its infringement notices to be more easily read and understood by our diverse population.

Infringement notices are issued by many officers across Council however, the issues are the same. Whilst officers endeavour to provide plain and simple infringement notices, each area is also bound by strict requirements under Regulation 8 of the *Infringements (Reporting and Prescribed Details and Forms) Regulations 2006*.

As these notices are legally enforceable, it is important that they contain wording and information necessary to allow for successful prosecution within the Magistrates Court or VCAT as necessary. Prosecution in court is typically the last avenue of enforcement however, enforcement officers should always conduct investigations assuming that the case might be resolved in court.

Parking Infringement Notices are the highest volume at Council and legal advice was sought on these notices. The advice was that our notices had everything they needed too under Regulation 8 of the *Infringements (Reporting and Prescribed Details and Forms) Regulations 2006* and could not be made simpler without possibly breaching this Regulation.

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. To note that Parking Infringement Notices contain only information required under Regulation 8 of the *Infringements (Reporting and Prescribed Details and Forms) Regulations 2006* and cannot be altered.
2. Infringement Notices issued under all areas of Council undergo a review to determine if they can be altered to improve the readability of them, without breaching the requirements under the relevant Statutory Provision.

Carried

DCI38/16 CONTRACT 424T - SPORTSFIELDS AND RECREATION RESERVES - PROVISION OF DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLIES (D16/208647)

A tender has called for a panel of appropriately experienced and qualified contractors to provide Open Space Sportsfields and Recreation General Services across the municipality. This tender provides a prequalified panel of contractors which is a more efficient way of obtaining quotes for works as their experience and credentials have already been tested.

An advertisement was placed in *The Age* Newspaper on 20 February 2016 inviting tenders for these specified works. Tenders closed 21 March 2016, with 30 conforming tenders received.

The panel includes contractors under the following nominated categories:

- Design and Consultancy Services.
- Sportsfields turf/synthetic surfaces (construction and maintenance AFL, Football, Cricket etc).
- Outdoor courts and rigid playing surfaces (construction of Tennis, Netball and like court surfaces).
- Sportsfield Lighting technology
- Irrigation.
- Supplies.

These works are currently being contracted under panel Contract 1862 - Provision of irrigations systems parts and materials and Contract 2034 - Provision of Sportsfields and Recreation Services, which expires in July 2016.

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. To award Contract 424T – Open Space Sportsfields and Recreation General Services to the below panel of contractors for a period of three (3) years, with an option of a further two (2) x one (1) year extensions:

a) Design and Consultancy Services:

- 2MH Consulting Pty Ltd ABN: 83 090 539 503
- Cardno Victoria Pty Ltd ABN 47 106 610 913
- Court Technology Victoria Pty Ltd ABN 20 126 441 601
- Evergreen Turf (Vic) Pty Ltd ABN 45 996 533 713
- Fitzgerald Frisby Landscape Architecture Pty Ltd ABN 62 253 086 731
- Power (VIC) Pty Ltd ABN 48 859 665 056
- Make it Wet ABN 80 168 098 084
- Outlines Landscape Architecture ABN 62 374 337 456
- Sportsturf Consultants (Australia) P/L ABN 41 950 863 362
- The Trustee for Turf One Unit Trust ABN 93 797 495 355
- W M Loud Aust Pty Ltd ABN 53 005 711 222

b) Sportsfields Turf/Synthetic Surfaces:

- Auswater Civil ABN 30 625 274 918
- Civilex Victoria Pty Ltd ABN 87 130 808 276
- Evergreen Turf (Vic) Pty Ltd ABN 45 996 533 713
- Greenwater Australia ABN 85 574 838 285
- Hume Turf and Machinery Pty Ltd ABN 097 615 300
- Kemmac Pty Ltd ATF Kemmac Unit Trust ABN 91 200 656 781
- Maddocks Sports Pty Ltd ABN 38 059 538 635
- McMahons Pty Ltd ABN 27 077 932 444
- RMS Groundworks Pty Ltd ABN 73 606 867 127
- Sportsgrass Pty Ltd ABN 77 007 773 315
- The Fencing Man Pty Ltd ABN 54 455 957 092
- The Trustee for Turf One Unit Trust ABN 93 797 495 355
- Urban Maintenance Systems Pty Ltd ABN 38 005 251 954

c) Outdoor Courts and Rigid Playing Surfaces:

- W M Loud Aust Pty Ltd ABN 53 005 711 222

d) Sportsfield Lighting Technology:

- IPower (VIC) Pty Ltd ABN 48 859 665 056
- Musco Lighting Australia Pty Ltd ABN 22 063 722 127

e) Irrigation:

- Chapman & Rivett (Vic.) Pty. Ltd. ABN 95 008 083 592
- GJP Solutions ABN 76 998 361 482
- Greenearth Plumbing and Electrical Solutions Pty Ltd ABN 68 408 895 479
- Greenwater Australia ABN 85 574 838 285
- Hume Turf and Machinery Pty Ltd ABN 097 615 300
- Kemmac Pty Ltd ATF Kemmac Unit Trust ABN 91 200 656 781
- Make it Wet ABN 80 168 098 084

- McMahons Pty Ltd ABN 27 077 932 444
- Planned Irrigation Projects Pty Ltd ABN 50 006 031 590
- RMS Groundworks Pty Ltd ABN 73 606 867 127
- Sportsgrass Pty Ltd ABN 77 007 773 315

f) Supplies:

- Chapman & Rivett (Vic.) Pty Ltd ABN 95 008 083 592
- Evergreen Turf (Vic) Pty Ltd ABN 45 996 533 713
- GJP Solutions ABN 76 998 361 482
- Greenearth Plumbing and Electrical Solutions Pty Ltd ABN 68 408 895 479
- Hume Turf and Machinery Pty Ltd ABN 097 615 300
- IPower (VIC) Pty Ltd ABN 48 859 665 056
- Pascoe Vale Trade Holdings ABN 49 119 177 785
- Planned Irrigation Projects Pty Ltd ABN 50 006 031 590
- Sportsgrass Pty Ltd ABN 77 007 773 315
- The Fencing Man Pty Ltd ABN 54 455 957 092
- W M Loud Aust Pty Ltd ABN 53 005 711 222

2. That the Director of City Infrastructure be authorised to do all things necessary to execute the contracts.
3. That all tenderers be advised of Councils decision in this matter.

Carried

DSD15/16 REPORT ON ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE MULTICULTURAL, DISABILITY AND RECONCILIATION POLICIES AND ASSOCIATED ACTION PLANS (D16/195724)

This report contains a summary of recent activity and achievements in relation to the following policies:

- Multicultural Policy 2011 – 2015;
- Access and Inclusion Policy 2010- 2014; and
- Reconciliation Policy and Action Plan (2014).

The three policies will be replaced by the new Moreland Human Rights Policy (2016 – 2026) and associated implementation plan. Future activities and reporting will include all Council activities that aim to increase inclusion, improve access and reduce discrimination for any potentially marginalised or disadvantaged groups in the community. This will include the three key portfolio areas above, plus Women, the LGBTQI community and any additional Human Rights-focused activities undertaken by Council.

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that Council resolves that the report be received and noted.

Carried

DED53/16 SOLAR PANEL OVERSHADOWING (D16/94184)

At its meeting on 10 December 2014 Council made a number of resolutions regarding the impact of overshadowing on solar panels (DED98/14), as listed below:

- Note the proactive approach adopted by Council Officers in seeking information from applicants when there is a potential impact on solar panels;
- Continue to apply the helpful criteria established by the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) when assessing potential impacts on solar panels;

- Write to the Minister for Planning to seek the urgent introduction of State-wide guidelines on potential impacts on solar panels;
- Amend the Moreland Apartment Design Code (MADC) to make explicit reference to potential impacts on solar panels when considering external impacts of apartment developments;
- Publish the VCAT criteria on Council's web site; and
- Prepare a further report about the potential best practice options, including local and international examples.

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the implementation status of items 1-5 listed above (as detailed in Section 2 Background in this report) and a more detailed response to item 6 listed above, which is included in Section 3 Issues of this report.

Following review of potential best practice options (including local and international examples), Council Officers recommend at this stage that Council adopt a new Advisory Note – 'Decision pathways on solar panel impacts' (shown at Attachment 1). The proposed new Advisory Note would provide clearer guidance to the community (residents and developers) on the reasonable expectations on the protection of solar panels given existing policy and urban context (i.e. within an Activity Centre or outside and adjoining an Activity Centre). It is also recommended that Council Officers continue to undertake further research and monitor outcomes from current local and international projects relating to solar access studies, which may inform Moreland's future approach.

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that -

Council resolve to:

1. Adopt the Advisory Note - Decision pathways on impacts on solar panels at Attachment 1 to this report.
2. Note Council Officers will continue to undertake further research and monitor learning's and outcomes arising from current solar access mapping projects underway (locally and internationally), which may then inform a business case for Moreland to also undertake a similar approach which would be subject to an operational budget bid in 2017-2018 and/or grant funding if available.

Carried

DED54/16 STREET TREE REMOVAL ASSOCIATED WITH PLANNING PERMIT ACTIVITY (D16/103897)

At its February 2016 meeting, (GB2/16) Council resolved that a report come before Council detailing how many requests have been received in the last 12 months seeking the removal of street trees in Moreland associated with proposed developments.

This report outlines how many requests for street tree removal associated with proposed developments were made during 2015, how many planning permit applications which were refused on the basis of removal of a street tree and how many have been reported to the Urban Planning Committee for a decision. This review identified that 76 out of the 54,000 of Council's street trees were approved for removal.

The report clarifies the statutory framework that governs the considerations of street tree removal as part of planning permit applications as well as existing Council adopted policy for street tree removal. It outlines the procedural and resource implications for reporting applications that propose the removal of a significant street tree to the Urban Planning Committee or Council.

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. To note the contents of the report, including that:
 - a) Officers from Council's City Development Branch already have processes and practices in place that identify and investigate the appropriateness of street tree removal associated with development. This includes seeking advice from Council's Open Space Maintenance Unit and refusing planning permit applications that require the removal of significant street trees or negotiating changes to development proposals to enable retention of street trees.
 - b) Street tree removal associated with development of land in accordance with a planning permit impacts a very small proportion of Council's 54,000 street trees.
 - c) Recent changes to Council's Municipal Strategic Statement and Local Policies better promotes the retention of street trees.
 - d) The Urban Forest Strategy to be delivered in 2017 will take a strategic approach to managing and improving Council's street tree population. The management of street trees that are impacted by development of land with a planning permit is only one small component of this strategy.

Carried

DED51/16 AMENDMENT C158 - MORELAND INDUSTRIAL LAND STRATEGY 2015 - 2030 (MILS) - CONSIDERATION OF PANEL REPORT AND ADOPTION (D16/105280)

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's adoption of the *Moreland Industrial Land Strategy 2015 - 2030 (MILS)* and Amendment C158 which proposes to implement the MILS into the Moreland Planning Scheme.

The MILS 2015 – 2030 provides a coordinated and evidence based approach to managing growth and strengthening our local economy. It complements Council's objectives for creating a sustainable urban environment where people have access to jobs and business services near to where they live and it ensures we are planning for local employment opportunities now and for future generations.

The MILS 2015 - 2030 and associated Amendment C158 provide a strategic framework to ensure the future protection and renewal of Moreland's industrial land in a coordinated fashion. This is vital when Council is sometimes faced with ad-hoc and speculative requests to rezone land not in accordance with the strategy.

Any changes outside of what is a well researched and supported amendment package (prepared by Council and supported by a Panel) erodes the achievement of the strategic vision and gives rise to investment uncertainty.

Decision making on Amendment C158 will have significant ramifications for Moreland's future. Amendment C158, in conjunction with key pieces of strategic work, including recent approval of the Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS), Moreland Activity Centre Framework and new Residential Zones, effectively update and cement Council's stewardship of our sustainable land use and development future.

In summary, the MILS 2015 – 2030 protects the integrity of strategic concentrations of industrial land for ongoing industrial use. It also identifies land suitable to transition to a broader range of employment uses and confirms a series of smaller sites and precincts as suitable for conversion to residential use.

A Planning Panel considered the Amendment C158 and submissions over 7 days between 24 February 2016 and 3 March 2016. The Panel's report was received by Council on 4 May 2016 and released to the public on 13 May 2016.

The Panel commended Council for the high quality of its strategic work and the information presented at the Panel Hearing. The Panel supported the majority of the Amendment and recommended the Amendment be adopted subject to changes summarised as follows:

- Support for Council's proposed re-categorisation of seven MILS areas (Panel recommendations 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12)
- Re-categorisation of a further three MILS areas (Panel recommendations 1, 2, 6)
- Changes to the Municipal Strategic Statement to clarify how employment should be prioritised in Category 2 – Employment areas (Panel recommendation 13, 14)
- Changes to the MILS 2015 – 2030 to clarify how the Strategy integrates with other Council strategies (Panel recommendation 15).

This report recommends that all Panel's changes be supported by Council.

The final step in the amendment process is for Council to adopt Amendment C158 (with changes) and lodge it with the Minister for Planning for approval. This will set Council's position on the future of industrial land for the next 15 years. All subsequent planning scheme amendment and planning permit decisions relating to industrial land should be guided by the MILS 2015 - 2030.

Cr Yildiz moved, Cr Gillies seconded that -

Council resolve to:

1. Note the findings and recommendations of the Panel appointed to consider Amendment C158 documented in the Panel Report dated 4 May, 2016 and included at Attachment 1.
2. Adopt the revised *Moreland Industrial Land Strategy 2015 - 2030* included at Attachment 4.
3. Adopt Amendment C158 to the Moreland Planning Scheme, pursuant to section 29(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, with the recommended changes shown in the revised amendment documentation included at Attachment 5.
4. Delegate to the Director Planning and Economic Development the authority to finalise changes to the *Moreland Industrial Land Strategy 2015 - 2030 and Amendment C158* in accordance with Council's resolution and also to undertake any changes as required to correct errors, grammatical changes and map changes.
5. Submit Amendment C158 with changes to the Minister for Planning for approval, pursuant to section 31(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.
6. Notify all submitters of Council's resolutions above and of the Minister's decision on Amendment C158 once confirmed.

Amendment

Cr Tapinos moved that the Edwards Street car park be retained as Industrial Zone 1

**Lapsed for want of a seconder
The substantive motion was carried**

DCI34/16 MELBOURNE AVENUE, GLENROY BETWEEN HARTINGTON STREET AND WIDFORD STREET - POSSIBLE TRAFFIC CALMING TREATMENTS (D16/201181)

Council has received complaints from a resident of Melbourne Avenue, Glenroy between Hartington Street and Widford Street regarding traffic issues in the vicinity of the resident's home.

At the April 2016 Council Meeting (GB21/16), Council resolved that a report come before Council investigating possible traffic management treatments for Melbourne Avenue, Glenroy between Hartington Street and Widford Street.

A traffic speed and volume survey undertaken in February 2016 revealed that the measured traffic volume was within an acceptable range and that the measured traffic speed, whilst marginally higher than is acceptable, does not warrant installation of traffic calming in this section of Melbourne Avenue.

Cr Gillies moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that -

Council resolve to:

1. Continue to monitor traffic speeds and volumes in Melbourne Avenue, Glenroy between Hartington Street and Widford Street.
2. Write to the resident advising them of the outcome of this report.

Carried

NOM40/16 BLUESTONE INFRASTRUCTURE ASSETS (D16/224032)

This motion aims to gather and consolidate information to allow Councillors, residents, and interested parties to better understand and manage the current state of bluestone related infrastructure assets within the City of Moreland.

Current status

Currently, Moreland City Council has the following documented policies and strategies in place in an attempt to manage some of its Bluestone Infrastructure Assets

- Rights of Way Strategy 2011-2021 (out of date, under review)
- Rights of Way Associated Policies (under review)
- Management of Bluestone Kerb and Channel and Bluestone Rights of Way Policy (out of date, under review)
- 10 point resolution of September 2013
- The Bluestone Laneways Trial (5 trial laneways with various permeable laying methods) was completed and successfully presented to Council in December 2015 (resolutions 2, 4). Several other resolutions with a heritage element (resolutions 5, 6, 8, 10), are still open.

Community concern

There is ongoing concern from residents, and from members of the Citizens Protecting Bluestone Laneways (CPBL), that the heritage value of all Bluestone Assets (not just laneways) is being under addressed.

The majority of this motion covers Infrastructure Bluestone Assets (Roads and Open Space). This is to keep the proposed report concise and focused.

Motion 9 scopes what would be involved in recognizing important Bluestone Assets that are not within the domain of the Infrastructure department. This would include Bluestone Buildings, etc. within Moreland. This aligns with the Urban Environment Committee that is being created.

Bluestone infrastructure assets heritage value

There has been significant review on Bluestone laneways, however there are historically important kerb and channel of various makes/sizes, wet crossings, bridges, pram crossings, etcetera, all which have heritage value to the City of Moreland.

The recent creation of new bluestone assets - Road Humps and other traffic management treatments, and Open Space uses such as path borders - adds further competition for a highly valued and scarce resource – heritage bluestone pitchers - while providing questionable heritage value.

To ensure preservation of heritage, a review is needed of all current uses of bluestone pitchers.

Stock management

There is concern from CPBL that due to the limited supply of bluestone pitchers a formal stock management system is required. This is an outstanding/open item from the Citizens Working Group.

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Hopper seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. That a concise report be prepared titled 'Moreland – Management of Bluestone Infrastructure Assets' and presented at a future Council meeting.
2. That the above report to identify typical uses of bluestone in the municipality and include:
 - a) A catalogue of all types of bluestone infrastructure assets within the municipality - split between Roads and Open Space departments.
 - b) For example Rights of Way, roads, kerb and channel, channels, wet crossings, bridges, walls, speed humps, round about borders, necking/kerb extension, splitter island, median strip, etc. Open space infrastructure including borders, path inlays, retaining walls etc.
 - c) A catalogue of all known types within each asset (subset).
 - d) For example, Kerb and Channel class to include various subsets such as dressed kerb and one pitcher channel, dressed kerb and two pitcher channel, etc.
 - e) A representative photo of each bluestone asset and subset.
 - f) The approximate period/date the asset was created (to assist in determining historical value).
 - g) The source of the bluestone when the asset was created (to assist in determining historical value).
3. The report to provide an estimate of current bluestone stock at Councils Operations Depot, including representative photos. This to include a break up of pitchers approximate size/use groupings.
4. The report detail current stock management procedures of bluestone pitchers.
5. The report to include a summary and analysis of other stock management methods available to ensure movement of bluestone pitchers to/from depot is only for repair/reconstruction of Moreland City Council Bluestone Assets.
6. The report discuss what a prioritisation of available stock would look like.
 - a) Including a recommended ranked list of bluestone assets to bluestone infrastructure classes (per 2 a. and 2 b.)
 - b) Including discussion on whether bluestone infrastructure assets need to be reevaluated based on limited stock, e.g. speed humps etc.
7. The report to include a status update of all bluestone related policies and strategies under review or being considered.

8. The report to include an updated status report on the September 2013 10 point resolution (Appendix A).
9. The report to detail the process involved and funds required to undertake a study of Bluestone Assets within the City of Moreland (including Buildings, Foundations etc.). The report to detail considerations in applying heritage overlay on Bluestone Assets within the Municipality.
10. The report contain other pertinent information not listed above.
11. This report contain research and guidance on international and local best practice methods for improving disability and mobility access on bluestone paths, roads and assets.

Carried

DCS38/16 ACOUSTIC ASSESSMENT FOR THE COBURG TOWN HALL (D16/194552)

A General Business item was raised at the December 2015 Council meeting (GB63/15), requesting that a report comes to Council outlining the cost and scope of acoustic measures and adjustments made to the Coburg Town Hall.

At its April meeting Council resolved to engage SLR Global Environmental Solutions to conduct a thorough acoustic assessment that will enable council to consider remedial options at a later Council meeting.

This report presents the acoustic assessment outcomes. The report found that approximately \$120,000 worth of works were needed to improve the acoustics.

This report proposes implementation of \$40,000 worth of these works, such as the absorptive wall panels and woollen curtains in 2016-2017 from an existing facilities budget. The remainder of the works are proposed to be referred in the 5 year CAPEX program.

Cr R Thompson moved, Cr Yildiz seconded that -

Council resolve to:

1. Receive the acoustic assessment report from SLR Global Environmental Solutions (Attachment 1).
2. Fund the excessive reverberation of the hall out of the 2016-2017 budget up to the value of \$40,000 from the existing budget.
3. Refer to the 5-Year Capital Works Program process to consider the recommended remedial treatments, subject to heritage compliance check.
4. That as part of the mid-year budget review Council also receive advice on the cost and feasibility of facilitating a second set of stairs so that people may walk on to the stage on one side and down the other.

Carried

Extension of Time

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that the Council meeting be extended by 30 minutes.

Carried

**DCI30/16 OAK PARK SPORTS AND AQUATIC CENTRE - PROCUREMENT PHASE
(D16/205380)**

Council endorsed the preferred scope for the redevelopment of Oak Park Sports and Aquatic Centre with an estimated project budget of \$26 million in April 2015 (DCI16/15). Council also resolved in November 2015 (DCI47/15) to endorse the funding strategy and refer the project to the 2016-2017 five year Capital Works Program.

Council's appointed architects have progressed with the design and documentation stage in preparation for the tendering and construction stages. The next step is the procurement phase, seeking the services of a main construction contractor to undertake the construction works.

This report seeks Council endorsement to commence with the procurement phase for the construction works.

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr L Thompson seconded that -

Council resolve to:

1. Endorse the procurement process outlined in this report.
2. Commence with the procurement phase and proceed to tender through an Expression of Interest process.
3. Communicate with the community about the design of this facility.

Carried

**DCI31/16 SYDNEY ROAD, BRUNSWICK - PARKING RESTRICTION REVIEW
(D16/117063)**

At the 11 March 2015 Council meeting, a petition (PET4/15) was put forward by the Sydney Road Traders Association with 2292 signatures requesting Council to review the existing parking restrictions on Sydney Road, between Moreland Road and Brunswick Road, regarding the current fee parking arrangement in off street car parks. In addition to the petition and raised as a separate item, Council also resolved to call for a report investigating the off-street car parking arrangements between Brunswick Road and Moreland Road in light of the new congestion levy.

At the 12 August 2015 Council meeting (DCI31/15), Council resolved to develop a report into the existing off street fee parking areas around Sydney Road, Brunswick, detailing usage and financial costs associated with the new congestion levy. The report is to consider removing the fee charged to encourage increased usage of underused off Sydney Road car parks and that the Sydney Road Brunswick Association and other stakeholders be consulted as part of this report.

Council officers have undertaken a review into the existing parking utilisation along Sydney Road between Moreland Road and Brunswick Road. This review looked at parking data from numerous Thursdays and Fridays between the times of 10am and 3pm (peak shopping times). In addition to the review, the Sydney Road Brunswick Traders Association compiled a separate report that studied the parking, road safety and economic issues and concerns of businesses. The review looked at average occupancy for the entire length as well as four precincts that were defined by the Sydney Road Brunswick Traders Association. These precincts are:

- Precinct 1: Brunswick Road to Glenlyon Road;
- Precinct 2: Glenlyon Road to Blyth Street;
- Precinct 3: Blyth Street to Albion Street (Bridal Section); and
- Precinct 4: Albion Street to Moreland Road.

Based on the review, it is the Council officer's view that the current parking restrictions along Sydney Road, between Moreland Road and Brunswick Road, are generally correct for the area. However, when broken down into precincts, parking occupancy for Precincts 2 and 3 was higher than the overall average. As such, consideration could be given to review the parking restrictions in Precincts 2 and 3.

Officers have also reviewed parking occupancy in off street car parks. The review of the data showed that outside of the main trading/peak hours, parking occupancy is low. However, during main trading hours occupancy of the off street car parking increases. Based on this, it is deemed that parking fees remain as currently set as, if reduced or removed, then this could encourage private vehicle use and would lead to an increase in parking by commuters and staff.

Amendment

Cr Tapinos moved that –

Council resolve:

1. To remove parking fees and implement free car parking at the following car parks:
 - Staley Street
 - Rosser Street
 - Union Street
 - Dawson Street
 - Edward Street
2. That prior to implementing this change Council undertake consultation with the traders on Sydney Road for 2 hour parking limit from Monday to Saturday in the car parking bays that have been made free to encourage turnover and prevent all day parking.
3. That Council recognise that business permits and all day car parking are still required and allocate limited percentage of car parking bays in each of these car parks for all day paid parking and business permits.
4. To undertake consultation with the traders on Sydney Road for 2 hour parking on Sydney Road from Monday to Saturday in precincts 2 and 3.
5. To investigate locations where signage to off street car parks can be improved.
6. To notify the Sydney Road Traders Association of the outcome of the review.

Lapsed for want a seconder

10.48 pm Cr Yildiz left the Council Chamber.

10.50 pm Cr Yildiz returned to the Council Chamber and resumed his seat.

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Bolton seconded that -

Council resolve to:

1. Undertake consultation with the traders on Sydney Road for 2 hour parking Monday to Saturday in Precincts 1 and 2.
2. Investigate locations where signage to off street car parks can be improved.
3. Note that the existing fee parking areas conform to Council current objectives and leave fee parking as currently set.
4. Notify the Sydney Road Traders Association of the outcome of the review.
5. To correspond with VicRoads suggesting potential dates for a meeting to discuss cycling safety concerns on Sydney Road as per previous correspondence of September 2015.

Carried

DCI32/16 COBURG STATION - IMPROVING ACCESSIBLE ACCESS (D16/162331)

At the 9 March 2016 Council meeting (NOM10/16), Council resolved to:

- Receive a report about the current accessibility issues at Coburg Station Western exit.
- Conduct a survey of residents who use the western entrance/exit to the station about their satisfaction with the current pathway and any improvements they would like to see occur.
- Inform the resident who brought this issue to the attention of Council that we are investigating their request further and will respond in more depth once Council has considered the report and survey (points 1 and 2).

There are two entrance/exit points at the Coburg Railway Station on the western side which are both contained within VicTrack land. The facilities cater for patrons with all levels of mobility with two options available. It is considered that the two pedestrian points are DDA complaint in accordance with the *Disability and Discrimination Act 1992*.

The Level Crossing Removal Authority is currently in the process of early planning and engineering assessments at many locations across Victoria, including Bell Street, Coburg. Such scoping may see changes to the station precinct and therefore any formal improvements to the existing conditions need to be balanced against possible future works.

Cr L Thompson moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. To advocate to the Level Crossing Removal Authority that future designs for grade separation or developments in the area be designed to ensure equal direct access for pedestrians.
2. To conduct a survey of people who use the western entrance/exit to the station about their satisfaction with the current pathway and any improvements they would like to see occur.
3. That the resident who raised this issue be contacted by Council's Transport Unit with the outcome of this report.

Lay Motion on the Table

Cr L Thompson moved that the motion lay on the table.

Carried

Take Motion Off the Table

Cr L Thompson moved that the motion be taken off the table.

Carried

Cr L Thompson moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. To advocate to the Level Crossing Removal Authority that future designs for grade separation or developments in the area be designed to ensure equal direct access for pedestrians.
2. To conduct a survey of people who use the western entrance/exit to the station about their satisfaction with the current pathway and any improvements they would like to see occur.
3. That the resident who raised this issue be contacted by Council's Transport Unit with the outcome of this report.

4. That the reconstruction of the laneway be brought forward subsequent to the survey and results being assessed and providing a clear reconstruction method with the outcomes come back to council prior to any reconstruction.

Carried

DCI33/16 CUMBERLAND ROAD BIKE LANES (D16/196130)

The Moreland Bicycle Strategy (2011-2021) identifies a cycling route between Glenroy and Coburg. The route is almost finished, but the central and most difficult section on Cumberland Road, Pascoe Vale is yet to be completed. Cumberland Road is controlled by VicRoads.

The Moreland Bicycle User Groups' original aims for the type of bicycle facility on Cumberland Road have had to be scaled back following: closer analysis by consultants, cost increases due to drainage and difficulties of meeting constraints required by VicRoads. Council approved the expenditure of \$90,000 in this year's 2015-2016 bike program budget for standard, painted bike lanes that are shorter in length than was envisaged some six years ago.

After granting provisional approval, VicRoads informed Council that the existing line marking is to be removed to make way for the new bike lane marking. This will require the road surface be re-asphalted. This requirement brings the cost close to half a million dollars – a price which is deemed not to be cost effective. This request has not been made on other similar projects in the past.

This report recommends that the installation of bike lanes on Cumberland Road be deferred while Council officers work with VicRoads to find an appropriate, cost effective solution. Additionally, Council officers will seek VicRoads' funding for any agreed solution given Cumberland Road is an arterial road. A shimmy on local streets to the west of the route is currently being undertaken (to be complete by the end of August 2016), and this will serve as an alternate to Cumberland Road so that the East-West Glenroy Coburg Bike Routes can still be completed, providing safer, defined bicycle linkage.

Deferred

Cr Kavanagh moved that this item be deferred.

Carried

DCI35/16 DOG WASTE DISPOSAL (D16/165008)

At the Council meeting held on 13 April 2016, a General Business Item (GB26/16) was resolved seeking a report on the feasibility of conducting a trial of providing dog waste disposal bags in certain parks across the municipality.

Council trialled this infrastructure in the early 2000's and ceased using them in 2008 due to issues including:

- bags being used for chroming;
- disposal of drug paraphernalia; and
- the propensity for the dispensers being vandalised.

This was highlighted in a media statement released 6 February 2013 (Attachment 1).

Moreland General Local Law Part 39 (1)(a), highlights the requirement for dog owners to carry on them means of disposing dog faeces at all times.

Council's Domestic Animal Management Plan (DAMP), not only references the General Local Law Part 39, but highlights the fact that Council does not supply plastic bags for the removal of dog excrement.

A general business item (GB7/15) was resolved at the 11 March 2015 Council meeting calling for a ban of plastic bags, with a subsequent report presented at the Council meeting 9 March 2016 (DCI7/16), calling for the State or Federal Government to implement legislation allowing for the banning of single use plastic bags.

It would seem that the implementation of a trial to provide plastic bags for the removal of dog excrement is not in line with Council's General Local Law, the DAMP and Council report (DCI7/16). Because of this, the trial of supplying these dog waste disposal bags through dispensers is not recommended and the enforcement of the General Local Law should continue as per current practice.

11.01 pm Cr Gillies left the Council Chamber.

Cr Davidson moved, Cr Yildiz seconded that -

1. Council resolve to undertake a trial of providing dog waste disposal bags and consider biodegradable bags in the following locations for a period of 6 months:
 - a) Park Street, Brunswick (Linear and Green Parks) between Nicholson Street and Sydney Road.
 - b) One enclosed dog-off leash park.
2. Continue enforcement of Part 39 of the General Local Law and Domestic Animal Management Plan as per the current practice.
3. Prepare a report with the findings of the trial for Council prior to any further trial or introduction of dog waste disposal bags.

Carried

DCI36/16 PUBLIC TRANSPORT WEEK (D16/185017)

At the Council Meeting held on 13 April 2016 (GB24/16), Council resolved to receive a report about creating an annual Public Transport Week initiative, with the inaugural week running in line with the launch of Moreland's new TravelSmart Map.

Preliminary internal discussions have taken place to explore options to stage Public Transport Week. It emerged from these discussions that the effectiveness of public engagement with such an exercise could be greatly enhanced if it was conducted in association with MoreArt, Council's annual interactive art festival. MoreArt is already anchored to a theme of public transport with a focus on the Upfield Line and Sydney Road Transport precincts. MoreArt is conducted in November/December.

Public Transport Week is an opportunity to promote the benefits of public transport, while also actively engaging with the public to improve Council's understanding of barriers and obstacles faced by public transport users. This then improves the quality of Council's advocacy program for improved public transport.

Additionally, Council is working towards a revision and reprint of the TravelSmart map, a map of the municipality that highlights all forms of sustainable travel. The TravelSmart map was last published in 2008 and has become dated. It is anticipated a print run of 15,000 copies would be an appropriate number for a revised map. The funding for the new TravelSmart Map is within the existing budget and it is anticipated that, subject to appropriate suppliers being engaged, the map could be published in time for distribution during Public Transport Week.

As Public Transport Week is a new initiative, it is recommended that a provisional budget of \$12,000 be approved to cover catering, prizes and other promotional material. No funding has been allocated in the 2016-2017 budget for this event. It is proposed to approach Public Transport Victoria to seek assistance in funding this initiative.

As the suburb of Gowanbrae has no direct connection to the prevailing rail network in Moreland, the central focus for MoreArt, it is proposed that a level of public transport promotion take place in Gowanbrae as part of the annual Gowanbrae Festival. The local bus operator for Gowanbrae has expressed support for such a promotional event.

11.05 pm Cr Gillies returned to the Council Chamber and resumed her seat.

Cr L Thompson moved, Cr Hopper seconded that -

Council resolve to:

1. Endorse the organisation, promotion and staging of a Public Transport Week, in conjunction with MoreArt, to be held 7 to 13 November 2016.
2. Seek assistance from key stakeholders, including the Minister for Public Transport, Bus Association of Victoria, Metro Trains Melbourne, Public Transport Users Association, Public Transport Victoria and Yarra Trams.
3. Provide public transport promotional material at the annual Gowanbrae Festival, on Sunday 24 October 2016.
4. Approve a provisional budget of \$12,000 for the purposes of catering, prizes and other promotion associated with Public Transport Week and that this be referred to the mid-year budget review, as a matter of priority.
5. Approach Public Transport Victoria to seek assistance in funding this initiative.

Carried

DED56/16 PASCOE VALE ROAD CONSTRUCTION TENDER - STAGE 3 (D16/209896)

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr Gillies seconded that Council Report DED56/15 Pascoe Vale Road Construction Tender - Stage 3 (D16/209896) be considered in open Council.

Carried

The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the appointment of the preferred contractor (CDN Constructors P/L) to supply, construct and deliver the Stage 3 upgrade works of Pascoe Vale Road, Glenroy. This will continue the streetscape improvements on Pascoe Vale Road from the stage 1 and 2 completed by Evergreen Civil Pty Ltd, which were completed in 2015-2016 financial year. The staging for the project is shown in Figure 1 in the Background section of this report.

Stage 3 works are located between pedestrian lights on Pascoe Vale Road and Gladstone Parade, incorporating Lytton Street and the traffic Island on Gladstone Parade. The works will include new paving, kerb and channel, widened footpaths, pedestrian threshold crossings, water sensitive urban design, trees and landscaping.

Pascoe Vale Road is the main spine through the Glenroy Major Activity Centre and is recognised as the North West gateway to Moreland. It provides connection to public transport, library, community hub, citizen's services and a recently upgraded public plaza in Morgan Court. Council invited tenders seeking a contractor to deliver the project. These tenders were evaluated by the tender evaluation panel and CDN Constructors achieved the highest score. See Attachment 1 for tender evaluation matrix.

The project has \$800,000.00 allocated budget within the 2016-2017 financial year capital works program to deliver the Stage 3 works. The lump sum tender price by CDN Constructors P/L is \$684,427.19 excluding GST, which also includes provisionals (\$12,968.91). A 10% contingency of \$68,443.00 is also allocated to cover any variations during construction.

Additionally, \$85,679.65 will be required for Telstra pit asbestos removal and alignment of pits with new paving, bringing the total anticipated project expenditure to \$838,549.84. To cover the anticipated budget shortfall of \$38,549.84 this report recommends that the shortfall amount be forwarded to the mid-year budget review for consideration. Any request to cover anticipated shortfalls in the mid-year budget review process will be dependent upon if the full contingency budget for the project is used i.e. a mid-year budget review may not be required if less than expected contingency is utilised.

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr Gillies seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. To award a lump sum contract to CDN Constructors P/L (ABN 62 884 294 341) for the amount of \$684,427.19, which includes provisionals (excluding GST).
2. That \$85,679.65 (excluding GST) be allocated Telstra pit asbestos removal and replacement.
3. Note that additional \$38,549.84 may be requested at midyear budget review (to cover works associated with Telstra pits), subject to amount of project contingency utilised.
4. That the Director Planning and Economic Development be authorised to do all things necessary to execute the contract and any other required documentation, including any cost overruns, provided the overall budget is not exceeded.
5. That all tenders be advised of Council's decision in this matter.

Cr Tapinos called for a division.

For

Cr Bolton
 Cr Kavanagh
 Cr Yildiz
 Cr L Thompson
 Cr R Thompson
 Cr Hopper
 Cr Davidson
 Cr Gillies
 Cr Ratnam

Total For (9)

Against

Cr Tapinos

Total Against (1)

Carried

Cr Tapinos abstained from voting

11:09 pm Cr Bolton left the Council Chamber.

11:10 pm Cr Bolton returned to the Council Chamber and resumed her seat.

DSD16/16 MORELAND HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY 2016-2026 (D16/188322)

The draft *Moreland Human Rights Policy 2016 - 2026: One Community, Proudly Diverse* was presented to council in May 2016. The draft policy has been on public exhibition since 11 May 2016 and Council received one detailed submission from Merri Health and proposals for minor amendments from Council officers, which have been incorporated into the Policy.

The Policy aims to strengthen and consolidate Council's current social policies that address anti-discrimination and social inclusion under one overarching policy, bringing these stand-alone policies together with stronger links to Australia's Human Rights Framework 2010 and the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities 2006.

The three broad policy goals for Council are to:

- Be an inclusive organisation;
- Deliver inclusive and accessible services; and
- Promote inclusion and social cohesion in the community.

Importantly the Policy also provides the flexibility for Council to consider future priority areas, newly emerging groups and issues not yet identified or covered by existing Council policies.

Cr Ratnam moved, Cr Gillies seconded that Council resolves to endorse the Moreland Human Rights Policy 2016 – 2026, subject to minor editorial amendments as required.

Carried

DSD17/16 SYNTHETIC SOCCER PITCHES (D16/122904)

At its meeting held 9 March 2016 (GB8/16), Council resolved to receive a report on the usage and costs of synthetic pitches; a fee structure for community sporting festivals and the identification of a third synthetic pitch in Moreland.

This report provides information on the usage and management arrangements of both the Clifton Park and Fawkner synthetic soccer pitches and associated costs to community clubs, community groups, private individuals and organisations and also to extend the existing flat fee of Community Festival Permits (Not For Profit) of \$185.40 adopted within the 2016-2017 fees and charges towards community festivals and events held on councils synthetic soccer pitches.

This report also provides Council with information in relation to the proposed installation of a third synthetic pitch at Hosken Reserve, the subsequent funding requirements, management arrangements and usage restrictions that will apply to the pitch once installed.

The installation of the Hosken Synthetic Pitch will enable Council to fulfil its commitment to the North West Regional Football Strategy adopted by Council on 12 August 2009 (DSD28), and Hosken Reserve Masterplan also adopted by Council on 8 April 2009 (DSD10). In accordance with the North West Strategy, priority use of the pitch will be given to local clubs and women and girls teams.

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr Tapinos seconded that -

Council resolves to:

1. Note the proposed management and operation arrangements for the John Fawkner College and Clifton Park synthetic soccer pitches, including after hours hiring arrangements and fee schedule.
2. Note that the Community Festival Permits \$185.40 for not for profit organisations facilitating community festivals and events at Council's synthetic soccer pitches is included within the 2016-2017 Fees and Charges Schedule.
3. Refer a capital cost of \$1.2 million for the construction of a third synthetic pitch at Hosken Reserve within the 5 year Capital Works Program.
4. To make application to any State and Federal Government funding opportunities that may become available.

Carried

DSD18/16 COMMUNITY GRANTS 2016-2017 ANNUAL RECOMMENDATIONS (D16/195570)

The Moreland Community Grants Program offers a range of annual community grants for not- for-profit community groups and individuals to fund initiatives that benefit the Moreland community.

This report makes recommendations for funding in relation to 2 categories:

- Project Grants (up to \$5,000 per application), and
- Capital Works Partnership Grants (up to \$40,000 per application), with a minimum 25 percent contribution from the applicant towards the project.

The 2016-2017 grants have attracted a good range of applications representing diverse groups within Moreland. The program was widely promoted and interest was strong, with 17 of the 38 submissions being new applicants to the program.

This year 22 applications were received under the Project Grant category to the value of \$106,427, with 19 projects to the value of \$86,699 recommended for funding.

The Capital Works Partnership funding program received 9 full applications with 8 projects recommended at a total cost of \$307,772.

Cr Hopper moved, Cr Gillies seconded that -

Council resolve to approve a total of:

1. 19 applications to the value of \$86,699 for funding in the Project Grants category as recommended in Attachment 1.
2. 8 applications to the value of \$307,772 for funding in the Capital Works Partnership Grants category as recommended in Attachment 2.

Carried

DED52/16 PENTRIDGE MASTERPLANS (D16/154508)

At its March 2016 meeting, (GB11/16) Council resolved to receive a report regarding the potential for a Planning Scheme Amendment(s), incorporating public consultation, to change both Masterplans for the Pentridge site to include more open space and low density developments

During February and March 2016, Council requested that the Minister for Planning initiate a review of the Pentridge Masterplans. On 23 March 2016, the Minister wrote to Council and advised that he would not be initiating a review of the Masterplans.

This report outlines the existing statutory controls and planning approvals in place for the site along with the process, likely costs and risks associated with initiating a Planning Scheme Amendment to change the planning controls for the site.

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Yildiz seconded that -

Council resolve:

1. That Council undertake a review of the two Masterplans incorporated into the Moreland Planning Scheme - The Pentridge Village Design Guidelines and Masterplan 2009 and the Pentridge Coburg Design Guidelines and Masterplan 2014. The review allows for community consultation and considers heritage including the preservation of the recently discovered panopticons, more open space, lower density, public realm improvements including landscaping, traffic management and good sustainable design including affordable and accessible housing. The review to be presented back to council to inform any future planning scheme amendments.
2. That Council consider seeking the assistance of the Office of the Victorian Government Architect (OVGA) to undertake the review and continue to work with the developers of the Pentridge sites to positively influence any future revisions of the Masterplans.
3. To note that Council officers will continue to focus on providing urban design advice on planning permit applications lodged with Council for the Pentridge site to achieve the best possible outcomes for development at the site including best practice sustainable design, affordable and accessible housing, excellent public realm outcomes with minimal amenity impacts beyond the site.
4. To note that Council officers will continue to encourage the developers to engage early with Council officers in the design process so that Council officers can provide planning and heritage advice on applications prior to them being lodged with either Council or Heritage Victoria.

5. To note that funds not spent from the 2015-2016 design review panel budget line have been carried forward to 2016-2017 to fund a review of the 2006 'Pentridge Public Realm Masterplan', with a focus of obtaining the advice of a heritage landscape specialist to determine in particular the landscaping outcome that should be achieved for Champ Street.
6. That Council nominate Councillor Sue Bolton as the Councillor representative for the Pentridge Community Residents Group to provide Councillor input into matters raised in this forum.

11.32 pm Cr Davidson left the Council Chamber.

Deferred

Cr Hopper moved that this item be deferred.

Carried

Extension of Time

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Gillies seconded that the Council meeting be extended by 30 minutes.

Carried

11.35 pm Cr Davidson returned to the Council Chamber and resumed her seat.

Adjournment of Meeting

Cr Ratnam moved that Council resolve that Standing Orders be suspended.

The Council meeting was adjourned at 11.35 pm.

Carried

Resumption of Meeting

Cr Ratnam moved that Council resolve that Standing Orders be resumed.

The Council meeting was resumed at 11.40 pm with all Councillors present.

Carried

DED55/16 MORELAND PARKLET PROGRAM (D15/371330)

The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement to proceed with a Temporary Parklet Program for Moreland.

Parklets are permanent or temporary structures located in on-street parking spaces that can serve as public space. They are known to contribute towards improving the visual quality of streetscapes, calming traffic, adding economic value for businesses and provide opportunity for greater community involvement. A number of cities in Australia and across the world have successfully tried and tested both permanent and temporary parklets.

Based on a previous trial of the Wheatsheaf Road (Glenroy) parklets, Council has the opportunity to commence a Temporary and Permanent Parklet Program. The Temporary Parklet Program is designed to utilise an existing Council asset and provides an opportunity for businesses to trial a parklet in front of their shop for a period of 6-12 months. It is also intended to gauge business interest in implementing a Permanent Parklet Program. As part of the program a business would be able to use one of Council existing owned parklets. Section 3 of this report outlines how any risks would be managed with the establishment of a Temporary Parklet Program.

Cr L Thompson moved, Cr Davidson seconded that -

Council resolve to:

1. Endorse the commencement of the Temporary Parklet Program.
2. Note that Council officers are developing a Permanent Parklet Program, which will be detailed in a future Council report.

Carried

NOM39/16 HOMELESSNESS IN MORELAND (D16/224029)

The 2016 annual street count of people sleeping rough in the Melbourne CBD found that the number of people sleeping rough in the CBD had jumped by a massive 74% compared to two years ago.

The 2011 Census found that the Broadmeadows state electorate which includes Fawkner, had the seventh highest number of homeless people in Victoria. The Pascoe Vale electorate ranked 12th and the Brunswick electorate ranked 21st. It is difficult to gain an accurate profile of homelessness at a municipal level. The Moreland Affordable Housing Profile 2014 – 2018 identified that in 2011 the estimated number of homeless and marginally housed in Moreland was estimated at 770 people (2011 Census).

Given the massive jump in the numbers of people sleeping rough in the Melbourne's Central Business District, it is likely that there has been a jump in homelessness in Moreland as well.

It appears that there has been an increase in visible homelessness in Moreland, with an increase in people living on the streets, or in parks. Given the vulnerability of homeless people at the height of winter and the height of summer it would be useful to have accurate information on the scale of the problem, the extent of services to assist, and if there are any obvious actions that Council could take to assist.

Cr Bolton moved, Cr L Thompson seconded that -

Council resolves to receive a report on the extent of homelessness in Moreland, the extent of services available, and possible actions Council can take to assist homeless people living in Moreland such as the provision of a room or centre where people can take shelter, have a shower and get something hot to drink.

Carried

CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS:

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr Davidson seconded that -

In accordance with section 89(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989* this Council meeting be closed to the public to consider these reports:

- DSD19/16 Festivals Logistics Tender (D16/216587) because it relates to contractual matters.
- RCC20/16 Glenroy Advisory Group Meeting 28 April 2016 (D16/191910) because it relates to any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person.
- NOM42/16 Changes to HACCC Service Provisions (D16/224292) because it relates to contractual matters.

Carried

The Council Meeting was closed to the public at 11.55 pm.

OPENING THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr R Thompson seconded that the Council Meeting be open to the public.

Carried

The Council meeting was opened to the public at 11.59 pm.

NOM35/16 BOB HAWKE CENTRE (D16/223984)

Council's Bob Hawke Centre does an outstanding job and providing excellent meals and a wonderful personalised service to our 'Meals on Wheels' clients.

Council also provides meals to two other municipalities, Whittlesea and Nillumbik, on a contract basis. The wider market for the supply of similar types of meals is rapidly changing with many more providers and products.

In this environment, it is important that Council be agile enough to consider new opportunities that may emerge in the future.

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr Hopper seconded that -

Council resolves:

1. To receive a report on potential opportunities, business models and investment that may be required in the centre.
2. That the report be tabled at the October 2016 Council Meeting.

Carried

NOM36/16 CHRISTMAS CARDS (D16/224010)

Every year Councillors and Council officers have made available to them corporate Christmas cards for distribution. This has occurred for many years, certainly since 2004 but I assume for many years previous to that.

Cr Kavanagh moved, Cr Tapinos seconded that -

Council resolves:

1. Moreland's corporate Christmas cards must use the term 'Happy Christmas' and not 'Season's Greetings', 'Happy Holidays' or the like.
2. The cards will include the words 'Happy Christmas' written in Italian, Arabic and Greek, the three most commonly spoken non-English languages in Moreland.

Carried

NOM37/16 RESPITE CARE AFTER-HOURS SERVICES (D16/224136)

Cr Bolton withdrew this item.

NOM41/16 OPEN SPACE CONTRIBUTION LEVY (D16/224122)

Moreland Council collects an Open Space Levy, which is held in the Public Resort and Recreation Land Fund, for the purposes of open spaces in the city.

Cities are comprised of more than just buildings and people. The most 'liveable' cities – and some of the world's most famous cities – are known for their open space. There are numerous health benefits associated with access to public open space and parks. Access to vegetated areas such as parks, open spaces, and playgrounds has been associated with better perceived general health, reduced stress levels, reduced depression and more. With the increase in apartment density in Brunswick more open space is required.

Cr Tapinos moved that -

Council resolve:

1. To invest in open space in Brunswick to mitigate against urban heat island effect and create parks that can be enjoyed by the community. Brunswick is experiencing population growth and apartment living.
2. To prepare a report about the use of the open space contribution levy including a list of expenditure in each suburb and if possible how much was money was collected from each suburb.
3. That from the 2017-2018 budget preserve the open space contribution levy for the purchase and creation of open space and not use the levy for upgrades to existing parks that should be funded by rates budget allocations.
6. To amend the Airspace Rights policy to ensure that any benefits from the airspace rights of car parks in Brunswick be reinvested into creating new open space.
7. The Edward Street and Hope Street car parks be converted into new open space with the car parking places to be provided underground or in a nearby location. That further report/s including community consultation be presented to Council about the implementation and creation of the new open space.

Lapsed for want of a seconder

Cr Tapinos moved that –

Council resolve to:

4. Seek the opportunity to create smaller pocket parks on Council land where appropriate and investigate the possibility of undertaking more projects like the Wilson Avenue project.
5. Consider a report about the use of the land behind the Brunswick Library and the possibility of converting this space into green open space as part of a second stage to the Dawson Street/Sydney Road corner footpath reconstruction funded in the 2016-2017 budget.

Lapsed for want of a seconder

**NOM43/16 AFTER-HOURS AGED AND DISABILITY HOME SUPPORT SERVICES
(D16/229353)**

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Hopper seconded that NOM43/16 After-Hours Aged and Disability Home Support Services (D16/229353) be considered in open Council.

Carried

This item was considered as part of NOM38/16 After-Hours Aged and Disability Home Support Services (D16/4023).

GENERAL BUSINESS:

GB32/16 DRAINAGE TO OVAL GROUNDS FOR PASCOE VALE FOOTBALL CLUB

Cr Lita Gillies

Cr Gillies moved, Cr Kavanagh seconded that a report be considered for new drainage to the oval grounds for Pascoe Vale Football Club, where it is currently prioritised, and whether it can be placed at the top of our priority list for new drainage to oval grounds as they are a premier grade football club (one of only 2 in our municipality second only to the Coburg Lions).

Carried

Extension of Time

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Bolton seconded that the Council meeting be extended by 30 minutes.

Lost

NOTICE OF RESCISSION:

Nil.

URGENT BUSINESS REPORTS:

Nil.

The meeting closed at 12.11 am.

Confirmed

Cr Samantha Ratnam
MAYOR