



Minutes of the Council Meeting

Held at online on Wednesday 13 October 2021

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7pm and stated the Council meeting is being held on the traditional country of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people and acknowledged them as Traditional Owners. The Mayor paid respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and the Elders from other communities who may be here today.

Present	Time In	Time Out
Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan, Mayor	7 pm	9.41 pm
Cr Mark Riley, Deputy Mayor	7 pm	9.41 pm
Cr Adam Pulford	7 pm	9.41 pm
Cr Angelica Panopoulos	7 pm	9.41 pm
Cr Helen Davidson	7.23 pm	8.17 pm
Cr Helen Pavlidis	7 pm	9.41 pm
Cr James Conlan	7 pm	9.41 pm
Cr Lambros Tapinos	7 pm	9.41 pm
Cr Milad El-Halabi	Apology	
Cr Oscar Yildiz JP	7 pm	9.41 pm
Cr Sue Bolton	7 pm	9.41 pm

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

OFFICERS

Chief Executive Officer – Cathy Henderson
Director Business Transformation – Sue Vujcevic
Director City Infrastructure – Anita Curnow
Acting Director City Futures – Phillip Priest
Director Community Development – Eamonn Fennessy
Director Engagement and Partnerships – Joseph Tabacco
Chief Financial Officer – Amanda Burgess
Manager Governance and Strategy – Yvonne Callanan
Unit Manager Governance and Civic Protocols – Sapphire Christofilos

DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

MINUTE CONFIRMATION

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Conlan seconded –

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8 September and 23 September 2021 be confirmed.

Carried

PETITIONS

5.1 PETITION - AMENDMENT C208MORE - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MORELAND HERITAGE NOMINATION STUDY 2020

A petition (D21/410896) has been received containing 22 signatures requesting Council to review and cancel Amendment C208MORE.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Receives the petition requesting Council review and cancel Amendment C208more.
2. Refers the petition requesting Council review and cancel Amendment C208more to the Director City Futures for consideration and response.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Receives the petition requesting Council review and cancel Amendment C208more.**
2. **Refers the petition requesting Council review and cancel Amendment C208more to the Director City Futures for consideration and response.**

Carried

5.2 PETITION - REPLACE THE GATES AT RAYNER RESERVE

A petition (D21/418416) has been received containing 153 signatures requesting Council replace the gates at Rayner Reserve.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Receives the petition requesting Council replace the gates at Rayner Reserve.
2. Refers the petition requesting Council replace the gates at Rayner Reserve to the Director Community Development for consideration and response.

Resolution

Cr Yildiz moved, Cr Bolton seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Receives the petition requesting Council replace the gates at Rayner Reserve.**
- 2. Refers the petition requesting Council replace the gates at Rayner Reserve to the Director Community Development for consideration and response.**

Carried

5.3 PETITION - IMPROVEMENTS TO HOSKEN RESERVE PLAN - REDACTED

A petition (D21/428835) has been received containing 392 signatures requesting Council support improvements as listed to the Hosken Reserve Plan.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Receives the petition requesting improvements as listed to the Hosken Reserve Plan.
2. Refers the petition requesting improvements as listed to the Hosken Reserve Plan to the Director Community Development for consideration and response.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Receives the petition requesting improvements as listed to the Hosken Reserve Plan.**
- 2. Refers the petition requesting improvements as listed to the Hosken Reserve Plan to the Director Community Development for consideration and response.**

Carried

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Public Question Time commenced at 7.09pm.

MCGREGOR FRAME - STATEMENT - RAYNER RESERVE PETITION

Mr Frame raised the following matters:

- Gates have been removed from the entry at Rayner Reserve.
- Large concern among our community for the safety of children and pets who may run out onto the road and also road users.

McGregor Frame read his statement

MARK COMETTI - STATEMENT - HOSKEN RESERVE MASTERPLAN REFRESH

I've lived in Moreland for 50 years. I played school football at Hosken and junior footy there. I have 2 sons, one who has played at PVFC for 8 years, starting in U8s so I'm qualified to comment on the facilities.

The Hosken Reserve Refresh masterplan provides wonderful upgrades to football and tennis facilities and great community recreation spaces. The refresh group with the guidance of the independent consultants worked hard to design a reserve that the local community will enjoy and be proud.

Councillors will serve all Moreland residents well by supporting this plan.

Mark Cometti read his statement

JENNY CHAPMAN - STATEMENT - FAWKNER LEISURE CENTRE

On behalf of the Save Fawkner Outdoor Pool Campaign.

- Thank Council for responding to the community concerns in the proposed redevelopment plan, by retaining the 50 metre pool and not expecting Fawkner residents to accept trade-offs in the redevelopment of the facility.
- The design is an opportunity to produce a facility that caters well for the different needs of the community in Fawkner and neighbouring suburbs
- Thank Councillors and officers for taking the time to listen to community concerns and taking a forward looking attitude to the communities needs by raising Council's sights and making the necessary and sensible investment now.
- We look forward to the concept design being presented to community consultation.

Jenny Chapman read her statement

MUHAMMAD EL SAYEGH - QUESTION - FAWKNER LEISURE CENTRE

- Now that we have been told the pool will be renovated, we are wondering whether the diving section will be kept?

The Mayor responded:

- An item on tonight's agenda is the Fawkner Leisure Centre Project - Concept for Consultation. I invite you and your friends to provide feedback as part of that consultation.

LUKE FLANAGAN - STATEMENT - SAFETY ALONG MUNRO STREET, COBURG

The resident made the following statement:

- It's important to note that this motion is fairly simple – it's about the safety of people who live and travel in Moreland. This isn't about cars vs bikes vs pedestrians or competition for road space, this is about the safety of people who live on and use this residential street, and unfortunately are forced to live with consistent speeding, reckless and dangerous driving on a daily basis.
- Munro Street is a collector road as noted by council officers, but it is also a residential street- families live here, people walk here, people ride here, and people drive to and from their homes here, families and children walk and ride to and from school along this street. Munro Street, as a collector street in the MITS, carries higher volumes of vehicles, it's also meant to prioritise pedestrians, bikes, and buses, along with accommodating cars connecting between main and local roads.
- Unfortunately since the level crossing removal was undertaken Munro Street has become an alternative for people looking to avoid other main roads, and avoid traffic and signals, and in addition, it seems, have the ability to drive as fast as they want through residential streets.
- The officer response to this motion outlines why this is so frustrating for residents- It is utterly ridiculous that everything is an issue for residents and the police to manage, and it's stupid to note that that education is the best approach to stopping this sort of speeding – I doubt that people driving 40km/h over the 50 km/h speed limit are interested in education campaigns.
- Yes, if you collect and cut all of the traffic data in the right way you can boil this down to averages and use the 85th percentile rule (which is misconstrued and misused by the transport team in this instance - important for councillors to know that the 85th percentile rule is used to set speed limits, not to indicate safe operation of a road as a percentage of vehicles travelling at a speed), and find and justify a reason why no action is required by council, but it's important to note that even during a period of restrictions when the study was done, there were over 5000 cars using the street on a daily basis, and according to the report up to 15% of those cars are speeding to varying degrees.
- That's hundreds of vehicles, up to 750 vehicles, every day that are speeding, anywhere between a few km/h over the limit, to 60, 70, 80, even close to 90km/h. It is simply unbelievable that Council appear unconcerned despite recording vehicles driving 87km/h on a 50km/h residential street. Council officers may note that this doesn't happen often, but as a resident I and others can attest to the fact that there are times when it occurs every day.
- During a year with ongoing stay at home and work from home restrictions there have already been 3 car crashes at the intersection of Gordon and Munro Street, and in addition to this there's the screeching tyres and close calls, beeping, yelling and abuse, and the actual hooning and burn outs that happen. Unfortunately for some people this street is just an 8m wide, un-policed, long, straight drag strip with no signals or speed mitigation to prevent excessive speeding and dangerous driving.
- Yes speeding is an issue in many areas of Moreland, and a source of frustration for many residents, but council needs to start somewhere to address this issue. It's unfortunate that while many people use roads responsibly, there are still far too many who act recklessly and endanger the lives of others, and it's simply not good enough that council consistently respond that all speeding is simply a matter for Victoria Police to address, and that they won't take action on the matter.
- There are speed humps on Harding Street (the extension of Munro Street between Sydney Rd and Nicholson Street), speed humps at both ends of Gordon Street, Speed Humps and road lane narrowing on O'Hea Street, and Council frequently use them throughout the municipality to prevent speeding, but are reluctant to use them on Munro Street, with no good justification for this stance.

- It is utterly unbelievable that an issue such as traffic safety on a residential street needs to be presented to council for a vote as a Notice of Motion when the integrated transport strategy itself notes that these measures should be planned and undertaken, but in spite of a major infrastructure project being done with the level crossing removal now complete, there appears to be a distinct lack of planning by Moreland City Council for the future of Munro Street.
- I would encourage Councillors to vote in favour of this motion, and if possible force council officers to fast track a solution to the issue. The officers comments in response to the motion, noting that a report may be undertaken by May 2022 are utterly disrespectful to the people who are impacted and endangered by current excessive speeding and dangerous behaviour. Councillors should demonstrate leadership in tackling issues that are important to residents, and show that you value our safety and wellbeing over the ability of people to simply drive as fast as they like through residential streets.

Luke Flanagan read his statement

MEGAN ANDREWS - QUESTION - FLOODING – COBURG NORTH

What caused the flood in Coburg North on Friday the 01/10/2021? (It appears that one exacerbating element was mulch from Fawkner Cemetery blocking Boundary Road drains)

Why hasn't there been any Water Sensitive Urban Design in Coburg North linear park and adjacent parks considering it is a known flood zone? (Currently there are large mulched areas that undermine the efficacy of the drainage system and increase risk to neighbouring properties.)

At the invitation of the Mayor, Anita Curnow, Director City Infrastructure responded:

- On Friday 1 October there was an intense rain event over a very short period in Pascoe Vale, Pascoe Vale South and Coburg North. This caused water in creeks and easements to flood and drains overflowed – to the point that heavy pit lids were lifted by the rush of water throughout these suburbs.
- The mulch and debris that you noticed blocking the Boundary Road drains would have been carried by the initial rush of water from upstream, but as the drains were already full it was not this that caused the flooding downstream. It was the sheer volume of water seeking to find somewhere to go at the peak of the rain event, naturally finding the flood easement that is the Coburg North Linear Reserve.
- The mulch itself wasn't the exacerbating factor, we did need to remove it later so that the water could dissipate and we did that.

EMMA MOUNTJOY - QUESTION - HOSKEN RESERVE MASTERPLAN REFRESH

The resident asked:

- Can you please advise the precise distance the proposed pitch will be from houses adjoining Hosken Reserve? Why, in the face of such strong community opposition to the inappropriate size of the field do you persist with an NPL sized pitch, when a smaller pitch would be sufficient for junior and senior games?
- Can you explain why Council officers do not think the position of our houses are a constraint on the development, especially when you have received multiple petitions requesting that the pitch be reduced in size?

At the invitation of the Mayor, Eamonn Fennessy, Director Community Development responded:

- The size of the pitch is aligned with the Pascoe Vale Football Clubs registered status with Football Victoria in the Victorian National Premier League for both senior and junior competitions. That size is the recommended pitch for the best outcomes for that club.
- The closest point of the pitch is 24.1 metres from the boundary fences.

7.23pm Cr Davidson entered the meeting.

On Notice Questions and Statements

ELISABETH JACKSON - QUESTION - DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL FOR WESLEYAN CHURCH, SYDNEY ROAD

Does Council have any information about development proposals for the heritage listed former Wesleyan Church in Sydney Road?

What measures can be used to prevent demolition by neglect of heritage buildings?

The question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

BEN VASILIOU - QUESTION – COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE FUNDING OF YOUTH SUPPORT SERVICES

Will councillors support a funding extension (above current \$50k) to the YHOP program powered by Youth Projects, to meet the surge in demand for youth support services in Moreland?

Will councillors increase funding to \$200k per annum to ensure the most vulnerable, and at risk, young people are connected and kept safe?

The question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

PETER FISHER - STATEMENT - HOSKEN RESERVE

Moreland City Council needs to reflect on its central facilitating role increasing the mental health impacts of the pandemic and lockdown restrictions and their ongoing, dogged pursuit of plans for Hosken Reserve, which benefit a powerful, organised and politically well-connected sporting organisation over clear and explicit consultation and community advocacy feedback.

I feel disheartened, disempowered and exhausted by this mockery.

The statement was taken on notice and forwarded to the relevant Director for information.

SANDRA TAYLOR - QUESTION - NORTHUMBERLAND ROAD BIKE LANES ROAD SAFETY AUDIT

I am unable to locate the results of the Road Safety Audit (conducted during COVID lockdown with reduced traffic and increase of pedestrians) on Northumberland Rd, POST Construction of the "TRIAL BIKE LANES" on Council's web page.

Can you please advise myself and others as to when these will be posted so the community can view and comment?

The question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

JACK STEWART – STATEMENT - PROPOSED COBURG HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PRECINCT

The Renters and Housing Union (RAHU) Northside Branch would like to submit the following for consideration of council ahead of the vote at next month's meeting on whether to approve the proposed Coburg Health and Community Services precinct. RAHU would like to speak on both the proposal currently under consideration to sell the publicly owned land next to the Coburg Civic Centre on Bell St, and the pressing need for publicly owned amenities to be provided by public services - such as public housing and public healthcare facilities.

RAHU is a rank-and-file union of public and private renters, those in precarious housing, and homeless people, founded in 2020. Moreland has one of the highest densities of RAHU members - over 20% of our current membership resides in the Moreland LGA - and as the percentage of people in Moreland who rent, are homeless or precariously housed continues to grow, our base will make up an increasing proportion of Moreland residents into the future.

Moreland's populations of homeless people, renters on low or very low incomes, and those experiencing rental stress are all significantly higher than the Melbourne Metropolitan average, while the proportion of Moreland residents living in public, community or affordable housing is lower than average. The pressure on housing affordability is projected to significantly increase in future, bringing with it increased social inequity. There is a large, unmet, and growing need for increased investment in public housing and other forms of redress for this inequity.

1. The sale of the public land on Bell St would be a short-sighted move by council, offloading a prime public asset which is rapidly appreciating in value into private hands for the sake of a quick, one-time cash injection. The land would be much better utilised for public goods such as public housing or public health facilities, instead of yet another piece of public land privatised for immediate gain. The economic benefits of selling this land would be concentrated in the short-term: construction jobs are temporary, and while there would be ongoing jobs added to the area created by the development, these jobs could also be created by the establishment of public facilities on the site. The use of the land for private enterprise provides low yield to the council, and once public land is sold, the cost of returning the same or equivalent land to public hands is ever-increasing, making its re-acquisition less and less feasible over time.

Private health facilities do not serve the needs of the community members in greatest need of healthcare services, who lack the means to pay out-of-pocket or for private health insurance.

Those who are unhoused, in precarious or marginal housing, or under severe rental stress are much more likely to be members of vulnerable groups such as people with disabilities, First Nations, refugees, and the elderly.

2. There are already two private hospitals in the city of Moreland: the goals of diversity, connection and putting the community first are not served by services which restrict access based on ability to pay.

Furthermore, as we have seen throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, access to safe, secure, affordable, and appropriate housing is one of the most significant factors in fighting the spread of infectious disease, and one of the pre-eminent social determinants of health overall.

3. Overcrowded housing is known to be a major factor in the spread of COVID-19, and currently, Moreland's rate of overcrowded and marginal housing is well above the metropolitan average.

Significantly greater investment in public housing, as well as public health services is needed to ensure the health of the Moreland community now and into the future. We call on the Moreland Council to reject the proposal to privatise extremely valuable public land, in favour of a push towards increased public housing, and public

healthcare facilities which can truly care for the health of the community as a whole, not just those with the means to pay for private care.

While the responsibility for funding public housing may not necessarily fall on local governments, it is the council's responsibility to advocate for developments that serve the needs of their community. It is also not unprecedented for local councils to use council land to help address issues of housing affordability.

4. By selling off this block of land, the council would continue down a path of putting public property in private hands, precluding all possibilities for developing it into a public facility of any kind in the future. Council's goals of being a connected, progressive, and sustainable city are not served by a plan which places short-term gain ahead of the ability to meet the needs of Moreland's residents now and into the future, while maintaining the proud diversity of the area.
5. The council of Moreland is the custodian of assets belonging to the community. Their use should serve the needs of those people, in the long term rather than the immediate. The best use for this land would be to develop public housing and healthcare services, to serve those in greatest need. To privatise another public asset would do a great disservice to Moreland residents.

The statement was taken on notice and forwarded to the relevant Director for information.

REBECCA FEINER - QUESTION - HOSKEN RESERVE MASTERPLAN REFRESH

- Have the council budgeted for building upgrades to adjacent properties for improvements to sound and light protection, necessitated by the impact of the proposed masterplan at Hosken Reserve?

The question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

PAULINE CARMICHAEL - QUESTION - 2020-21 MORELAND CITY COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

The resident asked:

- On page 99 says "The reasons for this growing population in Greater Melbourne and Moreland are: migration from overseas, increased life expectancy, a growth in births. The reference is to 1 in the sources and that sends up an error?"
- On page 101 it says approximately three quarters of homes in Moreland are within 400m of public transport. The reference is to 5 in the sources. Does this source detail to Moreland?
- References in the annual report about Transport are not from the MITS Technical Appendix of February 2018. Why isn't the MITS Technical Appendix of February 2018 available on the Council's website, and has anybody read this Technical Appendix to see that it analyses the frequency and quality of public transport services and finds that particularly in the north of Moreland these services are poor, and not a viable alternative to the car?

The question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

MARION ATTWATER - QUESTION - ROAD MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The resident asked:

- Why does the Road Management Plan have a road hierarchy and a list of key stakeholders/road users that is different to what is in the Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy?
- Shouldn't these two documents be in alignment, otherwise how does Council exercise it's Road Management Functions consistently with the Road Management Act 2004?

- And why does the Instrument of Delegation for the Road Management Act give authority to positions within the City Futures division of Council, when the reports on transport/road matters from this division NEVER EVER mentions the Road Management Act, principles and object of road management – their reports only ever refer to the MITS?

The question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

MARION ATTWATER - QUESTION - ERRORS OR OMISSIONS

Who checks Council Reports for errors or omissions?

The question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

Public Question Time concluded at 7.30 pm.

COUNCIL REPORTS

7.1 HOSKEN RESERVE MASTERPLAN REFRESH

Executive Summary

In December 2020, Council resolved to conduct an independent, robust and broad engagement process on a refresh of the Hosken Reserve Master Plan.

An extensive community engagement process was undertaken in February/March 2021, which was reported to the May 2021 meeting of Council.

At the May 2021 meeting, in response to local resident opposition to synthetic turf on the North Oval, Council resolved that the North Oval and East Field would remain natural turf, with the South Field to have a hybrid surface installed. That meeting also resolved that the North Oval would be fenced with gates to remain unlocked, meeting Football Victoria standards. This set some framework for considerations of a Refresh Group.

The Refresh Group, consisting of 25 community members, was established and met four times between 19 May 2021 and 9 June 2021. The Refresh Group did not agree on all elements of the Masterplan, as fully set out in the consultation report received at the July Council 2021 meeting.

A revised Masterplan was subsequently prepared, informed by the deliberations of the Refresh Group. At the July Council meeting, Council authorised its release for public exhibition.

The public exhibition stage occurred between 19 July and 22 August and received 580 responses, with some key results as follows:

- 466 participants were 'very satisfied' or 'satisfied' with the draft Masterplan; 9 were 'neutral' and 105 were 'very dissatisfied' or 'dissatisfied'.
- There were 119 surveys submitted by students with identical answers. If these surveys had been excluded from the results then that would mean 347 participants were 'very satisfied' or 'satisfied' with the draft Masterplan; 9 were 'neutral' and 105 were 'very dissatisfied' or 'dissatisfied'.
- For the group of participants identified as local residents, 90 were 'very satisfied' or 'satisfied' with the draft Masterplan; 3 were 'neutral' and 78 were 'very dissatisfied' or 'dissatisfied'.

There continues to be strong difference of views among local residents and other users and stakeholders about the extent to which Hosken Reserve is used for soccer games and training, rather than for passive recreation. Feedback is set out clearly in the consultation report attached. Size of the northern pitch is one of the key concerns of some local resident, but this report does not recommend changing the size.

As a result of the feedback received and technical input, some changes have been recommended to the draft revised masterplan and are reflected in the attached recommended masterplan:

- Removal of indented parking along Pallet Street.
- Deletion of formal community garden, with the space retained as passive open space.
- Nature play relocated from Shepard Street end to closer to the BBQ area near the Wetlands.
- Inclusion of only one BBQ area (there were originally two with one being closer to the original community garden area).
- An extra gate / entrance for larger vehicles from Bakers Rd on to the South pitch – primarily for Council vehicles.
- The “Plaza” area has more green space and with a wider path for vehicles to access the pavilion (mainly council or maintenance vehicles).
- The parking outside the Active Recreation Zone has been made safer with a green buffer.
- The grassy mound in the middle part of the concept plan has been deleted, however it could be reinstated depending on the level of ground moved from the upgrade of the North pitch.

The aspirations of the draft Masterplan will deliver significant benefits to the community by creating contemporary facilities and services that support current and future health and wellbeing outcomes.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Thanks the community for their contribution to the public exhibition process.
2. Adopts the Hosken Reserve Masterplan at Attachment 1 to this report.
3. Approves the implementation of Hosken Reserve Masterplan to be undertaken within the next five years, subject to funding.
4. Notes the total estimated cost of the Masterplan is \$7,554,673 with an existing allocation of \$2,804,745 in the current five-year Capital Work Program and/or base budgets.
5. Refers the \$4,749,378 to the Capital Works budget process for consideration.
6. Authorises the submission of grant applications for Federal and/or State government funding opportunities to support the implementation of the Hosken Reserve Masterplan.

Motion

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Hosken Reserve Masterplan Refresh be deferred to enable the full Council to be present.

Lost on the casting vote of the Mayor

Motion

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Davidson seconded -

That Council:

1. Thanks the community for their contribution to the public exhibition process.
2. Adopts the Hosken Reserve Masterplan at Attachment 1 to this report.
3. Approves the implementation of Hosken Reserve Masterplan.
4. Notes the total estimated cost of the Masterplan is \$7,554,673 with an existing allocation of \$2,804,745 in the current five-year Capital Work Program and/or base budgets.
5. Refers the \$4,749,378 to the Capital Works budget process for consideration, brings funds forward, with a view to completing implementation by 2023/24.
6. Authorises the submission of grant applications for Federal and/or State government funding opportunities to support the implementation of the Hosken Reserve Masterplan.

Amendment

Cr Bolton moved -

That Council:

1. Thanks the community for their contribution to the public exhibition process.
2. Adopts the Hosken Reserve Masterplan at Attachment 1 to this report with the following changes:
 - a) Establish the east field as dedicated community parkland rather than a third soccer pitch with proposed floodlights replaced with pedestrian lights.
 - b) Reduce the size of North Pitch to 96m x 63m.
 - c) Add pedestrian entrance at the Bakers Rd end of the southern pitch to service planned NPL crowds and reduce the number of spectators entering north of the reserve, limiting the impact of visitor and vehicle movement on local residents.
 - d) An accessible DDA-compliant pathway to connect Hosken Reserve to Pallet St opposite Ulm St to connect people to the Linear Park.
 - e) Install a water tap at the picnic ground location.
3. Approves the implementation of Hosken Reserve Masterplan to be undertaken within the next five years, subject to funding.
4. Notes the total estimated cost of the Masterplan is \$7,554,673 with an existing allocation of \$2,804,745 in the current five-year Capital Work Program and/or base budgets.
5. Refers the \$4,749,378 to the Capital Works budget process for consideration.
6. Authorises the submission of grant applications for Federal and/or State government funding opportunities to support the implementation of the Hosken Reserve Masterplan.

Lapsed for want of seconder

Amendment

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Conlan seconded –

That Council:

1. Thanks the community for their contribution to the public exhibition process.
2. Adopts the Hosken Reserve Masterplan at Attachment 1 to this report subject to the following changes:
 - a) Deletion of sports lighting from the East Field
 - b) Addition of an accessible pathway into Hosken Reserve from Pallett St
 - c) Addition of an additional pedestrian entrance at the Bakers Road end of the Southern Field
 - d) Removal of some car parking spaces between the East Field and the Active Recreation Zone to improve connectivity and pedestrian safety.
3. Resolves to establish the East Field as dedicated community parkland rather than a third soccer pitch, to take effect once the upgrades to the North and South Fields are complete so that junior games currently scheduled for the East Field can be relocated to the upgraded North and South Fields.
4. Refers the East Field to the forthcoming Moreland Open Space Strategy Review to consider future improvements or changes to this area given its new delegation as dedicated community parkland.
5. Notes the total estimated cost of the Masterplan is \$7,554,673 with an existing allocation of \$2,804,745 in the current five-year Capital Work Program and/or base budgets.
6. Refers the \$4,749,378 to the Capital Works budget process for consideration.
7. Authorises the submission of grant applications for Federal and/or State government funding opportunities to support the implementation of the Hosken Reserve Masterplan.

Lost on the casting vote of the Mayor

Cr Conlan called for a division.

For	Against
Cr Riley	Cr Davidson
Cr Pulford	Cr Carli Hannan
Cr Panopoulos	Cr Tapinos
Cr Conlan	Cr Yildiz
Cr Bolton	Cr Pavlidis
Total For (5)	Total Against (5)

Lost on the casting vote of the Mayor

Amendment

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded –

That the following point be added to the substantive motion:

That Council:

- **Install a water tap at the picnic ground location.**

Carried

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Davidson seconded -

That Council:

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2. Adopts the Hosken Reserve Masterplan at Attachment 1 to this report.
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4. Notes the total estimated cost of the Masterplan is \$7,554,673 with an existing allocation of \$2,804,745 in the current five-year Capital Work Program and/or base budgets.
5. Refers the \$4,749,378 to the Capital Works budget process for consideration, brings funds forward, with a view to completing implementation by 2023/24.
6. Authorises the submission of grant applications for Federal and/or State government funding opportunities to support the implementation of the Hosken Reserve Masterplan.
7. Install a water tap at the picnic ground location.

Carried on the casting vote of the Mayor

Cr Conlan called for a division.

For	Against
Cr Carli Hannan	Cr Bolton
Cr Davidson	Cr Riley
Cr Tapinos	Cr Pulford
Cr Yildiz	Cr Panopoulos
Cr Pavlidis	Cr Conlan
Total For (5)	Total Against (5)

Carried on the casting vote of the Mayor

8.17 pm Cr Davidson left the meeting prior to the vote on Report 7.2.

7.2 FAWKNER LEISURE CENTRE PROJECT - CONCEPT FOR CONSULTATION

Executive Summary

Fawkner Leisure Centre is a much loved community facility and it needs refurbishment and upgrade so that it can meet community needs of the community.

The design concepts are strongly informed by a series of community engagement sessions where various design elements were considered by the Fawkner community and local organisations in early 2021. There was also strong community feedback about retaining a 50 metre outdoor pool in the plan, with two petitions being tabled at the May and June 2021 Council meetings. Council resolved in September 2021 that the project would include a 50 metre outdoor pool.

Current concept plans are beyond the current allocated budget in the five year capital works program of \$20.55 million. A key contributing factor is the existing building infrastructure does not meet the current Australian Standards and National Construction Code. The extent of remediation works was not known at the time of the formalisation of the Aquatic and Leisure Strategy when the capital works budget was forecast.

Included in the cost, is the cost to 'de-gasify' the centre as part of the redevelopment. At the time of the development of the Aquatic and Leisure Strategy, technology, options and costs were unknown and not factored into the estimated budget requirements. This is

currently estimated at \$2.6 million.

It is recommended that the project be delivered in two stages. Stage 1 to commence April 2023 with current cost plans indicating a cost of \$27.8 million and stage 2 post the current 5-year capital works program at a cost of \$8.7 million plus escalation costs.

Following Council's decision at this meeting, the draft concept plan will be the subject of community consultation. This will commence mid-October for a four-week period in order to consider feedback with a further report being presented to Council in December 2021.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Endorses for the purposes of community consultation the scope of works and staged delivery model for the Fawkner Leisure Centre Project as attached to the report, to include:
 - a) Stage 1: Outdoor aquatic area including a 50 metre outdoor pool; new outdoor children's leisure pool; landscaping works and BBQ area; indoor dry area redevelopment including new gym, program room, cycle studio, café and first aid room; refurbished change rooms; minor refurbishment to indoor aquatics including new spa, steam room and sauna; transition to all-electric facility;
 - b) Stage 2: Warm water program pool, family change village and remaining refurbishment/alteration works.

Resolution

Cr Panopoulos moved, Cr Bolton seconded -

That Council:

1. **Endorses for the purposes of community consultation the scope of works and staged delivery model for the Fawkner Leisure Centre Project as attached to the report, to include:**
 - a) **Stage 1: Outdoor aquatic area including a 50 metre outdoor pool; new outdoor children's leisure pool; landscaping works and BBQ area; indoor dry area redevelopment including new gym, program room, cycle studio, café and first aid room; refurbished change rooms; minor refurbishment to indoor aquatics including new spa, steam room and sauna; transition to all-electric facility;**
 - b) **Stage 2: Warm water program pool, family change village and remaining refurbishment/alteration works.**

Carried

7.3 COVID-19 RESPONSE - UPDATE

Executive Summary

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the Moreland community very deeply, in direct and indirect ways, with a disproportionate effect on many vulnerable groups which has magnified existing inequalities.

Although 2021 was expected to be a year of recovery, in September 2021 the Premier announced that zero COVID was no longer attainable. Melbourne has been in lockdown since early August and this will continue until late October, with significant restrictions still in place after then.

While there are positive signs of economic recovery at a national level, the impact of Melbourne's sixth extended lockdown on the local economy is difficult to assess. Similarly, the impact on the broader community due to the advent of the Delta variant of COVID-19 and the associated restrictions has required Council to scale up a number of services and supports, including the provision of venues, logistical and communications support for the vaccination roll out and ongoing COVID-19 testing.

This report is not a comprehensive look at Moreland's suite of measures in place to support community and business. Rather, it is an urgent report to recommend reinstatement or continuation of some of the financial relief measures from 2020-21 into 2021-22.

Officer Recommendation

That Council, in response to the ongoing pandemic emergency, resolves to:

1. Waive or reduce business registration fees as follows:
 - a) Waive *Public Health and Wellbeing Act* premises registration renewal fees for the 2022 calendar year;
 - b) Waive *Food Act* registration renewal fees by 50 per cent for the first six months of the 2022 calendar year, excluding supermarkets which will be liable for 100 per cent of the fee.
2. Extend the operation of the COVID-19 Hardship Policy, with amendments as attached.
3. In the light of the cancellation of the Coburg Night Market, reallocate \$39,000 from the unspent Coburg Market budget as follows:
 - a) \$14,000 be allocated to small-scale COVID-safe music activations in Central Coburg over the summer months.
 - b) \$25,000 to the Arts and Culture Flourish Grant program to support artists recovering from financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
4. In the light of the cancellation of the Fawkner Festa, reallocate \$28,000 from the unspent Fawkner Festa budget as follows:
 - a) \$10,000 to deliver a COVID-safe arts project to the Fawkner community.
 - b) \$28,000 to the Arts and Culture Flourish Grant program to support artists recovering from financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
5. Refer financial projections to the first quarter budget review.

Resolution

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council, in response to the ongoing pandemic emergency, resolves to:

- 1 Waive or reduce business registration fees as follows:**
 - a) Waive Public Health and Wellbeing Act premises registration renewal fees for the 2022 calendar year;**
 - b) Waive Food Act registration renewal fees by 50 per cent for the first six months of the 2022 calendar year, excluding supermarkets which will be liable for 100 per cent of the fee.**
- 2 Extend the operation of the COVID-19 Hardship Policy, with amendments as attached.**
- 3 In the light of the cancellation of the Coburg Night Market, reallocate \$39,000 from the unspent Coburg Market budget as follows:**
 - a) \$14,000 be allocated to small-scale COVID-safe music activations in Central Coburg over the summer months.**
 - b) \$25,000 to the Arts and Culture Flourish Grant program to support artists recovering from financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.**
- 4. Allocate an additional \$50,000 to the current round of Flourish Recovery Arts Grant program to support more artists and organisations who have already applied in the current round.**
- 5. Request a report to the November Council meeting on current actions and additional recommendations to address higher community use of parks due to COVID making outdoor events and socialising safer than indoor events, specifically measures to increase access to toilets and manage waste, including potentially providing more bins in parks and putting up temporary signage next to bins encouraging people to take their waste home with them if bins are full.**
- 6. Request a report from officers identifying options to temporarily activate vacant shopfronts, particularly along Sydney Road, by the December 2021 Council Meeting.**
- 7. In the light of the cancellation of the Fawkner Festa, reallocate \$38,000 from the unspent Fawkner Festa budget as follows**
 - a) \$10,000 to deliver a COVID-safe arts project to the Fawkner community.**
 - b) \$28,000 to the Arts and Culture Flourish Grant program to support artists recovering from financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.**
- 7. Receives a report from Council officers investigating the provision of 3 months of rent relief for all Not for Profit tenants (excluding sports clubs) for the 2021/22 financial year (noting that rent relief does not include waste or fire services levy charges that are collected by council on behalf of the state revenue office).**
- 8. Refer financial projections to the first quarter budget review.**

Carried

7.4 2020-21 MORELAND CITY COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

Executive Summary

The Annual Report 2020-21 contains Moreland City Council's audited Financial and Performance Statements and provides information on council operations and services delivered to and for the Moreland community for the 2020-21 financial year.

The Annual Report 2020-21, at Attachment 1, contains the key highlights and achievements of Moreland Council for the year. The report also talks about how Moreland has been managing its response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Annual Report 2020-21 has been submitted to the Minister for Local Government in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1989* and the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations.

A summary mini-website is currently in production to share with the community Council's achievements over the past year in an engaging and accessible way. This mini-website will be published later this year and will be promoted widely via our print and online communications channels.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Formally receives Moreland City Council's 2020-21 Annual Report, provided here as Attachment 1; and
2. Notes the submission of the Annual Report 2020-21 with the Minister for Local Government in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1989* and the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations.

Resolution

Cr Panopoulos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council:

1. **Formally receives Moreland City Council's 2020-21 Annual Report, provided here as Attachment 1; and**
2. **Notes the submission of the Annual Report 2020-21 with the Minister for Local Government in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1989* and the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations.**

Carried

7.5 MORELAND WATERWAYS PLANNING CONTROL REVIEW

Executive Summary

The land along Moreland's waterways is significant for both the native flora and fauna that it supports, its importance to Traditional Owners and the recreational role that parkland in these areas provides. Areas along the Merri and Moonee Ponds Creeks and some of their tributaries have been included within an Environmental Significance Overlay (ESO) in recognition of their environmental importance since May 2000. Previous reviews of the Moreland Planning Scheme have noted the need for the ESO to be reviewed. Both the Chain of Ponds Moonee Ponds Creek Plan and the Westbreen Creek Conservation and Development Plan also require Council to consider implementation of an ESO or similar over the Westbreen Creek.

Officers have conducted a review of the control as it currently applies and considered the findings of the Moreland Indigenous Vegetation Assessment 2011 (MIVA) in understanding whether there are additional areas that should be protected by the Overlay. This has included consideration of the area surrounding the Westbreen and Campbellfield Creeks.

The findings of the assessment are that there should be changes to the existing ESO controls and an expansion of the controls. It is recommended that the implementation of the findings of the report related to changes to the planning scheme occur after community consultation and the completion of a review of the Moreland Open Space Strategy 2012-2022. This will also allow Council to advocate for a uniform approach to planning controls along the Moonee Ponds Creek, as part of its membership of the Moonee Ponds Creek Planning Controls Working Group; and along the Merri, Edgars and other creeks forming and crossing Council boundaries through sharing of information with the Merri Creek Management Committee and other member Councils. Council will also advocate that the Department of Land, Water, Environment and Planning take a lead role in formulating a revised control along those waterways.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Adopts the 'Between the Merri and the Moonee Ponds: Reviewing the Environmental Significance Overlay along waterways in the Moreland Planning Scheme' report for advocating that the State Government take the lead in joint planning scheme amendments to provide consistent and updated controls along the creeks forming and crossing Moreland's boundaries.
2. Notes that the report will be used as an input to the review of the Moreland Open Space Strategy 2012-2022 and to form the basis of future community consultation and a planning scheme amendment.
3. Notes that officers will provide the 'Between the Merri and the Moonee Ponds: Reviewing the Environmental Significance Overlay along waterways in the Moreland Planning Scheme' report to the Merri Creek Management Committee and Melbourne Water with thanks for their assistance during preparation of the report.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Adopts the 'Between the Merri and the Moonee Ponds: Reviewing the Environmental Significance Overlay along waterways in the Moreland Planning Scheme' report for advocating that the State Government take the**

lead in joint planning scheme amendments to provide consistent and updated controls along the creeks forming and crossing Moreland's boundaries.

2. Notes that the report will be used as an input to the review of the Moreland Open Space Strategy 2012-2022 and to form the basis of future community consultation and a planning scheme amendment.
3. Notes that officers will provide the 'Between the Merri and the Moonee Ponds: Reviewing the Environmental Significance Overlay along waterways in the Moreland Planning Scheme' report to the Merri Creek Management Committee and Melbourne Water with thanks for their assistance during preparation of the report and provide a copy to the Moonee Valley Planning Controls Working Group.

Carried

8.28pm Cr Yildiz advised Cr Helen Davidson left the meeting and would not be returning.

7.6 ROAD MANAGEMENT PLAN

Executive Summary

The Road Management Act 2004 (The Act) requires each municipal Council to review its Road Management Plan (RMP) within 6 months after a general election or by the next 30 June, whichever is later, unless the Minister administering *the Local Government Act 1989* extends the period under section 125(4) of that Act.

Council's RMP was reviewed after an extensive internal consultation process pursuant to Section 54 (5) of the *Road Management Act 2004*, Section 8 (3) of the *Road Management (General) Regulations 2016* and Section 125 (1) of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

In accordance with the *Road Management (General) Regulations 2016*, a summary report of the findings as well as the proposed amendments to the RMP was presented to the 9 June 2021 Council meeting.

Council resolved to support the proposed amendments to the RMP and to publish a notice in the *Victoria Government Gazette* and a local daily newspaper seeking submissions in accordance with Section 10 of the *Road Management (General) Regulations 2016*.

Two public submissions were received during the submission period, which closed on 23 July 2021 and it is therefore, proposed to adopt a revised RMP (Attachment 1) based on the outcome of the review process.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Adopts the amended Road Management Plan 2021 at Attachment 1 to this report prepared in accordance with the requirements of Division 5 of the *Road Management Act 2004*.
2. Publishes a notice of the adoption of the Road Management Plan in the *Victoria Government Gazette* and a local daily newspaper as required by Section 55 of the *Road Management Act 2004* stating:
 - a) The Road Management Plan has been adopted on 13 October 2021; and
 - b) That a copy of the Road Management Plan 2021 may be inspected or obtained from Council's website or Municipal Offices.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Adopts the amended Road Management Plan 2021 at Attachment 1 to this report subject to minor administrative editing by Director City Infrastructure, prepared in accordance with the requirements of Division 5 of the *Road Management Act 2004*.**
2. **Publishes a notice of the adoption of the Road Management Plan in the *Victoria Government Gazette* and a local daily newspaper as required by Section 55 of the *Road Management Act 2004* stating:**
 - a) **The Road Management Plan has been adopted on 13 October 2021; and**
 - b) **That a copy of the Road Management Plan 2021 may be inspected or obtained from Council's website or Municipal Offices.**

Carried

7.7 REVISED GOVERNANCE RULES

Executive Summary

Almost a year into the current term, Councillors have taken the opportunity to review the Governance Rules that were adopted in August 2020. The current Governance Rules have generally served Council well, in terms of supporting the effective conduct of council meetings and decision making by Council.

To a large extent, following the recent review of the Governance Rules, much of the content of the current Governance Rules is recommended to be retained, particularly as they were developed in line with the Model Governance Rules issued by Local Government Victoria in 2020. However, in consultation with Councillors, the proposed changes include:

- correcting anomalies and improving readability e.g. Rules and Sub-Rules are cross-referenced accurately and editorial amendments with the removal of preambles, overview notes and lengthy references to Act provisions
- defining the nature of Council Meetings
- provision of a new section titled Acknowledgments and Other Matters at Council Meetings to allow timely acknowledgement of community interest e.g. events
- revising and realigning Chapters for the purposes of alignment and consolidation
- increasing provisions regarding the safe use and storage of Council's Seal.

Other changes to the Governance Rules considered, but not recommended for change include adding General Business into Planning and Related Matters meetings, changing Council meeting frequency, earlier agenda distribution and the ability to exercise the right of reply when moving amendments to motions (as detailed in the Issues section of this report).

A copy of the revised Governance Rules is provided at Attachment 1 and details the proposed amendments in the form of tracked changes for transparency.

Pending endorsement, community consultation will be held between 18 October 2021 – 1 November 2021 via Conversations Moreland and written submissions will be invited from the community.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Endorses the revised Governance Rules (provided as Attachment 1) for community consultation from 18 October 2021 and inviting written submissions from the community to be received by 5pm, 1 November 2021.
2. Invites written submissions from the community on the revised Governance Rules to be received by 5pm, 1 November 2021.
3. Receives a report at the December 2021 Council meeting to consider the revised Governance Rules.

Motion

Cr Conlan moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council:

1. Endorses the revised Governance Rules (provided as Attachment 1) for community consultation from 18 October 2021 and inviting written submissions from the community to be received by 5pm, 1 November 2021.
 - a) Sub-Rule 3.3.4 (3) relating to Notice of Meetings to read:
 - An Agenda for an Ordinary Meeting held in accordance with the schedule of Council Meetings prepared in accordance with Sub-Rule (1) will be made available on Council's the website at least 6 days prior to the Meeting, or at the same time that the agenda is made available to Councillors, whichever comes sooner.
 - b) Sub-Rule Section 3.6.3 (4) relating to Community statements to read:
 - The Chairperson may cease a community statement he or she deems defamatory, indecent, abusive, offensive, irrelevant, trivial or objectionable in language or substance.
 - Amend (1) to read: A member may make a statement for up to 3 minutes in relation to a matter listed in the Agenda for a Meeting
 - c) Sub-Rule 3.9.4 (e) relating to Moving an amendment to read:
 - "the mover of an amendment does have a right of reply".
 - d) Sub-Rule 3.6.2 Questions of Council:
 - Amend (2) (d) to read: In person at the Coburg Civic Centre Customer Service Centre at 90 Bell St Coburg, up until the beginning of an in-person council meeting
 - Delete (4)
 - Amend (8) (b) to read: May ask their question with a preamble or background for up to 3 minutes
2. Invites written submissions from the community on the revised Governance Rules to be received by 5pm, 1 November 2021.
3. Receives a report at the December 2021 Council meeting to consider the revised Governance Rules.

Amendment

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council add the following Sub-Rule:

- a) that Notice of Motions are required to be proposed by one Councillor and seconded,

or supported by a second Councillor to be admitted to the agenda, subject to all other governance rules, and authorises the CEO to make appropriate wording changes to Attachment 1 to give effect to this item

Lost

Resolution

Cr Conlan moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Endorses the revised Governance Rules (provided as Attachment 1) for community consultation from 18 October 2021 and inviting written submissions from the community to be received by 5pm, 1 November 2021.**
 - a) Sub-Rule 3.3.4 (3) relating to Notice of Meetings to read:**
 - An Agenda for an Ordinary Meeting held in accordance with the schedule of Council Meetings prepared in accordance with Sub-Rule (1) will be made available on Council's the website at least 6 days prior to the Meeting, or at the same time that the agenda is made available to Councillors, whichever comes sooner.**
 - b) Section 3.6.3 (4) relating to Community statements to read:**
 - The Chairperson may cease a community statement he or she deems defamatory, indecent, abusive, offensive, irrelevant, trivial or objectionable in language or substance.**
 - Amend (1) to read: A member may make a statement for up to 3 minutes in relation to a matter listed in the Agenda for a Meeting**
 - c) Sub-Rule 3.9.4 (e) relating to Moving an amendment to read:**
 - "the mover of an amendment does have a right of reply"**
 - d) Sub-rule 3.6.2 Questions of Council:**
 - Amend (2) (d) to read: In person at the Coburg Civic Centre Customer Service Centre at 90 Bell St Coburg, up until the beginning of an in-person council meeting**
 - Delete (4)**
 - Amend (8) (b) to read: May ask their question with a preamble or background for up to 3 minutes**
- 2. Invites written submissions from the community on the revised Governance Rules to be received by 5pm, 1 November 2021.**
- 3. Receives a report at the December 2021 Council meeting to consider the revised Governance Rules.**

Carried

7.8 STATUTORY REVIEW OF INSTRUMENTS OF DELEGATION

Executive Summary

This report proposes the updated instruments of delegation to Council in accordance with section 11(7) of the *Local Government Act 2020 (the Act)*, thereby fulfilling the statutory requirement to review all delegations within 12 months of a general election.

Instruments of Delegation represent the formal and authorised delegation for powers of Council under the Act and enable the business of Council to be carried out efficiently and in line with Council approved policies. These instruments are essential to enable Council staff to effectively carry out operational duties, particularly in areas that involve enforcement, such as town planning, local laws, environmental health, building enforcement, asset protection, animal management and parking control.

Powers are delegated to a role or position title rather than to a person or name. Where there are changes to organisational titles, roles or responsibilities, or applicable legislation, the delegations require review, and are often updated.

Officer Recommendation

That Council, in the exercise of the powers conferred by section 11 of the *Local Government Act 2020* and the other legislation referred to in the attached instruments of Delegation:

1. Delegates to the person holding the position, or acting in or performing the duties, of Chief Executive Officer the powers, duties and functions set out in the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer, at Attachment 1 to this report, subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument and determines:
 - a) The instrument comes into force immediately the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.
 - b) On the coming into force of the instrument the previous delegation to the Chief Executive Officer adopted 10 June 2020 is revoked.
 - c) The duties and functions set out in the instrument must be performed, and the powers set out in the instruments must be executed, in accordance with any guidelines or policies of Council that it may from time to time adopt.
2. Revokes the delegation to person holding the position, or acting in or performing the duties, of Chief Executive Officer the powers, duties and functions set out in the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer (for the purpose of managing parking restrictions and temporary parking permits) at Attachment 2 to this report.
3. Delegates to the members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the offices or positions referred to in Attachment 3 to this report, the powers, duties and functions set out in that Instrument subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument and determines:
 - a) The instrument comes into force immediately the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.
 - b) On the coming into force of the instrument, the previous delegation adopted 14 April 2021 to members of Council staff is revoked.
 - c) The duties and functions set out in the instrument must be performed, and the powers set out in the instruments must be executed, in accordance with any guidelines or policies of Council that it may from time to time adopt.

Resolution

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council, in the exercise of the powers conferred by section 11 of the Local Government Act 2020 and the other legislation referred to in the attached instruments of Delegation:

1. Delegates to the person holding the position, or acting in or performing the duties, of Chief Executive Officer the powers, duties and functions set out in the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer, at Attachment 1 to this report, subject to amending Clause 1.2 a) and b) to read:
 - a) *where the variation exceeds a total contract sum of 5% above \$700,000 (excluding GST) delegation limit; or*
 - b) *where the value of the variation exceeds 5% of the total contract sum approved by Council.*

and subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument and determines:

- a) The instrument comes into force immediately the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.
 - b) On the coming into force of the instrument the previous delegation to the Chief Executive Officer adopted 10 June 2020 is revoked.
 - c) The duties and functions set out in the instrument must be performed, and the powers set out in the instruments must be executed, in accordance with any guidelines or policies of Council that it may from time to time adopt.
2. Revokes the delegation to person holding the position, or acting in or performing the duties, of Chief Executive Officer the powers, duties and functions set out in the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer (for the purpose of managing parking restrictions and temporary parking permits) at Attachment 2 to this report.
 3. Delegates to the members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the offices or positions referred to in Attachment 3 to this report (subject to the removal of section 12A(1) as listed under the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*), the powers, duties and functions set out in that Instrument subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument and determines:
 - a) The instrument comes into force immediately the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.
 - b) On the coming into force of the instrument, the previous delegation adopted 14 April 2021 to members of Council staff is revoked.
 - c) The duties and functions set out in the instrument must be performed, and the powers set out in the instruments must be executed, in accordance with any guidelines or policies of Council that it may from time to time adopt.

Carried

7.9 COBURG LAKE RESERVE - RESPONSE TO COUNCIL RESOLUTION NOTICE OF MOTION 33/20

Executive Summary

This report responds to Council resolution NOM33/20 from 8 July 2020, which relates to concerns about the heritage-listed Merri Creek Bridge works in June last year, as well as broader concerns with Coburg Lake Reserve. A review was sought of the 2009 Coburg Lake Reserve renewal project and management of the Reserve.

Council officers have been working with Heritage Victoria to obtain necessary approvals and finalise an appropriate treatment for the bridge and it is anticipated that the permanent works will be completed by June 2022.

The 2009 Coburg Lake Reserve renewal project actions have also been reviewed and information provided in the report. Any potential refresh to existing masterplan and upgrades to the reserve are currently unplanned and unbudgeted. Additional funding to support the masterplan refresh is recommended to be considered as part of the budget bid process for FY2023/2024, to coincide with the programmed playground renewal project that year.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes that any maintenance actions carried out by Council officers to the heritage listed Merri Creek Bridge between the Lake Weir and Newlands Road, will be carried out in accordance with Heritage Victoria requirements. This is expected to be completed by June 2022.
2. Supports a review of the Coburg Lake masterplan, ongoing management and opportunities for capital enhancements for the Coburg Lake Reserve for FY 2023/2024, as part of future budget considerations.
3. Acknowledges ongoing consultation with Traditional Owners, the Coburg Historical Society, Melbourne Water and Friends of Coburg Lake, amongst other key stakeholders, in the management of the reserve and the development of maintenance agreements and Memorandum of Understanding. Closer working ties with interested parties will also support further investment, joint grant funding bids and ongoing capital improvements to the reserve, ensuring it remains a premier park and destination for Moreland.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes that any maintenance actions carried out by Council officers to the heritage listed Merri Creek Bridge between the Lake Weir and Newlands Road, will be carried out in accordance with Heritage Victoria requirements. This is expected to be completed by June 2022.**
2. **Supports a review of the Coburg Lake masterplan, ongoing management and opportunities for capital enhancements for the Coburg Lake Reserve for FY 2023/2024, as part of future budget considerations.**
3. **Acknowledges ongoing consultation with Traditional Owners, the Coburg Historical Society, Melbourne Water and Friends of Coburg Lake, amongst other key stakeholders, in the management of the reserve and the development of maintenance agreements and Memorandum of Understanding. Closer working ties with interested parties will also support further investment, joint grant funding bids and ongoing capital improvements to the**

reserve, ensuring it remains a premier park and destination for Moreland.

Carried

7.10 PLANNING FOR THE NEXT WASTE STRATEGY - RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION

Executive Summary

In response to the Notice of Motion item 8.1 – 14 April 2021, this report outlines the project plan for the Waste Strategy 2023 to ensure this work is adequately planned and budgeted for delivery in FY2022/23. It defines a proposed approach and schedule (shown at Attachment 1) to develop the next Waste Strategy for Council endorsement.

The Waste and Litter Strategy and four-year action plan was adopted in December 2018. It includes a target of sending zero waste to landfill by 2030 as well as to drastically reduce the amount of food waste going to landfill in the short to medium term.

The first major deliverable of the process will be an Options Paper outlining opportunities to significantly reduce waste to landfill, in line with the target of zero waste to landfill by 2030. The Options Paper will be informed by external technical research and will be the focus of stage 1 community engagement. Following review of community feedback on the Options Paper, a draft Waste Strategy will be presented to Council in the 2022-23 financial year, for 3 – 4 weeks of public exhibition (stage 2 community consultation) before finalisation by mid-2023.

The project schedule outlines the tasks and dates for the 5 phases of the project, noting that work has already begun on Task 1:

1. Review and planning: August 2021 – December 2021
2. Research (internal + external): August 2021 – July 2022
3. Options Paper development/consultation: July 2022 – December 2022
4. Draft Strategy and Action Plan development/consultation: August 2022 – June 2023
5. Implementation: July 2023 – June 2031

This report proposes to extend the duration of the Waste Strategy from 4 to 8 financial years (2023/24 to 2030/31) with two 4-year action plans developed during the lifespan of the strategy. This will mean the strategy extends to 2030, the target date for zero waste to landfill. This will also enable actions to be developed in response to emerging opportunities as well as better aligning strategy objectives and reporting with the timing of key state and federal waste policies.

The next Waste Strategy will seek to provide a pathway to address the pre-existing 'zero waste to landfill by 2030' target. With around 30,000 tonnes of garbage being sent to landfill annually through the kerbside collection service, achieving this ambitious target will require significant investment and change, including investigating alternatives to landfill, such as thermal Waste to Energy.

The total estimated cost to develop the draft Strategy is \$80,000. To enable timely commissioning of technical research/advice, this cost is proposed to be split over 2 financial years. A mid-year budget request for approximately \$40,000 in the 2021/22 Budget will be sought to fund external technical research into programs, services and infrastructure options available to achieve the zero waste to landfill by 2030 target.

A further budget allocation of \$40,000 in the 2022/23 Budget will be required for graphic design, consultation and communications support related to the Options Paper (stage 1 consultation) and draft Strategy (stage 2 consultation). For further detail refer section 6.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the proposed approach and project schedule to develop Council's next draft Waste Strategy to 2030 (8-year strategy) and associated medium-term (3-4 year) action plan. The new strategy and action plan would be finalized by mid-2023 and will supersede the expiring Waste and Litter Strategy 2018. The approach includes the high-level strategy scope, required technical research / advice and resourcing, estimated budget and the schedule for drafting and consulting on the future strategy and action plan.
2. Refers the required project resourcing (approximately \$40K) to the mid-year budget review, and a related budget proposal (approximately \$40k) for consideration in the FY22/23 budget process.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes the proposed approach and project schedule to develop Council's next draft Waste Strategy to 2030 (8-year strategy) and associated medium-term (3-4 year) action plan. The new strategy and action plan would be finalized by mid-2023 and will supersede the expiring Waste and Litter Strategy 2018. The approach includes the high-level strategy scope, required technical research / advice and resourcing, estimated budget and the schedule for drafting and consulting on the future strategy and action plan.**
2. **Refers the required project resourcing (approximately \$40,000) to the mid-year budget review, and a related budget proposal (approximately \$40,000) for consideration in the FY22/23 budget process.**
3. **Noting that waste incineration (also known as waste to energy) options have major environmental, health and economic costs and undermines a transition to a circular economy, Council maintains that it should not be considered as part of its future waste strategy.**

Carried unanimously

7.11 BRUNSWICK SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL PLAYGROUND AND GREENING OPPORTUNITIES - RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION

Executive Summary

This report addresses the Notice of Motion brought by Cr Riley at item 8.4 on 10 March 2021 relating to the planning and feasibility for a future Play Space Adjacent to Brunswick South Primary School along the linear reserve and the greening of Rathdowne Street adjacent to the school. Council previously resolved to receive a report which investigates the feasibility of locating a play space in this park adjacent to Brunswick South Primary School.

Officers have reviewed the site, parklands and nearby parks, with specific consideration given to opportunities for play and other park infrastructure in the nearby vicinity. Based on the assessment, Officers support the potential location of an adventure and nature-based playground in this area, noting however, that these works are not presently scheduled in Council's capital works program and are currently a low priority.

Any potential upgrades to the linear reserve are currently unplanned and unbudgeted. Officers recommend that the best way to progress this opportunity is encouraging the primary school to apply for external grant funding.

Engaging the school and local community in the design and delivery of this project would be essential for its success. As such, Officers recommend that Council encourages the School to seek out and advocate for State or Federal grant funding to deliver the play space opportunity, potentially supplemented by local fundraising.

Council can support the project through advocacy, including a letter of support and the development of a Memorandum of Understanding, noting that Council would contribute in-kind resources to facilitate delivery and ongoing maintenance of the play space.

It is important to note that while the play space would be dependent upon the School and Council receiving external grant funding to deliver the project, the playground would remain open to the public and not be available for exclusive use by the school. At the same time, it is recommended that Council negotiates an in-principle agreement with the school on opening up the school premises after hours to the community as part of any agreement.

Unless alternative funding can be sourced by the school through its advocacy efforts and local fundraising, Officers recommend that delivery of the project should be referred to the Open Space Strategy review process to determine its priority relative to other park upgrades across the municipality. Moreland's open space priorities are acquiring land for open space and providing attractive play spaces for Moreland residents throughout the municipality.

The greening of Rathdowne Street adjacent the school could be delivered in several stages over a number of financial years to reduce the budget impact to a single year.

Council officers will undertake appropriate pedestrian and vehicle counts at the Brunswick Street / Lygon Street intersection when schools are fully operational to confirm if the criteria for a School Crossing supervisor are met and if so organise for a supervisor to be allocated to this site.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes that, while considered feasible, the creation of a future play space in Park Street Linear Reserve adjacent to Brunswick South Primary School is not a current funding priority in Council's Capital Works Program amongst other open space priorities in the foreseeable future.
2. Writes to Brunswick South Primary School Principal with a letter of support, and a commitment of in-kind contributions to facilitate delivery of this project, and to ongoing maintenance, should the School successfully source funding for such a play space through advocacy to State or Federal governments and/or local fundraising.
3. Seeks Brunswick South Primary School's commitment to opening up access to the school grounds out of school hours and specifies that use of the linear reserve for a play space would not be for the exclusive use of the space by the school.
4. Notes that, failing an alternative funding source, this project should be considered as part of the review of the Moreland Open Space Strategy and Park Renewal Plan to determine its priority in future relative to the need for other park upgrades across the municipality.

5. Notes the officer's response to the recommendation to assess the feasibility and cost estimates for greening Rathdowne Street in Brunswick East adjacent to Brunswick South Primary School.
6. Undertakes pedestrian and vehicle counts when schools are fully operational at the Brunswick Street / Lygon Street intersection to determine whether the criteria for a School Crossing supervisor are met and if so, refer the matter to the 2022-23 budget process.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes that, while considered feasible, the creation of a future play space in Park Street Linear Reserve adjacent to Brunswick South Primary School is not a current funding priority in Council's Capital Works Program amongst other open space priorities in the foreseeable future.**
2. **Writes to Brunswick South Primary School Principal with a letter of support, and a commitment of in-kind contributions to facilitate delivery of this project, and to ongoing maintenance, should the School successfully source funding for such a play space through advocacy to State or Federal governments and/or local fundraising.**
3. **Seeks Brunswick South Primary School's commitment to opening up access to the school grounds out of school hours and specifies that use of the linear reserve for a play space would not be for the exclusive use of the space by the school.**
4. **Notes that, failing an alternative funding source, this project should be considered as part of the review of the Moreland Open Space Strategy and Park Renewal Plan to determine its priority in future relative to the need for other park upgrades across the municipality.**
5. **Notes the officer's response to the recommendation to assess the feasibility and cost estimates for greening Rathdowne Street in Brunswick East adjacent to Brunswick South Primary School.**
6. **Undertakes pedestrian and vehicle counts when schools are fully operational at the Brunswick Street / Lygon Street intersection to determine whether the criteria for a School Crossing supervisor are met and if so, refer the matter to the 2022-23 budget process.**

Carried

7.12 BREARLEY RESERVE PASCOE VALE SOUTH - RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION

Executive Summary

In response to a Notice of Motion at the April 2021 Council meeting, Council resolved to seek a report into the cost of installing lighting in the Brearley Reserve carpark, as well as adjusting the opening and closing times for the car park so that it is not accessed during hours of poor behaviour.

In adopting the 2021/2022 budget on 24 June 2021, Council allocated \$40,000 for the installation of lighting at Brearley Reserve. This budget is sufficient for the installation of LED lighting to service the carpark and the east-west pedestrian link through Brearley Reserve. It is anticipated the lighting installation will be completed by the end of December 2021.

Having consulted with the tenant clubs of Brearley Reserve (East Coburg Cricket Club and West Coburg Football Club), the following revised times are proposed for closure of the carpark:

- Carpark closure – between 8:30 - 9:00pm
- Carpark reopened – between 8:00 - 8:30am

There are no additional security costs to Council as a result of the revised carpark closure times proposed within this report. There will be minor costs associated with new/updated signage, as well as anticipated vandalism and/or increased security call outs to release locked-in vehicles in the short term, which can be accommodated within existing base budgets.

Subsequent to Council's endorsement of the recommendations of this report, updated signage will be arranged, and the revised carpark closure times will be implemented upon installation of the signs. This is anticipated to commence in November.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the anticipated timeline for the installation of LED carpark and path lighting in Brearley Reserve.
2. Supports altering the closing hours of the carpark at Brearley Reserve from between 8:30 - 9:00pm and reopening between 8:00 - 8:30am 7 days a week.

Resolution

Cr Yildiz moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes the anticipated timeline for the installation of LED carpark and path lighting in Brearley Reserve.**
2. **Supports altering the closing hours of the carpark at Brearley Reserve from between 8:30 - 9:00pm and reopening between 8:00 - 8:30am 7 days a week.**

Carried

7.13 PUBLIC LITTER BINS - COST OF STANDARDISATION - RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION

Executive Summary

Council's public place litter bin service currently caters for only garbage and at limited locations, recycling waste. A Notice of Motion put forward by Cr Mark Riley seeks the cost of streamlining the look and feel of public litter bins across the City with the goal for the installation 3 or 4 bins (including the option of food organics / garden organics and glass bins) wherever possible.

As requested, Council officers have determined the cost for public litter bins to be streamlined in colour and design to reflect the Recycling Victoria 4-bin system. This is a significant exercise that requires colour changes to a significant proportion of the bin stock in the public realm, as well as pairing each garbage bin with at least one other bin, if not more, at each location.

There are two options contemplated; one is to paint each of the 217 stainless steel (silver) garbage bins red, the other is to replace those bins with red bins. Both options also include retaining the existing 61 yellow recycling bins, adding to their number with an additional 565 bins, supplying 132 purple glass bins and potentially also providing food organic / garden organics bins at select locations.

Very high-level cost estimates of the two options see the painting bins option at \$2.13 million up front plus \$490,000 per annum, while the replacement option would be \$2.65 million up front plus \$490,000 per annum.

Officers do not recommend proceeding with a budget submission for 2022/2023 on this basis, instead recommending that a policy for properly designed public garbage bin changeover be brought to Council, and that the Waste Strategy, when refreshed, consider the relative priority of investing in 4-stream public bin services compared to other initiatives in an evidence-based approach to reducing to zero, waste to landfill.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the capital cost estimates of between \$2.13 million and \$2.65 million for changing over existing public place garbage bins to red, pairing yellow recycling bins with each one and adding purple glass bins at selected sites.
2. Notes that in addition to these costs, there is an estimated \$490,000 new annual operational costs to deliver this expanded service. Further, urban amenity considerations have not yet been worked through to inform a decision on proceeding with the initiative and could present significant barriers to implementation.
3. In light of these costs and risks, rather than seeking funding to implement a new system of public bins in the 2022/2023 budget cycle, requests officers to provide a report by June 2022 on a changeover policy towards a common "look and feel" of the bins at end of life informed by good practice urban design principles and that suits the different contexts of the bins.
4. Seeks consideration of the business case for adding recycling, glass and food organic / garden organics bins at public litter bin sites, including the ongoing delivery model and costs to deliver, to feed into the Waste Strategy review.

Resolution

Cr Panopoulos moved, Cr Riley seconded -

That Council:

1. Notes the capital cost estimates of between \$2.13 million and \$2.65 million for changing over existing public place garbage bins to red, pairing yellow recycling bins with each one and adding purple glass bins at selected sites.
2. Notes that in addition to these costs, there is an estimated \$490,000 new annual operational costs to deliver this expanded service. Further, urban amenity considerations have not yet been worked through to inform a decision on proceeding with the initiative and could present significant barriers to implementation.
3. In light of these costs and risks, rather than seeking funding to implement a new system of public bins in the 2022/2023 budget cycle, requests officers to provide a report by June 2022 on a changeover policy towards a common “look and feel” of the bins at end of life informed by good practice urban design principles and that suits the different contexts of the bins.
4. Seeks consideration of the business case for adding recycling, glass and food organic / garden organics bins at public litter bin sites, including the ongoing delivery model and costs to deliver, to feed into the Waste Strategy review.
5. Notes the figure on page 670 of the agenda should read \$2.65 million not \$3.65 million as printed.

Carried

7.14 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

This report presents the Financial Management Report for the financial year to date period ending 31 August 2021.

The actual results are compared to the Revised Forecast. The Full Year Revised Forecast is the adopted 2021/22 budget plus carry forwards from the 2020/21 financial year.

The August Income Statement shows the Council surplus is \$3.0 million better than the year to date Revised Forecast as a result of lower overall expenditure. These differences are considered largely timely in nature.

Council has spent \$8.5 million on capital expenditure which is \$4.0 million less than the year to date Revised Forecast.

A detailed financial review will be undertaken in October as part of the 1st Quarter Financial Review which will give Council the opportunity to review and address any additional impacts resulting from the ongoing pandemic and restrictions.

Officer Recommendation

That Council notes the Financial Management Report for the period ended 31 August 2021, at Attachment 1 to this report.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council notes the Financial Management Report for the period ended 31 August 2021, at Attachment 1 to this report.

Carried

7.15 GOVERNANCE REPORT - OCTOBER 2021 - CYCLICAL REPORT

Executive Summary

The Governance report is prepared as a monthly standing report to Council which provides a single reporting platform for a range of statutory compliance, transparency, and governance related matters.

This Governance report includes:

- Records of Meetings, with a recommendation that Council notes the records.
- Responses to Public Question Time items taken on notice at 11 August and 8 September 2021 Council meetings, with a recommendation that Council notes the responses.
- Seeking endorsement of the Moreland City Council Audit and Risk Committee Performance Report 2020/21; noting the Moreland City Council Audit and Risk Committee Recommendations and Findings Report 2020/21; and seeking endorsement to apply a fee increase following a review of the independent member fees in accordance with the Audit and Risk Committee Charter.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the Record of Meetings, at Attachment 1 to this report.
2. Notes responses to questions taken on notice during Public Question Time at the August and September 2021 Council meetings, at Attachment 2 to this report.
3. Endorses the Moreland City Council Audit and Risk Committee Performance Report 2020/21, at Attachment 3 to this report.
4. Notes the Moreland City Council Audit and Risk Committee Recommendations and Findings Report 2020/21, at Attachment 4 to this report.
5. Endorses the 20 per cent increase in fees for the Independent members of the Audit and Risk Committee and apply the new fees from the December 2021 meeting onwards.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Riley seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes the Record of Meetings, at Attachment 1 to this report.**
2. **Notes responses to questions taken on notice during Public Question Time at the August and September 2021 Council meetings, at Attachment 2 to this report.**
3. **Endorses the Moreland City Council Audit and Risk Committee Performance Report 2020/21, at Attachment 3 to this report.**
4. **Notes the Moreland City Council Audit and Risk Committee Recommendations and Findings Report 2020/21, at Attachment 4 to this report.**
5. **Endorses the 20 per cent increase in fees for the Independent members of the Audit and Risk Committee and apply the new fees from the December 2021 meeting onwards.**

Carried

7.16 CONTRACT RFT-2021-221 WELLINGTON STREET, COBURG ROAD RECONSTRUCTION WORKS BETWEEN BELL STREET AND MUNRO STREET

Executive Summary

Road reconstruction works along Wellington Street, Coburg between Bell Street and Munro Street are identified in the 2021-2022 Capital Works Program. The works are required to address the poor condition of the kerb and channel and road pavement and provide underground drainage pipes along Wellington Street.

An advertisement was placed in *The Age* newspaper on Saturday, 21 August 2021 inviting tenders via the e-tender portal from suitably experienced contractors to undertake the road reconstruction works along Wellington Street, Coburg between Bell Street and Munro Street.

The tenders closed on Monday 13 September 2021, with 9 tenders received.

GP Bluestone Pty Ltd achieved the highest score through the evaluation process. GP Bluestone Pty Ltd has previously undertaken road reconstruction works for Council and successfully delivered the works to a good standard.

The project will be utilising recycled crushed concrete as bedding material in the road sub-base, under all new concrete paving and as backfill to the new drainage pipes in both streets. The use of recycled crushed concrete will reduce the need for raw materials by approximately 925 cubic metres.

This contract will also promote the use of increased recycled content in road reconstruction activities by utilising recycled truck tyres which are converted into crumb rubber and mixed with the bitumen to form the asphalt base and wearing course (top layer) of the road pavement. The total amount of asphalt for this project is approximately 255 cubic metres, which equates to 638 truck tyres utilised in the rubberised asphalt product for this project.

The tender sum was revised to include the environmentally sustainable construction materials priced by each tenderer. The inclusion of the alternate crumb rubber asphalt product equates to a 5 percent cost increase over the typical stone mastic asphalt product used by Council. The performance of the rubberised asphalt product will be monitored for consideration of its ongoing use in future road reconstruction projects.

The tender complies with section 109(1) of the *Local Government Act 2020*.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Authorises the Director City Infrastructure to:
 - a) Make a formal offer to GP Bluestone Pty Ltd and ACN 604 987 519 (Contractor) to award Contract RFT-2021-221 Wellington Street, Coburg Road Reconstruction Works between Bell Street and Munro Street (Contract) on the following terms and otherwise subject to and in accordance with paragraph 1(b) of this Resolution:
 - i. For the revised lump sum of \$747,287 (excluding GST) plus provisional sum of \$145,560 (excluding GST), totalling \$892,847 (excluding GST).
 - ii. Allocate a contingency amount of \$107,143 (12 per cent) to the project bringing the total expenditure approval for Contract RFT-2021-221 Wellington Street, Coburg Road Reconstruction Works between Bell

Street and Munro Street to \$999,990 (excluding GST).

- b) Negotiate and finalise the terms of the Contract between Council and the Contractor provided that:
 - i. the terms specified in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution shall not be altered without a further Resolution of Council; and
 - ii. other than terms referred to in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution, the terms of the Contract are acceptable to the Director City Infrastructure;
- 2. Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:
 - a) Authorises the Director City Infrastructure to do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract RFT-2021-221, including authorising any cost overruns, provided that the overall Road budget within the Capital Works Program allocation is not exceeded; and
 - b) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.

Resolution

Cr Pavlidis moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council:

- 1. **Authorises the Director City Infrastructure to:**
 - a) **Make a formal offer to GP Bluestone Pty Ltd and ACN 604 987 519 (Contractor) to award Contract RFT-2021-221 Wellington Street, Coburg Road Reconstruction Works between Bell Street and Munro Street (Contract) on the following terms and otherwise subject to and in accordance with paragraph 1(b) of this Resolution:**
 - i. **For the revised lump sum of \$747,287 (excluding GST) plus provisional sum of \$145,560 (excluding GST), totalling \$892,847 (excluding GST).**
 - ii. **Allocate a contingency amount of \$107,143 (12 per cent) to the project bringing the total expenditure approval for Contract RFT-2021-221 Wellington Street, Coburg Road Reconstruction Works between Bell Street and Munro Street to \$999,990 (excluding GST).**
 - b) **Negotiate and finalise the terms of the Contract between Council and the Contractor provided that:**
 - i. **the terms specified in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution shall not be altered without a further Resolution of Council; and**
 - ii. **other than terms referred to in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution, the terms of the Contract are acceptable to the Director City Infrastructure;**
- 2. **Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:**
 - a) **Authorises the Director City Infrastructure to do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract RFT-2021-221, including authorising any cost overruns, provided that the overall Road budget within the Capital Works Program allocation is not exceeded; and**
 - b) **Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.**

Carried

Meeting Adjournment

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9.11pm until 9.15pm.

9.16pm *The meeting resumed.*

NOTICES OF MOTION

8.1 LOCAL HISTORY IS IT TIME FOR A LOCAL HISTORY MUSEUM?

Motion

That Council:

- 1) Calls for a report to investigate the creation of a local history museum and study space to collect, conserve, manage, store, document, interpret and exhibit our local history. The report will investigate:
 - a) a process for community members to donate objects, documents and photos to the collections.
 - b) innovative ways to interpret and display our local history collection with new technologies, virtual and augmented reality, sound and visual displays, and display of historical objects and records.
 - c) a heritage advisory committee which will support delivery of the local history museum and provide advice to Council on heritage matters.
- 2) Works with the Wurundjeri Council, Brunswick and Coburg Historical Societies and other strategic partners, to deliver the local history museum and study space.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Bolton seconded -

That Council:

1. **Council resolve to call for a report to investigate and cost further short-term, medium-term and long-term actions and strategies to help to conserve, catalogue, archive, interpret and exhibit our local history – including the following:**
 - a) **the creation of local history centres and study spaces, and exhibition and interpretive spaces across the municipality.**
 - b) **the creation of catalogue of municipal significant objects and documents in the collection of historical societies and a plan to document, digitise and archive objects and documents of municipal significance; and promote a process for community members to donate objects, documents and photos to the historical collections.**
 - c) **identity funding priority for conservation, digitalization and archiving of historical material already in custodianship of Moreland City Council including Moreland Libraries, Coburg and Brunswick Historical Societies, and liaise with Broadmeadows Historical Society about historical material relating to suburbs now in Moreland City Council.**
 - d) **identify innovative ways to interpret and display our local history collection and built environment with new technologies, virtual and augmented reality, sound and visual displays, and display of historical objects and records.**

- e) identify projects to collect oral history and written accounts from people living and working in the municipality documenting the story of people through different media and projects in partnership with our diverse community.
 - f) the creation of a local inventory of historical sites which council reasonably believes may contains archaeological remains and makes developers seeking planning applications aware of *Heritage Act 2017* legal obligations; and collaborate with Heritage Victoria to develop strategies to support archaeological excavations and the collection, storage, conservation, exhibition and interpretation of archaeological material culture.
2. That council seek to establish a heritage advisory committee which will support interpretation of local history and provide advice to council on heritage matters.
 3. Council consult, liaise and work with the Wurundjeri Council, Brunswick and Coburg Historical Societies, Heritage Victoria and other strategic partners to contribute to the report.

Carried

8.2 PROPOSED MERLYNSTON CAR PARK UPGRADE: ADVOCATING FOR BEST OUTCOMES

Motion

That Council:

1. Writes to the Level Crossing Removal Authority, the Minister for Transport, the Minister for Planning and the Member for Pascoe Vale, advocating the following position for the proposed Merlynston Railway Station car park upgrade:
 - a. The upgrade should only improve and seal the existing parking bays, rather than extend the car park, in order to protect existing, established trees and vegetation and the benefits they provide to our community, and to prioritise the safety of people walking and cycling to or past the train station;
 - b. There should be no new exit built at Shorts Road, which would only be required should the number of parking bays be increased, in order to protect people walking or cycling along the Upfield Shared User Path;
 - c. Cycling and pedestrian movement should be improved in the surrounding area, including improved pedestrian access to Railway Station Platforms, with a new southern approach;
 - d. The bus stops on both sides of the station should be upgraded;
 - e. An accessibility audit should be conducted, and a Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) approach undertaken;
 - f. All existing trees, including recent plantings and especially the large Tasmanian Blue gum at Shorts Road, should be protected and retained;
 - g. There should be additional planting to enhance existing vegetation, strengthen current links and improve the wildlife links to Fawkner Cemetery;
 - h. Pavement treatments throughout should incorporate Water Sensitive Urban Design principles; and

- i. All drainage that feeds community plantings on the western side of the rail line on Shorts Road should be retained, and all drainage of the car parks should be designed on Water Sensitive Urban Design principles.
2. Requests a meeting with the Minister for Transport to further discuss this position.

Resolution

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

1. **Writes to the Level Crossing Removal Authority, the Minister for Transport, the Minister for Planning and the Member for Pascoe Vale, advocating the following position for the proposed Merlynston Railway Station car park upgrade:**
 - a. **The upgrade should only improve and seal the existing parking bays, rather than extend the car park, in order to protect existing, established trees and vegetation and the benefits they provide to our community, and to prioritise the safety of people walking and cycling to or past the train station;**
 - b. **There should be no new exit built at Shorts Road, which would only be required should the number of parking bays be increased, in order to protect people walking or cycling along the Upfield Shared User Path;**
 - c. **Cycling and pedestrian movement should be improved in the surrounding area, including improved pedestrian access to Railway Station Platforms, with a new southern approach;**
 - d. **The bus stops on both sides of the station should be upgraded;**
 - e. **An accessibility audit should be conducted, and a Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) approach undertaken;**
 - f. **All existing trees, including recent plantings and especially the large Tasmanian Blue gum at Shorts Road, should be protected and retained;**
 - g. **There should be additional planting to enhance existing vegetation, strengthen current links and improve the wildlife links to Fawkner Cemetery;**
 - h. **Pavement treatments throughout should incorporate Water Sensitive Urban Design principles; and**
 - i. **All drainage that feeds community plantings on the western side of the rail line on Shorts Road should be retained, and all drainage of the car parks should be designed on Water Sensitive Urban Design principles.**
2. **Requests a meeting with the Minister for Transport to further discuss this position.**

Carried

8.3 SAFETY ALONG MUNRO STREET, COBURG

Motion

That Council:

1. Notes recent incidents of dangerous driving and accidents on Munro Street, Coburg, where residents' safety has been threatened and property damaged;
2. Also notes that a growing number of local residents are contacting Councillors and Council about their safety concerns about Munro Street;
3. Acknowledges the stress that these incidents cause to local residents and people using or travelling along Munro Street; and
4. Notes that in adopting the 10 year Bicycle and Pedestrian program in May 2021 Council resolved to undertake consultation on separated bicycle lanes Munro Street / Harding Street, Coburg as part of more in-depth consultation of the 10 Year Capital Works Program.
5. Requests that the report to the May 2022 Council meeting on the 10 year Bicycle and Pedestrian capital works program which will include the outcomes of community consultation with residents of Munro Street on design options for separated bicycle lanes, also incorporate consideration of traffic calming measures for Munro Street.

Resolution

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes recent incidents of dangerous driving and accidents on Munro Street, Coburg, where residents' safety has been threatened and property damaged;**
2. **Also notes that a growing number of local residents are contacting Councillors and Council about their safety concerns about Munro Street;**
3. **Acknowledges the stress that these incidents cause to local residents and people using or travelling along Munro Street; and**
4. **Notes that in adopting the 10 year Bicycle and Pedestrian program in May 2021 Council resolved to undertake consultation on separated bicycle lanes Munro Street / Harding Street, Coburg as part of more in-depth consultation of the 10 Year Capital Works Program.**
5. **Requests that the report to the May 2022 Council meeting on the 10 year Bicycle and Pedestrian capital works program which will include the outcomes of community consultation with residents of Munro Street on design options for separated bicycle lanes, also incorporate consideration of traffic calming measures for Munro Street.**

Carried

8.4 REVIEW OF AQUATIC AND LEISURE STRATEGY 2018-2038 AND VENTILATION CHECKS OF INDOOR FACILITIES

Motion

That Council notes that the infectious nature of COVID-19 has an impact on leisure activities, therefore Council will review the Aquatic and Leisure Strategy 2018-2038 and review the ventilation standards of the indoor leisure centre facilities.

Motion

Cr Bolton moved -

That Council notes that the infectious nature of COVID-19 has an impact on leisure activities, therefore Council will begin the process of reviewing the Aquatic and Leisure Strategy 2018-2038 in the first half of 2022 and to be completed by the end of 2022 and review the ventilation standards of the indoor leisure centre facilities.

Lapsed for want of a seconder

8.5 REUSABLE NAPPY AND SANITARY REBATE

Motion

That Council Officers include an update on the case for a nappy and sanitary products rebate scheme (and alternatives) within the Council Report scheduled for December 2021 that will be presenting the Kerbside Waste Service and Charge Policy for endorsement.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council Officers include an update on the case for a nappy and sanitary products rebate scheme (and alternatives) within the Council Report scheduled for December 2021 that will be presenting the Kerbside Waste Service and Charge Policy for endorsement.

Carried

8.6 MORELAND AS AN ANTI-NUCLEAR COUNCIL

Motion

That Council affirm its previous support for the campaign to abolish nuclear weapons by:

1. Calling on the Victorian government to pressure the federal government to Sign the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons which requires parties not to develop, test, produce, acquire, possess, stockpile, use or threaten to use nuclear weapons.
2. Writing to other councils, through the Municipal Association of Victoria to urge them to do the same.
3. Making public Council's opposition to the new AUKUS war alliance as a step in the wrong direction when Australia, together with New Zealand, could be leading the way on peace in the region.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council affirm its previous support for the campaign to abolish nuclear weapons by:

1. **Calling on the federal government to sign the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons which requires parties not to develop, test, produce, acquire, possess, stockpile, use or threaten to use nuclear weapons.**
2. **Writes to other councils, through the Municipal Association of Victoria to urge them to do the same.**
3. **Make public council's opposition to the new AUKUS war alliance as a step in the wrong direction when Australia, together with New Zealand, could be leading the way on peace in the region.**

Carried

NOTICE OF RESCISSION

Nil

FORESHADOWED ITEMS

Nil

URGENT BUSINESS REPORTS

Nil

The meeting closed at 9.41pm.

Confirmed

Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan
MAYOR