



**Minutes of the Council Meeting**  
Held via video conference and livestreamed on  
Wednesday 9 March 2022

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7.01 pm 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.

<b>Present</b>	<b>Time In</b>	<b>Time Out</b>
Cr Mark Riley, Mayor	7.01 pm	10.07 pm
Cr Lambros Tapinos, Deputy Mayor	7.03 pm	10.07 pm
Cr Adam Pulford	7.02 pm	10.07 pm
Cr Angelica Panopoulos	7.01 pm	10.07 pm
Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan	7 39 pm	10.02 pm
Cr Helen Davidson	7.01 pm	10.07 pm
Cr Helen Pavlidis	7.01 pm	10.07 pm
Cr James Conlan	7.01 pm	10.07 pm
Cr Oscar Yildiz JP	7.01 pm	10.07 pm
Cr Sue Bolton	7.01 pm	10.07 pm

**APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil.

**OFFICERS**

Chief Executive Officer – Cathy Henderson  
Director Business Transformation – Sue Vujcevic  
Director City Infrastructure – Anita Curnow  
Director Community – Eamonn Fennessy  
Director Place and Environment – Joseph Tabacco  
Chief Financial Officer – Amanda Burgess  
Unit Manager Communications – Gemma Harris  
Team Leader Governance – Naomi Ellis  
Governance and Council Business Officer – Tracey Classon

## **DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Cr Yildiz disclosed a general conflict of interest in item 7.6, 2022 Annual and Winter Sports Facilities and Grounds Tenancy Allocations as he is the number 1 ticket holder for Moreland Zebras.

Cr Carli Hannan disclosed a general conflict of interest in items:

- 7.6, 2022 Annual and Winter Sports Facilities and Grounds Tenancy Allocations, as her father, Carlo Carli is the President of Brunswick Zebras.
- 7.11, Contract RFT-2021-150 Sumner Park Pavilion Refurbishment as Sumner Park is the Brunswick Zebras home ground and her father, Carlo Carli is the President of the Club.

## **MINUTE CONFIRMATION**

### **Resolution**

**Cr Bolton moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -**

**The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 9 February 2022 be confirmed.**

**Carried**

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND OTHER MATTERS**

The Mayor acknowledged Milad El-Halabi's resignation from Council and advised that on 16 March 2022 at 10am, the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) will be holding a countback to fill the vacancy. The countback will be held online and can be viewed via the VEC website.

Cr Yildiz acknowledged the Glenroy Lions Football Club's recent 25 year anniversary.

## **PETITIONS**

### **5.1 SAVE THE HARDING STREET BRIDGE**

A petition (D22/75273) has been received containing 317 signatures requesting Council save the Harding Street Bridge.

#### **Officer Recommendation**

That Council:

1. Receives the petition, requesting Council save the Harding Street Bridge.
2. Refers the petition requesting Council save the Harding Street Bridge to the Director City Infrastructure for consideration and response.

### **Resolution**

**Cr Bolton moved, Cr Davidson seconded -**

**That Council:**

1. **Receives the petition, requesting Council save the Harding Street Bridge.**
2. **Refers the petition requesting Council save the Harding Street Bridge to the Director City Infrastructure for consideration and response.**

**Carried unanimously**

## **5.2 MOONEE PONDS CREEK - OFF LEASH DOG PATH**

A petition (D22/78463) has been received containing 377 signatures requesting Council designate the path along the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail, from Brady Reserve to the southern boundary of the South Ward (south of Brunswick Road overpass) a 'dog off-leash' zone.

### **Officer Recommendation**

That Council:

1. Receives the petition, requesting designate the path along the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail, from Brady Reserve to the southern boundary of the South Ward (south of Brunswick Road overpass) a 'dog off-leash' zone.
2. Refers the petition requesting designate the path along the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail, from Brady Reserve to the southern boundary of the South Ward (south of Brunswick Road overpass) a 'dog off-leash' zone to the Director City Infrastructure for consideration and response.

### **Resolution**

**Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -**

**That Council:**

1. **Receives the petition, requesting designate the path along the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail, from Brady Reserve to the southern boundary of the South Ward (south of Brunswick Road overpass) a 'dog off-leash' zone.**
2. **Refers the petition requesting designate the path along the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail, from Brady Reserve to the southern boundary of the South Ward (south of Brunswick Road overpass) a 'dog off-leash' zone to the Director City Infrastructure for consideration and response.**

**Carried unanimously**

## **5.3 REQUEST TO CREATE A NATURE-STRIP ON FLEMING STREET, BRUNSWICK WEST**

A petition (D22/94368) has been received containing 20 signatures requesting Council to create a nature-strip area in the concrete footpath on the east side of Fleming Street, Brunswick West, adjacent to 76 Heller Street.

### **Resolution**

**Cr Riley moved, Cr Davidson seconded -**

**That Council:**

1. **Receives the petition, requesting Council create a nature-strip area in the concrete footpath on the east side of Fleming Street, Brunswick West, adjacent to 76 Heller Street.**
2. **Refers the petition requesting Council create a nature-strip area in the concrete footpath on the east side of Fleming Street, Brunswick West, adjacent to 76 Heller Street to the Director City Infrastructure for consideration and response.**

**Carried unanimously**

## **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

*Public Question Time commenced at 7.21 pm.*

### **PETER JEFFS – QUESTION - RENAMING OF MORELAND CITY COUNCIL - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, EDUCATION AND TRUTH TELLING**

Shouldn't the Council have appointed the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to be part of the co-design process from December to March. How is this good governance for Councillors to appoint themselves to working groups or committees?

Why weren't the broader Moreland community asked if they wanted the name changed, and if so, what they may have wanted it changed to? Further to this, how does Council justify this when it espouses openness, inclusiveness, community consultation, etc?

Are there meeting records for the meetings held between Councillors, Council staff, Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Elders and other community representatives from December to March, and if yes, will these meeting records be published in a Governance Report?

At the request of the Mayor, Cathy Henderson, Chief Executive Officer responded:

- Council's Community Engagement policy is quite clear that the role of the Mayor is a special role with community engagement which includes chairing working groups that are working on community engagement processes for instance. The Deputy Mayor and in his role as Acting Mayor was participating also.
- The community will have a chance to have a say on options for new names. The prospect of a community engagement process about whether having a racist name was suitable for this municipality or not, would be a difficult challenging and painful community consultation process with not as much benefit as there would be disadvantage.
- Meeting group records are included in the report before Council tonight. Additional information regarding attendees can be provided in the Governance report.

*7.26 pm Cr Panopoulos left the meeting.*

*7.27 pm Cr Panopoulos returned to the meeting.*

### **PAULINE CARMICHAEL – QUESTION - KENT ROAD SEPARATED TRIAL BIKE LANE**

What is the cost to date of the Kent Road trial bike lane (300 m block between Cumberland and Cornwall Roads) including installation, consultation, amendments, signage etc. and based on the proposed additional \$300,000 for amendments what would the total be for this infrastructure?

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

- The total amount that has been spent to date which includes, construction, Stage 1 and 2 engagement as well as technical investigations of various matters following the initial engagement is \$193,550.00.
- Should \$300,000 option become adopted to be implemented as a permanent solution that would be \$493,550.00.

### **PAULINE CARMICHAEL - QUESTION - GOVERNANCE**

Does the Director of City Infrastructure have proper delegation for the recommendations on report 7.2?

At the request of the Mayor, Cathy Henderson, Chief Executive Officer responded:

- The writing of the report doesn't exercise a power that requires delegation, Directors routinely write and authorise reports for Council meetings for the decision to be made by Council. Council is making the decision itself it has not delegated power.

### **ANDREA BUNTING – QUESTION - LIVING AND AGEING WELL IN MORELAND – REPORT ON YEAR 2 ACTIONS**

Councillors, will you ensure that the Moreland budget reflects more than just a token effort to improve the outdoor physical environment for seniors?

Mayor, Cr Riley responded:

- Councillors would like to spend more money on these improvements but due to the impact of COVID19 there has been a lot of pressure on balancing the budget and capital costs are rising.
- We will take your suggestions on board in the budget process and look forward to hearing some more from you during that process.

7.39 pm Cr Carli Hannan arrived at the meeting.

### **ANNA FIGUEIREDO**

Has the Moreland Council looked into how other councils support their local toy libraries, financially and in other ways?

At the request of Mayor the Eamonn Fennessy, Director Community responded:

- Council has examined the range of supports provided to Toy Libraries in other municipalities. This, together with information recently provided to Council by Moreland Toy Library will be considered as options are developed to ensure the long-term sustainability of the service..

### **NATALY BOVOPOULOS – STATEMENT – MORELAND TOY LIBRARY**

Moreland Toy Library is a community-led organisation that has lent quality toys to local families for over 30 years.

Our vision is a community where kids learn, thrive and grow through play. Our mission is to provide affordable access to a diverse range of quality educational and creative toys to children from 6 months to 6 years of age which enhance their senses and social skills, spark their imagination, and teach children the value of shared resources.

We provide a collection of over 2,000 quality toys, puzzles, and games available for loan by member families during borrowing sessions at our two branches in Pascoe Vale and Brunswick West two mornings a week.

Like many other community organisations, we have faced challenges in the last two years with a reduction in income from memberships and an increase in operating costs. Despite us receiving a 3 year grant from Moreland Council to support our strategic goal of reaching independence, the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic have been detrimental to the organisation's intended goal to reach 500 members by 2023.

A major factor in our current cash flow issues is rent including in excess of \$5,000 per annum to Moreland Council in Pascoe Vale and just over \$5,000 to the Scouts in Brunswick West. In addition, our Brunswick West venue is no longer fit for purpose and limits our capacity to draw in new members and expand our toy catalogue.

We are approaching Moreland Council with the aim to strengthen our partnership over the next 3-5 years. Our goals are to build relationships, resources and reach within our community as we reestablish our growth trajectory. We believe a strengthened partnership is mutually beneficial, with Moreland Toy Library supporting three key Moreland Council strategic areas: 1) supporting children's play, 2) improving social cohesion and 3) reducing hard waste.

So what are we proposing?

- We ask Council that our rent for the Pascoe Vale is reduced to a peppercorn lease
- We seek to work with Council to identify a new venue for our Brunswick West branch also on a peppercorn lease in a council or community owned venue that is situated close to aligned services, is easily accessible by car, and has space that is comfortable and accessible for work, browsing and storage.
- Finally, at the right time, we seek Council's support to partner with local services and expand with a third branch in the North-West Ward where the community is under served and harder to reach.
- We see it appropriate to enter into a 3-5 year MOU with Moreland Council from 1 July 2022 to achieve these goals.

At tonight's meeting, a notice of motion calls for a Council report, and we thank you Councillor Bolton for submitting this motion. On behalf of the passionate and committed volunteer parent led committee of management and the families and children that we serve, we thank you in advance for considering this request.

*Nataly Bovopoulos read her statement.*

7.44pm Cr Tapinos left the meeting.

7.45 pm Cr Tapinos returned to the meeting.

7.46 pm Cr Tapinos left the meeting.

7.49 pm Cr Pulford left to the meeting.

## **Motion to extend Community Question and Statement Time**

### **Motion**

**Cr Pavlidis moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded –**

**That community question time be extended for 30 minutes.**

**Carried**

*Public question time was extended at 7.49 pm.*

7.49 pm Cr Carli Hannan left the meeting.

7.49 pm Cr Pulford returned to the meeting.

### **MARION ATTWATER – QUESTION - RENAMING OF MORELAND CITY COUNCIL - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, EDUCATION AND TRUTH TELLING**

Is the Officer Recommendation 1(d) actually meaning a delegated committee?

At the request of the Mayor, Cathy Henderson, Chief Executive Officer responded:

- No, the recommendation is not for a delegated committee. The proposed panel has no delegated powers, it is purely considering feedback and providing a recommendation which then a formal meeting of the Council will consider.
- At that meeting, Council will then consider the panel's recommendation and community feedback and determine a preferred name to be put forward to the Minister for Local Government.

### **MARION ATTWATER - QUESTION - KENT ROAD SEPARATED BIKE LANES**

What does this mean for Moreland Council's role as an interface body under the Transport Integration Act 2010, and how can Moreland Council demonstrate it that makes decisions that are consistent with the Vision, Transport System Objectives and Decision-Making Principles of the Transport Integration Act?

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

- The *Transport Integration Act* (2010) requires council to consider changes to the transport system through an integrated decision-making framework for all users. The Act is not prescriptive about the method for achieving this.
- One of the Act's objectives is for "safety and health and wellbeing" where we must consider safety for all users.
- Council's transport strategy was informed by the Act, with the objectives of the Act aligning with the objectives of our strategy and ongoing implementation. A link can readily be established from the Transport Integration Act objectives and decision-making principles to the selection of the Kent Road route as part of an east-west corridor linking different land uses, the use of separated bicycle lanes and the trial approach to testing this to obtain community feedback.
- As mentioned in the report to Council at item 7.2 tonight, officers have identified improvements to future approaches to engagement at the different stages of introducing improved bicycle infrastructure which, if adopted, will be applied henceforth, strengthening the link to the Act's Decision Making Principles further.

### **Questions and Statements Taken On Notice**

*Questions and statements taken on notice and may be summarised for the purpose of recording them in the minutes. Full and complete copies are made available to Council officers for responses or information.*

#### **RACHEL MATTON - QUESTION – 2021/2022 MID-YEAR FORECAST**

Why are elements like a playspace being consulted on, when a masterplan for Richards Reserve has not been established, signed-off and is not available for public consumption?

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

#### **RACHEL MATTON - QUESTION - RENAMING OF MORELAND CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, EDUCATION AND TRUTH TELLING**

What will prevent this organisation being used as a vehicle for commercial or political advantage?

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

#### **MARGARET-MARY CASHIN - QUESTION - 2022 ANNUAL AND WINTER SPORTS FACILITIES AND GROUNDS TENANCY ALLOCATIONS**

Why has council prematurely formalised the Hosken east field as an allocated soccer pitch when:

- a) it has never been one, nor had fees charged previously as one. PVFC/council officer claims to contrary are fabrication.
- b) the council is supposed to be investigating its best use (informal recreational vs yet another space for organised sport) and has delayed the publication of a report on the issue

c) Soccer pitches at Richards Reserve + Hosken South are so heavily underutilised?  
Did Mayor Mark Riley make the decision to delay the east field agenda item to a subsequent month, or did someone else (eg CEO or one of her subordinates) make the decision?

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

#### **DINO ALBANO - QUESTION - REVIEW OF INSTRUMENT OF DELEGATION COUNCIL TO COUNCIL STAFF**

Do Councillors have a committee where they check the Instrument of Delegation themselves, and consider if there are any conditions or limitations that they could add to the sections on the Planning and Environment Act, in order to improve delegated decision-making on planning permit applications, to better favour residents?

What are Councillors doing to oversee delegated decision-making?

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

#### **DINO ALBANO - QUESTION - COUNCIL ACTION PLAN 2021-22 - SECOND QUARTER PERFORMANCE REPORT**

Has Moreland Council attempted to estimate the percentage of households or ratepayers that it reaches through its current communication channels, and if yes, what is the percentage?

And further to that, I would like to ask why this Second Quarter Performance Report does not have the proposed name change of Moreland as an Action, even though the Council decision was made on 13 December 2021?

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

#### **JASON R - QUESTION - MELBOURNE AIRPORT THIRD RUNWAY PROPOSAL**

Will the Council explore this issue and consider lodging a submission objecting to the new runway proposal?

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

#### **RAY PASTOORS - QUESTION - FOGO BIN**

Does that council have any plans or wish to confirm if they allow PLA compostable packaging in the FOGO bin?

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

#### **IAN CARMICHAEL – STATEMENT - KENT ROAD SEPARATED TRIAL BIKE LANE**

Report 7.2 recommends concluding the bike lane trial on Kent Road 4 months early and putting a few modifications to the infrastructure and basically leaving as is.

So, what is a successful trial?

Council data, some of which is in the most recent 160 page report and some on conversations Moreland, if you can find it, has shown that December 2020 and December 2021 had exactly the same amount of bike users. December 2020 and December 2021 there was an increase of 55 cars and the average speed increased from 38.5 to 40.4kms per hour.

With the Community survey, 6 options were put forward, with no option to revert Kent Road to pre-trial, so the most preferred option was 6 but we are left with option 1. Sporting



clubs and 50,000 PVH patients are constantly not considered in this whole process. There is not one measurement to suggest this trial has been a success.

So, when you are spending ratepayers money, as one councillor said early in this trial, what does it take to admit a fail?

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

*Public Question Time concluded at 8 pm.*

*8.01pm Cr Tapinos returned to the meeting*

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

### **7.1 RENAMING OF MORELAND CITY COUNCIL - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, EDUCATION AND TRUTH TELLING**

#### **Executive Summary**

In November 2021, information was presented to Council by Elders from the Traditional Owner community and other community representatives, showing that Moreland City Council was named after land, between Moonee Ponds Creek and Sydney Road, that Farquhar McCrae acquired in 1839. He named the land 'Moreland' after a Jamaican slave estate his forebears had operated. The land which forms part of the Moreland local government area was sold to Farquhar McCrae without the permission of the Traditional Owners, who were suddenly dispossessed from their land.

In 1994 the State Government chose Moreland as the name for the newly formed municipality which was amalgamated from the Cities of Coburg, Brunswick and part of Broadmeadows. The municipal name "Moreland" is therefore associated with slavery, racism, and dispossession, and the Elders requested that Moreland City Council change its corporate name.

Council considered a report on 13 December 2021 and resolved to change Moreland's name. Council also resolved to co-design the engagement, education and name selection process with the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and other community representatives. A report was to come back to the February 2022 Council meeting (later rescheduled to March 2022).

A collaborative planning process took place over December 2021 – March 2022 with regular meetings between Council, the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and community representatives.

This report sets out:

- A proposed approach to community engagement about options for a new municipal name, with the options being names in Woi-wurrung language proposed by the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation.
- A community education and truth telling process involving events, forums and information which:
  - Encourages the community to consider the ongoing impacts of past injustices including dispossession and racism.
  - Raises awareness around why a name change is a significant step towards reconciliation and healing.
  - Builds pathways to Council's broader reconciliation work that supports the Statement of Commitment, and forms a continuing program.
- Specific measures to encourage and facilitate participation from people of culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, people who are not computer literate or

unlikely to participate online, and children and young people. This includes translated information and hard copy information provided to households.

This report proposes the community engagement and education processes take place over March – May 2022. A panel would then consider community feedback and recommending a proposed name for Council's consideration in June 2022. The panel would consist of Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation representatives, the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor.

In June 2022 Council would then consider the community feedback and the panel's recommendation, and endorse a new municipal name. The endorsed name would be recommended to the Minister for Local Government.

## **Officer Recommendation**

That Council:

1. Endorses the proposed community engagement approach and the community education and cultural program to inform and support the renaming of the municipality which includes:
  - a) Receiving options for new names proposed by the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and inviting community consultation on the options.
  - b) Municipal-wide engagement with the community from March to May 2022 including a printed and online feedback survey on proposed names, translated information, distribution of surveys and information to households, and an optional submissions process for community members who wish to provide additional comment.
  - c) Supporting municipal-wide community education and truth-telling around local Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung history, and why renaming Moreland is an important step towards reconciliation and healing.
  - d) At completion of the consultation period, a panel consisting of Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation representatives, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will deliberate on community feedback and recommend a final name for endorsement by Council.
2. Receives a report in June 2022 setting out feedback received through the community engagement process and the panel's recommendation for a new municipal name.
3. Determines at the June 2022 Council meeting the recommended new name for the municipality, for recommendation to the Minister for Local Government.

## **Motion**

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council:

1. Endorses the proposed community engagement approach and the community education and cultural program to inform and support the renaming of the municipality which includes:
  - a) Receiving options for new names proposed by the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and inviting community consultation on the options.
  - b) Municipal-wide engagement with the community from March to May 2022 including a printed and online feedback survey on proposed names, translated information, distribution of surveys and information to households, and an

optional submissions process for community members who wish to provide additional comment.

- c) Supporting municipal-wide community education and truth-telling around local Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung history, and why renaming Moreland is an important step towards reconciliation and healing.
  - d) At completion of the consultation period, a panel consisting of Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation representatives, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will deliberate on community feedback and recommend a final name for endorsement by Council.
2. Notes that an additional Special Council Meeting will be called to receive options for new names proposed by the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and to provide further details of the engagement.
  3. Receives a report in June 2022 setting out feedback received through the community engagement process and the panel's recommendation for a new municipal name.
  4. Determines at the June 2022 Council meeting the recommended new name for the municipality, for recommendation to the Minister for Local Government.

8.09 pm Cr Pulford left the meeting during debate.

8.10 pm Cr Pulford returned to the meeting during debate.

Cr Pavlidis raised a Point of Order with regard the Mayor's decision to limit the number of questions a Councillor can ask of officers during debate.

#### **Motion**

**Cr Bolton moved, Cr Davidson seconded –**

**That Deputy Mayor, Cr Tapinos be elected temporary Chair in accordance with Governance Rule 3.10.2(1) while the Motion of Dissent in the Chairperson's ruling was considered.**

**Carried**

8.23 pm Mayor, Cr Riley stepped down as Chair.

8.23 pm Deputy Mayor, Cr Tapinos assumed the Chair and put questions relative to the ruling and put it to the vote.

#### **Motion**

**Cr Pavlidis, Cr Yildiz seconded -**

**That the Chair's ruling to limit the number of questions a Councillor can ask of officers during debate be dissented from.**

**The Motion Dissent was Lost**

8.30 pm Mayor, Cr Riley resumed the Chair.

#### **Resolution**

**Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pulford seconded -**

**That Council:**

1. **Endorses the proposed community engagement approach and the community education and cultural program to inform and support the renaming of the municipality which includes:**
  - a) **Receiving options for new names proposed by the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation and inviting community consultation on the options.**
  - b) **Municipal-wide engagement with the community from March to May 2022 including a printed and online feedback survey on proposed names,**

translated information, distribution of surveys and information to households, and an optional submissions process for community members who wish to provide additional comment.

- c) Supporting municipal-wide community education and truth-telling around local Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung history, and why renaming Moreland is an important step towards reconciliation and healing.
  - d) At completion of the consultation period, a panel consisting of Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation representatives, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will deliberate on community feedback and recommend a final name for endorsement by Council.
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  3. Receives a report in June 2022 setting out feedback received through the community engagement process and the panel's recommendation for a new municipal name.
  4. Determines at the June 2022 Council meeting the recommended new name for the municipality, for recommendation to the Minister for Local Government.

Carried

Cr Riley called for a division.

**For**

Cr Bolton  
Cr Pulford  
Cr Panopoulos  
Cr Conlan  
Cr Carli Hannan  
Cr Riley  
Cr Tapinos

**Total For (7)**

**Against**

Cr Davidson  
Cr Yildiz  
Cr Pavlidis

**Total Against (3)**

## 7.2 KENT ROAD SEPARATED TRIAL BIKE LANE

### Executive Summary

At its July 2020 meeting, Council allocated an additional \$1.68 million in the 2020/21 budget for walking and cycling trial projects in response to the COVID-19 State of Emergency in Victoria. This included delivering a trial separated bike lane on Kent Road, Pascoe Vale to fill a key gap in our cycling network along the Coburg to Glenroy bike route.

The Coburg to Glenroy Bike route is envisaged as a connected, safe and efficient route suitable for bike riders of all confidence levels. In addition to providing a high-quality link between the two-activity centres, the Coburg to Glenroy Bike Route connects many major and local destinations including Glenroy and Coburg Activity Centres, local shopping centres, Pascoe Vale Girls Secondary College and open spaces.

The bike lanes were installed as trials to allow Council to engage and monitor the bike lane performance as it was implemented and make amendments as necessary.

Since installation in June 2021, feedback on the Kent Road Trial Bike Lanes has been mixed and divided. At the 8 September 2021 Council Meeting (7.2 Kent Road Separated Bicycle Lane Options), Council resolved to undertake community consultation on the current design and five alternatives.

Council engaged an independent community engagement specialist, Max Hardy Consulting to provide a range of opportunities for the community to provide feedback on the design options. This included interviews with seven interested and affected stakeholders, 45 participants in a project webinar, 421 responses to a broad community survey and selection of 21 Community Design Review Panel Members.

In addition to the engagement activities, Council undertook extensive communications activities leading up to and throughout the engagement period including social media posts, emails to project subscribers, newsletter articles and letters to residents. As restrictions eased, over 500 printed flyers were letter-dropped in the local area and to the PVH Medical Centre to reach a broader audience that may not have accessed the online material. Officers also offered to meet face to face with those in the local area who could not access the materials or engage online.

Council also prepared a Project Information Booklet for the bike lane project to provide engagement participants at each stage with the available and relevant information to inform their contributions. To improve the accessibility of the information, the booklet was also translated into Italian and Greek as the top two languages, after English, spoken in Pascoe Vale and Moreland more generally.

The survey identified that Options One (43%), Three (42%) and Six (46%) had the highest levels of community support (when considering both 'very supportive' and 'somewhat supportive' responses). The survey results also showed the divided views of the community regarding this project more generally, with options all attracting consistent levels of opposition from roughly half of the responses. The key themes raised in the survey comments were similar to those mentioned in the stakeholder interviews and included safety concerns, desires for the removal of the current trial and concrete barriers, retention of road space for cars to allow for parking, access and traffic flow, small design suggestions, a desire to retain the cycle lanes and support active transport and consideration of the wider network and location of this route.

The Community Design Review Panel included community members with broad representation and an interest in the project. The Panel included a range of ages, genders, and preferred transport mode and expressed views for, against or neutral towards the Kent Road Trial Bike Lane project. The Panel members participated in detailed discussions across two sessions in November 2021 where they also heard from other stakeholders including the Department of Transport, Victoria Police, bike and pedestrian user groups, a resident who nominated to speak, and a representative from PVH Medical Centre on Kent Road, Pascoe Vale. Considering all the available information, panel members were tasked with addressing the following questions:

1. What conditions or criteria (in addition to technical requirements) should be considered to create a functional and safe road design for Kent Road, that addresses the needs of residents, pedestrians, visitors, motorists, cyclists and other users?
2. Considering the criteria, how supportive are you of each of the options identified by Council for Kent Road?
3. Are there any changes that would make you more supportive of each of the options identified?

The panel outcomes identified that those opposed to the trial bike lane had very little support for any of the options, though some were prepared to tolerate Option Six. For those more supportive and open to the trial bike lanes Option One was the more strongly supported approach.

Overall, the engagement has identified that much of the opposition and negative feedback towards the bike lanes is due to the lack of engagement and poor communication with the affected community before the bike lanes were implemented, and only in some part due to specifics of the design. However, these issues have become so closely tied together in the online debate and discussion within the community that it has been difficult to determine relative support for the different options.

Through engagement and subsequent technical investigations two key areas for discussion have emerged; bike lane design and engagement process. This has led officers to make two substantive recommendations to address these two themes:

Bike lane design, including feedback on safety, movement and accessibility:

It is recommended to conclude the trial period and make permanent Option One with amendments to the current trial infrastructure to address some of the outstanding areas for improvement, including (but not limited to):

- Installation of traffic calming improvements to the Kent Road and Cornwall Road intersection and the Kent Road and Cumberland Road intersection to slow vehicles and aid cyclist movement crossing the street and merging into and out of vehicle lanes
- Reduction in barrier width and design to allocate more road pavement to vehicles
- Installation of a raised pedestrian crossing opposite the PVH Medical Centre and Cole Reserve immediately east Joffre Road to assist in pedestrian movements across the street and access to the medical centre or reserve
- Installation of designated locations adjacent to driveways to assist residents with bin placement and to provide designated bin storage areas for waste collection days

Option One was the second most supported option through community engagement and was the most supported design by Panel members more likely to be in favour of and use the bike facility. With the above amendments, officers consider that Option One will most strongly meet the design standards and technical considerations for bike lane design as outlined in **Attachment 1** and is considered on balance a well-performing option across cycling, vehicle, pedestrian, operational and implementation criteria. The cost for this option is estimated to be \$300,000.

Option Three was the third most supported option although it had less than half the number of 'very supportive' responses as Option One. Option Three is not recommended by officers due to the significant cost and implementation constraints associated with the design including significant construction works to realign the kerb, relocate utility poles and remove an estimated 16 trees to deliver a marginally supported option with limited demonstrable benefit. The cost for this option is estimated to be \$950,000.

Option Six is not recommended by officers due to safety, cost and implementation constraints associated with the design. Shared paths raise safety concerns in situations such as Kent Road where faster moving cyclists need to share a constrained space with slower moving pedestrians including people of limited mobility and the elderly around the medical centre. Option Six is additionally not recommended because of the cost to implement it (estimated to be \$780,000 and including relocating utility poles) and its associated poor amenity outcome of the need to remove an estimated 16 trees. The design does not meet the design standards and technical considerations for cycling and walking as outlined in **Attachment 1** and only delivers improvements to vehicle criteria.

Future community engagement processes, including feedback on when and how Council engages on bike lane projects.

A process for engagement on future bike lane projects is also proposed as outlined in **Attachment 6**. This process provides the framework for Council to engage with the community earlier, and more often throughout the planning and design process. This aligns with strategy 2.6 of the Council Plan 2021-2025 to “collaborate with the community to improve pedestrian and cycling infrastructure on a case by case basis” and Council’s *Community Engagement Policy* (2020).

## Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the design options and the evaluation assessment for the trial-separated bike lane designs for Kent Road, Pascoe Vale:
2. Notes the *Kent Road Community Design Review Panel Report*.
3. Resolves to conclude the trial period and to make permanent Option One with the following design enhancements in response to community feedback, to be implemented by 31 December 2022, and referring the budget requirement to the 2022/2023 budget process:
  - a) Installation of a new raised pedestrian crossing over Kent Road, Pascoe Vale immediately east of Joffre Road, opposite the PVH Medical Centre
  - b) Installation of traffic calming treatments at Cornwall Road and Kent Road
  - c) Replace granitic sand in current design of physical barriers with non-porous material such as concrete
  - d) Include additional space adjacent to driveways for hatched line marking to assist waste collection and ease of vehicles getting into and out of driveways
  - e) Create additional gaps in physical barriers opposite the intersections to allow cyclists to merge into the bike lane
  - f) Reduce physical barrier width to 0.8 m to provide an additional 0.2 m to the road reserve
  - g) Signage placed on barriers to more clearly indicate areas for No Stopping for vehicles
  - h) Signage in the area and improved line marking to clearly indicate bike lanes for riding
  - i) Investigate opportunities for street beautification projects including but not limited to further street tree planting and seats
  - j) Investigate opportunities for widespread safety and behaviour change campaigns in partnership with state and local governments.
4. Notes in February 2022 the Department of Transport approved Council’s request for speed limit reductions to 40 km/h on Kent Road as part of the trial period.
5. Endorses the proposed process for future bike projects to engage with the community at multiple times throughout the strategic and design process of bike lane infrastructure in accordance with Council’s *Community Engagement Policy* 2020.
6. Thanks the community members who provided feedback, the Community Design Review Panel and guest speakers for their contribution.

8.38 pm Cr Pulford left the meeting

8.39 pm Cr Pulford returned to the meeting

## Resolution

**Cr Bolton moved, Cr Conlan seconded -**

**That Council:**

1. **Notes the design options and the evaluation assessment for the trial-separated bike lane designs for Kent Road, Pascoe Vale:**
2. **Notes the *Kent Road Community Design Review Panel Report*.**
3. **Resolves to complete the 12-month trial period for the Kent Road separated lanes in order to collect data on usage by pedestrians, cyclists, and car drivers for all four seasons before the decision is taken on the final option for bike lanes on Kent Road.**
4. **Notes in February 2022 the Department of Transport approved Council's request for speed limit reductions to 40 km/h on Kent Road as part of the trial period.**
5. **Endorses the proposed process for future bike projects to engage with the community at multiple times throughout the strategic and design process of bike lane infrastructure in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy 2020.**
6. **Thanks the community members who provided feedback, the Community Design Review Panel and guest speakers for their contribution.**

**Carried unanimously**

### **7.3 PROPOSED ROAD DISCONTINUANCE ADJOINING 50-52 BREESE STREET BRUNSWICK**

#### **Executive Summary**

Council received a request from the incoming owner of 50 and 52 Breese Street, Brunswick and 665-661 Sydney Road, Brunswick to acquire a section of road (Right of Way) adjoining these properties, shown in blue in Attachment 1.

The Right of Way abuts all three properties owned by the applicant and does not provide access for any other adjoining property owners.

Internal consultation has been undertaken and the subject section of road is considered to be no longer reasonably required for municipal use and is surplus to Council's needs.

The purpose of this report is to commence the Statutory Process under the *Local Government Act 1989* and the *Local Government Act 2020* to discontinue and sell the road.

#### **Officer Recommendation**

**That Council:**

1. **Commences the procedures to discontinue and sell the road adjoining 50 and 52 Breese Street, Brunswick and 665-661 Sydney Road, Brunswick, in accordance with Section 206 and clause 3 of Schedule 10 of the *Local Government Act 1989* and Section 114 of the *Local Government Act 2020*.**
2. **Gives public notice of the proposed discontinuance in accordance with section 223 and 207A of the *Local Government Act 1989* and Section 114, clause 2 of the *Local Government Act 2020* in the Herald Sun newspaper and on Council's website, and invite written submissions from Monday 21 March 2022 until Friday 22 April 2022. The notice will state that Council proposes to sell the land adjoining 50 and 52 Breese Street, Brunswick and 665-661 Sydney Road, Brunswick to the owner of those properties, in accordance with Council's Rights of Way Associated Policies 2011 and the Rights of Way Strategy 2011.**



3. Appoints Councillor \_\_\_\_\_ as Chair, and Councillors \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ to a Committee to hear any submitters requesting to be heard in support of their written submission.
4. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to set the time, date and place of the meeting of the committee to hear submissions in relation to Council's intention to discontinue and sell the road adjoining 50 and 52 Breese Street Brunswick and 665-661 Sydney Road Brunswick.
5. Receives a further report outlining any submissions received, including a summary of proceedings of the Hearing of Submissions Committee and presenting a recommendation regarding whether to proceed with the proposal to discontinue the road adjoining 50 and 52 Breese Street, Brunswick and 665-661 Sydney Road, Brunswick.

## Resolution

**Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded –**

**That Council:**

1. **Commences the procedures to discontinue and sell the road adjoining 50 and 52 Breese Street, Brunswick and 665-661 Sydney Road, Brunswick, in accordance with Section 206 and clause 3 of Schedule 10 of the *Local Government Act 1989* and Section 114 of the *Local Government Act 2020*.**
2. **Gives public notice of the proposed discontinuance in accordance with section 223 and 207A of the *Local Government Act 1989* and Section 114, clause 2 of the *Local Government Act 2020* in the Herald Sun newspaper and on Council's website, and invite written submissions from Monday 21 March 2022 until Friday 22 April 2022. The notice will state that Council proposes to sell the land adjoining 50 and 52 Breese Street, Brunswick and 665-661 Sydney Road, Brunswick to the owner of those properties, in accordance with Council's Rights of Way Associated Policies 2011 and the Rights of Way Strategy 2011.**
3. **Appoints Cr Conlan as Chair, and Cr Tapinos and Cr Riley to a Committee to hear any submitters requesting to be heard in support of their written submission.**
4. **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to set the time, date and place of the meeting of the committee to hear submissions in relation to Council's intention to discontinue and sell the road adjoining 50 and 52 Breese Street Brunswick and 665-661 Sydney Road Brunswick.**
5. **Receives a further report outlining any submissions received, including a summary of proceedings of the Hearing of Submissions Committee and presenting a recommendation regarding whether to proceed with the proposal to discontinue the road adjoining 50 and 52 Breese Street, Brunswick and 665-661 Sydney Road, Brunswick.**

8.46 pm Cr Bolton left the meeting during debate.

**Carried**

8.46 pm Cr Bolton returned to the meeting following the vote.

## **7.4 RIGHT OF WAY DISCONTINUANCE AND SALE ADJOINING 133 BRUNSWICK ROAD BRUNSWICK**

### **Executive Summary**

Council issued a Planning Permit for the construction of an aged care centre at 125-131 Brunswick Road, Brunswick. The owners have more recently also purchased the adjoining property at 133 Brunswick Road and have made an application for the discontinuance and sale of an 83m<sup>2</sup> section of road in between these two properties, to assist with a development of the property, shown in blue in Attachment 1.

All the abutting properties are owned by the applicant. This Right of Way is a dead-end road and can only be used for the surrounding properties.

Consultation was undertaken and the subject section of road is considered to be no longer reasonably required for municipal use and is surplus to Council's needs.

On 10 November 2021 Council resolved to commence the procedure for the discontinuance and sale of the subject section of road and public notice of the proposal was given. No submissions were received in response to the public notice process. Accordingly, this report recommends that the right of way (road) be formally discontinued and sold by private treaty to the owners of 133 Brunswick Road, Brunswick in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*, the *Local Government Act 2020* and Council's policy.

### **Officer Recommendation**

That Council:

1. Notes that, following the consultation process undertaken in accordance with section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, no submissions were received to the proposed discontinuance of the road adjoining 133 Brunswick Road, Brunswick, and no objections were received through internal and external referrals.
2. Determines that the road is not reasonably required as a road for public access and discontinues the road in accordance with section 206 and Schedule 10, Clause 3 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.
3. Notes that the discontinuance and sale will not affect any right, power or interest held by Yarra Valley Water Ltd, in the road, in connection with any sewers and pipes, under the control of that authority in or near the road.
4. Publishes a notice of this decision in the Victoria Government Gazette.
5. Sells the land from the road to owners of 133 Brunswick Road, Brunswick by private treaty in accordance with section 206 and Schedule 10, Clause 3 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, section 114 of the *Local Government Act 2020* and Council's Rights of Way Associated Policies 2011 and Rights of Way Strategy 2011.
6. Authorises the Director Place and Environment to execute the Transfer of Land documents and any other documents required to affect the sale of the land.

### **Resolution**

**Cr Panopoulos moved, Cr Pulford seconded -**

That Council:

1. **Notes that, following the consultation process undertaken in accordance with section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, no submissions were received to the proposed discontinuance of the road adjoining 133 Brunswick Road,**

**Brunswick, and no objections were received through internal and external referrals.**

- 2. Determines that the road is not reasonably required as a road for public access and discontinues the road in accordance with section 206 and Schedule 10, Clause 3 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.**
- 3. Notes that the discontinuance and sale will not affect any right, power or interest held by Yarra Valley Water Ltd, in the road, in connection with any sewers and pipes, under the control of that authority in or near the road.**
- 4. Publishes a notice of this decision in the Victoria Government Gazette.**
- 5. Sells the land from the road to owners of 133 Brunswick Road, Brunswick by private treaty in accordance with section 206 and Schedule 10, Clause 3 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, section 114 of the *Local Government Act 2020* and Council's Rights of Way Associated Policies 2011 and Rights of Way Strategy 2011.**
- 6. Authorises the Director Place and Environment to execute the Transfer of Land documents and any other documents required to affect the sale of the land.**

8.46 pm Cr Carli Hannan left the meeting during debate.

**Carried**

## **7.5 MORELAND CITY COUNCIL - SHOPFRONT ACTIVATION PROGRAM**

### **Executive Summary**

Pre-COVID, Moreland was celebrated for its vibrant and successful retail environment, its lively café and music culture and its bustling shopping strips. Across Melbourne, the COVID-19 public health measures mandated by the State Government had a major impact on traders in shopping strips, including a reduction in customer visitation, revenue, stock levels and staff availability. Traders were required to adapt to the changing environment with some businesses closing. As a result, shopping strips experienced reduced foot traffic and the number of vacant shops increased.

At its meeting on 13 October 2021 Council considered a report recommending the reinstatement or continuation of some of the financial relief measures, in response to the continuing pandemic and ongoing lockdowns. As part of this, Council resolved to request a report identifying options to temporarily activate vacant shopfronts, particularly along Sydney Road.

Council already runs a range of programs and activities to support traders and address the issues currently facing businesses in Moreland's shopping strips. The most relevant example is 'More Space', a program where vacant shopfront windows are cleaned of graffiti and filled with bright and colourful 'MoreSpace' branding. Microbusiness products are promoted in window display boxes. Potential sales are created by connecting customers to the microbusiness's online store via a QR code.

This report provides two additional vacant shop activation program options and assesses them against 12 objectives, project cost and an estimate of the number of shops that could be activated. The resource implications of adding an additional program to the suite of existing programs has also been considered.

### **Officer Recommendation**

That Council:

1. Endorses Option 2: *Moreland Vacant Shop Grants Program* as the preferred option to activate vacant shops in Moreland's shopping strips.
2. That the funds required to action this resolution are referred to the 2022/2023 budget process for consideration.

## Resolution

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Endorses Option 2: *Moreland Vacant Shop Grants Program* as the preferred option to activate vacant shops in Moreland's shopping strips.**
2. **Refers the funds required to action this resolution to the 2022/2023 budget process for consideration.**

8.47 pm Cr Davidson left the meeting during debate.

8.49 pm Cr Davidson returned to the meeting during debate.

**Carried unanimously**

*(Cr Carli Hannan was absent)*

Cr Yildiz disclosed a general conflict of interest in the next item 7.6, 2022 Annual and Winter Sports Facilities and Grounds Tenancy Allocations, as he is the number 1 ticket holder for Moreland Zebras.

8.53 pm Cr Yildiz left the meeting.

Cr Carli Hannan disclosed a general conflict of interest in the next item 7.6, 2022 Annual and Winter Sports Facilities and Grounds Tenancy Allocations, as her father, Carlo Carli is the President of Brunswick Zebras. Cr Carli Hannan had already left the meeting at 8.46 pm.

## 7.6 2022 ANNUAL AND WINTER SPORTS FACILITIES AND GROUND TENANCY ALLOCATIONS

### Executive Summary

Council has a strong commitment to providing its community with active sport and recreation opportunities, offering a wide range of sporting facilities and support to residents and visitors to the municipality.

The Moreland sporting community is recovering from interrupted seasons and navigating the many challenges faced throughout the pandemic. Council officers continue to work closely with clubs and associations with a core focus on participation for the Moreland community.

Council's Allocation and Use of Sporting Facilities, Grounds and Pavilions Policy 2016 provides a framework for the annual and seasonal allocation of sporting grounds and pavilions to clubs through a tenancy agreement.

In line with the Policy, facilities are allocated to clubs with sound governance structures, open membership for men, women and juniors, and a demonstrated commitment to social responsibility, including participation in club development programs.

31 annual and seasonal tenancy applications were received from clubs, with an additional application received from an external club seeking a seasonal allocation in Moreland. Unfortunately, the club does not meet the Allocation Policy. If there are grounds that are being underutilised in Moreland, clubs who do not meet the Allocation Policy will have an opportunity to access these grounds as a casual hirer. This report also provides an update on progress of the club's levels in junior and female participation.

## Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Allocates sports grounds and pavilions for the 2022 annual and winter season to the nominated clubs shown in Attachment 1 to this report.
2. Authorises the Director Community to make any changes necessary to the allocation of facilities for the 2022 annual and winter season.
3. Notes any club owing ground and pavilion fees from previous seasons, or owing any other debt to Council, as outlined in Confidential Attachment 2 to this report, will be informed that no ground allocation will be granted until payment is made or a payment plan has been agreed to.
4. Notes clubs must provide all required documentation to Council prior to receiving an allocation of sports grounds and pavilions for the 2022 annual and winter season.

Notes current junior and female participation levels at sports clubs contained within this 2022 Annual and Winter Sports Ground Tenancy Allocations report.

## Resolution

**Cr Bolton moved, Cr Conlan seconded -**

That Council:

1. **Allocates sports grounds and pavilions for the 2022 annual and winter season to the nominated clubs shown in Attachment 1 to this report with the exception of Hosken Reserve EAST sports field, as its future use is to be decided at the April Council meeting, noting that the Pascoe Vale Soccer Club have used this field informally for many years.**
2. **Authorises the Director Community to make any changes necessary to the allocation of facilities for the 2022 annual and winter season.**
3. **Notes any club owing ground and pavilion fees from previous seasons, or owing any other debt to Council, as outlined in Confidential Attachment 2 to this report, will be informed that no ground allocation will be granted until payment is made or a payment plan has been agreed to.**
4. **Notes clubs must provide all required documentation to Council prior to receiving an allocation of sports grounds and pavilions for the 2022 annual and winter season.**
5. **Notes current junior and female participation levels at sports clubs contained within this 2022 Annual and Winter Sports Ground Tenancy Allocations report.**
6. **Requests officers to undertake a review of the Allocations and Use of Sporting Facilities, Grounds and Pavilions Policy (February 2016) for Council consideration in 2022.**

**Carried**

Cr Riley called for a division.

### **For**

Cr Bolton  
Cr Pulford  
Cr Panopoulos  
Cr Conlan  
Cr Riley

**Total For (5)**

### **Against**

Cr Davidson  
Cr Pavlidis  
Cr Tapinos

**Total Against (3)**

9.11 pm Cr Yildiz returned to the meeting.

9.11 pm Cr Carli Hannan returned to the meeting.

## 7.7 REVIEW OF INSTRUMENT OF DELEGATION COUNCIL TO COUNCIL STAFF

### Executive Summary

This report proposes the updated instrument of delegation to Council in accordance with section 11 of the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act).

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. This instrument is 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 reviewed and updated biannually.

### 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 instrument of Delegation:

1. Delegates to the members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the offices or positions referred to in Attachment 1 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 to members of Council staff adopted 13 October 2021 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 instrument of Delegation:**

1. **Delegates to the members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the offices or positions referred to in Attachment 1 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 to members of Council staff adopted 13 October 2021 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 unanimously**

## 7.8 LIVING AND AGEING WELL IN MORELAND – REPORT ON YEAR 2 ACTIONS

### Executive Summary

The Living and Ageing Well in Moreland: An Age Friendly Framework (the Framework) establishes principles and practices which inform relevant, timely and responsive action across all areas of Council to support older people in our municipality. It brings together the key objectives of existing Council policies, plans, strategies and external partnerships, that contribute to improving the health and wellbeing of older people living in Moreland.

The implementation of the Framework is a Council Action Plan item. The Living and Ageing Well in Moreland Year 2 Annual Review shows the actions and achievements from January 2021 to December 2021, against each of the World Health Organisation's Age Friendly Environments of Physical Environment, Social Environment and Municipal Services.

The Year 2 Annual Review reports on the Framework Actions progressed throughout 2021. It does not include Actions that were not progressed in 2021 and which are scheduled for future years.

Council officers continued vital Covid-19 support for older people beyond the Framework's scheduled Actions, particularly in ensuring that Council communications were accessible to the older multicultural community.

Some other projects were limited and delayed by Covid-19, particularly community-facing programs such as *Our Place Moreland*.

### Officer Recommendation

That Council notes the Living and Ageing Well in Moreland: Year 2 Annual Review.

### Resolution

**Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -**

**That Council notes the Living and Ageing Well in Moreland: Year 2 Annual Review.**

9.14 pm Cr Davidson left the meeting during debate.

9.15 pm Cr Davidson returned to the meeting.

**Carried unanimously**

## 7.9 COUNCIL ACTION PLAN 2021-22 - SECOND QUARTER PERFORMANCE REPORT

### Executive Summary

This Second Quarter Performance Report (shown at **Attachment 1**) gives an overview of Council's performance through the delivery of the Council Plan 2021-2025, specifically the delivery of the Council Action Plan 2021-2022.

The status of 119 actions is as follows:

- 6 per cent (7) closed (completed, achieved);
- 87per cent (104) open (on track);
- 6 per cent (7) off track (at risk, support may be needed); and

- 1 per cent (1) withdrawn (on hold or discontinued).

## Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the Council Action Plan 2021-2022 – Second Quarter Performance Report for the period ending 31 December 2021 (provided as Attachment 1).
2. Notes that action 75 *‘Council to adopt principles for design and location of public toilets and then identify and prioritise locations for new and upgraded public toilets as part of planning for community infrastructure, activity centres and open space, leading to an investment plan that feeds into the capital works program’* is withdrawn for 2021/22 delivery and placed on hold as an action for year 3 of the Council Plan.

## Resolution

**Cr Pulford moved, Cr Riley seconded -**

That Council:

1. **Notes the Council Action Plan 2021-2022 – Second Quarter Performance Report for the period ending 31 December 2021 (provided as Attachment 1).**
2. **Notes that action 75 *‘Council to adopt principles for design and location of public toilets and then identify and prioritise locations for new and upgraded public toilets as part of planning for community infrastructure, activity centres and open space, leading to an investment plan that feeds into the capital works program’* is withdrawn for 2021/22 delivery and placed on hold as an action for year 3 of the Council Plan.**

9.16 pm Cr Davidson left the meeting during debate.

**Carried**

## 7.10 2021/22 MID-YEAR FORECAST

This Mid-Year Forecast gives an overview of Council’s Performance through delivery of Financial Management and delivery of the project management program.

Capital works projects are progressing with 39 per cent of total forecast expended to date as at the end of January, while operating projects are tracking at 26 per cent actual expenditure at the end of January.

The impact on both capital and operating projects due to the actions taken in addressing the COVID-19 pandemic are difficult to predict. Estimates from project managers indicate that approximately 13 per cent of capital works projects and 33 per cent of operating projects have a potential impact from COVID-19 that is likely to adversely affect delivery schedules. After a period of relative improvement, the COVID environment again became volatile with the arrival of the omicron variant towards the end of the year. The situation will need to be monitored on an ongoing basis as the year progresses.

A detailed financial review was undertaken across the organisation at the end of December 2021 to form the 2021/22 Mid-Year Forecast. This process provided the opportunity to review the financial performance to date and reallocate available financial resources to reduce the financial impact of COVID-19. The results of this review are included in this report as the Full Year Revised Forecast.

The forecast has been developed in an unprecedented and rapidly changing environment following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. At the time of preparing this report, Council is anticipating to incur \$1.0 million of COVID related expenditure by the end of the



financial year, primarily for security, cleaning and communications. No further material changes are expected, however this may change in the event of future restrictions.

The Full Year Revised Forecast is a favourable movement of \$2.3 million in Council's underlying result from the Q1 surplus of \$14.7 million to a surplus of \$17.1 million. This result is important, as it measures Council's ability to generate a surplus in the ordinary course of business – excluding capital grants and other contributions to fund expenditure from the net result. Currently, the Full Year Revised Forecast is an increase in the underlying result which suggests that an improvement in the operating position. This is primarily due to an increase in income. The financial impact of the pandemic has been softened by the agile response to realign priorities, providing support to the community.

After reviewing the Capital Expenditure program, there is an increase to the 2021/22 Q1 forecast of \$0.4 million.

## **Officer Recommendation**

That Council:

1. Notes the 2021/22 Mid-Year Forecast for the period ending 31 December 2021, including Financial Plan performance and Project Management performance.
2. Notes the status of the program of capital and operating projects for 2021/22.
3. Notes the increase to the full-year forecast for operating income of \$3.8 million arising from the 2021/22 Mid-Year Forecast.
4. Endorses the full-year forecast Capital Expenditure of \$74.5 million, arising from the 2021/22 Mid-Year Forecast.
5. Carries forward the following capital project funding to the 2022/23 Capital Expenditure program.
  - a) O'Hea St Bike Path Extension - Sussex to Irvine St - \$650,000;
  - b) De Carle Street: from The Grove to Rennie, Coburg - \$450,780;
  - c) De Carle Street: from The Avenue to The Grove, Coburg - \$445,000;
  - d) Park Close to Home – Frith Street - \$372,119;
  - e) De Carle Street Protected Bike Lanes: The Avenue to Moreland Rd, Coburg - \$250,000;
  - f) Merri Trail – Flood Mitigation – Bridge to Darebin - \$190,000;
  - g) Park Close to Home – 260 Sydney Road - \$185,000;
  - h) Hosken Reserve – Soccer/Football Pavilion - \$160,991;
  - i) MITS road renewal improvement outcomes - \$135,000;
  - j) Merri Trail Upgrade – Bowden Reserve - \$60,000; and
  - k) Merri Creek Trail Access and Safety Upgrades - \$30,000.
6. Brings forward the following capital project funding to the 2021/22 Capital Expenditure program.
  - a) Harding St Bridge – Design Stage - \$147,370.
7. Notes the Financial Management Report for the period ending January 2022.

## **Resolution**

**Cr Riley moved, Cr Conlan seconded -**

**That Council:**

1. Notes the 2021/22 Mid-Year Forecast for the period ending 31 December 2021, including Financial Plan performance and Project Management performance.
2. Notes the status of the program of capital and operating projects for 2021/22.
3. Notes the increase to the full-year forecast for operating income of \$3.8 million arising from the 2021/22 Mid-Year Forecast.
4. Endorses the full-year forecast Capital Expenditure of \$74.5 million, arising from the 2021/22 Mid-Year Forecast.
5. Carries forward the following capital project funding to the 2022/23 Capital Expenditure program.
  - a) O'Hea St Bike Path Extension - Sussex to Irvine St - \$650,000;
  - b) De Carle Street: from The Grove to Rennie, Coburg - \$450,780;
  - c) De Carle Street: from The Avenue to The Grove, Coburg - \$445,000;
  - d) Park Close to Home – Frith Street - \$372,119;
  - e) De Carle Street Protected Bike Lanes: The Avenue to Moreland Rd, Coburg - \$250,000;
  - f) Merri Trail – Flood Mitigation – Bridge to Darebin - \$190,000;
  - g) Park Close to Home – 260 Sydney Road - \$185,000;
  - h) Hosken Reserve – Soccer/Football Pavilion - \$160,991;
  - i) MITS road renewal improvement outcomes - \$135,000;
  - j) Merri Trail Upgrade – Bowden Reserve - \$60,000; and
  - k) Merri Creek Trail Access and Safety Upgrades - \$30,000.
6. Brings forward the following capital project funding to the 2021/22 Capital Expenditure program.
  - a) Harding St Bridge – Design Stage - \$147,370.
7. Notes the Financial Management Report for the period ending January 2022.

**Carried**

Cr Carli Hannan disclosed a general conflict of interest in the next item 7.11 Contract RFT-2021-150 Sumner Park Pavilion Refurbishment as Sumner Park is the Brunswick Zebras home ground and her father, Carlo Carli is the President of the Club.

9.19 pm Cr Carli Hannan left the meeting.

9.19 pm Cr Davidson returned to the meeting.

## **7.11 CONTRACT RFT-2021-150 SUMNER PARK PAVILION REFURBISHMENT**

### **Executive Summary**

Council endorsed the project scope for the Sumner Park pavilion refurbishment with a project budget of \$1,057,500.00 including confirmed grant funding.

A public Request for Tender (RFT) was issued on 6 November 2021 and closed on 24 December 2021. Five compliant submissions were received.

The tender review has been concluded with a recommendation agreed by the Tender Evaluation Panel on a preferred contractor.

This report provides recommendation on the appointment of the preferred contractor for the construction of the Sumner Park pavilion refurbishment Project and the allocation of construction contingencies.

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

## **Officer Recommendation**

That Council:

1. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:
  - a) Make a formal offer to Construction and Building Design Pty Ltd ABN 39 125 786 914 (Contractor) to award to the Contractor contract RFT-2021-150 for the Sumner Park Pavilion Refurbishment Project (Contract) on the following terms and otherwise subject to and in accordance with paragraph 1(b) of this Resolution:
    - i. For a fixed lump sum of \$900,985.43 (excluding GST) for Contract RFT-2021-150.
    - ii. Allocate a 6 per cent contingency of \$54,059.12 (excluding GST) for Contract RFT-2021-150 for unforeseeable variations that may arise during construction and bringing the total expenditure approval for Contract RFT-2021-150 to \$955,044.55 (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 Chief Executive Officer.
2. Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:
  - a) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract; and
  - b) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.

## **Resolution**

**Cr Bolton moved, Cr Riley seconded -**

**That Council:**

1. **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:**
  - a) **Make a formal offer to Construction and Building Design Pty Ltd ABN 39 125 786 914 (Contractor) to award to the Contractor contract RFT-2021-150 for the Sumner Park Pavilion Refurbishment Project (Contract) on the following terms and otherwise subject to and in accordance with paragraph 1(b) of this Resolution:**
    - i. **For a fixed lump sum of \$900,985.43 (excluding GST) for Contract RFT-2021-150.**
    - ii. **Allocate a 6 per cent contingency of \$54,059.12 (excluding GST) for Contract RFT-2021-150 for unforeseeable variations that may arise during construction and bringing the total expenditure approval for Contract RFT-2021-150 to \$955,044.55 (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 Chief Executive Officer.
2. Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:
- a) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract; and
  - b) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.

Carried

9.22 pm Cr Carli Hannan returned to the meeting.

9.22 pm Cr Pulford left the meeting.

## 7.12 GOVERNANCE REPORT - MARCH 2022 - 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 the 9 February 2022 Council meeting, with a recommendation that Council notes the responses.
- Proposed topics and nominations for Councillors to attend, the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly in June 2022.

### Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the Records of Meetings, at Attachment 1 to this report.
2. Notes responses to questions taken on notice during Public Question Time at the February 2022 Council meeting, at Attachment 2 to this report.
3. Endorses motions for submission to the 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government
4. Approves interstate travel for Cr/s \_\_\_\_\_ to represent Council at the 2022 National General Assembly of Local Governments in Canberra from 19 to 22 June 2022, noting the travel, accommodation and registration expenses will be met from the Mayor and Councillor Support budget.
5. Notes the Chief Executive Officer will also travel to Canberra to attend the 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government to be held from 19 to 22 June 2022 and the travel, accommodation and registration expenses will be met from the annual budget.

### Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

**That Council:**

- 1. Notes the Records of Meetings, at Attachment 1 to this report.**
- 2. Notes responses to questions taken on notice during Public Question Time at the February 2022 Council meeting, at Attachment 2 to this report.**
- 3. Endorses the following motions for submission to the 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government:**
  - a) The National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to acknowledge the harm that gambling does across the country, the role that local government has in managing the impact of gambling harm on local communities and take practical action to minimise gambling harm, specifically:**
    - Ban all forms of gambling advertisements on broadcast and online platforms during live sports events.**
    - Establish and implement a national fund to invest in local community-based responses to gambling harm, such as the successful Libraries After Dark program in Victoria.**
    - Establish a national community divestment fund to assist local sporting clubs and community groups to transition away from electronic gambling machines as an income stream.**
  - b) The National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to progress City Deals to achieve its Smart Cities Plan, to drive national priorities tailored to local needs, develop plans for growth and commit to the actions, investments, reforms, and governance required. Specifically, we call on the Federal Government to:**
    - Continue to support development and signing of City Deals across the nation, including to sign the North and West Melbourne City Deal to respond to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, unlock employment and economic development opportunities for the region that is home to 1 in 12 Australians, help create 300,000 new jobs and reboot business, boost social and economic inclusion, and leverage the region's existing strengths in health, food production, manufacturing and logistics.**
  - c) The National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to: invest in building the capacity of local government to work with older people to create better communities for people to grow old in. Specifically:**
    - Invest in local governments to build and maintain age-friendly municipalities that people can and want to grow old in and that older people can and want to participate in.**
    - Recognise local government's role in supporting older people to live independently in their homes for as long as they can.**
    - Ensure the reformed Support At Home funding program is simple, streamlined, agency friendly and client oriented.**
    - Adopt a national positive ageing and wellbeing platform that local governments can support, adopt, and tailor to their community (ageism being the most acceptable form of discrimination in Australia).**
    - Expand the support for provided Informal Carers and explore how local government can promote access to this.**

- Invest in the older persons care and support workforce – across all roles, disciplines, agencies and environments – so that people from various backgrounds want to work in it, want to stay in it and can move around in it and are supported.
  - Fund digital access and equity for older people.
4. **Seconds the following motions as proposed by Darebin City Council for submission to the 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government as follows:**
- a) **The National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to:**
- Increase investment to support Australia’s transition to a circular economy in order to reduce waste, improve the recovery of precious resources, and create new jobs.
  - Turn off the ‘tap’ of waste by requiring and creating incentives for higher use of recycled materials and by phasing out problematic and unnecessary waste.
  - Expand the product stewardship schemes and introduce a new materials levy to drive industry change.
  - Ban the import and production of hard-to-recycle materials (except for essential needs such as some medical uses).
  - Co-invest in new major regional waste facilities to help attract and build new markets.
  - Prioritise job creation and industry transition through the circular economy as part of COVID-19 recovery efforts.
  - Fund technology and research that leads to an advanced domestic circular economy sector and positions Australia as a leading expert in this new economic sector.
  - Partner with Local Government to help guide and inform Federal policy and investment decisions around supporting circular economy, recycling, product packaging and waste reform opportunities.
- b) **The National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to:**
- Develop a National Cultural Plan to support the short, medium and long term needs of the creative and cultural sectors.
  - Partner with Local Government to develop a Creative Sector Federal Investment Strategy that directly invests in local creative and cultural industries as part of immediate COVID-19 recovery efforts.
  - Expand eligibility and scale of existing Federal Government Creative COVID-19 support programs, including the Restart Investment to Sustain and Expand (RISE) Fund, to continue providing increased support for more local artists, festivals, concerts, tours, exhibitions, visual, digital, creative and cultural organisations.
  - Expand representation of the Federal Government’s COVID-19 Creative.
  - Economy Taskforce, by providing a seat at the table and representation for the Local Government Sector.
  - Prioritise new COVID-19 creative sector support investment towards sustaining and helping our most vulnerable artistic and

cultural community cohorts, including Aboriginal, multicultural, newly arrived, women and young creatives.

- Ensure local government is directly provided with a fair and equitable share of new funding and resources to supporting local and regional creative activities, festivals, events and organisations.

5. Approves interstate travel for Councillor Riley, Councillor Yildiz, Councillor Davidson and Councillor Pavlidis to represent Council at the 2022 National General Assembly of Local Governments in Canberra from 19 to 22 June 2022, noting the travel, accommodation and registration expenses will be met from the Mayor and Councillor Support budget.
6. Notes the Chief Executive Officer will also travel to Canberra to attend the 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government to be held from 19 to 22 June 2022 and the travel, accommodation and registration expenses will be met from the annual budget.

9.23 pm Cr Pulford returned to the meeting during debate.

**Carried**

Cr Riley called for a division.

**For**

Cr Davidson  
Cr Yildiz  
Cr Pulford  
Cr Panopoulos  
Cr Pavlidis  
Cr Conlan  
Cr Carli Hannan  
Cr Riley  
Cr Tapinos  
**Total For (9)**

**Against**

Cr Bolton

**Total Against (1)**

## NOTICES OF MOTION

### 8.1 ADVOCACY FOR THE REFUGEES DETAINED IN THE PARK HOTEL

#### Motion

That Council:

1. Advocates for the refugees and asylum seekers brought to onshore detention through medical evacuation (Medevac), approximately 30 of whom are currently held in the Park Hotel in inner Melbourne for what appears as an indefinite period.
2. Authorises the Mayor to write to all Victorian members of the Senate and House of Representative, and the Minister for Immigration, Citizenship, Migrant Services and Multicultural Affairs requesting urgent humanitarian settlement of these men who seek sanctuary and a safe home in Australia.
3. Given the City's status as a Refugee Welcome Zone, works with other stakeholders to settle those refugees and asylum seekers in Moreland, as soon as possible after leaving detention.

#### Resolution

**Cr Panopoulos moved, Cr Conlan seconded -**

**That Council:**

1. **Advocates for the refugees and asylum seekers brought to onshore detention through medical evacuation (Medevac), approximately 30 of whom are currently held in the Park Hotel in inner Melbourne for what appears as an indefinite period.**
2. **Authorises the Mayor to write to all Victorian members of the Senate and House of Representative, and the Minister for Immigration, Citizenship, Migrant Services and Multicultural Affairs requesting urgent humanitarian settlement of these men who seek sanctuary and a safe home in Australia.**
3. **Given the City's status as a Refugee Welcome Zone, works with other stakeholders to settle those refugees and asylum seekers in Moreland, as soon as possible after leaving detention.**
4. **Contact Hobart council to discuss ways to collaborate to build pressure for the release of refugees from detention.**

9.28 pm Cr Carli Hannan left the meeting during debate.

9.31 pm Cr Davidson left the meeting during debate.

9.31 pm Cr Carli Hannan returned to the meeting during debate.

**Carried**

## **8.2 MORELAND TOY LIBRARY**

### **Motion**

That Council:

1. Notes the important role of the Moreland Toy Library to assist parents who can't afford expensive toys and that its purpose of "Borrow, don't buy" children's toys assist the council in its goal of zero waste to landfill.
2. Notes the financial difficulties incurred by the Moreland Toy Library during the Covid-19 crisis.
3. Receives a report with recommendations on how the Council can further assist the Moreland Toy Library with consideration of short-term and long-term assistance, including:
  - peppercorn rent for the Moreland Toy Library;
  - funding options outside the 3-year grants program;
  - assistance with promotion of the Moreland Toy Library, with a recognition of the Moreland Toy Library as part of the council's Waste reduction strategy; and
  - longer-term plans for a more suitable Brunswick site.

That the report be received in time to refer any funding needed to the 2022-23 council budget process.

### **Resolution**

**Cr Bolton moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -**

**That Council:**

1. **Notes the important role of the Moreland Toy Library to assist parents who can't afford expensive toys and that its purpose of "Borrow, don't buy" children's toys assist the council in its goal of zero waste to landfill.**
2. **Notes the financial difficulties incurred by the Moreland Toy Library during the Covid-19 crisis.**



3. **Receives a report with recommendations on how the Council can further assist the Moreland Toy Library with consideration of short-term and long-term assistance, including:**
  - **peppercorn rent for the Moreland Toy Library;**
  - **funding options outside the 3-year grants program;**
  - **assistance with promotion of the Moreland Toy Library, with a recognition of the Moreland Toy Library as part of the council's Waste reduction strategy; and**
  - **longer-term plans for a more suitable Brunswick site.**
4. **That the report be received in time to refer any funding needed to the 2022-23 council budget process.**

9.34 pm *Cr Pavlidis left the meeting during debate.*

9.36 pm *Cr Pavlidis returned to the meeting during debate.*

9.38 pm *Cr Davidson returned to the meeting during debate.*

**Carried unanimously**

### **8.3 UPGRADE OF SPORTSFIELD LIGHTING JP FAWKNER EAST RESERVE**

#### **Motion**

That Council:

Refers \$185,000 towards JP Fawkner East Reserve to the 2022/2023 CAPEX budget for the Upgrade of Sportsfield Lighting (LED 100 Lux) to meet compliance with the relevant recommendations in Australian Standard AS2560 on the basis that the funding application is unsuccessful.

#### **Resolution**

**Cr Yildiz moved, Cr Davidson seconded -**

**That Council:**

**Refers \$185,000 towards JP Fawkner East Reserve to the 2022/2023 CAPEX budget for the Upgrade of Sportsfield Lighting (LED 100 Lux) to meet compliance with the relevant recommendations in Australian Standard AS2560 on the basis that the funding application is unsuccessful.**

**Carried unanimously**

### **8.4 COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR MORELAND FOOD RELIEF INITIATIVES**

#### **Motion**

That Council:

1. Notes the important role of the community-initiated emergency food relief services such as Nourishing Neighbours and the Muslim Women's Council of Victoria which filled a gap left by other services.
2. Notes that state government funding for councils to provide Covid-19 relief is due to run out in the next few months. Therefore, Moreland council will:

- a) initiate a discussion with Nourishing Neighbours, the Muslim Women’s Council of Victoria and any similar organisations about how the council and the state government could better support these services. Such support could include direct funding, assistance with venues to operate from, assistance with accessing grants, and assistance with developing partnerships, as well as potential joint support from Moreland and Hume councils.
- b) receive a report at the May Council meeting with recommendations on how to better support community-run emergency food relief services in Moreland such as Nourishing Neighbours and the Muslim Women’s Council of Victoria.

## **Resolution**

**Cr Bolton moved, Cr Pulford seconded -**

**That Council:**

- 1. Notes the important role of the community-initiated emergency food relief services such as Nourishing Neighbours and the Muslim Women’s Council of Victoria which filled a gap left by other services.**
- 2. Notes that state government funding for councils to provide Covid-19 relief is due to run out in the next few months. Therefore, Moreland council will:**
  - a) initiate a discussion with Nourishing Neighbours, the Muslim Women’s Council of Victoria and any similar organisations about how the council and the state government could better support these services. Such support could include direct funding, assistance with venues to operate from, assistance with accessing grants, and assistance with developing partnerships, as well as potential joint support from Moreland and Hume councils.**
  - b) receive a report at the May Council meeting with recommendations on how to better support community-run emergency food relief services in Moreland such as Nourishing Neighbours and the Muslim Women’s Council of Victoria.**

**Carried unanimously**

## **8.5 STRATEGIC LAND ACQUISITION**

### **Motion**

**That Council:**

**Resolves to establish a strategic land acquisition strategy to identify and guide the purchase of land acquisition to meet the future services, facilitates and open space needs of a growing population.**

### **Resolution**

**Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Conlan seconded -**

**That Council:**

**Resolves to establish a strategic land acquisition strategy to identify and guide the purchase of land acquisition to meet the future services, facilitates and open space needs of a growing population.**

**Carried unanimously**

## 8.6 DOGS AND MOONEE PONDS CREEK

### Motion

That Council:

1. Includes the on-leash designation of the creek corridor between Brady Reserve and the southern municipal border in Brunswick in the 2023 review of dog off leash and on leash areas as part of the Open Space Strategy and in the interim places a hold on the installation of any new signs until the designation of the zone is determined.

### Resolution

**Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Davidson seconded -**

That Council:

1. **Includes the on-leash designation of the creek corridor between Brady Reserve and the southern municipal border in Brunswick in the 2023 review of dog off leash and on leash areas as part of the Open Space Strategy and in the interim places a hold on the installation of any new signs until the designation of the zone is determined.**

**Carried unanimously**

## NOTICE OF RESCISSION

Nil.

## FORESHADOWED ITEMS

Nil.

## URGENT BUSINESS REPORTS

Nil.

## CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

### Resolution

**Cr Davidson moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –**

**In accordance with section 66(1) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, this Council meeting be closed to the public to consider this/these report(s):**

- **Tender Recommendations for Contract 2021-203 Management of Councils Aquatic and Leisure Centres because it relates to Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released.**

**Carried**

The Council meeting closed to the public at 9.54 pm.

## **OPENING THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

### **Resolution**

**Cr Conlan moved, Cr Bolton seconded –**

**The Council meeting be opened to the public.**

**Carried**

The Council meeting opened to the public at 10.07pm.

The Council meeting closed at 10.07pm.

Confirmed

Cr Mark Riley  
**MAYOR**