

Agenda

Special Meeting of Council

Monday, 14th October 2019

Commencing at 7.00pm

Council Chamber
1230 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham

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Julie Reid
Chief Executive Officer
Kingston City Council

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Notice is given that a Special Meeting of Kingston City Council will be held at 7.00pm at Council Chamber, 1230 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham, on Monday, 14 October 2019.

1. Apologies

2. Foreshadowed Declaration by Councillors, Officers or Contractors of any Conflict of Interest

Note that any Conflicts of Interest need to be formally declared at the start of the meeting and immediately prior to the item being considered – type and nature of interest is required to be disclosed – if disclosed in writing to the CEO prior to the meeting only the type of interest needs to be disclosed prior to the item being considered.

3. Notices of Motion

3.1 Notice of Motion No. 47/2019 - Cr Hua - Kingswood Golf Course 5

4. Confidential Items

Nil

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Agenda Item No: 3.1

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 47/2019 - CR HUA - KINGSWOOD GOLF COURSE

In light of the recent moon scaping and destruction of vegetation on the Kingswood Golf Course, I move that:

1. An urgent investigation be undertaken to find out why council's policy requiring controversial application to be scrutinised by Council was not a trigger for the permit application by Australian Super / ISPT, which was issued under officer delegation without notifying the Councillors.
2. Council immediately instructs officers to
 - a. inspect the Kingswood site to ensure compliance with the permit including trees and vegetation removal
 - b. discover the impact of the use of toxic pesticides particularly given the Kingswood site is in close proximity to residential homes
 - c. make sure dust suppression measures are put in place immediately and if in place, whether they are being adhered to.
 - d. issue any stop work orders if necessary as well as any remediation works orders which may be required.
3. Council officers conduct regular inspections to ensure that flora and fauna are protected until such time as the final decision has been made by the Minister as to the rezoning application of the site.
 - a. That Councillors and up to 5 community members also be afforded an opportunity to inspect the site along.
4. That Kingston Council commission Dr. Jeff Yugovic, or if unavailable, an expert ecologist of comparable experience, to assess the biodiversity of golf courses in the Kingston municipality, beginning with the Kingswood Golf Course. Consideration should be given to the possibility of including golf courses as Kingston Natural Resource Areas.
5. The commissioned work will assess any threats to biodiversity including the recent actions of ISPT and Australian Super on the Kingswood site, and report as to how Council and other levels of government may protect flora and fauna, particularly those native to Australia.
6. Further, consideration should be given to the fact that the Kingswood Golf Course directly abuts the Kingston Green Wedge and the Kingston Chain of Parks which would benefit from the protection of biodiversity on the Kingswood Golf Course.
7. And lastly, any provisions in the Kingston Biodiversity Strategy including actions, which could be used to aid this assessment, be enacted forthwith.

Cr George Hua

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