

# Minutes

## Ordinary Meeting of Council

Monday, 22nd August 2016

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Ordinary Meeting of Council**

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The meeting commenced at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber, 1230 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham.

**Present:** Cr Tamsin Bearsley (Mayor)  
Cr Tamara Barth  
Cr Ron Brownlees OAM  
Cr David Eden  
Cr Geoff Gledhill  
Cr Paul Peulich  
Cr John Ronke  
Cr Steve Staikos  
Cr Rosemary West OAM

**In Attendance:** John Nevins, Chief Executive Officer  
Mauro Bolin, General Manager Community Sustainability  
Paul Franklin, General Manager Corporate Services  
Daniel Freer, General Manager City Assets and Environment  
Ian Nice, Acting General Manager Planning and Development  
Paul Marsden, Manager City Strategy  
Caroline Reidy, Manager Finance & Corporate Performance  
Tracey Cheeseman, Media Advisor  
Phil De Losa, Manager Governance  
Gabrielle Pattenden, Governance Administration Officer  
Lindsay Holland, Facilities Officer

**1. Apologies**

There were no apologies submitted to the meeting.

**2. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**Moved: Cr Gledhill**

**Seconded: Cr Brownlees**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 25 July 2016, the Special Meeting of Council held on 1 August 2016 and the Special Meeting of Council held on 8 August 2016 be confirmed.

**Amendment**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 25 July 2016, the Special Meeting of Council held on 1 August 2016 and the Special Meeting of Council held on 8 August 2016 be confirmed except for the confidential minutes to be considered in the confidential part of the meeting.

**The Amendment LAPSED for the want of a Seconder  
The Substantive Motion was put and CARRIED**

**A Division was Called:**

**DIVISION:**

**FOR:** Crs Ronke, Brownlees, Staikos, West, Bearsley, Gledhill, Eden and Barth (8)

**AGAINST:** Cr Peulich (1)

**CARRIED**

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**Procedural Motion**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

That the meeting dissent from the Chairperson's ruling regarding the point of order taken by Cr Peulich in relation to debate being denied on the item.

**The Motion LAPSED for want of a Seconder**

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

There were no Conflicts of Interest submitted to the meeting.

**4. Petitions**

There were no petitions tabled.

**5. Presentation of Awards**

There were no awards presented.

**6. Reports from Delegates Appointed by Council to Various Organisations**

Cr West reported on the MAV Environment Conference

**Moved: Cr West**

**Seconded: Cr Brownlees**

That the delegate's report be received and that the presentation from Cr West be included in the minutes of the meeting.

**CARRIED**

**A Division was Called:**

**DIVISION:**

**FOR:** Crs Ronke, Brownlees, Staikos, West, Bearsley, Gledhill, Eden and Barth (8)

**AGAINST:** Cr Peulich (1)

**CARRIED**

**Block Resolution**

**Moved: Cr Gledhill**

**Seconded: Cr Ronke**

That the following items be block resolved and that the recommendations in each item be adopted:

- 9.1 Community Grants Program 2016-2017 - Irregular Grant Application
- 9.2 Community Grants Program 2016-2017 - Irregular Grant Application
- 9.3 Update on Edithvale Life Saving Club
- 9.4 Interfaith Network Committee Membership
- 9.5 Award of Contract 16-65 - Construction of Chelsea Kindergarten and Refurbishment of Chelsea Heights Kindergarten
- 10.3 Contract No. 16/14 - Signs and Street Furniture Maintenance
- 10.4 Contract No. 16/56 - Thames Promenade, Chelsea (Scotch Parade to Mulkarra Drive) Road Reconstruction
- 11.4 Youth Advisory Committee Member Appointments

**CARRIED**

**7. Planning and Development Reports**

**8.1 Lot 1 Victory Road, Clarinda**

It is recorded that Kerry Scanlon spoke on behalf of the objectors.

It is recorded that Meldina Klehic spoke on behalf of the applicant.

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

**Seconded: Cr West**

That prior to any resolution on this matter, Council receive advice in order to facilitate a negotiation consisting of the following parties – landowners, Cleanaway and the Council.

**LOST**

**A Division was Called:**

**DIVISION:**

**FOR:** Crs Brownlees, Peulich, West and Gledhill (4)

**AGAINST:** Crs Staikos, Bearsley and Barth (3)

**ABSTAINED:** Crs Ronke and Eden (2)

**LOST**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

**Seconded: Cr West**

That consideration of this matter be deferred to a Special Meeting of Council on 12 September 2016.

**CARRIED**

**8.2 Business and Economic Development Advisory Committee Advocacy Request**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

**Seconded: Cr Gledhill**

That Council:

1. Note the letter that was sent to the Minister for Public Transport on behalf of the South East Melbourne Group of Councils.
2. Determine that a separate letter from Kingston Council is no longer required.
3. Advise the Business and Economic Development Advisory Committee of this outcome.

Cr Eden left the meeting at 7:47 pm.

Cr Eden returned to the meeting at 7:49 pm.

**CARRIED**

**8.3 Response to Notice of Motion No.15/2016 - Planning Policy (Parking and Rear setbacks)**

**Moved: Cr Brownlees**

**Seconded: Cr Gledhill**

That Council:

1. Receive the officer's report in response to Notice of Motion No 15/2016.
2. Note that in accordance with Council's resolution at its Ordinary Meeting on 22 February 2016, officers have allocated budget and resources in the 2016/17 financial year to review its Neighbourhood Character Study and Housing Strategy following the release of the *Managing Residential Development Advisory Committee's* report.
3. Instruct officers to include in the formulation of the briefs for the work identified in recommendation 2, a traffic and transport component that considers the application of a car parking overlay for strategic areas of Kingston that require at least one (1) car parking space for each bedroom in new multi-unit developments and the possibility of requiring a 5 metre setback at the rear of new multi-unit developments.

**CARRIED**

**8. Question Time**

Question Time was held at 8.15pm. Refer to page 9 of the Minutes.

Cr Brownlees left the meeting at 8:15pm.

**9. Community Sustainability Reports**

**9.1 Community Grants Program 2016-2017 - Irregular Grant Application**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Approves an Irregular Grants funding allocation of \$1,000 to Parkdale Mordialloc Combined Pensioners Association for its 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration trip to Lakes Entrance.

**Note:** Refer to page 5 of the Minutes where this item was block resolved

**9.2 Community Grants Program 2016-2017 - Irregular Grant Application**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Approves the Irregular Grants funding allocation of \$1,000 to Kingston Heath Primary School for the establishment of comparative testing and demonstration Wicking Vegetable Beds.

**Note:** Refer to page 5 of the Minutes where this item was block resolved

**9.3 Update on Edithvale Life Saving Club**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Work with the Club to further develop designs for a new building;
2. Notes that formal confirmation has been received from Life Saving Victoria (LSV) advising that \$1.5M is available to assist with funding a new Edithvale Life Saving Club facility; and
3. Approves a matched funding contribution from Council of \$1.5M as outlined in this report, to support the development of a new Life Saving Club building on the Edithvale foreshore and authorizes officers to make the requisite adjustments to Council's Forward Capital Plan to facilitate this.

**Note:** Refer to page 5 of the Minutes where this item was block resolved

**9.4 Interfaith Network Committee Membership**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Approves the Interfaith Network Committee's recommendation of co-opted members as detailed in this report for the period ending June 2017.

**Note:** Refer to page 5 of the Minutes where this item was block resolved

**9.5 Award of Contract 16-65 - Construction of Chelsea Kindergarten and Refurbishment of Chelsea Heights Kindergarten**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Award Contract 16/65 – Construction of Chelsea Kindergarten and Refurbishment of the Chelsea Heights Kindergarten for the adjusted lump sum price of \$2,556,656.00 (exclusive of GST), to Cellstruct Building Group.
2. Note: the tender evaluation matrix for Contract 16/65 as contained within the confidential attachment on Appendix 1 demonstrating the criteria for assessing and recommending the successful Tenderer.
3. Note: the breakdown of the total anticipated project expenditure, as contained within confidential attachments of Appendix 2 of this report.



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4. Approve the funding allocation/s from within the Forward Capital Works Program as presented within confidential attachments of Appendix 2 of this report.
5. Approve the allocation of a separate contingency allowance, as contained within confidential attachments Appendix 2 of this report, and delegate authority to the Manager Community Buildings to expend this allowance in order to expedite the successful implementation of the contract.
6. Receive a report by Officers to consider future options regarding the existing Chelsea Kindergarten facility located on the corner of Catherine & Beardsworth Avenues, Chelsea, when it has been vacated.

**Note:** Refer to page 5 of the Minutes where this item was block resolved

**Question Time**

Question Time was held at 8.15pm

**Question 1**

**Gillian Lelah of Moorabbin asked,**

*"In tonight's agenda (10.2 page 200) in relation to the gaming venue at the Regional Sports Centre proposed by the St Kilda Football Club, Council states, "Whilst gaming is not encouraged by Council, it is recognised that it currently provides important revenue for the Club, that is not currently able to be replaced by alternate fund raising revenues." Why should Council be shoring up St Kilda at the expense of the Kingston community, where losses to EGMs are \$228,693 daily, yes nearly \$1/4 million daily, with problem gamblers accounting for 40% of this. If it was a small community group struggling for survival I could maybe understand, but St Kilda is, to all intents and purposes, a business being underwritten by the AFL, which has very deep pockets.*

**Question 2**

**Gillian Lelah of Moorabbin asked,**

*"Professor Paul Delfabbro's research findings are that "18-24 year olds spend more on the pokies than any other age group and many problem gamblers report having developed problems in their teenage years." His other findings are "that 3 in 4 problem gamblers have problems with poker machines." When will Kingston Council realise and acknowledge that St Kilda's new pokie venue (planned to be integrated with the bar and in the face of the young people, thousands who will access this development) is not in an appropriate location, and other options such as, upstairs, in a standalone building on site or even another site, need to be considered?"*

**The CEO provided the following responses to Questions 1 and 2,**

*The gaming machines at St Kilda have been there for many years, and under the existing lease would be there for in the order of 28 years. The lease amount proposed in the report is consistent with Council's current policy position and application of fees at like-Council venues where there are gaming machines. Council in its discussions with St Kilda has conveyed that is highly desirable for the gaming machines to be relocated from the Moorabbin site. St Kilda, in discussions has agreed in principle that it would like to move away from poker machines but at this point in time is unable to.*

*In the project working group other locations were looked at in terms of where the gaming machines could be located.*

**Question 3**

**Gillian Lelah of Moorabbin asked,**

*“The current pokie venue attracts very few younger people, in fact very few people at all, being ‘rundown and dilapidated,’ whereas its proposed location in the new Centre described by the Saints as ‘revitalised hub for the local community’ and ‘the beating heart of Moorabbin’ visited by up to 15,000 children and young people and close to the function room, will no doubt result in considerably increased patronage of the gaming venue, increased revenue for St Kilda and an increase in the daily losses to EGMs in the City of Kingston, currently nearly \$1/4 million daily. Does this concern Council?”*

**The CEO provided the following response,**

*“Council is concerned and has been an advocate in the past on gaming losses associated with EGMs. The project has been designed in accordance with the best practice guidelines for gaming facilities, which seeks to minimise the impact on young people particularly. The operation of the facility will be required to be undertaken within the requirements of the Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Control Commission Regulations.”*

**Question 4**

**Stephen Campbell asked,**

*“How can Council justify a rates notice increase of approximately 66% in a five year period for a single swelling family home? CPI and my salary have not increased by anywhere near that.”*

**Note:** In accordance with clause 18(4) of the Meeting Procedures Local Law, this question will be responded to in writing as the questioner was not present in the gallery.

**10. City Assets and Environment Reports**

**10.1 Indoor Sports Stadiums**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

**Seconded: Cr Gledhill**

That consideration of this item be deferred and referred to the Sport and Recreation Advisory Committee for further discussion.

Cr Brownlees returned to the meeting at 8:20 pm.

**LOST**

**Moved: Cr Eden**

**Seconded: Cr West**

That Council:

1. Receive an update report on the feasibility planning for the proposed development of additional indoor courts at the Mordialloc Secondary College no later than the 31 March 2017;
2. Receive a further report prioritising opportunities to develop indoor stadium facilities within the City no later than the 31 May 2017; and
3. Write to the Minister for Sport and Recreation highlighting the need for additional

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indoor sports stadiums within the City of Kingston and express an interest to make a future application to the State Government for funding support to develop indoor court facilities.

**CARRIED**

**10.2 Submissions Regarding the Proposed Lease of Council Land - Moorabbin Reserve**

**Moved: Cr Gledhill**

**Seconded: Cr Brownlees**

That Council:

1. Resolves to Lease to St Kilda Football Club on the following terms:  
Term – 50 Years (25 + 25)
  - Commencing rent of \$81,905 being made up as follows:
    - Land Rent \$5,350;
    - Building Rent \$8,000 (being \$50,000 discounted by 84% per annum for the first 10 years;
    - Gaming Rent which would currently be \$48,555 (based on 83 gaming machines at \$585 per machine); and
    - Liquor Rent which would be \$20,000 (based on 2% of bar sales projected to be \$1M turnover per annum).
2. That the landscape plan for Moorabbin Reserve be subject to formal approval at a subsequent meeting of Council
3. That all submitters be advised in writing of the decision of Council.

Cr Staikos left the meeting at 8:55pm.

Cr Staikos returned to the meeting at 8:58pm.

**CARRIED**

**A Division was Called:**

**DIVISION:**

**FOR:** Crs Ronke, Brownlees, Peulich, Staikos, Bearsley, Gledhill and Barth (7)

**AGAINST:** Nil (0)

**ABSTAINED:** Crs West and Eden (2)

**CARRIED**

Cr Barth left the meeting at 9:04 pm.

**10.3 Contract No. 16/14 - Signs and Street Furniture Maintenance**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

1. Accept the tender of Summerhill Maintenance Services Pty Ltd for Contract No 16/14 for Signs and Street Furniture Maintenance Services as a Schedule of Rates Contract at their tendered rates based upon Council's estimated work quantities for a total estimated price of \$966,855.90 excl. GST (first year \$322,285.30 excl. GST) subject to annual rise and fall for the contract term of 3 years commencing 1st October 2016 with two two-year optional extensions.
2. That the two two-year optional contract extensions be at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer, or delegate subject to satisfactory performance.

**Note:** Refer to page 5 of the Minutes where this item was block resolved

**10.4 Contract No. 16/56 - Thames Promenade, Chelsea (Scotch Parade to Mulkarra Drive) Road Reconstruction**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Award Contract No. 16/56 – Thames Promenade, Chelsea (Scotch Parade to Mulkarra Drive) Road Reconstruction on a Lump Sum basis to Parkinson Group (Vic) Pty Ltd for the tendered price of \$1,106,466.50 ex GST from the 2016/2017 civil infrastructure capital allocation; and
2. Approve a Contingency Allowance of \$110,646.65 ex GST (10% of contract sum) from within the allocated 2016/17 civil infrastructure capital allocation to cover unexpected financial variations.

**Note:** Refer to page 5 of the Minutes where this item was block resolved

**10.5 Westall Hub Public Art Project - Recommended Artist**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

**Seconded: Cr Eden**

That consideration of this matter be deferred until the recommended design is presented to a Councillor Information Session.

Cr Barth returned to the meeting at 9:05 pm.

**CARRIED**

**10.6 Response to Notice of Motion No. 26/2016 - Cr Staikos - Dingley Village Souter Reserve Masterplan**

**Moved: Cr Staikos**

**Seconded: Cr Barth**

That Council:

1. Seek written feedback from the sporting and community users of Souter Oval and pavilions at Dingley Reserve including Corrigan Oval on the establishment of a proposed Souter reserve user working group; and
2. Receive a report in March 2017 providing feedback from the users including an officer recommendation regarding the establishment of a Souter reserve user group; and
3. If the recommendation supports the establishment of a reserve user group, present for consideration draft terms of reference, for the purpose of improving the coordination and cooperation between sporting and community users of Souter Oval and the pavilions at Dingley Reserve including Corrigan Oval.

**CARRIED**

**Question Time**

An additional question was answered by the CEO:

**Tony Falkingham of Mentone asked:**

*“The promenade walk along Mentone foreshore east of Naples Road is one of the best walks within the City of Kingston. Council does a good job of keeping the sand clean and free of rubbish. Along the concrete path all the drains are blocked, resulting in pools of water covering the path, making it unpleasant especially for older people and families with prams. Can this please be addressed by Council as soon as possible”*

**The CEO provided the following response,**

*“This will be passed on to our maintenance department to be actioned.”*

**10.7 Response to Notice of Motion No. 30/2016 - Cr Ronke Master Plan for Regents Park**

**Moved: Cr Ronke**

**Seconded: Cr Eden**

That Council:

1. Confirms the current working group and in conjunction with council officers develop terms of reference for the immediate implementation of a Master Plan Process for Regents Park incorporating Rossdale Golf Club where applicable.
2. Upon finalising this process, appoints a consultant at the first available opportunity.
3. Establishes a timeline to reflect the immediate opportunity that exists to develop a whole of community, sporting, cultural and environmental hub.
4. Authorises the CEO to work within the spirit of the resolution to ensure key milestones are achieved in a timely manner and provide council with regular progress reports.

Cr West left the meeting at 9:25pm.  
Cr West returned to the meeting at 9:32pm.

**CARRIED**

## **11. Corporate Services Reports**

### **11.1 Adoption of Financial Statements to 30 June 2016**

Cr Barth left the meeting at 9:46pm and did not return.

Cr Eden left the meeting at 9:46pm.

Cr Gledhill left the meeting at 9:46pm.

**Moved: Cr Brownlees**

**Seconded: Cr Ronke**

That Council:

1. Note the recommendation from Council's Audit Committee;
2. Adopt the 2015/16 Annual Performance and Financial Statements as Council's "in principle" statements for 2015/16.
3. Authorise Cr Bearsley, Cr Peulich and the Chief Executive Officer to formally sign the final audited 2015/16 Annual Statements.

**CARRIED**

### **11.2 2015/16 Local Government Performance Reporting Framework Indicators**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

That consideration of this item be deferred

**The Motion LAPSED for want of a Seconder**

**Moved: Cr Brownlees**

**Seconded: Cr West**

That Council adopt the LGPRF service performance indicators and Governance and Management checklist for submission under the signature of the Mayor and CEO to Local Government Victoria.

Cr Gledhill returned to the meeting at 9:52 pm.

**CARRIED**

**11.3 Quarterly Performance Report and Quarterly Financial Statements to 30 June 2016**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

**Seconded: Cr Ronke**

That consideration of this item be deferred

Cr Eden returned to the meeting at 9:58 pm.

**LOST**

**Moved: Cr Gledhill**

**Seconded: Cr Ronke**

That Council receives the Quarterly Performance Report as at June 2016.

**CARRIED**

**A Division was Called:**

**DIVISION:**

**FOR:** Crs Ronke, Brownlees, Staikos, West, Bearsley, Gledhill and Eden  
(7)

**AGAINST:** Nil (0)

**ABSTAINED:** Cr Peulich (1)

**CARRIED**

**11.4 Youth Advisory Committee Member Appointments**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council appoint the following members to the Youth Advisory Committee until 30 June 2017:

1. Ahmad Mohammadi;
2. Angel Hemetsberger; and
3. Charlotte Stokes.

**Note:** Refer to page 5 of the Minutes where this item was block resolved

**11.5 Review of Council Instruments of Delegation**

Cr Brownlees left the meeting at 10:12 pm.

**Moved: Cr Staikos**

**Seconded: Cr West**

That Council:

1. Resolve in the exercise of powers conferred by section 98(1) of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) and the other legislation referred to in the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer (as annexed), that
  - 1.1 There be delegated to the person holding the position, acting in or performing the duties of Chief Executive Officer the powers, duties and functions set out in the attached *Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer*, subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument.
  - 1.2 The instrument comes into force immediately the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.
  - 1.3 On the coming into force of the instrument all previous delegations to the Chief Executive Officer are revoked.
  - 1.4 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.
  - 1.5 It is noted that the instrument includes a power of delegation to members of Council staff, in accordance with section 98(3) of the Act.
2. Resolve in the exercise of powers conferred by section 98(1) of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) and the other legislation referred to in the Instrument of Delegation to the Members of staff (as annexed), that:
  - 2.1 There be delegated to the members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the offices or positions referred to in the attached *Instrument of Delegation to members of Council staff*, the powers, duties and functions set out in that instrument, subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument.
  - 2.2 The instrument comes into force immediately the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.
  - 2.3 On the coming into force of the instrument all previous delegations to members of Council staff (other than the Chief Executive Officer) are revoked.
  - 2.4 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.

**Procedural Motion**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

That consideration of this item be deferred pending the briefing from Mark Hayes of Maddocks on 5 September 2016.

**The Motion LAPSED for want of a Seconder**



Cr Brownlees returned to the meeting at 10:18 pm.

**The Substantive Motion was put and CARRIED**

**11.6 Quick Response Grants**

**Moved: Cr Gledhill**

**Seconded: Cr Staikos**

1. That Council approve the following grant applications:

- Chelsea Baseball Club - \$1000.00
- Chelsea Community Support Services Inc - \$1000.00
- Make a Difference Dingley Village - \$500.00
- Multicultural Senior Citizens Group Of Kingston and Surrounding Regions Inc - \$500.00

2. That Council not approve the following grant applications:

- Xialene Chang

**CARRIED**

**11.7 Assembly of Councillors Record Report**

**Moved: Cr Staikos**

**Seconded: Cr Eden**

That Council note the contents of this report for the public record.

Cr West left the meeting at 10:23 pm

**Procedural Motion**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

That consideration of this item be deferred

**The Motion LAPSED for want of a Seconder**

Cr West returned to the meeting at 10.28pm.

**Procedural Motion**

**Moved: Cr Peulich**

That the meeting dissent from the Chairperson's ruling regarding the point of order taken by Cr Peulich in relation to the Assembly forms complying with the Local Government Act.

**The Motion LAPSED for want of a Seconder**

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**Procedural Motion**

**Moved Cr Staikos**

**Seconded: Cr Gledhill**

That the motion now be put.

**CARRIED**

**A Division was Called:**

**DIVISION:**

**FOR:** Crs Ronke, Brownlees, Staikos, Bearsley, Gledhill, West and Eden  
(7)

**AGAINST:** Cr Peulich (1)

**ABSTAINED:** Nil (0)

**CARRIED**

**The Substantive Motion was put and CARRIED**

**12. Notices of Motion**

**12.1 Notice of Motion No. 32/2016 - Cr Gledhill - Open Air Concerts in Keith Styles Reserve**

**Moved: Cr Gledhill**

**Seconded: Cr Brownlees**

That officers prepare a report for a September CIS which investigates the feasibility of conducting open air concerts in the Keith Styles Reserve, Mentone. Specifically the area in and around the new Mentone Senior Citizens Centre and Community Hub is to be considered.

Cr Peulich left the meeting at 10:34 pm.

**CARRIED**

**12.2 Notice of Motion No. 33/2016 - Cr Geoff Gledhill - Wilson Street Cheltenham Traffic Issues**

**Moved: Cr Gledhill**

**Seconded: Cr Brownlees**

That Council write to the CEO of VicRoads seeking his urgent involvement and support for Council's efforts to resolve the longstanding traffic issues in and around Wilson Street Cheltenham, particularly the area bounded by Nepean Highway, Karen Street, Argus Street, Warrigal Road and Centre Dandenong Roads.

Cr Peulich returned to the meeting at 10:36pm.

**CARRIED**

**12.3 Notice of Motion No. 34/2016 - Cr Brownlees - Police Numbers in Kingston**

**Moved: Cr Brownlees**

**Seconded: Cr Gledhill**

That Council urgently write to the Minister for Police, The Hon. Lisa Neville MP, Mr Tim Richardson MLA, Member for Mordialloc, Mr Murray Thompson MLA, Member for Sandringham, Mr Nick Staikos MLA, Member for Bentleigh, Ms Sonya Kilkenny MLA, Member for Carrum, and Mr Hong Lim MLA, Member for Clayton, all South East Metropolitan Upper House Members and the Victoria Police Regional Commander, expressing the view that this council strongly objects to any reduction in the number of police officers currently stationed in Kingston, particularly at Cheltenham, Chelsea and Mordialloc, and opposes any reduction to the level of existing mobile patrols and other services currently operating within the municipality.

And further, Council does not support any relocation of police officers currently stationed within Kingston to other areas to the detriment and risk of the safety and wellbeing of the Kingston community.

**Procedural Motion**

**Moved: Cr Gledhill**

**Seconded: Cr Brownlees**

That the meeting be extended until 11.30pm

**CARRIED**

**The Substantive Motion was put and CARRIED**

**A Division was Called:**

**DIVISION:**

**FOR:** Crs Ronke, Brownlees, Peulich, Staikos, West, Bearsley, Gledhill and Eden (8)

**AGAINST:** Nil (0)

**CARRIED**

**12.4 Notice of Motion No. 35/2016 - Cr West - Opportunities for Public Open Space**

**Moved: Cr West**

**Seconded: Cr Staikos**

That

1. Council give priority for the spending of any funds remaining from the sale of the Collins street land in excess of the costs of relocating Council's works depot to Braeside to meeting the needs of residents for public open space and parkland in the Cheltenham-Mentone areas, particularly the areas around the former Collins street depot site;
2. Officers look for suitable opportunities and report back to Councillors as soon as practicable.

**CARRIED**

**13. Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.

**14. Confidential Items**

**Moved: Cr Staikos**

**Seconded: Cr Ronke**

That in accordance with the provisions of section 89(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989*, the meeting be closed to members of the public for the consideration of the following confidential items:

**14.1 Notice of Motion No. 31/2016 - Cr Staikos - Dingley Village Sporting Facility**

*This agenda item is confidential in accordance with the Local Government Act s89(2) as it relates to any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person (s89 2h)*

**14.2 Response to Notices of Motion No. 43/2015 and 34/2015**

*This agenda item is confidential in accordance with the Local Government Act s89(2) as it relates to any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person (s89 2h)*

**Confidential Appendices**

**9.5 Award of Contract 16-65 - Construction of Chelsea Kindergarten and Refurbishment of Chelsea Heights Kindergarten  
Appendix 1, Contract 16/65 Chelsea & Chelsea Heights Kindergartens - Tender Assessment Matrix**

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**10.3 Contract No. 16/14 - Signs and Street Furniture Maintenance  
Appendix 1, Signs and Street Furniture**

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**10.4 Contract No. 16/56 - Thames Promenade, Chelsea (Scotch Parade to Mulkarra Drive) Road Reconstruction  
Appendix 1, CON-16/56 - Thames Promenade Chelsea Scotch Parade to Mulkarra Drive Road Reconstruction - Tender Evaluation Matrix**

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**CARRIED**

**City of Kingston  
Ordinary Meeting of Council**

**Minutes**

**22 August 2016**

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The meeting was closed to members of the public at 11.14pm.

**Moved: Cr Ronke**

**Seconded: Cr Gledhill**

That the meeting be opened to members of the public.

**CARRIED**

The meeting was opened to members of the public at 11.52pm.

The meeting closed at 11.52pm.

**Confirmed.....**

**The Mayor 19 September 2016**

**Municipal Association of Victoria Environment Conference**

**22/8/16 Report** By Rosemary West,

I attended the MAV **Environment Conference** on 12-13 July on “*Living and Leading in a Warming World,*” and the keynote speaker was Rob Gell, well-known scientist and former TV weatherman.

He gave a brilliant account of how the rise in world temperatures since the 1970s has been caused by the increase in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions as a result of human agency, through industrialisation and the use of fossil fuels. His and the other presentations are on the MAV website if anyone wants to have a look.

Some points are not so well-known: There are more CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from ships at sea than from the entire aviation fleet. And cement production produces as much CO<sub>2</sub> as shipping and aviation worldwide. Gell strongly recommends that councils require low-energy concrete to be used in construction, as this could save a huge amount of CO<sub>2</sub>.

Gell also recommends Councils require developments to have pale-coloured rooves as this keeps the heat out in summer and in winter keeps it in.

The Paris climate conference produced an international agreement to keep global temperature rise below 2 degrees. Gell says 60% of the 1 degree rise in temperatures seen since pre-industrialisation is absorbed by the sea, where it produces thermal expansion. He pointed out that a 1.5 degree temperature rise would mean the end of coral reefs and polar bears; 2 degrees will mean the loss of 1/3 of our species. Particularly alarming for residents of Kingston’s low lying areas is that if the ice caps melt, sea levels will rise by 70m.: way too much to be contained by a sea wall, .

And the ice caps are melting: Gell’s final slide showed how a lake has formed under Greenland’s ice cap and it’s flow is undermining the cap as the water flows out to sea.

He quotes NASA scientist James Hanson’s estimate that without full decarbonisation by 2030, global emissions (will bring) a new era of catastrophic climate change.

Greg Hunt (Executive Officer) South East Councils Climate Change Alliance (SECCCA) presented on what the south east Councils can do to improve household energy efficiency, and reduce heatwave risk. Kingston took part in an initiative to develop business cases based around options for the most beneficial way to provide relief from heatwaves. Another initiative, the Energy Saver Study investigated the most effective way to implement energy efficiency in low-income households which involved retrofitting houses with measures such as draught sealing and energy efficient appliances and implementing behaviour change programs.

The Energy Saver study found that lower bills meant participants were more likely to turn on their heaters and air-conditioners and reported less illness in their warm, dry, less draughty houses, and ‘keeping their cool’ in summer encouraged them to invite friends around. Hence the program led to better health and social connectedness as well as saving money and mitigating climate change.

I would like to see Council explore ways to make this program available to all of our residents, or at least our HACC clients. - Rosemary West