

Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

Monday, 22nd April 2024

**City of Kingston
Ordinary Council Meeting**

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The meeting commenced at 7.03pm in the Council Chamber, 1230 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham.

Present: Cr Jenna Davey-Burns (Mayor)
Cr Tracey Davies (Deputy Mayor)
Cr Tim Cochrane
Cr Cameron Howe
Cr George Hua
Cr Hadi Saab
Cr Steve Staikos

In Attendance: Peter Bean, Chief Executive Officer
Jonathan Guttmann, General Manager Planning and Place
Dan Hogan, General Manager Customer and Corporate Support
Samantha Krull, General Manager Infrastructure and Open Space
Sally Jones, General Manager Community Strengthening
Bernard Rohan, Chief Financial Officer
Kelly Shacklock, Manager Governance, Risk and Integrity
Sharon Banks Governance Officer
Gabrielle Pattenden, Governance Officer
Justin Welsford, Media and Communications Advisor

1. Apologies

Apologies from Cr Bearsley, Cr Eden, Cr Hill and Cr Oxley were submitted to the meeting.

Moved: Cr Saab

Seconded: Cr Davies

That the apologies from Cr Bearsley, Cr Eden, Cr Hill and Cr Oxley be received.

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos (7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

CARRIED

2. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Moved: Cr Davies

Seconded: Cr Saab

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 March 2024 be confirmed.

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos (7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

CARRIED

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

Nil

5. Delegates' Reports

Nil

Councillor Statements

Nil

Presentation of Awards

Nil

6. Question Time

Question time was held at 7.08pm.

Cr Hua left the meeting at 7:24pm.

Cr Hua returned to the meeting at 7:26pm.

Alex Breskin asked:

“When will the next review of the Community Local Law 2015 commence?”

The General Manager Planning and Place provided the following response:

“The review of the Community Local Law is currently underway. The proposed revisions will be subject to a process of community consultation as required by the Local Government Act. Council will ensure Mr Breskin is notified at the commencement of the consultation process.”

Alex Breskin asked:

“Given the exposed nature of power lines across the city which renders them vulnerable to car crashes and other forms of damage, and needing to prune or otherwise remove trees that may interfere with power lines which impacts our ability to get better coverage of tree canopy, would council consider undergrounding electrical wires across the city?”

The General Manager Planning and Place provided the following response:

“The Council is not the asset owner of powerlines. Although this is the case, Council plays an important role when new significant development is proposed in carefully considering whether scope exists to encourage the developer to explore undergrounding the powerlines. In larger greenfield projects and in some instances in activity centres the powerlines have been successfully undergrounded.”

Jagoda asked:

“How many committees has Kingston Council now created? Can I please have a complete list of these?”

The General Manager Customer and Corporate Support provided the following response:

“Kingston Council have seven Advisory Committees and two additional Groups. This information is publicly available on Council’s website and a link can be provided in response via email.”

Larisa asked:

“Is Council going to proactively increase the hiring of Aboriginal people as you say you will do on page 130 of March 25 agenda?”

Note: *the second question from Larisa was not read out as it was considered to be factually incorrect. A written response will be provided.*

The General Manager Customer and Corporate Support provided the following response:

“That is certainly the aspiration. As a formal resolution of Council, the organisation is legally bound to pursue the objective.”

Wandzia asked:

1. *“Why has Council/CEO changed its transparency governance procedure at the 26 February Council and also the 25 March meeting regarding the handling of questions which were decided by the CEO as being not fit to be read out in that the CEO did not even call out any of the individual names of these denied questioners, nor did he give an excuse for each separate questioner as to why their particular questions were denied?”*
2. *“Will the six questions from the public which the CEO deemed unfit to be read or acknowledged on February 26 2024 and the three questions from March 25 be given the respect from Council of being AT THE VERY LEAST, acknowledged in the minutes with their first names and the reasons for each separate dismissal of their question?”*

The General Manager Customer and Corporate Support provided the following response:

“The Governance Rules set out the requirements for the submission of public questions. Questions that are not compliant must not be read and an answer will not be given, in accordance with the Governance Rules. While there is no requirement to acknowledge non-compliant questions at the Council Meeting, for the purposes of transparency our standing process is to acknowledge the respective submitters and the reasons why the question will not be read. At times this information has been presented as an overarching summary and other times, it has been addressed on an individual basis. Questions that do not meet the requirements of the Governance Rules are not provided a response in writing and do not appear in the Minutes as they do not then officially form part of the Council Meeting. This process was applied to the non-compliant questions that were submitted to the February and March Council Meetings and will also continue moving forward.”

Marc asked:

“Why has Kingston Council chosen to actively and preferentially source and procure goods and services needed for Council from Aboriginal owned businesses via interaction and exploration of this with Kinaway, the Victorian Aboriginal Chamber of Commerce and through ‘Supply Nation’ and its database of verified Aboriginal businesses?”

Note: *the second question from Larisa was not read out as it was considered to be factually incorrect. A written response will be provided.*

The Chief Finance Officer provided the following response:

“Council is currently formalising an agreement with Kinaway who provide an Indigenous Chamber of Commerce Service and who are an Indigenous Business. Kinaway work with Council to identify opportunities to engage Indigenous Businesses and assist in evaluation of responses for procurement activities. Council is also engaged with Supply Nation who have a databank of Indigenous Businesses that may offer appropriate goods or services. Council currently has projects in the market where there is a possibility of Indigenous engagement which will be further able to be assessed as the procurement process progresses.”

Graham asked:

“Is Council going to pursue the changing of names of streets, parks, gardens and significant sites into Aboriginal names as mentioned in your March 25 2024 agenda on page 124? Do you think the community supports these name changes?”

The General Manager Customer and Corporate Support provided the following response:

“The action within the Reconciliation Action Plan is to review the naming of streets, parks, gardens and other significant sites. The action does not say to ‘change’. The updated actions within the report from March discuss opportunities for naming of new projects, rather than changing current names. The use of traditional Aboriginal names is encouraged and preferred, in line with State Government policy, which encourages the greater use of Indigenous names in Victoria through place naming. Requests for name changes for streets are required to undertake a process set out by State Government authority Geographic Names Victoria which, as a process, is inclusive of community engagement. In most instances, communities do not object to such changes.”

Stephen asked:

- 1. “Why is Kingston Council considering selling two of its properties to a non-government company called Launch Housing which is proposing to develop these within their real estate portfolio for the use of people, possibly refugees and older women, into temporary homeless social housing as mentioned in 14.1 and 14.2 of the Agenda on 25 March 2024?”*
- 2. “Will this potential sale arrangement mean Launch gets the freehold title (Fee simple) to these properties?”*

The Chief Finance Officer provided the following response:

- 1. “Kingston Council is considering leasing two sites to Launch Housing for the development of housing. Council’s preference is for the properties to be constructed for the housing of mature aged women or single mothers, with dependants who are at risk of homelessness. This action aligns to Council’s Social and Affordable Housing Strategy (July 2020).”*
- 2. “Kingston Council does not currently have plans to sell its properties to Launch Housing.”*

Donna asked:

- 1. “Why is the public not allowed to record Council meetings themselves or take screen shots when they attend a public meeting when the Council is already streaming it live to the public anyway on the internet?”*
- 2. “In the interests of transparency, what difference does it make if a public member wishes to record a screen?”*

The General Manager Customer and Corporate Support provided the following response:

“When attending a Council Meeting, the public are required to follow the ‘community member/visitor’ provisions of the Governance Rules which are available on our website. Rule 52.2.1 states: ‘Community members/visitors at Council meetings must not operate photographic, audio or video recording equipment or any other recording device at any Council meeting.’ The live streaming of Council Meetings, while prohibiting public recording within the meeting itself is to ensure official dissemination and transparency of Council information. This also ensures that the recording process does not disrupt the proceedings or infringe upon the rights and privacy of participants and gallery members.”

Roslyn asked:

“Have any Councillors reported to the CEO of any instances of corruption, donation abuse or illegal backhands and bribery of any sort, from developers and any others, or instances of any sort of outside or internal influence being brought to bear on themselves and/or upon their decisions as Councillors?”

The Chief Executive Officer provided the following response:

“No. Any allegations of corruption are best made directly to IBAC, the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission, responsible for preventing and exposing public sector corruption in Victoria.”

Rose asked:

1. *“Can you explain how the Kingston Council CCTV camera program which you say you seek to implement (in the March 25 Agenda page 57) is in compliance with legislation and Council policy?”*
2. *“Can you please quote the actual legislation you must follow that pertains to your CCTV policy?”*

The General Manager Community Strengthening provided the following response:

1. *“The Kingston CCTV camera program is supported by the CCTV Cameras Code of Practice which sets out standards by which the City of Kingston’s Public and Corporate CCTV Program will be conducted. This document is available on Council’s website. In addition, Standard Operating Procedures provide operational guidance. As outlined in the March 25 Agenda on page 57, a review is currently underway to ensure the program is compliant with legislation.”*
2. *“CCTV systems should be compliant with the following:*
 - *Surveillances Devices Act 1999*
 - *Information Privacy Act 2000*
 - *Public Records Act 1973*
 - *Privacy Security Act 2004*
 - *Freedom of Information Act 1982*
 - *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006 (The Charter)*
 - *Evidence Act 2008*
 - *Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004”*

Yvette asked:

“What is meant by the term “healthy relationship content and advice”, information of which Kingston Youth Services wrote was being increasingly requested by “young people” who you write are younger than 12 years of age?”

The General Manager Community Strengthening provided the following response:

Kingston Youth Services delivers the Grade 6 Support Program which consists of three sessions for participating schools. Each session is designed to support, inform and resource young people with the skills they need to navigate transitioning from Grade 6 to Year 7. All sessions include a variety of resilience building activities, discussions on what to expect when starting high school, how to develop effective communication skills and how to create positive new connections. The tailored approach provided in 2023 related to Grade 6 students experiencing bullying, friendship and social issues. Youth Workers provided additional discussion opportunities and resources to address those presenting issues. Currently Youth Services is not providing any further action but monitoring future requests to see if these issues present again in the future.

Yvette asked:

“How much in total did Kingston Youth Services pay the 89 “young people” mentioned in the Youth Services Report as being part of all the ‘events’ they had a hand in organising?”

The General Manager Community Strengthening provided the following response:

The total paid was \$23,175, of which \$3075 was paid directly from Kingston Youth Services. The remaining paid opportunities were supported by Kingston Business (\$7600), \$12,500 from State Government across multiple Programs including FReeZA, Engage!, and Youth Festival funding opportunities. Examples of payments include paying young people for performances at place activations and for organising events for other young people to attend.

Anna asked:

1. *“Can you please explain what you mean by exploring “opportunities to enable gender sensitive disaster planning and response” in your March 25 Agenda – Goal 2 – A Safe and Secure Community?”*
2. *“Could you please give examples of gender sensitive disaster scenarios?”*

The General Manager Community Strengthening provided the following response:

1. *“Officers will explore opportunities to take a gender sensitive response to community disaster through training and awareness with a professional independent organisation drawing on research from previous disaster scenarios impacting communities. For example Black Saturday and the Northern Rivers NSW floods. Council can use learnings from these to ensure we are considering the needs of all genders in proactively preparing for and responding to disaster incidents to improve safety during and after the disaster.”*
2. *During disaster planning and response there may be roles assumed by people of different genders. For example women or children may stay behind in homes or on properties until it is too late to leave, while men may leave to investigate or confront the disaster, or in other instances, they stay behind to protect property, taking undue risks. While considering gender in our planning and response and acknowledging what actions have occurred in the past, we can ensure messaging*

to communities addresses these concerns or offer specific support. Another example is following Victoria's Black Saturday fires, increased instances of mental health issues and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder were reported as well as a lack of appropriate support for men. Data also shows rates of family violence increase substantially in communities following disasters. Gender sensitive disaster emergency planning may also consider the physical set up of community response centres to ensure the safety and support for people of all genders (this includes adequate bathroom facilities for all genders, men or women with disabilities, and males caring for children and grandchildren)."

Louise asked:

1. *"Is it correct that the Council is looking to borrow \$55.95 million to build the Aquatic Centre?"*
2. *"Has Council got confirmation of the funding of \$20 million promised at the last Federal Election by the Attorney General Mark Dreyfus, specifically for this Aquatic Centre project which was to be made available to out Kingston Community?"*

The Chief Finance Officer provided the following response:

1. *"Yes, the forecast borrowing is provided in the Draft 2024/25 Budget and Draft 2024/25 – 2034/35 Long Term Financial Plan towards the cost of constructing the new Aquatic Centre."*
2. *"Council has received the executed \$20 million funding agreement from the Commonwealth."*

Ian asked:

"Could you please tell me when Council will be in touch and when may I expect my request via Snap, Send, Solve regarding trees to be trimmed so they do not cause any problems with the cables supplying my house?"

The General Manager Infrastructure and Open Space provided the following response:

"These works have been scheduled to be undertaken this week."

Ian asked:

"In the interest of fairness and equality regarding Kingston annual awards, could I request that an additional award be included – Men of the Year?"

The General Manager Community Strengthening provided the following response:

"The Kingston Women of the Year Awards provide an important opportunity to promote gender equity in our community. Great progress has been made towards gender equity; however there is still work to be done. Overall, women are underrepresented in leadership roles, in award and recognition outcomes, and the gender pay gap still exists. According to the 2023 Global Gender Gap Index published every year by the World Economic Forum, no country has yet achieved full gender equality or parity. Australia's current national gender pay gap is 12 per cent. It is important for girls and women to see other females being celebrated for their achievements. These Awards provide an important opportunity to raise the profile of women, celebrate achievement, and showcase success. For these reasons, a Men of the Year Award does not align with Council's strategic objectives related to gender equity."

Dr Damien Williams asked:

1. *“In drafting the 2024/25 budget, what consideration has Council made of the revenue that it could raise from applying a user fee to areas of land currently given over to free car parking?”*
2. *“What is the estimated cost to Council and the community of continuing to provide free car parking, in terms of lost revenue, maintenance, public health, amenity, housing supply and so on?”*

The General Manager Planning and Place provided the following response:

“The Council has had a practice of charging for car parking for non-Kingston ratepayers for our foreshore carparking areas. The intention to charge along the foreshore is proposed to be continued in the 24/25 budget and the revenue assists the Council in providing for activities including foreshore maintenance, and to deliver suitable parking outcomes along the foreshore. It is not possible to accurately cost the implications of not charging for car parking across the municipality and the range of factors mentioned by Dr Williams. Although this is the case Dr Williams has reinforced through his question the importance of Council evaluating the opportunities to use Council land in a manner that best services the needs of the community in a local area. These needs will be informed by a range of strategies the Council has developed many of which look at the aspects touched on in Dr Williams’ question (eg. Housing Strategy, Public Health and Wellbeing Plan, Asset Renewal Strategy, Activity Centre Structure Plans).”

Rosemary asked:

1. *“How many – if any – of the six government-owned sites suitable for social housing nominated by Council at the request of the former planning minister in 2021 (all close to public transport & activity centres & zoned ready for development) been developed for social or any other housing?”*
2. *“If not, why not? And what can Council’s policy to support social and affordable housing do to help?”*

The General Manager Planning and Place provided the following response:

1. *“The sites have not been developed. The State Government’s Housing Statement released in September 2023, identified an intent to prioritise 45 parcels of State Government land for potential redevelopment.*”
2. *The Mayor, has written to the Planning Minister and Housing Minister earlier this year indicating the Council’s interest in utilising vacant Government land parcels. The Mayor and senior officers have also followed up this correspondence with State Government representatives over recent months.”*

7. Planning and Place Reports

7.1 Town Planning Application Decisions - March 2024

Moved: Cr Staikos

Seconded: Cr Davies

That the report be noted.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

8. Community Strengthening Reports

8.1 Community Awards 2024 - Nominations and Confirmation of Winners

Moved: Cr Davies

Seconded: Cr Staikos

That Council:

1. Confirm the 2024 recipients of the Community Awards for 'Citizen of the Year' and 'Community Group of the Year', as presented in Confidential Appendix 3 Voting Outcomes – Winners; and
2. Determine, pursuant to Section 125 of the Local Government Act 2020, that the identities of all award recipients be made publicly available on 21 May 2024, except for the notification of the award winners by the Mayor prior to 21 May 2024.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

8.2 Individual Development Grants and Community Small Grants - Quarterly Report (January - March 2024)

Moved: Cr Staikos

Seconded: Cr Cochrane

That Council:

1. Note the funding outcomes of the Individual Development Grants for January-March 2024, as presented in Appendix 1;
2. Note the successful funding outcomes of the Community Small Grants for January-March 2024, as presented in Appendix 2; and
3. Endorse that the Community Small Grant as presented in Appendix 3 is not recommended for funding for January-March 2024.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

8.3 Appointment of Members to the Historical Societies Network Committee

Moved: Cr Davies

Seconded: Cr Staikos

That Council appoint the following Historical Societies to the Historical Societies Network Committee:

- City of Moorabbin Historical Society
- Dingley Village Historical Society
- Mordialloc and District Historical Society
- Friends of Mentone Heritage Station and Gardens
- Aspendale Presbyterian Church
- Friends of Cheltenham Regional Cemeteries
- Patterson River Fire Brigade Historical Committee
- Chelsea and District Historical Society

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

9. Infrastructure and Open Space Reports

9.1 Spring Road Reserve Masterplan

Moved: Cr Hua

Seconded: Cr Staikos

That Council endorse the Spring Road Reserve Masterplan.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

9.2 Naming of 19 Tarella Road, Chelsea

Moved: Cr Saab

Seconded: Cr Staikos

That Council approve a request to Office of Geographic Names Victoria for 19 Tarella Road, Chelsea to be named Woolepe Bushland Reserve.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

9.3 Response to Resolution - Notice of Motion No. 22/2023 Facilities at Turner Road Reserve Highett

Moved: Cr Staikos

Seconded: Cr Davies

That Council endorse the project and budget as included in the draft capital works budget in 2024/25 and 2025/26.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

10. Customer and Corporate Support Reports

10.1 Response to Resolution - Councillor Position Descriptions and Key Performance Indicators

Moved: Cr Staikos

Seconded: Cr Saab

That consideration of this item be deferred until the May Ordinary Council Meeting.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

10.2 Governance and Compliance Report

Moved: Cr Davies

Seconded: Cr Staikos

That Council:

1. Receive the Councillor Attendance Record Quarter One 2024 (Appendix 1);
2. Informal Meetings of Councillors Records (Appendices 2, 3 and 4); and
3. Defer consideration of a progress report on a Contractual Matter as resolved upon by Council on 11 December 2023 to no later than the August 2024 Ordinary Council meeting.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

11. Chief Finance Office Reports

11.1 Proposed Discontinuance and Sale Road Side of 20 Mernda Avenue, Bonbeach

Moved: Cr Howe

Seconded: Cr Staikos

That Council:

1. Commence the statutory procedure to discontinue and sell part of the road at the side of 20 Mernda Avenue, Bonbeach acting under section 206 clause 3 of schedule 10 of the Local Government Act 1989 & section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020;
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to give public notice under section 223 of the Government Act 1989, section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020 & Council's Community Engagement Policy of its intention to discontinue part and sell the land to the owner(s) at 20 Mernda Avenue, Bonbeach;
3. If any submissions are received in response to the public notice, have the submissions considered by a committee of Council comprising of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Councillor from Banksia Ward Cr Howe, the Chief Financial Officer, Manager Property Services and Team Leader Property Services; and
4. If no submissions are received following the public notice and community engagement process, authorise officers to undertake the necessary procedures to undertake the discontinuance and sale process.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

12. Notices of Motion

12.1 Notice of Motion No. 4/2024 - Cr Howe - Patterson River Sculpture Trail Curatorial Direction

Moved: Cr Howe

Seconded: Cr Davies

That Council, in an officer report, confirms that as publicised in the herald sun and bayside news, the curatorial direction of the Patterson River Sculpture Trail is to celebrate the boating culture and coastal lifestyle, with iconic sculptures that may feature refined detail or vibrant colours. Artists are encouraged to use ingenuity to reimagine spaces high or low, and wet or dry.

LOST

FOR: Crs Davies, Howe and Hua (3)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTAINED: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Saab and Staikos (4)

13. Urgent Business

Moved: Cr Staikos

Seconded: Cr Davies

That an item of urgent business be considered in relation to the provision of Regional Assessment Service.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

Cr Cochrane left the meeting at 8:11pm.

Moved: Cr Staikos

Seconded: Cr Davies

Noting the decision of the CEO, empowered by the Local Government Act 2020 and communicated to Councillors on 18 April 2024, not to submit a tender to the Commonwealth Government of Australia *Provision of Regional Assessment Service (RAS) Limited Tender*, which will have the likely consequence of ending the provision of RAS by Kingston staff at the expiration of existing contractual arrangements on 30 June 2024, that Council:

1. Affirm the commitment to delivery of aged care services in the municipality of Kingston City Council and affirm we will continue to provide high quality, responsive community care to enable people who are older to continue living in their homes.
2. Recognise that providing aged care services is fundamental to the health and wellbeing of our older community members and vital to creating a strong, healthy and connected community and confirm that any decision to alter the provision of aged care services in our municipality is led by a decision of the Council.
3. Agree to undertake advocacy to highlight concerns about the lack of provision of timely information in relation to the transition of the RAS and specifically, to note concern about the insufficient time provided to Council to deliberate on this matter, via written correspondence from:
 - a) The CEO, Peter Bean to the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care and the Victorian State Department of Health.
 - b) The office of the Mayor to the Federal Minister for Health and Aged Care, the Hon Mark Butler MP and State Minister for Health Hon Mary-Anne Thomas MP, and the State Minister for Aging, Hon Ingrid Stitt MP.
4. Request that Council is briefed in the July cycle on the following:
 - a) Details of the internal transition plan for engaging with the new RAS provider following the cessation of the existing RAS contract on 30 June 2024 once Council is advised on 1 July 2024 of which entity the Commonwealth has awarded the interim tender to.
 - b) Provides an overview of a communications engagement plan with residents, their carers and/or family members currently, or likely to begin engaging with the RAS and further detail on the navigator/liaison officer role to support new and existing clients navigate the My Aged Care portal and options to ensure no community member 'falls between the gaps' and that the potential confusion caused by the unexpected and rapid transition

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of this service is reduced.

5. Note the importance of timely provision of advice to the Council including reports that provide Councillors with evidence and options for consideration alongside the Officer recommendation, to meet best practice standards of governance and evidence based, community informed decision making.

Cr Cochrane returned to the meeting at 8:14pm.

CARRIED

FOR: Crs Davey-Burns, Cochrane, Davies, Howe, Hua, Saab and Staikos
(7)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

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14. Confidential Items

Nil

The meeting closed at 8.18pm.

Confirmed.....

The Mayor 27 May 2024