

# Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday 23 July 2024

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# Statement of ethical obligations

Obligations	
<b>Oath [Affirmation] of Office by Councillors</b>	I swear [solemnly and sincerely declare and affirm] that I will undertake the duties of the office of councillor in the best interests of the people of Randwick City and the Randwick City Council and that I will faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in me under the Local Government Act 1993 or any other Act to the best of my ability and judgment.
Code of Conduct conflict of interests	
<b>Pecuniary interests</b>	<p>A Councillor who has a <b>pecuniary interest</b> in any matter with which the council is concerned, and who is present at a meeting of the council at which the matter is being considered, must disclose the nature of the interest to the meeting.</p> <p>The Councillor must not be present at, or in sight of, the meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>at any time during which the matter is being considered or discussed, or</li> <li>at any time during which the council is voting on any question in relation to the matter.</li> </ol>
<b>Non-pecuniary conflict of interests</b>	A Councillor who has a <b>non-pecuniary conflict of interest</b> in a matter, must disclose the relevant private interest in relation to the matter fully and on each occasion on which the non-pecuniary conflict of interest arises in relation to the matter.
<b>Significant non-pecuniary interests</b>	A Councillor who has a <b>significant</b> non-pecuniary conflict of interest in relation to a matter under consideration at a council meeting, must manage the conflict of interest as if they had a pecuniary interest in the matter.
<b>Non-significant non-pecuniary interests</b>	A Councillor who determines that they have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest in a matter that is <b>not significant</b> and does not require further action, when disclosing the interest must also explain why conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances.



Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Council meeting of Randwick City Council will be held in the Council Chamber, 1st Floor Randwick Town Hall, 90 Avoca St Randwick on Tuesday, 23 July 2024 at 7:00pm

### **Acknowledgement of Country**

*"I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on the land of the Bidjigal and the Gadigal peoples who occupied the Sydney Coast, being the traditional owners. On behalf of Randwick City Council, I acknowledge and pay my respects to the Elders past and present, and to Aboriginal people in attendance today."*

### **Prayer**

*"Almighty God,  
We humbly beseech you to bestow your blessings upon this Council and to direct and prosper our deliberations to the advancement of your glory and the true welfare of the people of Randwick and Australia.  
Amen"*

### **Apologies/Granting of Leave of Absences**

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#### **Address of Council by Members of the Public**

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## **Notice of Rescission Motions**

Nil

## **Petitions**

Ray Brownlee, PSM  
**GENERAL MANAGER**

## Mayoral Minute No. MM28/24

### Subject: Randwick Girls and Randwick Boys High Schools

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#### Motion:

That Council;

- a) congratulate Randwick Girls' and Randwick Boys' high schools on an incredible production, **"Brand New Day"** held in May at NIDA;
- b) congratulates both schools as they have operated independently since 1959 (RGH) and 1949 (RBH), as well established public high schools in Randwick, and wishes them the best as they join to become Randwick High, a coeducational high school from 2025.

#### Background:

##### School Productions

I was fortunate to attend the production of "Brand New Day", an original show performed by Randwick Boys and Randwick Girls high schools at NIDA in May this year. The show involved 180 students from Years 7 – 12 as they journey through the school year and celebrate milestones and special events through song, dance and drama.

2024 marks the thirteenth year that Randwick Girls' and Randwick Boys' High Schools have produced an original show at NIDA. These productions showcase the talents of young women and men and both schools should be congratulated on the outstanding production.

##### Randwick High school

From 2025, Randwick Girls' and Boys' High Schools will combine to form a new co-educational high school in Randwick.

This follows comprehensive community consultation undertaken by the NSW Department of Education in the eastern suburbs school communities to better understand parent and student decision-making regarding high school enrolment choices.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank and congratulate the school community of both high schools.

Randwick Boys' High obtained high school status in 1949, with Randwick Girls' High operating since 1959. Since then, the schools have become well-known and well-respected public education high schools.

I would like to acknowledge the history of these schools, the school communities, Principals, Headmasters and teachers who have made contributions to the independent schools, and look forward to seeing Randwick High go on to flourish as a public coeducational high school in the eastern suburbs.

#### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** The Mayor, Cr Philipa Veitch

**File Reference:** F2024/06574

## Mayoral Minute No. MM29/24

**Subject:** Recognition of the Eurimbla Precinct within the new Randwick Hospital redevelopment

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### Motion:

That Council writes to the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District requesting that a plaque be installed in the grounds of the new Randwick Hospital Campus Redevelopment recognising the former residents of Eurimbla Precinct, and that the wording of the plaque be developed in consultation with the Eurimbla Precinct History Association Inc (EPHA)

### Background:

I have been approached by the Eurimbla Precinct History Association Inc (EPHA) with a request to discuss with South Eastern Sydney Local Health District the possibility of recognising the former residents of the Eurimbla Precinct through the installation of a commemorative plaque.

The Eurimbla Precinct, an area bounded by Hospital Road, High Street, Botany Street, and Magill Street, was a small leafy suburban community of more than 90 houses.

In 2017, this area was acquired by the NSW Government for the expansion of the Prince of Wales Hospital and the University of New South Wales (UNSW). All homes within the precinct were subsequently demolished, and the street known as Eurimbla Avenue no longer exists.

Randwick Council has previously supported the EPHA by providing a grant to document the history of this significant area. This led to the publication of a book, "Remembering Eurimbla," in 2020.

The NSW Government is installing a 'history wall' within the mezzanine area of the main public entrance to the Prince of Wales Hospital Acute Services Building. The content and design of this display is in its final stages. While this history wall is welcome and will recognise the history of the area, a more public plaque commemorating the former community that lived in this area I feel is very warranted.

There have since been numerous requests from the community for a memorial plaque to remember the Eurimbla Precinct communities. A suggested location for this plaque is at the entrance on High Street to the UNSW Health Translation Hub, on the corner of High and Botany Streets. This area will feature an open space accessible to all and is close to where Eurimbla Avenue once existed. EPHA has indicated that it has some funds which could be allocated towards the cost of the plaque.

### Source of funding:

Funds for a plaque will be sourced from EPHA and Randwick City Council should it be required. It is not anticipated that the plaque and installation will be a significant cost. Funding to be identified in a quarterly review if required

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** The Mayor, Cr Philipa Veitch

**File Reference:** F2006/00422

## Mayoral Minute No. MM30/24

### Subject: Financial Assistance and Donations - May - June 2024

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#### Motion:

That Council:

- a) donate \$1000 to the Randwick City Football Club in support for the Purple Hearts program.
- b) donate a worm farm up to the value of \$220.00 to Rehab2Kids at the Sydney Children's Hospital

#### Background:

##### a) Support for Purple Hearts – Randwick City Football Club

The Purple Hearts were formed in 2010 by the Randwick City Football Club to provide people with a disability the opportunity to play football and develop a love of the game within a club environment.

The Purple Hearts program has allowed players to grow in confidence, form friendships and establish an identity in the community.

Many of the players are on income support or work in casual jobs and cannot afford to pay full registration fees. The club fund raises to subsidise some of their fees and requires assistance with purchasing new uniforms and equipment.

I propose a donation of \$1000 in support of the Purple Hearts program as a contribution towards uniforms and training equipment. Council's support will be duly recognised through logo placement on jerseys, website, and social media.

##### b) Worm Farm for the Rehab2Kids for the Sydney Children's Hospital

Rehab2Kids at Sydney Children's Hospital treats young patients with, but not limited to: acquired and traumatic brain injuries, spinal injuries, cerebral palsy, limb differences and amputations. They are often in hospital or attending hospital for prolonged periods (up to 6 months).

The department is situated in an Outpatient department space with access to a kitchen. As part of the Hospital's Sustainability focus, 7 years ago worm farms were introduced to the department. The worm farms are situated in the outdoor therapy space with their small veggie and herb garden which is maintained by the nurses.

The rural families often help with maintaining the garden and the children water the garden with worm water during therapy sessions (bi-manual hand therapy).

The Rehab2Kids department is requesting for a new worm farm from Council.

I propose a donation of a worm farm for the Sydney Children's Hospital to the value of \$220.00

#### Source of funding:

The financial implications to Council will be \$1,220.00 funded from the 2024-25 Contingency Fund.

#### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** The Mayor, Cr Philipa Veitch

**File Reference:** F2024/06574

MM30/24

## Mayoral Minute No. MM31/24

### Subject: Surfing NSW - Waiving of Fees

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#### Motion:

That the licence fee for Surfing NSW headquarters at The Pavilion, Maroubra Beach, be waived for the six-month period from 1 July to 31 December 2024 and that the amount of \$10,000.60 + GST be funded from the 2024-25 Contingency Fund.

#### Background:

Surfing NSW is a not-for-profit Association and has leased its headquarters at The Pavilion, Marine Parade, Maroubra Beach since 2004. Due to current financial difficulties, Surfing NSW has requested that the current rent be waived for 6 months, July to December inclusive.

Surfing NSW has indicated that having its headquarters at Maroubra Beach has played an integral role in the development of their sport, which is now an Olympic sport. The organisation, however, is currently in a “transitional stage” with several factors having come into play to create the current financial situation that it finds itself in. Those factors are as follows:

- Surfing NSW has had two major sponsors not renew their agreement for the coming financial year.
- There have been State Government funding cuts to several programs which has impacted cash flow.
- Significant staff and Board member changes. The organisation is now running with a smaller more cohesive Board, who are confident in their ability to work through the current financial difficulties. Surfing NSW also has a new CEO.

Surfing NSW play a vital role in our local surfing community, especially with the delivery of the award-winning Surfers Rescue 24/7 water safety program. This program is a free board rescue and CPR course available for all surfers and recreational water users in NSW.

#### Source of funding:

The financial implications to Council will be \$10,000.60 + GST to be funded from the 2024-25 Contingency Fund.

#### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** The Mayor, Cr Philipa Veitch

**File Reference:** F2024/07367



## Mayoral Minute No. MM32/24

**Subject:** Andrew William Gullotta OAM

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### Motion:

That Council express its deepest condolences to the family of Andrew William Gullotta who passed away on 8 July 2024, and acknowledge the passing of Andrew William Gullotta with a minute's silence.

### Background:

Andrew William Gullotta migrated to Australia in 1951 and was educated at Holy Cross College Ryde. He graduated in Pharmacy at the University of Sydney in 1962 and then began his long career in Community Pharmacy in Matraville in 1964 at Gullotta Pharmacy which was opened in 1961 by his late father Giovanni.

In 1973 Gullotta Pharmacy moved to the new Matraville Medical Centre site at "Gullotta's Corner". Andrew and his wife Lina worked in the Pharmacy until their retirement in 2006 after 45 years of service to the local community!

He was a Past President of the Rotary Club of Maroubra and was involved in many local and overseas fundraising projects supplying aid and medical equipment. During his presidency he arranged medical equipment for Dubna in Russia and set up a "sister club" arrangement with Maroubra.

He was a past Councillor of the Italian Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Australia and active in promoting trade between Australia and Italy. He was involved in helping the Italian Community in Australia at local, state and national levels, helping the aged in both the Italian and wider community at large.

Mr Gullotta has received numerous awards for his contribution to community service and Pharmacy practice.

Council expresses its condolences to the family on the passing of Mr Gullotta.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** The Mayor, Cr Philipa Veitch

**File Reference:** F2024/06574

MM32/24

## Mayoral Minute No. MM33/24

**Subject: 2024 Sydney Marathon**

### Motion:

That Council support the 2024 Sydney Marathon event and waive the fees to the amount of \$2,337.00 which will be funded from the 2024-25 Contingency fund.

### Background:

The 2024 Sydney Marathon will be held on Sunday, 15 September 2024, from 6am–10:45am.

The Sydney Marathon now has a revised course route which brings the event into the Randwick LGA (see attached).

The event organiser has proposed three (3) activations in Kensington and Kingsford inside the course program.

Live sites for the Marathon include:

1. Corner Todman Avenue and Anzac Parade – day of event only
2. Anzac Parade footpath outside NIDA – day of event only
3. Meeks Street Plaza (Bump In Saturday, 14 September from 12 noon for Sunday, 15 September event – security provided)
4. Live site in Meeks Street Plaza will include:
  - Big Screens
  - DJ and MC
  - Sound Equipment.


Council fees relating to this event include:

1. Application Fee for commercial event 1001-3000	\$1,201.00
2. Waste Management x 4 bins for Meeks Street only @ \$109.50	\$ 438.00
3. Conducting a promotional activity on a public pedestrian way	<u>\$ 698.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$2,337.00</u></b>

### Source of funding:

The financial implications to Council will be \$2,337.00 funded from the 2024-25 Contingency fund.

### Attachment/s:

1.  Map of 2024 Sydney Marathon Route

**Submitted by:** The Mayor, Cr Philipa Veitch

**File Reference:** F2013/00456

MM33/24



## Mayoral Minute No. MM34/24

**Subject:** LGNSW 2024 Annual Conference - Helping to address the housing crisis and land banking through an Empty Homes Levy

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### Motion:

That:

- a) Council endorses the following motion to be submitted to the Local Government NSW 2024 Annual Conference;
- b) the General Manager be delegated the authority to make any minor amendments to the wording of this motion if requested by LGNSW and agreed to by the mover of the motion.

### Text of Motion

That Local Government NSW:

1. calls for urgent action to address the housing crisis recognising that the issue of affordable housing is a multifactorial one in which NSW housing policy, Federal taxation regimes and local government planning approaches all play a part;
2. notes that according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics NSW has 3,364,802 dwellings, and of these 299,524, or 8.9%, are vacant (source ABS 2021);
3. agrees that in principle a levy on empty homes would provide an incentive for empty properties to be rented or sold and would discourage 'land banking', and therefore an Empty Homes Levy may contribute to more affordable rental pricing and consequently more affordable housing. For those property owners who choose to pay the levy, the increased income stream to Council could assist in providing affordable housing through other programs;
4. calls on the NSW State Government to make changes to the *Local Government Act 1993* to allow Councils to introduce the levy if they wish;
5. Agrees that the changes should be based on the following principles:
  - i. Councils will work in partnership with the State Government to increase rates for homes that have been vacant for 12 months or more – an Empty Homes Levy;
  - ii. Special circumstances exceptions will be applied if the property is vacant due to death or illness;
  - iii. Under the levy regime councils have the right to decide if the levy should be applied in their local area, and to set an appropriate rate, with a maximum rate of triple the ordinary rate;
  - iv. Revenue raised from the Empty Homes Levy will be placed in a trust fund that can only be used to build genuinely affordable public, social and community housing.
  - v. The primary responsibility for addressing housing affordability lies with State and Federal Governments.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** The Mayor, Cr Philpa Veitch

**File Reference:** F2011/00533

MM34/24

## Director City Planning Report No. CP37/24

**Subject: Post Exhibition Report: draft s7.12 Development Contributions Plan 2024**

### Executive Summary



- This report provides an overview of key issues raised in submissions to the draft s7.12 Development Contributions Plan 2024 (draft s7.12 Plan 2024), which was exhibited from 5 June to 4 July 2024, consistent with the requirements of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) and *Regulation* (the Regulation).
- The draft s.7.12 Plan 2024 authorises Council or a private certifier to impose as a condition, the payment of a fixed development contribution levy relating to the cost of works when a development consent or complying development certificate is issued. The development contributions levy is applied on a sliding scale, ranging from nil to 1% of the total cost of works.
- The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 will replace the current s7.12 Plan 2015 and incorporates a revised works schedule which allocates funding under five categories: cultural and community facilities, environmental initiatives, transport and roads, parks and open space, and town centres and public realm. The Schedule of Works omits capital works already completed (eg light rail support works) and incorporates new major works including a new youth facility, Randwick Junction public realm improvements and Local Traffic Management Schemes. The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 also incorporates updates to certain clauses to ensure consistency with Ministerial directions, a new capital works map, revised population projections and minor formatting changes.
- Twenty-four submissions were received over the exhibition period. A number of submissions provided support to the draft Plan recognising that identified capital works would contribute to improvements to the Local Government Area. A number of submissions opposed the draft s7.12 Plan 2024 based on concerns that the contributions levies would create an additional financial impost on residents who seek to undertake DAs or CDCs to their residences. Other submissions requested inclusions to the Schedule of Works ranging from cycle paths to specific works at private residences, as well as changes to the percentage threshold for levies.
- This report reviews the submissions received and having regard to those submissions recommends that the Council endorse the draft s7.12 Plan 2024 for adoption as exhibited. The revised draft s7.12 Plan 2024 will repeal and replace the current s7.12 Plan 2015.

### Recommendation

That Council:

- endorse the Draft s.7.12 Plan 2024 for finalisation in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and *Regulations 2000*;
- repeal the Randwick City s94A Development Contributions Plan 2015
- delegate the Director, City Planning to make minor modifications to rectify any numerical, typographical, interpretation and formatting errors if required, in the finalisation of the s.7.12 Plan 2024.

### Attachment/s:

-  Attachment A: draft s7.12 Development Contributions Plan 2024 - Exhibited
-  Attachment B Post Exhibition Submissions Summary

## Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of submissions received during the public exhibition of the draft s7.12 Development Contributions Plan 2024 (draft s7.12 Plan 2024). The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 provides the framework for levying development contributions from applicants in relation to Development Applications (DAs) and Complying Development Certificates (CDCs). Levies are utilised towards funding infrastructure and facilities needed to support growth in the Local Government Area (LGA).

## Background

In 2015, Council adopted the Randwick Section 94A Plan 2015 (now referred to as s7.12 Plan 2015) which applies a flat percentage rate levy (nil-1%) based on a sliding scale of development cost, when a development consent or complying development certificate is issued. Funds collected under the s7.12 framework are used to provide for additional or improved infrastructure and public facilities to meet expected demands arising from new development, in line with the requirements of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) and Regulation.

Since its inception, over \$28.9 million in s7.12 funding has been received over the life of the s7.12 Plan 2015 (averaging \$3.6 million per year), with the bulk of development contribution levies coming through years 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 which had record building approvals. Over \$17 million in development contributions has been spent on funding of major projects in conjunction with the Council's Capital Works Budget and grants with the balance of funds scheduled to be carried over and spent on new and existing projects. Completed works include: light rail support works, Heffron Park (various stages), and public realm upgrades (e.g. Maroubra Junction town centre).

At the meeting of 28 May 2024 Council considered and endorsed to place on public exhibition a new draft s7.12 Plan 2024 which updates the provisions of the s7.12 Plan 2015. The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 incorporates a new Schedule of Works which omits works that have already been completed and includes a new range of capital works items identified in Council's Informing Strategies (e.g. a new youth facility, Randwick Junction public realm improvements and Local Traffic Management Schemes). The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 also includes a revised map showing the location of new capital works, updated population projections based on recently released statistical data, as well as some minor formatting changes.

The new draft s7.12 Plan 2024 once made will repeal the existing s7.12 Plan 2015.

## Consultation Program

The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 was placed on public exhibition from 5 June to 4 July 2024 in accordance with the consultation requirements of the EP&A Act and Regulation. The public consultation programme included:

- Promotion using digital and email marketing;
- Information on Randwick E News;
- Listing on Council's website;
- Emails to all Precinct Committees and Chambers of Commerce;
- Email to YourSay Randwick subscribers;
- Digital display screens at all libraries and Customer Service Centre;
- Hard copies of the draft s7.12 Plan 2024, Council report and resolution and FAQs at Council's Customer Service Centre and local libraries;
- A dedicated 'yoursay' webpage including provision for online submissions; and
- Notifications to Councillors and Council staff.

## Overview of Submissions

The following statistics were recorded on the dedicated YoursayRandwick website:

- 631 visits to the Your Say website
- 238 downloads of the draft policy

- 23 submissions via Your Say and email to Council

Twenty-four submissions were received from a variety of stakeholders through direct email and via the YoursayRandwick website.

The submissions have all been reviewed with key issues summarised as follows, with further detail and Council Officer's comments included in **Attachment B**.

### Resident Submissions

Twenty three submissions were received from residents with key issues raised including:

- Concerns the s7.12 levy is excessive and would create a financial impost on residents, particularly given recent Council rate rises;
- Suggestions for inclusions to the Schedule of Works including works at specific locations, sites and private residences (e.g upgrades to footpaths on Mears Avenue, and storm water works at a private residence);
- Concerns new development would create increased traffic and parking impacts;
- Request that the s7.12 levy be excluded from knockdown/rebuilds;
- Request that the percentage levy only apply to developments where the cost of works is over \$500,000; and
- Request that a higher levy rate be applied to applications.

There was also strong support for the draft s7.12 Plan 2024 with 5 submissions commending Council on the basis that the proposed capital works would provide improvements to the LGA and meet the needs of the community.

### Comments

The imposition of a development contributions levy pertaining to DAs and CDCs is provided under the EP&A Act and is an integral mechanism for financing public infrastructure and facilities required as a direct or indirect result of new development. It is based on a long-standing impactor/beneficiary pays principle of the existing planning system i.e. new development makes a contribution towards the cost of infrastructure that will meet the additional demand it generates and benefits from.

Development contributions levies, together with Council's capital works budget and grants help fund the cost of local infrastructure, from critical infrastructure such as roads, footpaths, street lighting, stormwater and drainage facilities, to facilities that improve amenity and contribute to a sense of community including parks, playgrounds, libraries, community centres and creative space.

The implementation of a development contributions framework is appropriate and essential to ensuring Council's ability to fund and deliver local infrastructure to maintain the community's standard of living and ensure public spaces are functional. It is particularly integral given the State Government housing targets for the LGA which will see growth in the years to come. Development contributions make a significant contribution to local government revenue, and is an efficient and equitable approach as contributions are borne by the beneficiary of works. Without a robust development contributions framework in place, it would significantly compromise Council's ability to fund and deliver infrastructure and facilities commensurate with future growth. This resulting funding gap would have an adverse impact on the local economy and result in poor livability outcomes for our community.

With respect to the Schedule of Works, items included have been identified in Council's Informing Strategies and Plans which have all be subject to a separate community consultation process and which have been deemed as priorities for the LGA.

In terms of the percentage levy, it should be noted that the maximum 0.5-1% s7.12 levy percentage rate has been in effect in NSW for over 15 years and is mandated under legislation. This percentage rate cannot be changed by Council and any change would require the intervention by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces via a Ministerial Direction.



Submission on Behalf of Randwick Junction Shopping Centre

One submission was received from Dexus on behalf of Randwick Junction Shopping Centre with key issues raised including:

- Support for the s7.12 levy framework on the basis that it would encourage development and investment within areas of the local government area including Randwick Junction town centre;
- Request that funding for proposed public domain works in Randwick Junction be allocated towards public realm upgrades along Short Street identified in the Randwick Junction Urban Design Report 2023. This would include transformation of the street into a pedestrian prioritised shared zone, while retaining the current single lane one-way vehicular access way from Belmore Road to Avoca Street;
- Request for inclusion of alfresco dining zones and public seating along both the northern and southern side of the Short Street; and
- Clarification sought on the scheduling of any future works within Randwick Junction, noting that some projects outlined within the Urban Design Report have already been implemented including construction of Waratah Plaza

Comments

The Randwick Junction Urban Design Report 2023 outlines Council's strategic planning and urban design approach for Randwick Junction town centre for the next 15-20 years. It incorporates a built form response to the heritage scale and fine grain character of the centre, in the context of new public transport infrastructure, and growth in population, retail and health and medical related businesses and employment.

The Urban Design Report is a supplementary document to the Randwick Junction Planning Proposal, which is currently with the State Government awaiting a Gateway Determination to proceed to public exhibition. The timing of the adoption of the Urban Design Report is therefore contingent on the progression of the Planning Proposal.

In terms of the requested Short Street upgrades, funding for this project is likely to be from a mix of sources including general revenue, grants and s712 levies. The finer detail of works on Short Street will be subject to concept designs that will be publicly exhibited for stakeholder feedback. The timing and prioritisation of works on Short Street will be further determined by Council as part the Capital works and Delivery program.

Submission outcomes

Following review of the issues raised in the 24 submissions received during public exhibition, it is considered that no amendments are necessary to either the exhibited draft s7.12 Plan nor works schedule.

Commencement

Once adopted by Council, the draft s7.12 Plan 2024 will come into effect on the date that public notice of its approval is given on Council's website.

Once notice is given, the draft s7.12 Plan 2024 will repeal the existing s7.12 Plan 2015.

Strategic alignment

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

Delivering the Outcomes of the Community Strategic Plan:	
Strategy	Housing
Outcome	A city with sustainable housing growth

Objective	Provide 4,300 new dwellings in 2021-2026, with 40% located in and around town centres
Delivery program commitment	Review Council's S7.12 Contributions Plan to support Council's provision of local infrastructure by 2023.
Strategy	Arts and Culture
Outcome	A creative and culturally rich city that is innovative, inclusive and recognised nationally
Objective	Establish a strong cultural identity for the Randwick LGA by 2031 that is inclusive and founded on the contribution of First Nations people by 2031
Delivery program commitment	Increase by 20% the opportunities available to Council and external producers for outdoor performance and festival programming, street art and mural installations, to generate a lively street culture both day and night in each town centre by 2031.
Strategy	Economic Development
Outcome	A city with diverse, active places for businesses, including vibrant town and neighbourhood centres
Objective	Ensure 86% or more of our community are satisfied* with the vitality of town centres by 2032
Delivery program commitment	Improve the amenity of Maroubra Junction and its connection with Eastgardens as a Strategic Centre to cater for additional jobs by 2036 as identified in the Greater Sydney Commission's Eastern District Plan.

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## Resourcing Strategy implications

The revised draft s7.12 Plan 2024 will provide for an increased and ongoing revenue stream and enhance the Council's ability to levy contributions for public amenities and services.

The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 was prepared by Council officers.

## Policy and legislative requirements

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979  
Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021.

## Conclusion

The new draft s7.12 Plan 2024 is the result of a comprehensive review of the existing s7.12 Plan 2015. It has been prepared consistent with State Government guidelines and practice note for development contributions. The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 was placed on public exhibition and 24 submissions were received.

No changes are proposed to the exhibited Plan as a result of public feedback received. This report recommends the draft s7.12 Plan 2024 be endorsed by the Council for finalisation and note that the existing s7.12 Plan 2015 be repealed.

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# Randwick City Draft s7.12 Development Contributions Plan 2024

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## Part 1: Administration & operation

### 1.1. Overview

Section 7.12 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) authorises the consent authority (i.e. Council) or an accredited certifier to impose as a condition of development consent or complying development certificate, a requirement that the applicant pay a fixed levy based on the percentage of the proposed cost of the development.

The percentage of the levy and the types of development which attract the levy are set out under this Plan. Levies paid to the Council will be applied towards the provision, extension or augmentation of public facilities and infrastructure, or towards recouping the cost of their provision, extension or augmentation.

### 1.2. What is the name of this Plan?

This Plan is called Randwick City s.7.12 Development Contributions Plan 2024 ('The Plan').

### 1.3. When did this Plan commence?

This Plan commenced on XXX [to be updated once endorsed]

### 1.4. What is the purpose of this Plan?

The purposes of this Plan are:

- (a) To authorise the imposition of conditions on development consents and complying development certificates requiring that the applicant pay the Council a levy determined in accordance with this Plan
- (b) To enable Council to have funds to ensure that adequate public facilities are provided to meet the demand created by development
- (c) To assist Council in the provision, extension or augmentation of public facilities
- (d) To provide a comprehensive framework for the assessment, collection, expenditure, accounting and indexing of development contributions on an equitable basis; and
- (e) Facilitate the relevant desirable outcomes identified in the Randwick City Local Strategic Planning Statement, Informing Strategies and relevant studies.

### 1.5. Land to which this Plan applies

This Plan applies to all land within the Randwick City Local Government Area with the exception to land covered by the K2K 7.12 Development Contributions Plan 2019 and the Bundock Street Development Contributions Plan.

### 1.5 Development to which this Plan applies

This Plan applies to development on land to which this Plan applies that requires development consent or complying development certificate under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act).

1.6 Repeal of Randwick City Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2015

This Plan repeals Randwick City Section 94A Contributions Plan 2015.

1.7 Transitional Provision

This Plan applies to a development application or a complying development certificate made on or after the date on which this Plan was first publicly exhibited and not determined on the day this Plan took effect.

1.8 What does this Plan authorise

1.8.1 Development applications

- (a) This Plan authorises the consent authority in respect of a development application to impose a condition on a development consent granted for development to which this Plan applies, requiring the applicant to pay to the Council a levy based on the proposed cost of carrying out the development as set out in the following table:

Table 1: s7.12 levy rate for development applications

Cost of works	Percentage levy
Up to \$100,000	Nil
\$101,000 to \$200,000	0.5%
Over \$200,000	1%

1.8.2 Complying development certificates

- (a) This Plan authorises the accredited certifier in respect of a complying development certificate to impose a condition for development to which this Plan applies, requiring the applicant to pay to the Council a levy based on the proposed cost of carrying out the development as set out in the following table:

Table 2: s7.12 levy rate for complying development

Cost of works	Percentage levy
Up to \$100,000	Nil
\$101,000 to \$200,000	0.5%
Over \$200,000	1%

Conditions authorised by this Plan are subject to any direction given by the Minister under section 7.17: Directions by Minister of the Act from time to time.

1.9 Determining the cost of development

- (a) The proposed cost of carrying out development is to be determined by Council, for the purposes of this Plan, by finding the sum of all the costs and expenses that have been or are to be incurred by the applicant in carrying out the development, including the following:
  - (i) If the development involves the erection of a building, or the carrying out of engineering or construction work — the costs of or incidental to erecting the building, or carrying out the work, including the costs (if any) of and incidental to demolition, excavation and site preparation, decontamination or remediation;
  - (ii) If the development involves a change of use of land — the costs of or incidental to doing anything necessary to enable the use of the land to be changed;



- (iii) If the development involves the subdivision of land — the costs of or incidental to preparing, executing and registering the plan of subdivision and any related covenants, easements or other rights.
- (a) Under Clause 208 of the EP&A Regulation, the following costs and expenses are not to be included in any estimate or determination of the proposed cost of carrying out development:
  - (i) the cost of the land on which the development is to be carried out
  - (ii) the costs of any repairs to any building or works on the land that are to be retained in connection with the development
  - (iii) the costs associated with marketing or financing the development (including interest on any loans)
  - (iv) the costs associated with legal work carried out or to be carried out in connection with the development
  - (v) project management costs associated with the development
  - (vi) the cost of building insurance in respect of the development
  - (vii) the costs of fittings and furnishings, including any refitting or refurbishing, associated with the development (except where the development involves an enlargement, expansion or intensification of a current use of land)
  - (viii) the costs of commercial stock inventory
  - (ix) any taxes, levies or charges (other than GST) paid or payable in connection with the development by or under any law
  - (x) the costs of enabling access by people with disability to the development
  - (xi) the costs of energy and water efficiency measures associated with the development
  - (xii) the costs of development that is provided as affordable housing; and
  - (xiii) the costs of development that is the adaptive reuse of a heritage item.

#### 1.10 How is the proposed cost of carrying out development indexed?

In accordance with clause 212(2)(b) of the Regulation and, for the purposes of this Plan, the proposed cost of carrying out development is to be indexed to reflect quarterly variations in the Consumer Price Index, All Group Index Number for Sydney between the date the proposed cost was determined by Council and the date the levy is paid.

The formula governing indexation of the proposed cost of carrying out development is as follows:

$$IDC = ODC \times CP2/CP1$$

Where:

**IDC** = the indexed development cost

**ODC** = the original development cost determined by the Council

**CP2** = the Consumer Price Index, All Groups, Sydney, as published by the ABS in respect of the quarter ending immediately prior to the date of payment

**CP1** = the Consumer Price Index, All Groups, Sydney as published by the ABS in respect of the quarter ending immediately prior to the date of imposition of the condition requiring payment of the levy.

### 1.11 Cost estimate reports must accompany all applications

A development application or an application for a complying development certificate must be accompanied by a report, prepared at the applicant's cost, setting out an estimate of the proposed cost of carrying out the development.

The following types of report are required:

- (a) Where the estimate of the proposed cost of carrying out the development is less than \$500,000 - a cost summary report in accordance with Schedule 2
- (b) Where the estimate of the proposed cost of carrying out the development is \$500,000 or more - a detailed cost report in accordance with Schedule 3

### 1.12 Approved persons for the provision of cost estimate reports

- (a) The following persons are approved by the Council to provide an estimate of the proposed cost of carrying out development in the following circumstances:
  - (i) Where the proposed development cost is less than \$500,000 - a person who, in the opinion of the Council, is suitably qualified to provide a cost summary report
  - (ii) Where the proposed development cost is \$500,000 or more - a quantity surveyor who is a registered member of the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors to provide a detailed cost report.
- (b) Upon reviewing a cost summary report or detailed cost report, the Council may, at the applicant's cost, require a further estimate to be provided by a registered quantity surveyor; and
- (c) The Council may, at the applicant's cost, engage a person referred to in this clause to review a report submitted by an applicant in accordance with clause 1.11 of this Plan.

### 1.13 Exemptions to the levy

#### 1.13.1 Ministerial exemption

- (a) Under the provisions of section 7.17 of the Act the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces has specified exemptions from a levy under this Plan to apply to the following development:
  - (i) Development applications or complying development located within the Port Botany Lease Area identified in the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021*.

#### 1.13.2 Development exempted from the levy

An exemption to the payment of the s7.12 levy may be considered by the Council for the following development:

- (a) Places of worship, public hospitals, police stations, fire stations, and other emergency services,
- (b) Works proposed to be undertaken for charitable purposes by, or on behalf of, a not-for-profit charity (as defined by the ATO) but only in cases where the development is of a small scale with minimal floor space intensification, for example a retail outlet operated by the Salvation Army, St Vincent de Paul or similar organisations, and where Council considers that there will not be an increase in the demand for public works or infrastructure as a result of the development which would warrant the payment of a Section 7.12 levy,
- (c) Seniors housing, as defined in the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021* which is undertaken by a social housing provider,

- (d) Applications submitted by or on behalf of Randwick City Council.

#### **1.13.3 Exemption application requirements**

- (a) Those applicants which seek exemption from a levy under this Plan must provide a comprehensive submission to the Council, which clearly demonstrates how the proposed development falls within one of the development types identified in Clause 1.13.2, prior to the Council determining whether such an exemption applies. In considering any application for an exemption the Council will take into account:
- (i) the extent to which the proposed development comprises or includes the provision, extension or augmentation of public amenities or public services that provide a public benefit, and/or
  - (ii) whether the applicant is affected by any adverse financial circumstance which will impact on its ability to fund the payment of any levy which is imposed in accordance with this Plan.

#### **1.14 Application of money obtained under this Plan**

Monies paid to Council under a condition authorised by this Plan are to be applied by Council towards meeting the cost of one or more public facilities that will be, or have been, provided within the area as listed in Schedule 1.

#### **1.15 Priorities for expenditure**

The public facilities listed in Schedule 1 are to be provided in accordance with the staging set out in that schedule.

#### **1.16 Pooling of levies**

This Plan authorises monies obtained from levies paid in respect of different developments, to be pooled and applied by the Council progressively towards the public facilities listed in Schedule 1 in accordance with the staging set out in that schedule.

#### **1.17 Timing of payments**

A levy required to be paid by a condition authorised by this Plan must be paid to the Council at the time specified in the condition. If no time is specified, the levy must be paid prior to the first certificate issued in respect of the development including a subdivision certificate, construction certificate or complying development certificate.

#### **1.18 Construction certificates and the obligation of certifying authorities**

A certifying authority (the Council or Accredited Certifier) must not issue a construction certificate for building work or subdivision work under a development consent unless it is satisfied of compliance with each condition requiring the payment of a levy before work is carried out in accordance with the condition of consent. The certifying authority must cause the applicant's receipt for payment of the levy to be provided to Council concurrent to the provision of other documents required under the Regulation.

#### **1.19 Complying development and the obligation of certifying authorities**

Council may allow deferred or periodic payment of monetary section 7.12 contributions for staged development applications only, subject to consideration of a written application made to the Council. The decision to accept a deferred or periodic payment is at the sole discretion of the Council, which will consider:

- (a) the reasons provided by the applicant requesting a deferred or periodic payment
- (b) whether the applicant has provided the Council with adequate security in relation to the deferred or periodic payment
- (c) any other relevant circumstances of the case. If the Council determines to allow the application, the arrangements relating to the deferred or periodic payment will not take effect until the applicant has entered into a written agreement with the Council reflecting the terms of the Council's approval. The Council may, as a condition of accepting deferred or periodic payment, require the provision of a bank guarantee where:
  - (i) the guarantee is by an Australian bank for the total or outstanding contribution amount plus interest
  - (ii) the guarantee requires the bank to unconditionally pay the guaranteed sum to the Council at the time specified in the agreement
  - (iii) the applicant will be required to pay all costs incurred in the establishment, operation, administration or discharge of the bank guarantee; and
  - (iv) the bank's obligations are discharged when payment to the Council is made in accordance with the guarantee, or when the Council notifies the bank in writing that the guarantee is no longer required, or if the related consent lapses.

### 1.20 Alternative payments

If an applicant for development consent seeks to make a development contribution towards the provision of public facilities to meet development impact other than by payment of a levy, the applicant may adopt one of the following procedures:

#### 1.20.1 Offer made to Council as part of a development application

If an applicant does not wish to pay a levy in connection with the carrying out of development, the applicant may include in the relevant development application an offer to carry out works or provide a material public benefit towards which the levy was to be applied.

Council will consider the offer as part of its assessment of the development application. If the Council agrees to the arrangement and grants consent to the application, it will substitute a condition of consent requiring the works to be carried out or the material public benefit to be provided in-lieu of a condition requiring payment of a levy under section 7.12. If the Council does not agree to the alternative arrangement, it may grant consent subject to a condition authorised by this Plan requiring payment of a levy.

In assessing the applicant's offer, the Council will have regard to the requirements of the current Practice Note issued by the NSW Government and may consider matters such as, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) Council must be satisfied that the land so dedicated or the material public benefit is of equal or greater value than the monetary contribution that would otherwise be required, and
- (d) In situations where the material public benefits that are proposed involve works-in-kind, the Council will only accept such an offer where the works are constructed by the developer to the Council's standards and then transferred to Council.

#### 1.20.2 Offer made to the Council following the grant of development consent requiring payment of a levy

If development consent has been granted to the carrying out of development, subject to a condition authorised by this Plan, to pay a levy, the applicant must comply with the condition unless it is modified under section 4.55 of the Act. If the applicant does not wish to pay the levy, the applicant may make an application to the Council under section 4.55 of the Act to modify the

consent by substituting for the condition requiring payment of the levy a condition requiring the carrying out of works or the provision of a material public benefit towards the public purpose to which the levy was to be applied. If the Council approves the application, the applicant will be bound by the substituted condition. If the Council does not approve the application, the applicant will remain bound by the condition authorised by this Plan requiring payment of the levy.

### 1.20.3 Offer to enter into a voluntary planning agreement

If an applicant does not wish to pay a levy in connection with the carrying out of development, the applicant may offer to enter into a voluntary planning agreement with the Council under clause 7.4 of the Act in connection with the making of a development application.

Under a planning agreement, the applicant may offer to pay money, dedicate land, carry out works, or provide other material public benefits for public purposes. Those purposes need not relate to the impacts of the applicant's development or to the items listed in Schedule 1.

The applicant's provision under a planning agreement may be additional to, or instead of, paying a levy in accordance with a condition of development consent authorised by this Plan. This will be a matter for negotiation with the Council. The offer to enter into a planning agreement together with a copy of the draft agreement should accompany the relevant development application.

Council will publicly notify the draft planning agreement and an explanatory note relating to the draft agreement along with the development application and will consider the agreement as part of its assessment of that application. If Council agrees to enter into the planning agreement, it may impose a condition of development consent requiring the agreement to be entered into and performed. If the Council does not agree to enter into the planning agreement, it may grant consent subject to a condition authorised by this Plan requiring the payment of a levy. Applicants should refer to the Council's Policy on Planning Agreements, which has been prepared having regard to the Practice Note on Planning Agreements.

## 1.21 Definitions

In this Plan unless the context or subject matter otherwise indicates or requires:

**ABS** means the Australian Bureau of Statistics

**Council** means Randwick City Council

**Levy** means a levy under section 7.12 of the Act authorised by this plan

**LGA** means the local government area

**Minister** means the Minister administering the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

**Public facility** means a public amenity or public service

**Randwick LEP** is the *Randwick Local Environmental Plan 2012*

**Staging** as in schedule 1 means:

- Short Term 1-2 years
- Medium Term 3 -4 years
- Long Term 5-10 years
- Ongoing, continuing works

**Social Housing Provider** has the same meaning as Social Housing Provider under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021

**the Act** means the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

**the Regulation** means the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*

## 2. Expected Development and Public Facilities Demand

### 2.1 Development potential for Randwick City

This part broadly discusses the relationship between the expected types of development in Randwick City and the demand for additional public amenities and services to meet the needs of that development. The relationship is established through current demographic information, and Council prepared strategies and relevant studies.

Section 7.12 levies acquired by condition of consent under this Plan are to be applied to the provision, extension or augmentation of the following categories of public facilities works located across the LGA:

- Cultural and community facilities
- Environmental initiatives
- Parks and open space
- Town centres and public realm; and
- Transport and roads.

#### 2.1.1 Demand for public amenities and infrastructure

The demand for public facilities and infrastructure in Randwick City is related to expected residential, commercial, retail and other forms of non-residential development due to population growth trends and additional capacity afforded by revised controls under the Comprehensive Randwick Local Environmental Plan 2012 (Amendment 9).

Specific public facilities and infrastructure required to meet community needs has been identified in a series of supporting documents which includes, but is not limited to the following:

- Randwick City Local Strategic Planning Statement
- Arts and Culture Strategy
- Economic Development Strategy
- Environment Strategy
- Housing Strategy
- Inclusive Randwick Strategy
- Integrated Transport Strategy; and
- Open Space and Recreation Strategy

These studies have demonstrated that adequate public facilities and infrastructure are needed to maintain and grow Randwick City's capacity to accommodate housing and employment. Unless there is adequate investment in public facilities and infrastructure, the levels of service and amenity for existing and future residents, workers and visitors will further decline.

Based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Estimated Residential Population data, the population of Randwick City in 2022 was 135,686 persons.

The population is projected to increase by up to 170,115 people in the period from 2022 and 2041 with an annual growth rate of approximately 0.47% to 2041 (NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure Projections 2022). By way of comparison, the annual growth rate projection for Metropolitan Sydney for the same period is 1.03%. This projection is based on fertility rates, migration and current major redevelopment sites.

The likely population growth and subsequent development required to cater for this growth will create demand for new facilities and infrastructure and improvements to existing facilities and

infrastructure. Public facilities and infrastructure required to meet residential development demands include: parks, open space and recreational facilities, community and cultural facilities, public domain and town centre improvements, transport, access and mobility improvements such as for walking, cycling, public transport and private vehicles, as well as environmental improvements.

Non residential developments such as commercial/retail development will raise demands for public facilities, primarily for public domain and town centre improvements, cultural facilities, and transport, access and mobility improvements.

Mixed use developments and recreation and tourism related developments raise similar demands for public facilities as both residential and commercial development.

Public facilities required to meet the demands of industrial development primarily include transport, access and mobility improvements and environmental improvements.

### **2.1.2 Expected residential development**

As identified in the LSPS, Informing Strategies and other supporting documentation, residential development is expected across the LGA in the residential, business and some special uses zones. Types of residential development include: dwelling-houses, dual occupancies, multi dwelling housing, manor houses, residential flat buildings, boarding houses, secondary dwellings, attached dwellings and mixed use development with a residential component.

Residential development will occur in the form of new development and alterations and additions to existing development.

### **2.1.3 Expected commercial, retail and other non -residential development**

As identified in the LSPS, Informing Strategies and other supporting documentation, the majority of commercial, retail and other non-residential development is expected mainly in the business zones throughout the LGA including local and town centres.

Development is also expected in the Special Use Zones, such as education and hospital sites as well as the Industrial zone.

Development that will occur will be in the form of new development and alterations and additions to existing development.

The section s7.12 levy will enable Council to provide high quality and diverse public amenities and services to meet the expectations of the existing and future residents of the Randwick City.

The additional or improved public facilities to be provided to meet the expected future development are set out in Schedule 1.

## Schedule 1: Schedule of Works

The works listed in this schedule may be funded from a mix of sources, including contributions collected from this Plan. Staging as in this schedule means:

- Short Term 1–2 years
- Medium Term 3–4 years
- Long Term 5–10 years
- Ongoing: continuing work

New projects are highlighted in red [highlighting to be removed once endorsed].

Map Ref	Item	Public Facility	Comments	Allocation Draft 2024 Plan	Staging draft 2024 Plan
<b>1.0 Cultural and Community Facilities</b>					
*	1.1	Public art	Projects distributed across LGA/various sites.	\$570,000	Ongoing
1	1.2	La Perouse Museum	Upgrade and repairs to building interior.	\$1,100,000	Medium
2	1.3	Randwick Literary Institute	Upgrades to building (kitchen, bathrooms, painting, flooring).	\$1,000,000	Medium
*	1.4	Library upgrades and improvements	Works include general upgrades, refurbishment and expansion of Council Libraries.	\$2,030,000	Ongoing
*	1.5	Youth facility	New project. Youth facility and recreational space. Site to be investigated and scoped.	\$1,500,000	Medium – long
3	1.6	Blenheim House	New project. Transform building into a creative space with arts studios, exhibition spaces and an accessible studio at rear.	\$200,000	Short
4	1.7	Newmarket Big Stables Upgrade	New project. New community facility. Fit out and upgrades required to comply with building regulations	\$350,000	Short
<b>2.0 Environmental Initiatives</b>					
5	2.1	Coastal walkway	Concept design and construction	\$1,100,000	Short to medium
*	2.2	Remnant bushland restoration	Works include increasing planting of native and indigenous vegetation, reducing weed density and undertaking bushland management.	\$200,000	Ongoing
*	2.3	Green corridor planting and street trees (urban tree canopy)	Improve connectivity to key bushland areas primarily adjacent to Anzac Parade and Bunnerong Road.	\$500,000	Ongoing
*	2.4	Blackwater and storm water harvesting	Installation and upgrading of stormwater harvesting systems.	\$600,000	Medium
*	2.5	Wetlands Creation	Rename to wetlands protection initiatives and transfer to New Plan. Works include new infrastructure to implement and upgrade gross pollutant traps.	\$230,000	Medium
*	2.6	Water sensitive urban design	New project. Installation of garden beds and swales in town centres to capture/treat storm	\$550,000	Ongoing

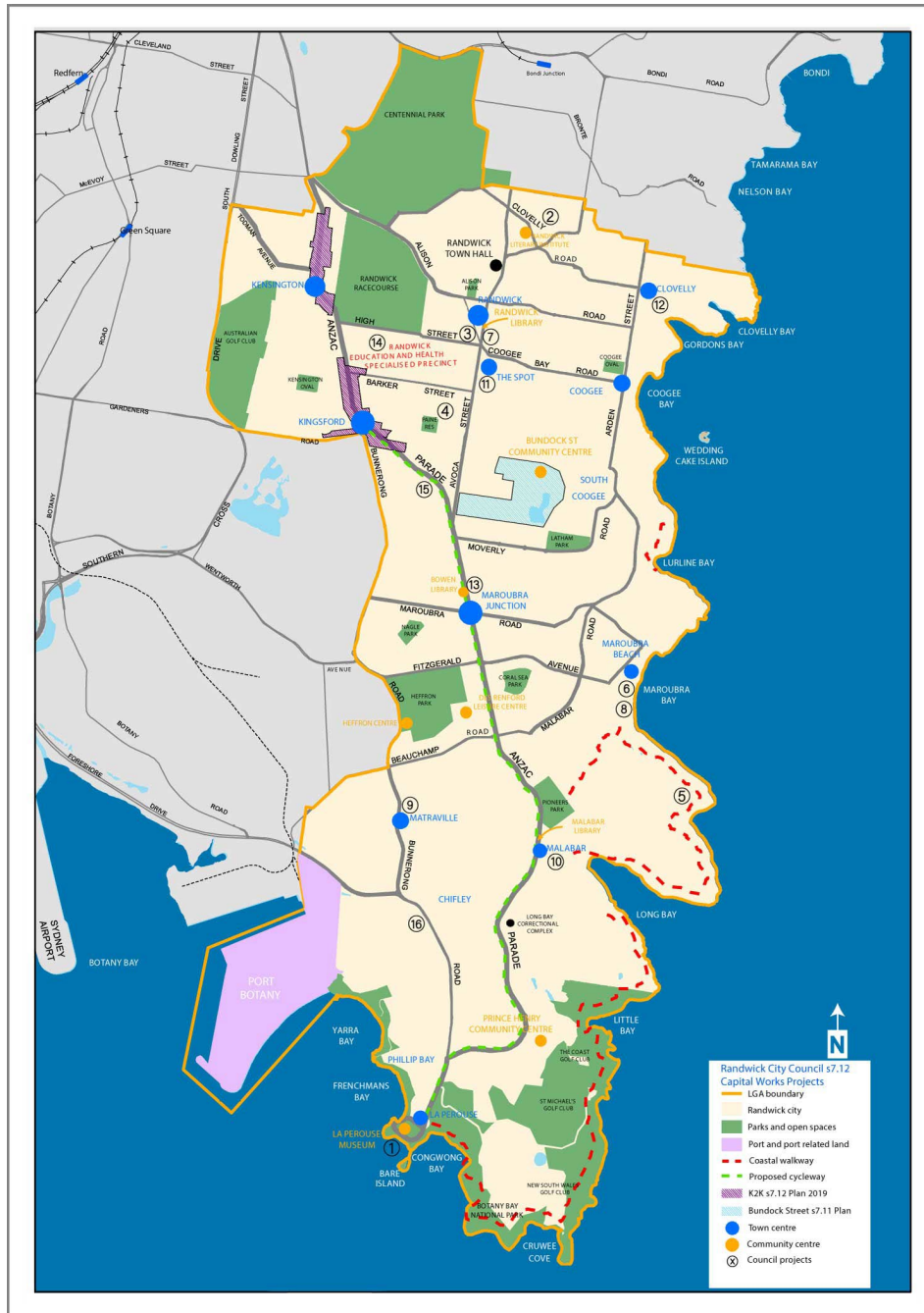


Map Ref	Item	Public Facility	Comments	Allocation Draft 2024 Plan	Staging draft 2024 Plan
			water and assist in flood mitigation.		
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Parks and Open Space</b>				
*	3.1	Park improvements	Works include adventure playgrounds, pump tracks and outcomes from the Open Space and Recreational Needs Study.	\$3,300,000	Ongoing
*	3.2	Smart City Initiatives*	New Project. Smart City infrastructure to address public safety, environmental monitoring and other place based technology solutions.	\$800,000	Ongoing
6	3.3	Maroubra Beach masterplan projects	New project. New facilities, upgrade and embellishment of public domain.	\$950,000	Short
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Town Centres and Public Realm</b>				
*	4.1	Night time economy initiatives	New project. Public realm improvements to support the night time economy and improve safety including smart lighting, creative lighting, public realm activations and power upgrades.	\$210,000	Ongoing
7	4.2	Randwick Junction Commercial Centre	New project. Public realm improvements in line with the Randwick Junction Urban Design Plan/Town Centre Strategy. Streetscape improvements and laneway activations in accordance with the Randwick Junction Town Centre Strategy/ Urban Design Guidelines.	\$1,140,000	Short-Medium
8	4.3	Maroubra Beach Local Centre	Improvements to pedestrian areas including signalisation.	\$100,000	Short
9	4.4	Matraville Local Centre	New project. Public realm works in accordance with Matraville Masterplan.	\$450,000	Medium - long
10	4.5	Malabar Local Centre	Landscape improvements.	\$50,000	Short
11	4.6	The Spot Local Centre	Streetscape and landscaping works including undergrounding of powerlines, lighting and paving.	\$400,000	Short
12	4.7	Clovelly Local Centre	Public realm works in line with Clovelly Road Masterplan.	\$100,000	Medium
13	4.8	Maroubra Junction Commercial Centre	New project. Streetscape upgrades along Anzac Parade in accordance with Maroubra Junction Masterplan.	\$450,000	Medium - long
14	4.9	Randwick Collaboration Area/ Strategic Centre including Botany Street	Public domain works to enhance connectivity, streetscape improvements, enhanced pedestrian safety and access around UNSW.	\$3,000,000	Ongoing
*	4.10	Wayfinding signage	New project. Installation of signage to improve connectivity between town centres, coastal locations and other attractions.	\$150,000	Short
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Transport and Roads</b>				

Map Ref	Item	Public Facility	Comments	Allocation Draft 2024 Plan	Staging draft 2024 Plan
*	5.1	Laneway widening	Improvements to road reserves following dedication of private land earmarked for laneway widening.	\$900,000	Medium
*	5.2	Mobility improvements	City wide including bike plan implementation, pram ramps, walkways, pedestrian/cycle improvements including industrial areas, lighting, signage.	\$3,050,000	Ongoing
15	5.3	Anzac Parade walking and cycling path	New project. Walking and cycling pathway project along Anzac Parade.	\$500,000	Short
16	5.4	Bunnerong/ Military Road traffic signal upgrade.	New project. Signal upgrade/ public realm works to address safety with heavy vehicle movements to Port/ Industrial area.	\$350,000	Short-medium
*	5.5	Local Traffic Management Schemes	New project. Integrate pedestrian and bicycle facilities into new traffic calming treatment to enhance connectivity and accessibility.	\$1,250,000	Medium
6.0	Development Contributions Management				
	6.1	Development contribution planning management and studies	Spent. Include in new Plan.	\$1,200,000	Ongoing

\* Projects distributed across LGA/various sites dependant on prioritisation

\*\* Subject to project identification



Schedule 2: Cost Summary Report Template

DETAILED COST REPORT  
REGISTERED\* QUANTITY SURVEYOR'S DETAILED COST REPORT  
[Development cost of \$500,000 or more]

Applicant/Application Details			
Development Application No		Complying Development Application No	
Date		Development Name	
Development Address			
Applicant's Name			
Applicant's Address			
Development Details			
GFA – Commercial (m²)		GFA – Parking (m²)	
GFA – Residential (m²)		GFA – Other (m²)	
GFA – Retail (m²)		Total GFA (m²)	
Total Car Parking Spaces		Total Site Area (m²)	
Total Development Cost			
Total Construction Cost			
Total GST			
Estimate Details			
Professional Fees (\$)		Construction (Commercial)	
% of Construction Cost		Total Construction Cost	
% of Demolition Cost		\$/m² of Site Area	
Demolition & Site Preparation		Construction	
Total Construction Cost (Residential)		Total Construction Cost	
\$/m² of Site Area		\$/m² of Site Area	
Fitout (Residential)		Fitout	
Total Construction Cost (Commercial)		Total Construction Cost	
\$/m² of Site Area		\$/m² of Site Area	
Fitout (Retail)		Parking	
Total Construction Cost		\$/m² of Site Area	

\$/m <sup>2</sup> of Site Area		\$/space	
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I certify that I have:

- Inspected the plans the subject of the application for development consent or for a complying development certificate.
- Prepared and attached an elemental estimate generally prepared in accordance with the Australian Cost Management Manuals from the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors.
- Calculated the development costs in accordance with the definition of development costs in Clause 208 (4) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2021 at current prices.
- Included GST in the calculation of development cost; and
- Measured Gross Floor Areas in accordance with the Method of Measurement of Building Areas in the AIQS Cost Management Manual Volume 1, Appendix A2.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position and Qualifications: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Schedule 3: Detailed Cost Report

COST SUMMARY REPORT

[Development cost of less than \$500,000]

Development/Applicant Details	
Development Application No:	
Complying Development Application No	
Date:	
Development Name:	
Development Address:	
Applicant's Name:	
Applicant's Address	

Estimate of Development costs			
Demolition and alterations	\$	Hydraulic services	\$
Structure	\$	Mechanical services	\$
External walls, windows and doors	\$	Fire services	\$
Internal walls, screens and doors	\$	Electrical services	\$
Wall finishes	\$	Lift services	\$
Floor finishes	\$	External works	\$
Ceiling finishes	\$	External services	\$
Fittings and equipment	\$	Other related work	\$
Sub Total	\$		
Preliminaries and Margin	\$		
Sub Total	\$		
Consultant Fees	\$		
Other related development costs	\$		
Sub Total	\$		
Goods and Services Tax	\$		
Total development cost	\$		

- I certify that I have:
- Inspected the plans the subject of the application for development consent or for a complying development certificate.
  - Calculated the development costs in accordance with the definition of development costs in Clause 208 (2) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2021 current prices.

- *Included GST in the calculation of development cost.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position and Qualifications: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Attachment B: draft s7.12 Plan 2024 – Summary of Submissions

No	Stakeholder	Submission Summary	Council Response
1	Resident	Clarification sought on whether the new fixed fee is for homeowners planning house removal. Clarity sought on the intention/meaning of the draft s7.12 Plan.	<p>The contribution rates under the draft s7.12 Plan 2024 are not changing. The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 is an update of the current s7.12 Plan 2015 which has been in operation for nearly 10 years. It authorises Council to require the payment of a development contributions levy from applicants, as a condition of consent in relation to Development Applications (DAs) and Complying Development Certificates (CDCs). The levy applies to all types of development including alterations and additions to dwelling houses as well as construction of new dwellings.</p> <p>The imposition of the development contributions levy from applicants is provided for under the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i> and is an integral funding mechanism to support the delivery of local infrastructure and facilities required to support growth in the local government area. This includes the upgrade of parks and open space, the delivery of community facilities, and improvements to the public realm of town centres.</p> <p>The maximum 0.5-1% s7.12 levy has been in effect for over 15 years and is mandated under the EP&amp;A Regulation and cannot be amended by Council. The levy applies to all forms of development including demolition of existing housing.</p>
2	Resident	Concerns raised that the 'yoursay' page has a tab labelled "survey," which redirects to a submissions page requiring an account. It is suggested that this format makes it difficult for residents to voice their opinions.	Noted. The yoursay page outlines various options for making a submission, including via email and hard copy correspondence or direct uploads via the website.
3	Resident	Clarification sought on the new fixed development fee. Currently, it's 0, 0.5, or 1% based on the development cost? Is the council changing this? The draft Plan only mentions funding allocation.	<p>The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 applies a development contributions levy to all DAs and CDs where the cost of works is over \$100,000. The levy is applied on a sliding scale based on the cost of works. No change is proposed to the percentage levy (ie nil, 0.5% and 1%) as it is mandated by the EP&amp;A Regulation and cannot be</p>

No	Stakeholder	Submission Summary	Council Response
			amended by Council. The Schedule of Works provides an updated list of capital works projects to be undertaken over the next 10 years which align with priorities identified in Council's Informing Strategies, studies and plans.
4	Resident	Objection to the draft Plan on the basis that Council's rates are already excessive compared to other LGAs and keep increasing. Concerns raised that development applications are already subject to fees and the imposition of additional charges for items that should be covered by existing rates is not supported.	<p>Development contribution levies are a fundamental part of the planning and development system in NSW and are utilised by councils in conjunction with general revenue/rates and grants to deliver vital local infrastructure to support growth in the local area and ensure we maintain quality public facilities and spaces.</p> <p>The draft s7.12 Plan 2024 is an update of the existing s7.12 2015 Plan and incorporates an updated schedule of works to reflect infrastructure priorities for Randwick City to meet the needs of the existing and future population. There is no change proposed to the percentage levy rate which itself is mandated by legislation and has been in effect for over 15 years.</p>
5	Resident	Opposed to any increases in taxes and levies to fund projects that are not absolutely necessary.	The draft Schedule of Works items have been identified as infrastructure priorities in a range of Council documents including a range of Informing Strategies covering housing, environment, transport and cultural facilities. These Strategies have been exhibited for community feedback over the last 3-4 years. The items identified in the Schedule of Works are deemed necessary to support growth in the LGA to meet the needs of the existing and future population. These include essential works such as upgrades to roads, public realm, open space and parks, and community facilities to ensure a high level of amenity and liveability in the LGA.
6	Resident	<p>Opposed to allocation of resources under Schedule 1. Concerns raised that the coastal walkway project categorised under 'environmental initiatives' implies that all that is planned is planting a few bushes and laying of boardwalk planks.</p> <p>Although the accompanying map pays lip service to the elephant in the room, i.e. the gap in the coastal walkway at Cuzco St, it also shows this as a mere detail relative to the Malabar headland, where the length of dashed red line makes clear Council's intentions. The</p>	<p>Council is committed to acquiring the property at Cuzco St to complete a continuous coastal walkway and will be working with the owner when the opportunity for acquisition arises. s.7.12 funding will include acquisition of the property.</p> <p>Council is currently undertaking a Coastal Wayfinding project which will investigate options for incorporating information and stories about natural features, Aboriginal and European heritage</p>

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		\$1.1m allocation for the "short to medium" term, i.e. the next 4 years, would be adding frills to the Malabar headland walk, when what it actually needed is for it to be left as wild and unspoiled as possible. By the time the project is finalised, it would result in rubbish bins every 100m, safety fencing on every jutting rock, and signs advising of danger so frequent that one is never out of sight of them. Meanwhile the Cuzco St gap is to receive what: "concept design"? In other words, a few drawings but no action for at least 4 years.	into a suite of signage while ensuring sensitivity to the unique coastal character. This will be placed on public exhibition.
7		Strong support for the Plan with requests for the following improvements to proposed work program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blenheim House: provide new projector and wall/screen for community film and audio/visual events</li> <li>Maroubra Beach Masterplan: deliver cycle pathways and storage facilities near beach and public transport and improve design of the McKeon St. road closure</li> <li>Maroubra Beach local centre: address the zebra crossing which has pedestrians crossing continuously on busy weekends which banks up traffic along Marine Parade; and</li> <li>Anzac Parade cycle/walking path: incorporate cycleway links to Heffron Park and to Maroubra Beach (eg. Along Fitzgerald Ave) and utilise wide road verge on Fitzgerald Ave to facilitate a separate dual lane cycleway.</li> </ul>	Support noted. s7.12 funding is for capital works which does not include fit outs. The suggestions have been forwarded to relevant Departments for consideration in the planning, design and construction phase of identified infrastructure projects.
8		Request that there be no further charges to individuals rebuilding a house. The rebuild of an existing house would require a \$10k levy for a \$1 million project. Rates have increased. Development contribution levies should be limited to new residential flat buildings or industrial sites only.	The imposition of a development contributions levy from applicants is provided for under the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i> and Regulations and is utilised to help deliver infrastructure and facilities required to support growth in the local government area. The maximum 0.5-1% s7.12 levy has been in effect for over 15 years and is mandated under the legislation. Council is unable to amend the percentage levy. The levy applies to all forms of development including demolition and rebuild of existing housing.
9		Objection to the Plan on the basis that 1% is far too big an impost on development. The s7.12 levies would contribute to the housing crisis.	The maximum 0.5-1% s7.12 levy is mandated under the EP&A Regulation and cannot be amended by Council. The maximum 1% percentage levy has been in effect for over 15 years and has not been changed by the Government. The s7.12 levies provide an

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			important funding mechanism, which in conjunction with general revenue and grants, support the delivery of infrastructure and facilities to meet demands from population growth and new development.
10		Objection to the draft s7.12 Plan 2024. The \$100,000 threshold is too low and would not cover a small home renovation. A DA of under \$500,000 would adversely affect families who are already paying rates to cover the cost of improvements and upgrades. Any levy should only be made on DA for large site redevelopments (e.g. over \$500k) or where a site is to be subdivided and density increased.	The \$100,000 threshold for the imposition of a s7.12 development contributions levy is mandated under Clause 25K(1)(a) of the EP&A Regulation which sets a maximum rate of 1% of the cost of the carrying out of a development. The maximum 1% percentage levy has been in effect for over 15 years and cannot be amended by Council. s7.12 levies provide an important funding mechanism, which, in conjunction with general revenue and grants support the delivery of infrastructure and facilities to meet demands from population growth and new development.
11		Request to include the urgent repair of stormwater and drainage system at private residence to Schedule of Works. .	This request is outside the scope of the s7.12 Plan 2024. The request has been forwarded to the City Services Department for action.
12		Request that new bicycle lanes on Anzac Pde should not affect on-street parking.	Noted. This request has been forwarded to Integrated Transport for consideration in the roll out of the proposed new cycle paths.
13		Questioning the levy on the basis that with the increase in multi dwelling properties, both residential and commercial over the past 50 years, there should already be sufficient funds for these necessities.	Under the legislation, s7.12 levies are required to apply to most types of development ranging from dwelling house to multi dwelling properties. s.7.12 development contributions are an integral part of the planning and infrastructure delivery framework. Funds collected over the years are allocated and spent towards capital works projects that have been identified to maintain a high level of amenity and liveability within the LGA.
14		Request that there be more cycling projects as these are critical to supporting high density development eg the successful Doncaster Avenue cycleway, where riders are separated from traffic.	Council's cycleways projects are outlined in the Bicycle Plan priority map <a href="https://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/services/transport/bicycles/bike-routes-and-maps">https://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/services/transport/bicycles/bike-routes-and-maps</a> The Schedule of Works shown in the s.7.12 Plan also reflect capital works priorities identified in Council's Informing Strategies

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15		<p>Request for the following to be incorporated into the Schedule of Works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upgrade footpaths on northern side of Mears Ave which are currently run down, particularly towards the top of the street</li> <li>Install footpath gardens in some of the nature strips on the northern side of Mears Avenue, particularly, at the top of the street. The nature strips on the northern side of the street are very unattractive due to water being taken up by water gum trees, a large gum tree and a jacaranda tree (both the latter two trees also being potential dangers). The southern side of the street has much more attractive nature strips. Other Councils have made nature strips in prominent areas into garden beds. It is noted that the City of Sydney Council states "Where site conditions are favourable and funds are available, the City will upgrade the streetscape and install footpath gardens in consultation with residents and the neighbouring community."</li> <li>Better maintain garden beds in the street. Plants need to be replaced and weeds extracted.</li> </ul>	<p>The projects listed in Schedule 1 have been informed by a variety of Council studies and documents including a range of Informing Strategies which have been exhibited for community feedback. Although the footpaths on Mears Avenue have not been specifically identified in these documents, the request for upgrades on Mears Avenue have been forwarded to the City Services Department for consideration.</p>
16		<p>Strong support for the draft s7.12 Plan 2024 and congratulations to staff who have contributed to the document. Request that the continued planting of native trees and shrubs be made more explicit e.g. utilising the symbol of a tree.</p>	<p>Support noted. Council continues to investigate opportunities including State Government grant schemes to support native trees and shrub planting across the City. The Randwick Street Tree Masterplan provides details on a range of strategies to manage, guide tree planting and preserve trees.</p>
17		<p>Strong support for the draft s7.12 Plan 2024. The community all benefit from such an incredible locality, and it is only right that we all contribute where we can to making it even better.</p>	<p>Support noted.</p>
18		<p>Concerns that the increased development and density that is driving the development contributions paid to Council would result in more traffic, pollution and road/pedestrian accidents unless these developments are accompanied by sufficient improvements to public transport, cycle paths and foot paths to ensure total car trips across the council area do not also increase with each new resident or business.</p> <p>As such, given public transport is largely outside of the council's control, a larger share of development contributions should be directed to improvements to cycle paths to encourage a mode shift</p>	<p>The Anzac Parade cycle project listed in under the Schedule of Works has been identified as a priority for Council. Over \$6 million has been allocated towards various projects associated with traffic and parking under the draft Plan. It must be noted that estimated s7.12 income needs to be spread across various projects on an identified prioritisation process.</p>

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		away from cars with all the travel time, health and safety benefits that come from reduced single occupant vehicle use.	
19		Opposition to the s7.12 levy. Council should seek funds elsewhere.	<p>s7.12 development contributions levies are a fundamental component of the local infrastructure funding framework and work in conjunction with general revenue and grants to help deliver vital infrastructure needed to support population growth and new development.</p> <p>s7.12 development contributions play a crucial role in supporting the liveability of communities, fostering sustainable growth, maintaining quality of life, and contributing to economic development. Should s7.12 development contributions be omitted from the development process, Council would not have the ability to raise sufficient revenue to fund local infrastructure required for our community.</p>
20		Request that the development contribution levy be higher than 1% or reflect the percentage increase in value upon development approval.	The maximum 1% levy is mandated under the EP&A Regulation and cannot be amended by Council.
21		Support for the draft s7.12 Plan 2024 on the basis that everyone benefits from living in such an incredible locality, and it is only right that we all contribute where we can to making it even better.	Support noted.
22		Support for the draft Plan. Residents don't want the area to become like Kensington which looks like a barren wasteland, albeit with brand new buildings. Concerns that the light rail, change in road traffic/traffic lights etc has destroyed the area. Building developments are great, but only if the people in the area continue to be able to use the area to "live" in, not just reside in. Money generated through s7.12 levies should be utilised towards providing carparking in Kingsford. Maroubra has so much parking for retail, yet Council has let Kingsford become a wasteland.	<p>The introduction of the light rail service to Randwick and Kingsford resulted in more than 700 parking spaces being removed along the two alignments. Council gained the support of Transport for NSW in introducing a significant number of angled parking spaces along many local streets. This greatly increased the local parking supply in Kingsford. The increased parking supply complements the ample parking available along the full length of Houston Road, a short walk from Anzac Parade.</p> <p>s.7.12 funding has been allocated for cycleways in accordance with the Integrated Transport Strategy and the Active Transport Plan to provide people with the choice about how people will</p>

No	Stakeholder	Submission Summary	Council Response
			move around, reduce private vehicle trips, create benefits to the environment and improve congestion and emissions.
23		Concerns that Council does not spend contributions appropriately. Request that contributions be used towards fixing roads and pot holes, and that housing commission properties be removed as they are destroying neighbourhoods.	The repair of potholes on local roads is funded out of general revenue and grants not s7.12 levies. Construction and management of social housing stock is under the purview of the State Government (Homes NSW) which has a program for upgrades/ renewal of sites across metropolitan Sydney.
24	Dexus on behalf of Randwick Junction Shopping Centre F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support for the s7.12 levy framework on the basis that it would encourage development and investment within areas of the local government area including Randwick Junction town centre;</li> <li>Request that funding for proposed public domain works in Randwick Junction be allocated towards public realm upgrades along Short Street in accordance with the Randwick Junction Urban Design Report. This would include transformation of the street into a pedestrian prioritised shared zone, while retaining the current single lane one-way vehicular access way from Belmore Road to Avoca Street;</li> <li>Request for inclusion of alfresco dining zones and public seating along both the northern and southern side of the Short Street; and</li> <li>Clarification sought on the scheduling of any future works within Randwick Junction, noting that some projects outlined within the Urban Design Report have already been implemented including construction of Waratah Plaza</li> </ul>	<p>The Randwick Junction Urban Design Report 2023 outlines a built form response to the heritage scale and fine grain character of Randwick Junction, in the context of new public transport infrastructure, and growth in population, retail and health and medical related businesses and employment.</p> <p>The Report supplements the Randwick Junction Planning Proposal, which is currently awaiting a Gateway Determination to proceed to public exhibition. The timing of the adoption of the Urban Design Report is therefore contingent on the progression of the Planning Proposal.</p> <p>In terms of the requested Short Street upgrades, funding for this project is likely to be from a mix of sources including general revenue, grants and s712 levies. The finer detail of works on Short Street will be subject to concept designs that will be publicly exhibited which will provide further opportunity for stakeholders to comment. The timing and prioritisation of works on Short Street will be further determined by Council as part of its future capital works delivery program.</p>



## Director City Planning Report No. CP38/24

**Subject: VPA Letter of Offer - DA/731/2023 - 311-313 & 315-315A  
Anzac Parade, Kingsford**

### Executive Summary


- Development Application No. DA/731/2023 at Nos. 311-313 and 315-315A Anzac Parade, Kingsford is currently pending a decision by the Land Environment Court.
- The proposal seeks development consent for the demolition of existing commercial buildings, construction of a 9 storey co-living housing development consisting of 94 rooms with ground floor retail, a single basement level containing 11 car spaces and 19 motorcycle spaces, and designated areas within building elevations for public art. The total estimated cost of development is \$16,225,000.
- A letter of offer is required to be made to Council to satisfy the provisions of Council's Community Infrastructure Contributions (CIC) Plan which provides for the delivery of infrastructure through the means of a Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA). The affordable housing contribution is provided under a separate plan and stipulate the required monetary contribution rate that is equivalent to 5% of the total residential floor area of the development.
- A letter dated 4 July 2024 from the developer (Kingsford Parade Pty Ltd) offers to provide a CIC contribution via a part monetary contribution and works-in-kind to the value of \$285,959.50, a Section 7.12 monetary contribution of \$162,250 and an affordable housing monetary contribution of \$3,060,704.06.
- Should Council accept this offer, and if the Land Environment Court grants approval to the subject application, the contributions would form the basis of a deferred commencement condition requiring a formal VPA to be publicly exhibited and subsequently agreed to by Council.

### Recommendation

That Council agrees to the terms contained in the letter of offer, dated 4 July 2024 from the developer (Kingsford Parade Pty Ltd) of DA/731/2023 at 311-313 and 315-315A Anzac Parade, Kingsford, subject to:

- a) the Land Environment Court granting approval to the development; and
- b) the subsequent endorsement of a Voluntary Planning Agreement.

### Attachment/s:

1.  VPA Letter of Offer - DA.731.2023 - 311-315 Anzac Parade, Kingsford

## Purpose

This report provides details to Council a “letter of offer” dated 4 July 2024 (attached) from the developer (Kingsford Parade Pty Ltd) for Development Application No. DA/731/2023 at Nos. 311-313 and 315-315A Anzac Parade, Kingsford.

The development application seeks consent for the demolition of existing commercial buildings, construction of a 9-storey co-living development consisting of 94 rooms with ground floor retail and a single basement level containing 11 car spaces and 19 motorcycle spaces, and designated areas within building elevations for public art.

The letter of offer is required to be made to Council to satisfy the provisions of Council’s Community Infrastructure Contributions Plan, which provides for the delivery of infrastructure through the means of a Voluntary Planning Agreement.

The subject application is pending for the determination by the Land Environment Court (LEC).

The proposed development seeks to benefit from the alternative height and floor space ratio provisions applicable by providing community infrastructure contributions in accordance with the provisions of Clause 6.17 of Randwick Local Environmental Plan 2012. The letter of offer confirms the Applicant’s offer to Council to enter into a VPA to provide community infrastructure. As such, Council is required to determine its position on this offer prior to the determination of the development application by the LEC.

Should Council accept this offer and the LEC determine the application by way of a Section 34 agreement, the letter of offer would form the basis of a deferred commencement condition requiring a formal Voluntary Planning Agreement to be publicly exhibited and subsequently agreed to by Council. Further, the infrastructure items in the letters of offer would be subject of further detail in terms of scope, design, and specifications.

## Discussion

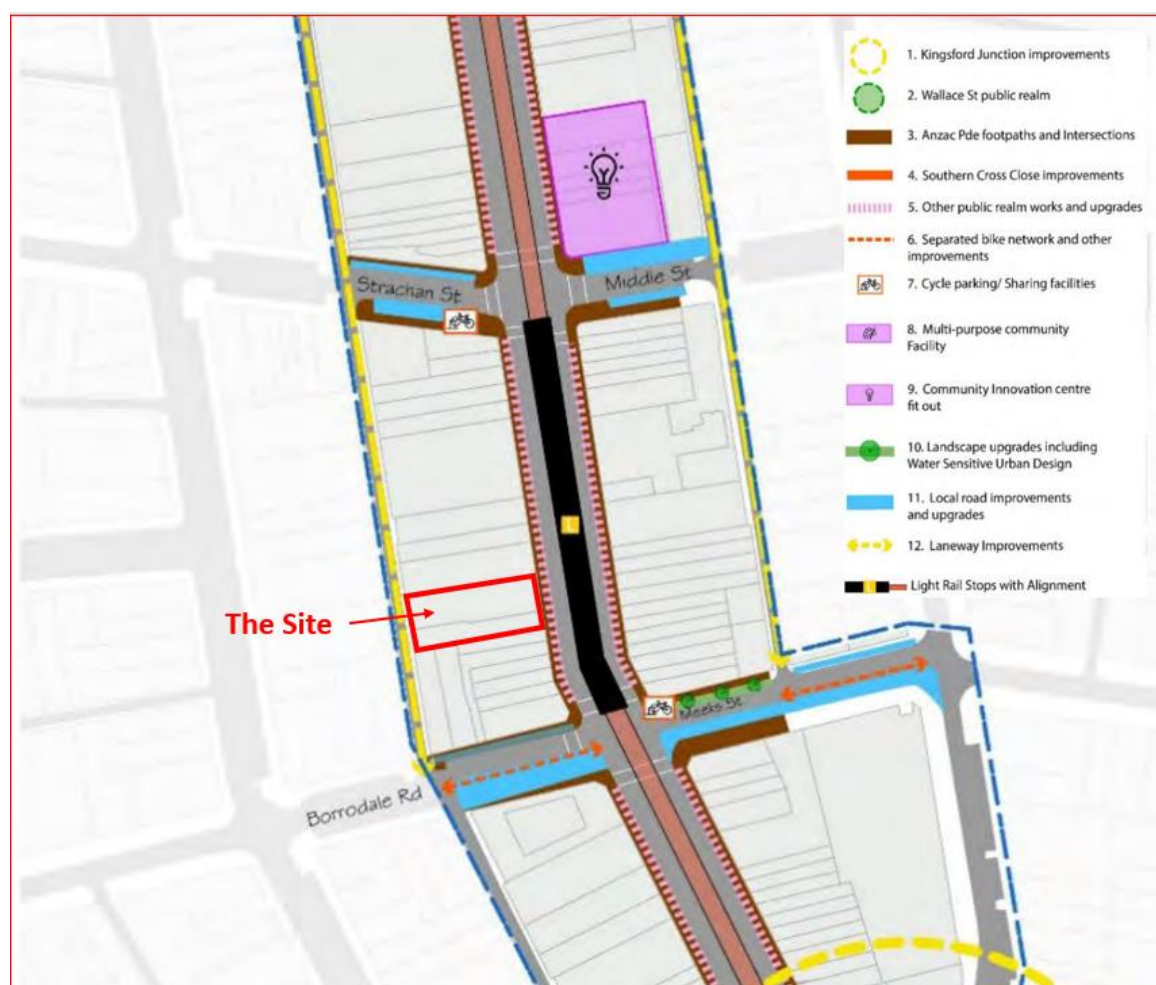
### Community Infrastructure Contribution Plan

Council’s Community Infrastructure Plan for the Kensington and Kingsford town centres provides for infrastructure, public domain and physical facilities that support the growth and function of the town centres and benefit the existing and new population as well as the wider Randwick population. The total value of the infrastructure that would be provided for in the two town centres is approximately \$37 million. The CIC for this development would be approximately \$285,959.50. It is important to note that the CIC contribution is based on GFA Calculations for the building that is over 7 storeys or 24m. The proposed development is part 5 and part 9 storeys in height.

The K2K strategy and its amending LEP was designed to allow additional height and density in the town centres and to capture that additional value through the CIC plan. The additional height and density were distributed across the town centres with the predominant height being 9 storeys and up to 17 & 18 storeys on the three key intersections. The CIC plan was a fundamental component of the overall strategy in that it allowed significant public benefits from the additional density.

The CIC Plan anticipates the provision of the following items and as shown in **Figure 1**:

- Anzac Parade footpath upgrades;
- Other public realm works and upgrades along Anzac Parade; and
- Laneway upgrades.



**Figure 1:** Extract of 'Kingsford CIC Map' on page 10 of 13 of the CIP Plan with site outlined in red.

The letter of offer proposes works in kind in relation to the Anzac Pde footpaths, public realm works and laneway upgrades. These items will be subject to further details being agreed upon in terms of project scope, design and specifications. Should it become apparent that the works are not feasible or cannot be conducted at a reasonable cost to the applicant, or if Council requires a superior standard of works than proposed by the Applicant, then an equivalent monetary payment is to be made. Once the parties have negotiated a draft planning agreement it can be publicly notified in accordance with the EPA Act and the EPA Regulation. As a result of any submissions received, the agreement may be amended. The draft agreement and submissions may then be considered, and council may resolve to enter into the agreement.

### **Affordable Housing**

The Kensington and Kingsford Town Centres affordable housing plan aims to ensure that lower income households continue to live and work locally within Randwick LGA, to facilitate a socially diverse and inclusive community; and to support the economic functions of the Randwick Education and Health Strategic Centre.

The letter of offer includes an affordable housing levy contribution through a monetary contribution, which will form part of the development consent. The calculation of the affordable housing contribution is determined by multiplying the contribution rate of \$656.25 per sqm (applicable until 30 June 2024) with the approved total residential floor area, which is approximately 4,663.93m<sup>2</sup>. The contribution equates to \$3,060,704.06, which is to be paid prior to the issue of a construction certificate.

### **Section 7.12 Development Contributions Plan: Kensington and Kingsford Town Centres**

This Plan applies to development on land that is subject to a development consent or a complying development certificate within the Kensington and Kingsford town centres. The Plan authorises Council to grant consent to development to which this Plan applies, subject to a condition requiring

the applicant to pay a levy based on the proposed cost of carrying out the development (i.e. 2.5% levy for cost of development greater than \$250,000).

The total cost of development is \$16,225,000 and the applicable Section 7.12 contributions levy to be paid to Council would be \$162,250. The applicant has indicated the intention to provide for Section 7.12 via a monetary contribution prior to the release of any construction certificate.

**Status of the Application**

The determination of the application is in the final stages, with the application scheduled to be determined by the Land Environment Court. It should be noted that should the letter of offer not be supported by Council, the LEC may proceed to consider the matter at a determination hearing and approve the application on its merits without a community infrastructure / affordable housing contribution.

**Next Step**

The following steps will occur if the letter of offer is supported by Council:

- The Land and Environment Court granting approval to the development subject to a deferred commencement condition requiring a formal VPA to be publicly exhibited.
- Council to liaise with the developer and prepare the VPA for public exhibition.
- The VPA to be publicly exhibited for 28 days as per the legislative requirement.
- Report the exhibited VPA to a Council meeting for final endorsement.
- If Council agrees to enter into the VPA, the GM may exercise delegation to execute the VPA.

**Strategic alignment**

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome/Direction	Delivery Program actions
Outcome	4. Excellence in urban design and development.
Direction	4a. Improved design and sustainability across all development.

**Resourcing Strategy implications**

The costs associated with the preparation and execution of the VPA will be covered by the developer.

**Conclusion**

The letter of offer is required to be made to Council to satisfy the provisions of Council’s Community Infrastructure Contributions Plan which provides for the delivery of infrastructure through the means of a Voluntary Panning Agreement. The initial step in the process to deliver the CIC is for the applicant to make an offer to Council outlining their willingness to enter into a VPA to provide the Community Infrastructure, which will then form the basis of the formal VPA.

The offer identifies that works-in-kind and a monetary contribution will be provided in accordance with the Kensington and Kingsford Town Centre’s Community Infrastructure Contributions and Affordable Housing Plan 2019.

In order to facilitate the subsequent VPA and for the application to proceed to determination, it is recommended that Council accept the letter of offer (attached).

**Responsible officer:** Ferdinando Macri, Senior Environmental Planning Officer  
**File Reference:** DA/731/2023

**Kingsford Parade Pty Ltd (ACN 654 925 096)**

311 -313 Anzac Parade  
KINGSFORD NSW 2032

4 July 2024

The General Manager  
Randwick Council  
30 Frances Street  
**RANDWICK NSW 2031**

Dear Sir/Madam,

**RE: LETTER OF OFFER — VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT IN ASSOCIATION WITH  
DEVELOPMENT OF NOS.  
DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION: DA731/2023  
PROPERTY: 311-315A ANZAC PARADE, KINGSFORD**

We are the owners of 311-313 Anzac Parade Kingsford NSW 2032 also known as Lot 1002 in Deposited Plan 668944 ('311'). We have also entered into a contract to acquire 315-315A Anzac Parade Kingsford NSW 2032 ('315') also known as Lot 1 in Deposited Plan 105185 (the 'Site').

For the purpose of this offer, the 'Developer' is Kingsford Parade Pty Ltd (ACN 654 925 096).

The Developer is the proponent of the mixed-use development application no. DA/731/2023 (the 'DA') made to Randwick City Council (the 'Council') for the Site.

The Developer commenced Land and Environment Court proceedings number 2023/449699 (the 'Proceedings') pursuant sections 8.7 and 8.11 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (the 'EPA Act') appealing the deemed refusal of the DA.

Following recent discussions with Council as part of the Proceedings, the Developer has prepared this revised letter of offer in accordance with section 7.4 of the EPA Act.

This letter demonstrates the Developer's offer to enter into a Voluntary Planning Agreement ('VPA') with Council in relation to the DA. It is proposed that the VPA will be finalised and executed following the grant of consent in relation to the DA. This letter provides adequate information to enable Council to consider the proposed VPA.

**SUMMARY**

Pursuant to clause 6.17 of the *Randwick Local Environmental Plan 2012* (the 'RLEP 2012') and the Kensington and Kingsford Town Centres Community Infrastructure Contributions Plan adopted 10 December 2019 (the 'CIC Plan') the Developer's offers to enter into a VPA for the delivery of Community Infrastructure on the site.

The Developer proposes to deliver Community Infrastructure as part Works-In-Kind and part Monetary Contribution on the terms set out below.

Pursuant to Clause 6.18 of the RLEP 2012 and the Kensington and Kingsford Town Centres Affordable Housing Plan adopted 10 December 2019 (the 'AH Plan'). The Developer also offers to enter into a VPA for the payment of an Affordable Housing Levy Contribution by way of a Monetary Contribution on the terms set out below.

1. PARTIES TO THE VPA

- Developer; and
- Randwick City Council

2. LAND TO WHICH THE VPA RELATES

311-313 Anzac Parade Kingsford NSW 2032 also known as Lot 1002 in Deposited Plan 668944 and 315-315A Anzac Parade Kingsford NSW 2032 also known as Lot 1 in Deposited Plan 105185

3. DEVELOPMENT TO WHICH THE DA RELATES

The DA seeks consent for the demolition of existing structures and construction of a mixed use development containing retail on ground level and a part 5 part 9 storey co-living development containing 92 rooms with basement parking, landscaping and ancillary work on the Site.

4. NATURE AND EXTENT OF DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS AND TIMING OF DELIVERY

A) Community Infrastructure Contribution

In accordance with clause 6.17 of the RLEP 2012 and the CIC Plan, the Developer offers to provide a Community Infrastructure Contribution calculated as follows:

Amount of additional Gross Floor Area (the 'GFA') above the maximum building height plane	602.02 square metres
Community Infrastructure Contribution value of additional GFA Excluding indexing subject to clause 7 of the CIC Plan (the 'Community Infrastructure Contribution')	\$285,959.50

The above calculation for the proposed Community Infrastructure Contribution value is based on the 'GFA Calculations above the height of 24m. The GFA applicable is identified in Plan



DA9003 Revision C prepared by Mark Shapiro Architects dated 25 June 2024 (the 'GFA Plan') which is annexed hereto and marked 'A'.

Annexure A is consistent with the Amended Architectural Plans (being revision C Plans) prepared by Mark Shapiro Architects dated 25 June 2024.

The Community Infrastructure Contribution is to be made up of a Works-in Kind Contribution and a Monetary Contribution.

The Works-In-Kind is proposed for delivery of the above Community Infrastructure Contribution value as follows:

- (a) With reference to the 'Schedule of Community Infrastructure – 2019' on page 8 of 13 of the CIC Plan and the 'Kingsford CIC Map' on page 10 of 13 of the CIC Plan, the Developer provides the below indicative values for the delivery of part Works-In-Kind up to a maximum value of the Contribution (CIC Value - \$285,959.50)

1.	Footpaths upgrade - directly in front of the portion of the total Site (see Figures 1 and 2 below)	'Portion of the CIC value - \$285,959.50' (i.e. a reasonable portion of the total cost of the Item 3: Kingsford 'Anzac Pde footpaths and intersections' of \$1.54m)	Works-in-Kind	Prior to issue of Occupation Certificate
2.	Other public realm works and upgrades - directly in front of the Site (see Figures 1 and 2 below)	'Portion of the CIC value - \$285,959.50'. (i.e. a reasonable portion of the total cost of the Item 5: Kingsford 'Other public realm works and upgrades' of \$2.5m)	Works-in-Kind	Prior to issue of Occupation Certificate
3.	Directly at the rear of the Site (see Figures 1 and 2 below)	'Portion of the CIC value - \$285,959.50'. (i.e. reasonable portion of the total cost of the Item 1: Kingsford 'Other laneways upgrades' of \$700K)	Works-in-Kind	Occupation Certificate
4.	Monetary Contribution	(Final value to be confirmed following costing and scope clarification of Works-in-Kind)	Monetary Contribution	Prior to issue of Construction Certificate
	<b>Total Value</b>	<b>\$285,959.50</b>		

(the 'Works-in-Kind Contribution')

In respect of the Works-in-Kind Contribution

- (i) The Developer has identified the Works-in-Kind in relation to the Site as illustrated in the below Kingsford CIC reference map:



Figure 1: Kingsford CIC Map (Source: Kensington and Kingsford Town Centres Community Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2019)

- (ii) The Developer proposes to meet with Council to refine the detail and scope of items 1 to 3 and to confirm the estimated value of delivery.
- (iii) Should through the process of detailing the project scope, design and specifications of Items 1 to 3 it become apparent that the works are not feasible or cannot be conducted at a reasonable cost by the Developer or Council requires a superior standard of works beyond what is proposed by the Developer then the equivalent value as outlined above will be paid via a monetary contribution instead of the Works-In-Kind currently proposed. This is offered on the proviso that any monetary contribution will be applied to the delivery of community infrastructure on the site in order to confirm that the DA will satisfy clause 6.17 of the RLEP 2012 (to permit the additional FSR and Height).
- (b) In the event that the Works-in-Kind Contribution amounts to a monetary value less than the Community Infrastructure Contribution then the Developer will pay the remainder as follows:



1.	Monetary Contribution	\$TBC	Monetary Contribution	Prior to issue of Construction Certificate
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#### **B) Affordable Housing Contribution**

In accordance with clause 6.26 of the RLEP 2012 and the AH Plan, the Developer offers to provide an Affordable Housing Contribution calculated as follows:

Affordable Housing Contribution = Total Floor Area x Affordable Rental Housing Contribution amount per square metre

The Total Floor Area is determined as defined by clause 2.5 of the AH Plan

The AH Plan provides for a square metres rate as at 1 August 2022 of \$540.62 which is the subject of indexing pursuant to clause 2.8 of the AH Plan. The current rate is \$656.25 is applicable at the date of the Offer, which is applicable to the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2024

Amount of Total Floor Area	4,663.93 square metres
Square Metre Rate	\$656.25 (Note: Applicable to 30 June 2024)
<b>Affordable Housing Contribution</b>	<b>\$3,060,704.06</b>

The Affordable Housing Contribution is to be made by payment of a Monetary Contribution prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate

The above calculation for the Affordable Housing Contribution value is based on the 'Total Floor Area Diagrams', Drawings DA9008 Revision D prepared by Mark Shapiro Architects dated 2 July 2024, which is annexed hereto and marked 'B'.

#### **5. APPLICATION OF SECTION 7.11 OR 7.12**

This offer, and any subsequent VPA, does not have the effect of excluding the application of s.7.11, 7.12 and 7.24 of the EP&A Act in relation to the DA, as are lawfully applicable.

#### **6. FUTURE VPA**

- (a) If development consent is granted in relation to the DA, it is intended that this offer be consolidated and crystallised into a VPA with Council.
- (b) Any subsequent VPA will comply with the requirements of the EPA Act and Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 and contain mechanisms for completion of any works and / or grant of proprietary interests (if necessary).

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- (c) The VPA may be registered by the Registrar-General unless payment is made up front.
  - (d) The VPA will contain mechanisms for the resolution of disputes and the enforcement of the agreement by the parties.
  - (e) The revised draft letter of offer is to form part of the DA lodged with Council (and the Court) is a matter that is required to be considered by the consent authority in the assessment of the DA pursuant to s.4.15(1)(a)(iia) of the EPA Act.

#### 7. COSTS

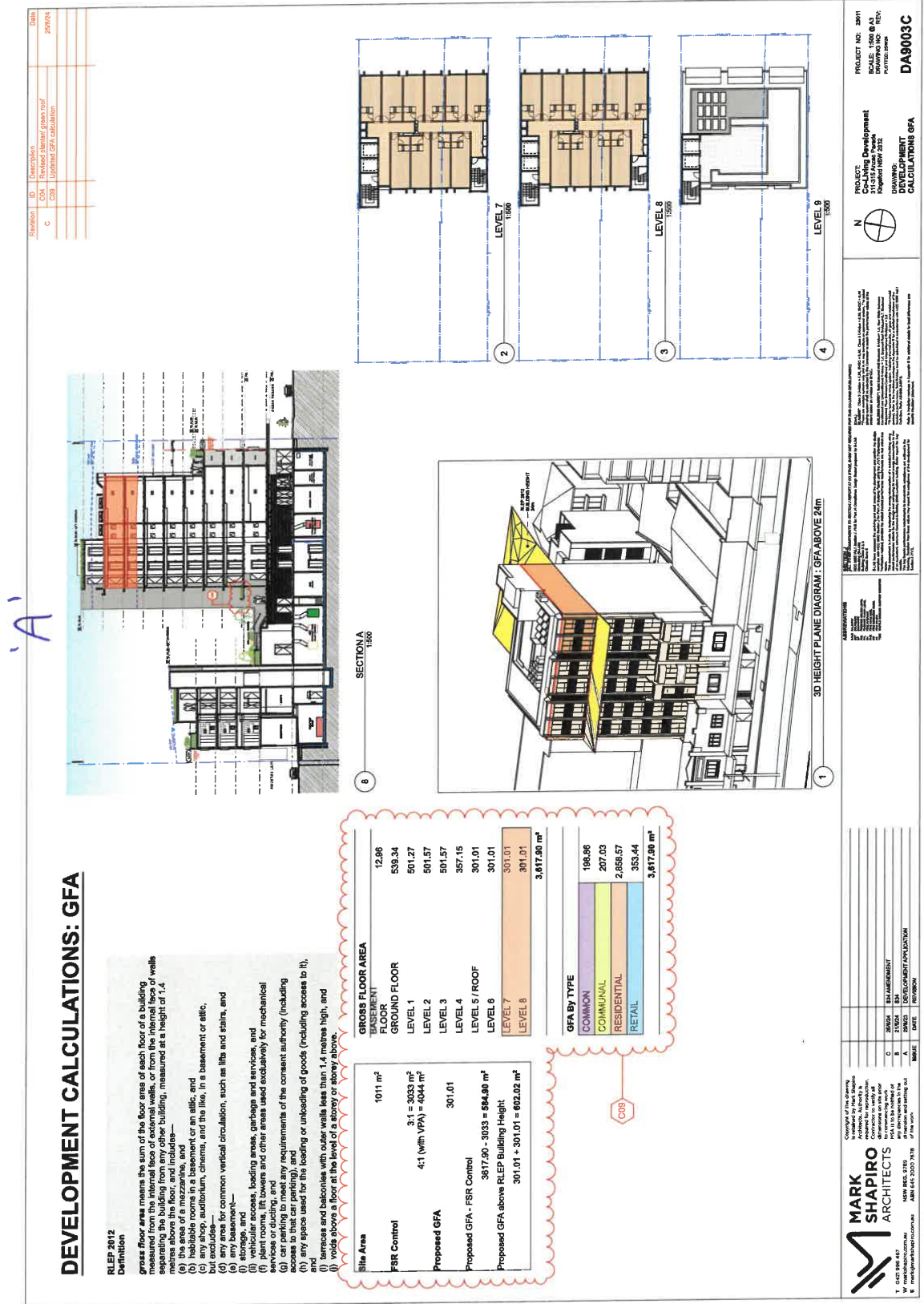
The Developer shall bear the costs of preparing, negotiating, executing and stamping the VPA and any documents related to the VPA.

SIGNED

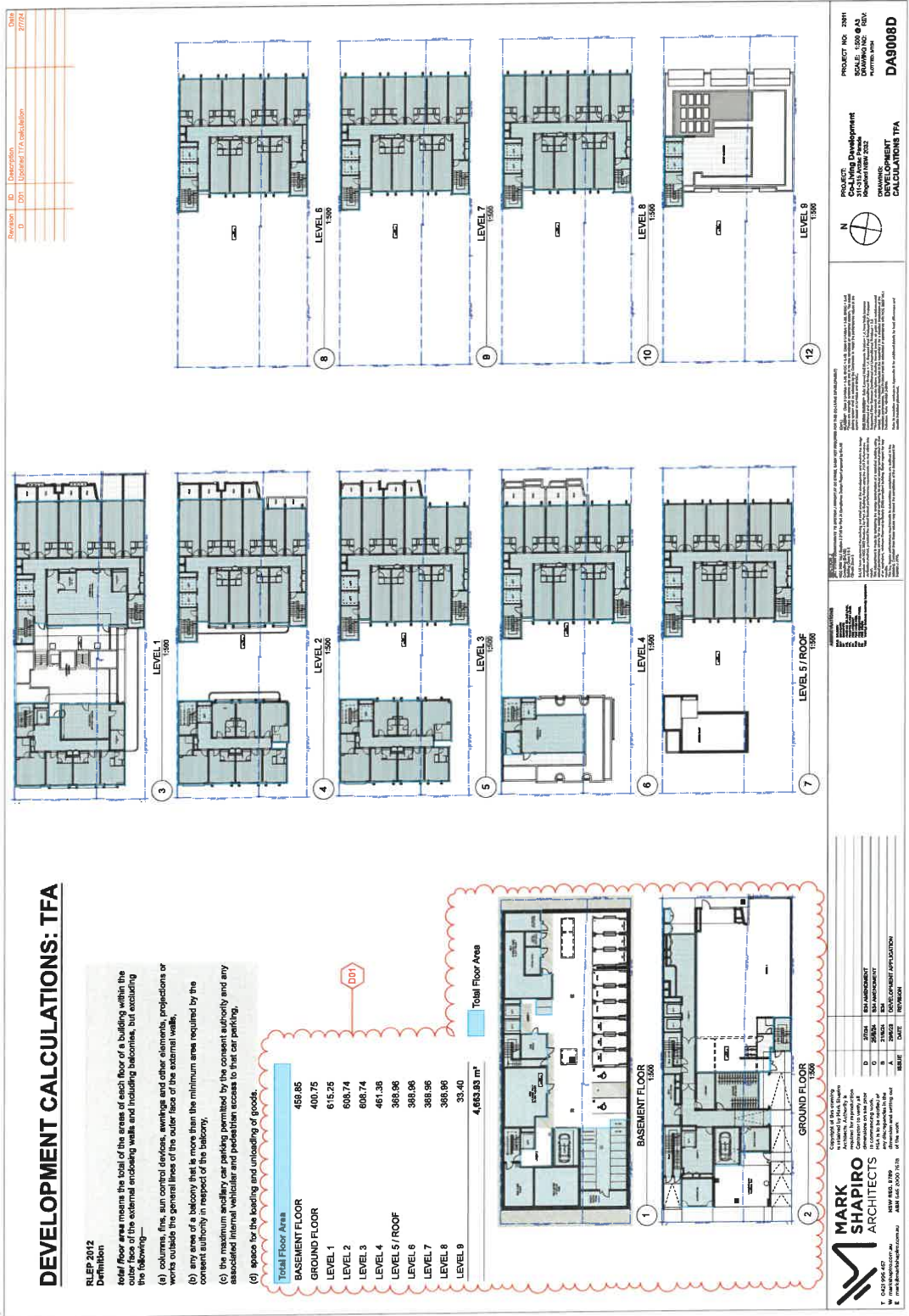


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The Sole Director/Secretary  
Kingsford Parade Pty Ltd (ACN 654 925 096)



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## Director City Planning Report No. CP39/24

**Subject: Variations to Development Standards under Clause 4.6 - 1 to 30 June 2024**

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### Executive Summary

- On 15 September 2023, the NSW Government published amendments in relation to the operation and reporting requirements of Clause 4.6 of the Standard Instrument (including Randwick Local Environmental Plan 2012) to commence on 1 November 2023, in which it is no longer necessary to report determined variations to Council on a quarterly basis.
- Notwithstanding the above, the Council has requested that a monthly report is submitted providing details of applications subject to a variation of a development standard under clause 4.6 of Randwick Local Environmental Plan 2012.
- This report provides Council with details of Development Applications (DA) that were determined within the period from 1 June through to 30 June 2024 in which a variation to a development standard under Clause 4.6 of the Randwick Local Environmental Plan 2012 was approved, in accordance with Council's internal reporting requirements.

### Recommendation

That the report be received and noted.

### Attachment/s:

1.  Clause 4.6 Register - June 2024



## Background

### Changes to Legislation

On 15 September 2023, the NSW Government published amendments in relation to the operation and reporting requirements of Clause 4.6 of the Standard Instrument (including Randwick Local Environmental Plan 2012) to commence on 1 November 2023.

Under Department's Planning Circular PS 20-002, Councils were required to provide quarterly reports to the DPE for all variations to development standards that were approved. Furthermore, the Circular required a report of all variations approved under delegation from a Council to be provided to a meeting of the Council meeting at least once each quarter. As part of the Clause 4.6 reform, Planning Circular PS 20-002 has been repealed as of 1 November 2023 and the amendments have introduced a new provision under Section 90A of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2021* (EP&A Regulation) which requires the following:

*"As soon as practicable after the development application is determined, the Council of the area in which the development is proposed to be carried out must notify the Planning Secretary of the Council's or panel's reasons for approving or refusing the contravention of the development standard."*

*The notice must be given to the Planning Secretary through the NSW planning portal."*

As of 1 November 2023, any variations approved by Council/Planning Panel will be made publicly available via a variation register published on the NSW Planning Portal. As such, in accordance with Section 90A of the EP&A Regulation, Councils are no longer required to submit quarterly reports to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure, as this information will be extracted from the NSW Planning Portal. Furthermore, as Planning Circular PS 20-002 has been repealed and the variation register shall be publicly available, it is no longer necessary to report determined variations to Council on a quarterly basis.

Notwithstanding the above, Council has resolved to provide monthly reporting on all variations and therefore this report provides Council with details of the relevant applications subject to a variation to a development standard pursuant to Clause 4.6 of RLEP 2012 for the period specified.

This report provides details of the relevant applications subject to a variation to a development standard pursuant to Clause 4.6 of RLEP 2012 for the period specified in accordance with Councils internal reporting requirements.

## Discussion

### Clause 4.6 – Exceptions to Development Standards

Clause 4.6 is required to be addressed if a development application seeks to vary a development standard in the Local Environmental Plan. The consent authority (i.e. Council, Randwick Local Planning Panel, Sydney Eastern Planning Panel or NSW Land and Environment Court) must not grant consent for development that contravenes a development standard unless, a written request has been provided by the applicant addressing Clause 4.6 of the LEP. If Council (or the relevant consent authority) is satisfied that the Clause 4.6 request is adequately justified, it may grant consent to the development even though the proposal does not comply with the relevant standard.

### Details of Variations

A table is attached to the report detailing all Clause 4.6 exceptions approved in the period between 1 June to 30 June 2024. Further analysis of the largest numerical variation for the relevant period is detailed below. It should be noted that a detailed assessment report is prepared for each DA with a Clause 4.6 exception and is publicly available through Council's website.

#### June 2024

Six (6) Clause 4.6 variations were approved in the June period (being 1 June through to 30 June 2024), with three (3) applications determined under delegation (less than 10%) and three (3) applications determined by Randwick Local Planning Panel (RLPP) due to a variation greater than 10%, a conflict of interest application with a variation, and one application with a variation to a non-numerical development standard.

Of the variations approved, the greatest extent of variation related to a Development Application for DA/14/2024 at 19 Mermaid Avenue, Maroubra, in which a variation of 21.53% to the Height of Buildings development standard was approved. The RLPP supported the variation to the Building Height standard for the following reasons:

- The application sought consent for alterations and additions to an existing dwelling house including rear extension, reconfiguration of pool and surrounding terrace, and associated landscaping works. The variation to the height standard was limited to a northern portion of the most upper floor level fronting Mermaid Avenue. It should be noted that the southern elevation complies with the height standard.
- As such, the variation is limited to the northern side elevation and can be attributed to the steep topography of site in which the site drops towards the north but also experiences a significant fall from west to east.
- The proposal shall retain a single storey streetscape presentation to Mermaid Avenue, and the proposed variation shall maintain the streetscape character.
- The size and scale of the proposed development is also considered to be generally consistent with other residential developments in the immediate vicinity of the site with particular regards to immediate adjoining development. The proposed built form responds to the topography of the site to ensure the bulk and scale is adequately distributed and to minimise its impact on the visual amenity and scenic quality of the coast.
- The proposed height at the rear shall be compatible with the height, bulk and scale of adjoining dwellings with particular regards to the adjoining dwelling at No. 15, 11, 9, 7 and 5A.
- Furthermore, the proposed development is well under the FSR development standard applicable to the proposal under RLEP 2012 and complies with the site coverage and landscape controls in the DCP, ensuring compatibility with the desired future character of the locality.
- It was also noted that the extent of height variation is lesser than that approved by Council under DA/958/2016 for the subject site.
- The detailed assessment demonstrated that the resultant development would not result in any unreasonable impacts upon the amenity of adjoining and surrounding properties with regards to visual bulk, privacy, view loss and overshadowing.
- The application was supported subject to an additional condition for a window to the Mermaid Avenue frontage to improve the articulation of the street façade and to improve casual surveillance of the street.
- In view of the above, the proposal was found to be consistent with the objectives of the Height standard and the R2 zone, and it was considered that the site-specific circumstances warranted the variation in this instance.

Strategic alignment

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

Delivering services and regulatory functions:	
Service area	Development Assessment
Function	Assessment of Development Applications
Delivery program commitment	Assess and determine Development Applications, Modification Applications and Review Applications under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

Resourcing Strategy implications

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

## Conclusion

This report provides details of the relevant applications subject to a variation to a development standard pursuant to Clause 4.6 of RLEP 2012 for the period specified in accordance with Councils internal reporting requirements.

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**Responsible officer:** Angela Manahan, Executive Planner

**File Reference:** F2008/00122

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CLAUSE 4.6 REGISTER – JUNE 2024														
DA number	Street No.	Street name	Suburb/Town	Postcode	Category of development	Zoning of land	Development standard to be varied	Justification of variation	Extent of variation	Concurring authority	Date DA determined dd/mm/yyyy	Approved by	Submissions	
													Objection	Support
DA/395/2023	19	Solander Street	MATRAVILLE	2036	14: Other	R2 - Low Density Residential	Clause 4.1D – Location of dwelling under Clause 6.2 of SEPP Codes	Minimise likely adverse impact of subdivision and development on the amenity of neighbouring properties and to ensure the lot sizes are able to accommodate development that is suitable for its purpose.	Non-numerical development standard (variation to location of dwelling, one behind the other)	DPHI	4-June-24	RLPP	0	0
DA/545/2022	1203	Anzac Parade	MATRAVILLE	2036	Community Facility	R2 - Low Density Residential	Clause 4.4 - FSR = 0.5:1	Maintains compatible scale with neighbouring buildings and does not adversely impact in terms of overshadowing, privacy and views.	FSR increased to 0.527:1 or 5.3% (Existing FSR = 385.52m <sup>2</sup> or 5.04%)	DPHI	13-June-24	RLPP	0	0
DA/14/2024	19	Mermaid Avenue	MAROUBRA	2035	1: Residential - Alterations & additions	R2 - Low Density Residential	Clause 4.3 - Building height of 9.5m	Maintains compatible scale with neighbouring buildings and does not adversely impact in terms of overshadowing, privacy and views.	Building Height = 11.545m or 21.53%	DPHI	13-June-24	RLPP	0	0
DA/260/2024	42-44	Doncaster Avenue	KENSINGTON	2033	1: Residential - Alterations & additions	R3 – Medium Density Residential	Clause 4.3 - Building height of 12m	Maintains compatible scale with neighbouring buildings and does not adversely impact in terms of overshadowing, privacy and views.	Building Height = 12.84m or 7% (Existing height 12.84m or 7%)	DPHI	13-June-24	DEL	0	0
DA/19/2024	181	Carrington Road	COOGEE	2034	1: Residential - Alterations & additions	R3 – Medium Density Residential	Clause 4.3 - Building height of 9.5m	Maintains compatible scale with neighbouring buildings and does not adversely impact in terms of overshadowing, privacy and views.	Building Height = 10.44m or 9.9%	DPHI	25-June-24	DEL	0	0
DA/408/2024	77	Cowper Street	RANDWICK	2031	1: Residential - Alterations & additions	R3 – Medium Density Residential	Clause 4.4 - FSR = 0.6:1	Maintains compatible scale with neighbouring buildings and does not adversely impact in terms of overshadowing, privacy and views.	FSR increased to 0.64:1 or 6.8%	DPHI	27-June-24	DEL	0	0

## Director City Planning Report No. CP40/24

**Subject: Response to NM44/24 - Stall at Saturday Circle Promoting Street and Community Gardens**

### Executive Summary

- This report responds to the Council Resolution of 25 June 2024 to investigate a Council run stall at Saturday Circle promoting street and community gardens and subsequently return a report to Council.
- The investigation included a review of existing promotional opportunities available at Saturday Circle, other Council promotional channels and conversations with members from each of the existing community gardens.
- The investigation determined that:
  - there a number of current promotional opportunities available at Saturday Circle to promote community and street gardens, including front desk service, posters, email lists, digital displays, and facilitator endorsements.
  - it would cost more than \$5,000 annually in staffing costs for Council to operate a promotional stall at Saturday Circle. This could be reduced if volunteers were to operate the stall.
  - a stall was well supported by the community garden members and there is interest from the existing community gardens to provide volunteers to operate a stall.
  - there is an opportunity to offer the stall to all local environment groups, rather than just community and street gardens.
  - there are a number of other Council promotional opportunities outside of Saturday Circle to promote community and street gardens including Council's website, What's On, noticeboards and Eco Living Festival.
  - Council also supports community gardens outside of Saturday Circle in a number of other ways including grants, training and networking.
- It is recommended that:
  - Council establish a stall at Saturday Circle that is available for local environment groups, including community gardens, to book for free and operate with volunteers. This would require minimal Council resourcing and support a wider range of local environmental groups.
  - staff also increase promotion of community and street gardens at Saturday Circle through existing opportunities as well as through other Council platforms including dedicated web pages, event listings, noticeboards, newsletters and the Eco Living Festival.

### Recommendation

That Council:

- a) establish a stall at Saturday Circle that is available for local environment groups, including community gardens, to book for free and operate with volunteers.
- b) increase promotion of community and street gardens:
  - i. at Saturday Circle through actions including the front desk service, posters, email lists, digital displays, and facilitator endorsements.
  - ii. through Council platforms including dedicated web pages, event listings, noticeboards, newsletters and the Eco Living Festival.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

## Purpose

The purpose of this report is to respond to the following Council Resolution from the meeting held on 25 June 2024:

“(Olive/Neilson) that:

- a) Council staff investigate having a Council run stall at the Saturday Circle promoting street and community gardens;
- b) this would include the provision of information and advice; and
- c) a report to be returned to Council following the investigation.”

This report presents the findings of the investigation and provides a recommended approach to increasing promotion of community and street gardens.

## Discussion

Community and street gardens are an important element to make our cities more resilient and appealing. Randwick has a Council-run community garden at the Randwick Sustainability Hub, three community-run gardens – Randwick, Coogee and Maroubra – as well as various street gardens.

Saturday Circle is a monthly community event at the Randwick Sustainability Hub that focuses on reuse, repair and regeneration, including two garden volunteering programs. Members from the three community-run gardens attend Saturday Circle and the Saturday Circle PermaBee gardening facilitator is a long-standing member of the community garden in Randwick.

### Review of promotional opportunities at Saturday Circle

A review of opportunities to promote community and street garden at Saturday Circle and other Council promotional channels was conducted. The review included conversations with a long-standing member from each of the community gardens about the possibility of a stall.

The review identified the following opportunities to promote street and community gardens at Saturday Circle:

1. include posters/brochures at the staffed Saturday Circle front desk.
2. include a display in a soon to be installed digital display screen at the main entrance to the Sustainability Hub and directly behind the Saturday Circle front desk.
3. encourage the facilitators of the gardening programs at Saturday Circle to promote Randwick street and community gardens.
4. invite community garden members to attend Saturday Circle where they can engage directly with the community as well as network with other members from other community gardens and learn from the experts.

### Council-run stall promoting street and community gardens at Saturday Circle

To establish a separate stall to promote street and community gardens with a council staff member providing information and advice would cost the equivalent of seven hours salary for the two hours of face-to-face time with the community due to overtime rates. This includes time to set up and pack down. This would add more than \$5,000 per annum to the existing Saturday Circle budget. There is also a potential risk in being perceived to favour one local environment sector over others.

### Community-run stall promoting street and community gardens at Saturday Circle

Discussions with long term members from each of the community gardens regarding the possibility of a free stall available to any local community group to volunteer in was received favourably.

This would reduce the time commitment for community gardens to resource on a monthly basis and would eliminate the potential issue of why community gardens are promoted over other local environmental groups. It also eliminates the costs associated with staff operating the stall. Staff time would only be needed for the set-up and pack-down of the stall, and minimal time during the

month to manage bookings. This would be able to be undertaken within the current resource allocations for The Saturday Circle.

### Other Council opportunities to promote street and community gardens

There are several promotional options outside of Saturday Circle provided by Council available to street and community gardens:

1. council's webpage dedicated to community gardens.
2. council What's On page.
3. PermaBee – a Council-run community garden volunteering program maintaining community gardens at the Randwick Sustainability Hub – in which members of other community gardens attend.
4. noticeboards at the Randwick Sustainability Hub.
5. Eco Living Festival – where local environment groups including local community gardens, are invited to have a stall within the popular Volunteer Village. Attending this event offers the community gardens exposure to more than 10 times the people on a single day than a single Saturday Circle.

### Other Council support for street and community gardens

Council also supports street and community gardens in other ways including:

- community garden rebates program.
- in June 2024 we provided three tickets to each community garden to attend the NSW Community Garden Gathering to support capacity building and networking
- invitation to the Council facilitated Collaboration for Impact meeting in which local environment groups (including community gardens) are brought together for capacity building and networking. Capacity building has included photography and videography workshops in which the community gardens have created:
  - educational/promotional videos about their gardens which are on Council's YouTube channel and the gardens use for their own promotions.  
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLIEbgDAs23L0650nGXiHJeHvR6Sz-rTqM>
  - high quality promotional images which were exhibited at a Council organised public launch in 2022 and the gardens use for their own promotions.
- training which has included:
  - volunteer recruitment and retention.
  - how to talk about climate change.

## Strategic alignment

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

Delivering the Outcomes of the Community Strategic Plan:	
Strategy	Environment
Outcome	A community more knowledgeable, proactive and responsive to climate change impacts
Objective	Achieve a 60% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions (CO2-equivalent) across Randwick City by 2030 from a 2018 baseline, while acknowledging the significance and importance of aspiring to a 100% greenhouse gas emissions reduction target for the same timeframe
Delivery program commitment	Increase residential and school participation in food waste avoidance and food growing initiatives such as, Love Food Hate Waste and Grow it Local, by 20% by 2025 from a 2020 baseline.

## Resourcing Strategy implications

Depending on the approach taken, the resourcing requirements would be as follows:

1. promoting street and community gardens through existing avenues both at Saturday Circle and elsewhere would require minimal resourcing.
2. promoting street and community gardens through a dedicated Council run stall would cost more than \$5,000/year in salaries.
3. promoting street and community gardens through a volunteer run stall at Saturday Circle would require minimal resourcing for set up, coordinating bookings and ensure risks are properly managed.

### Policy and legislative requirements

Randwick Council Community Garden Policy.

### Conclusion

This investigation identified that integrating community and street gardens with Saturday Circle aligns well with program objectives, however promoting these gardens through a dedicated Council-run stall may not be the most effective approach.

Establishing a Council-run stall would incur staffing costs, whereas offering a free stall for community groups to volunteer in, including community gardens, offers a more resource-conscious approach. The current community garden members have expressed support for operating a stall with their volunteers and the benefits from this approach could be maximised by offering this promotional opportunity to other local environment groups as well.

There are also multiple existing ways in which street and community gardens can be promoted both at Saturday Circle and through other Council channels. This is in addition to the support that Council provides through grants, training and networking.

Therefore, it is recommended to establish a stall available for local environment groups to volunteer in and utilise other means at Saturday Circle and alternate Council channels to increase promotion. This would encourage community-led participation and enhance the visibility and engagement of street and community gardens.

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**Responsible officer:** Julian Lee, Sustainability Education Officer

**File Reference:** F2012/00263

## Director City Services Report No. CS36/24

**Subject:      Cycleways and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee - May 2024**

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### Executive Summary

- The Council's Cycleways and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee meets quarterly to examine issues relating to bike riding and cycling facilities.
- The May 2024 meeting of the Advisory Committee was attended by Councillors, representatives of BIKEast, members of the community, and Council staff.

### Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Cycleways and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee Meeting held on 15 May 2024, be received, and noted.

### Attachment/s:

1.  MINUTES - May 2024 (Cycleways and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee)

Purpose

The Advisory Committee considered numerous matters of importance to local bicycle riders and the Minutes from the Committee’s meeting, held on 15 May 2024, are attached.

Discussion

Refer to Minutes - May 2024 (Cycleways and Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting) (D05320735), which is attached.

The following dates have been confirmed for future committee meetings in 2024:

- Wednesday, 21 August 2024 at 6:30pm
- Wednesday, 6 November 2024 at 7:30am.

These 2024 CABFAC meeting dates were confirmed against the 2024 Council meeting schedule that had been established.

Strategic alignment

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

Delivering the Outcomes of the Community Strategic Plan:	
Strategy	Integrated Transport
Outcome	A city with a transport network where sustainable transport options are the preferred choice for people
Objective	Increase the active transport mode share to 35% by 2031, from a 2018-19 baseline of 26%
Delivery program commitment	Update the 2015 Bicycle Route Construction Priority List and develop an Active Transport Plan for the LGA by 2023.
Delivery program commitment	Provide an additional 30km of safe cycling routes by 2031, prioritising fully separate bicycle lanes where possible, in locations informed by our Bicycle Route Construction Priority plan and the TfNSW Principal Bicycle Network plan.
Delivery program commitment	Implement measures to increase safety for people riding bikes or walking in 5 locations each year until 2031, with priority given to identified crash sites.
Delivery program commitment	Provide 200 new bicycle parking spaces across our beaches, local centres and key destinations across the LGA by 2027.

Resourcing Strategy implications

Any proposals for expenditure arising from the Advisory Committee’s recommendations are either covered by existing funding allocations or would be the subject of separate reports to the Council for funding.

Policy and legislative requirements

The Cycleways and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee is set up to advise on bicycle infrastructure related matters. It was established from a Council Resolution on 10 October 2017.

Conclusion

The Cycleways and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee is a positive forum for the consideration of matters important to bicycle riders. The Committee’s recommendations are supported, and it is considered that they should be endorsed by the Council.

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**Responsible officer:** Jay Lee-Pieterse, Senior Sustainable Transport Officer

**File Reference:** F2018/00158

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# Cycleways and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee

## Minutes

7:30am Wednesday 15 May 2024 (*remote meeting*)

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## Terms of reference

The following information is provided so that you may be aware of the structure and operation of the Cycleways and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee.

### **Randwick Council resolved to establish a Cycleway and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee with the following terms of reference:**

1. Report to the Council;
2. Enhance consultation between Council and the bike riding community;
3. Advance implementation of the planned and funded cycle ways in the Randwick local government area;
4. Review and provide advice on proposed Council bike related capital works projects;
5. Participate in the yearly draft budget process by recommending appropriate bike related projects;
6. Be consulted by Council on cycle way and bike facility issues involving significant planning proposals and Development applications before Council;
7. Regularly review and propose updating of the Randwick Council bike plan in line with the strategic direction of priority cycleways as detailed within "Sydney's Cycling Future"; and
8. Help advance a Regional Cycle Strategy with neighbouring Councils.

(Council resolution references 172/17 & 87/18)

## 1. Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair asked for a volunteer to acknowledge the lands upon which this meeting is being held.

Councillor Olive volunteered and stated the following:

*"I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on the land of the Bidjigal and the Gadigal peoples; being the traditional owners who, for thousands of years, occupied and cared for vast areas along the Sydney Coast.*

*On behalf of the participants of this meeting I acknowledge and pay my respects to the Elders past, present and emerging, and also to those Aboriginal people participating today."*

## 2. Attendance and apologies

### **In attendance:**

Councillor Michael Olive (Chair)	RCC	Ms Kristina Warton	Resident
Councillor Kathy Neilson	RCC	Mr Lachlan Wood	RCC
Councillor Rafaela Pandolfini	RCC	Mr Padmanaban Subramanian	RCC
Ms Blanka Golebiowski	BIKEast	Mr Paul Chilcott	Resident
Mr David Appleby	RCC	Ms Renna Korn	RCC
Ms Jay Lee-Pieterse	RCC	Mr Tony Lehmann	RCC
Mr Jim Hope	BIKEast	Ms Yvonne Poon	BIKEast

### **Apologies:**

Mayor Philipa Veitch

## 3. Declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests

Nil

## 4. Matters arising from Minutes of previous meetings

Nil

## 5. Items for consideration

### 5.1. Get NSW Active Program Funding / TfNSW Walking and Cycling Program

The status of Council's application for Get NSW Active Grant Funding Program 2022/23 and 2023/24 are as detailed in the table below.

Applications made 2023/24	Award Status	Funding stage requested	TfNSW Contribution
South Coogee to Kingsford – Stage 1 (Sturt Street)	Successful for construction of traffic signals at Avoca St / Bundock St/Sturt St /	Construction	100% <b>\$2M</b>
Maroubra Road Walking and Cycling Improvements Project (noting Council has deleted the cycleway component)	Successful – Concept Design	Design	80% <b>\$400K</b>
Todman Avenue and Lenthall Street Walking and Cycling Improvements	Successful	Design	100% <b>\$667K</b>
Anzac Parade Paths Project – Mid B – Fitzgerald Ave to Bunnerong Rd	Unsuccessful	Design	100%
Heffron Park to Maroubra Beach – Separated Cycleway	Unsuccessful	Design	100%
Randwick City Council Bicycle Parking Installation Program	Unsuccessful	Construction	100%
Sturt Street link – Road space reallocation and pedestrian access project	Unsuccessful	Design	100%
Fitzgerald Avenue – Hillsdale to Maroubra Beach	Unsuccessful	Construction	100%
Previous application made 2022/23	Award Status	Funding stage requested	TfNSW Contribution
Active Transport Strategy	Successful	Strategy	100% <b>\$140K</b>
South Coogee to Kingsford walking and cycling streetscape (Bundock Street / Sturt Street) – Detailed design finalisation	Successful	Design	100% <b>\$474,580</b>
Coogee to Randwick – Concept and detailed design	Successful	Design	100% <b>\$776K</b>
Anzac Parade – Mid A – Fitzgerald Avenue to Sturt Street / APPP – Detailed design	Successful	Design	50% <b>\$396K</b>
Todman Avenue – Implementation	Unsuccessful	N/A	0%
Fitzgerald Avenue – Hillsdale to Maroubra Beach – Construction	Unsuccessful	N/A	0%

Council received confirmation from Transport for NSW (TfNSW) regarding Council's submissions for the 2023/24 Get NSW Active Program. Of the eight Randwick City Council projects submitted for grant funding, TfNSW will fund three above noted projects.

Updates on projects funded as part of the Get NSW Active Program are in the following sections.

The 2024/25 Get NSW Active program applications were opened on 31 October 2023 and closed on 13 December 2023. Council officers reviewed appropriate future projects. Current projects, resourcing and Council's focus in the

upcoming financial year. As such the following five projects were identified, which were submitted as four applications (combining the two school crossing upgrade projects into one).

Applications made for FY 2024/25	Funding stage requested	TfNSW Contribution
Kingsford to Centennial Park Cycleway – Section 3 (Barker Street to Sturt Street) – Design assessment	Design	100% (\$411K)
Maroubra Road Corridor Upgrade	Detailed Design only	100% (\$933K)
Paine Reserve – Shared Path (North South)	Construction	100% (\$263K)
School Crossing Improvements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Franklin Street, north of Matraville Boys High School, near St Andrews Catholic Primary School – Conversion of existing refuge island to a raised pedestrian crossing.</li> <li>Malabar Road West, Maroubra Bay Public School – Raising existing pedestrian crossing</li> </ul>	Construction	100% (\$231K)

Council awaits TfNSW's decision on these applications.

*Ms Poon (BIKEast) queried if the funding for signalisation of the Sturt/Avoca/Bundock Streets intersection will expire in this year. Mr Lehmann advised that the Get NSW Active program is a 3-year program.*

*It was highlighted that, based on the Traffic Committee's recommendations, temporary pedestrian refuges are proposed at this intersection. These refuges will remain in place until the signalised intersection is implemented.*

**Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

## 5.2. Active Transport Strategy / Transport Mode Hierarchy

Council officers, with the consultant, continue to develop the Active Transport Strategy (ATS).

The second stage of community consultation on the draft ATS was open for 4 weeks from 20 March to 17 April 2024. The consultation generated:

- 2155 visits to the Your Say Randwick website
- 218 survey responses
- 39 submissions

Council is currently reviewing feedback received from the community and stakeholders to finalise the strategy. The finalised ATS will be put to Council for adoption in the coming months. Council's Bicycle Route Construction Priority List will be reviewed following the adoption of the ATS and the Walking and Cycling Plans. The list will then be released for community consultation.

*Mr Lehmann provided an update that the community consultation review is currently underway, to understand the community's expectation for the Active Transport Strategy.*

*Ms Poon asked whether the amended Transport Mode Hierarchy is final. Mr Lehmann advised it is Council's resolution, acknowledging the difference between other Councils. Mr Lehmann also provided an update on process of updating the Bicycle Route Construction Route Priority List. Previous projects that have been advanced (i.e., designed etc) will remain a priority.*

**Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

### 5.3. Kingsford to Centennial Park Cycleway

*(Doncaster Avenue, Day Avenue, Houston Road, General Bridges Crescent, Sturt Street permanent cycleway)*

Sections 1 and 2 (total of 1.8km) of the Kingsford to Centennial Park Walking and Cycling improvements (K2CP) project were opened to public in December 2023 from Alison Road in the north up to Barker Street in the south.

#### 5.3.1. Community Communication

Since the opening of the cycleway, Council has received various feedback shared by the community.

The Mayor, Ward Councillors and Council officers held a Community Forum on 8 April 2024 at Kensington Park Community Centre to listen to those willing to speak to provide their feedback as well as via online written comments. Council officers are currently reviewing the comments and will respond to each of the individuals who provided their feedback. In addition, Council resolved on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024 (Luxford/Hay) that Council officers door knock all residents of Doncaster Avenue so that they may have their say on the bike track and the residential issues they face and to get a true picture of the problems the bike track is having on residents.

Based on feedback, on-going actions that Council is working on are implementing additional linemarking for parking lanes / driveways, pavement reflective markers. Other locations include design considerations that were posed as safety issues, including Day Avenue and Houston Road intersection where the kerb island at the southwest corner of the intersection was slightly modified to relieve the tight corner.

There are general comments and questions around cyclists still riding on the road. There has also been reported incidences involving frustrated drivers and cyclists. Council officers contacted a few local cycling groups to understand their feedback. VMS boards were on at Alison Road and Anzac Parade to remind drivers of the cycleway that is open and to slow down. Signs that show cyclists give way to pedestrians, similar to Waverley Council (image shown on the side), will also be considered to adhere to Council's Transport Hierarchy and ensure pedestrian safety. Any suggestions on appropriate locations on where these signs should be installed and how we can engage cyclists are welcomed.



#### 5.3.2. North Kensington Area - Speed reduction

Council, in collaboration with TfNSW, implemented a 40 km/h speed limit in the north Kensington area (bound by Doncaster Avenue, Alison Road and Anzac Parade, with all the roads within the area) on 2 May 2024 to supplement the changes along Doncaster Avenue cycleway. This change in speed on the road will further improve the road safety for all users in the area. The works included replacing all the speed related signs and linemarking as well as installation of temporary variable message sign boards to alert people of the change.

#### 5.3.3. Doncaster Avenue / Anzac Parade intersection

Since the opening of the Section 1 and 2 of the K2CP cycleway, TfNSW and Council are also reviewing options to upgrade the Doncaster Avenue / Anzac Parade intersection to provide a continuous separated cycleway through Anzac Parade. Council is considering options presented by TfNSW to best fit the separated cycleway whilst minimising the impacts on the existing on-street parking and services.

To address the issue of pinch-point the signal boxes create on the shared path at south of Anzac Parade on Doncaster Avenue and their visibility noted by BIKEast, Council officers submitted a request to TfNSW to advise if any artwork can be applied on the



signal boxes and what is required to do so and are awaiting feedback.

#### 5.3.4. Doncaster Avenue / Alison Road intersection

BIKEast noted that since the opening of the cycleway, cyclists are making various movements at the intersection of Doncaster Avenue / Alison Road to avoid the long lights at the crossings.

Council officers have previously raised this matter with TfNSW in early 2023 to investigate options to improve the crossing for pedestrians and cyclists at this intersection and requested additional information to start the options assessment. Council officers will recommence this assessment and follow up with TfNSW again.

#### 5.3.5. Section 3 – Houston Road, General Bridges Crescent and Sturt Street

Section 3, which is pending construction funding, includes the following remaining sections for construction:

- Houston Road, from Barker Street to Gardeners Road,
- General Bridges Crescent, from Gardeners Road to Bunnerong Road,
- Sturt St from Bunnerong Road to Anzac Parade.

For Section 3, TfNSW and Council continue to work together to review the design options and budget opportunities. As mentioned in section 5.1, Council submitted an application to the TfNSW Get NSW Active Program for funding a design assessment to consider how to deliver the rest of the project and provide an effective and cost-efficient protected cycleway for the rest of the project. In addition, this project was submitted to the Towards Zero Safer Roads Program for design assessment and construction. Discussions with Bayside Council has also taken place to discuss ways forward with the project within General Bridges Crescent.

Council awaits TfNSW funding announcements but will continue working on the design. Further updates will be provided when available.

#### 5.3.6. K2CP Bicycle Counts

In March and April this year, UNSW has been testing pedestrian and cyclist Eco-counter “Pyro Box” in Randwick and have graciously shared the data collected at two locations along K2CP corridor for a week period:

- Houston Road at Day Avenue (on the southwest corner) – 8 to 14 March 2024
- Todman Avenue at Bowral Street (on the northeast corner) – 28 March to 6 April 2024.

The following is a summary of the two counts.

Location	Maximum Daily Count	Maximum AM Peak Hour	Maximum PM Peak Hour
Todman Avenue at Bowral St (on the northeast corner).	1310 cyclists – Saturday 6 April 2024 – numbers are generally even between north and southbound.	140 cyclists – Saturday 6 April 2024 at 11am	250 cyclists – Saturday 6 April 2024 at 6pm
Houston Rd at Day Avenue (on the southwest corner)	458 cyclists – Thursday 14 March 2024, generally heading north	84 cyclists – Thursday 14 March 2024 at 8am	66 cyclists – Wednesday 13 March 2024 at 6pm

It is noted that the Pyro Box only counted the cyclists on the cycleway.

In order to see the changes, additional video and pneumatic tube counts of cyclists will be undertaken in the same locations as completed in December 2023 for comparison purposes. Council is also investigating the installation of permanent counters.

*Ms Warton (resident) provided a summary of the community meeting, noting that the feedback from the community was mostly positive. However, it was also noted that some residents expressed concerns about the traffic flows after the implementation of the cycleway and difficulties with exiting their driveways.*

*Mr Lehmann confirmed that Council passed a resolution (Councillor Luxford and Councillor Hay) that Council conduct a door knock survey of all Doncaster Avenue residents to obtain their feedback on the cycleway and*



the associated issues to get a better understating of the cycleway impact on the community. The content, timing and associated costs are still to be determined.

Ms Golebiowski (BIKEast) and Ms Warton raised concerns about the methodology and impartiality of the door-knocking initiative. Ms Golebiowski emphasised the importance of capturing diverse perspectives, including those of cyclists. Councillor Olive noted the feedback, and that Council officers take them on board.

Mr Lehmann advised that Council officers will work the Communication team to address these concerns and that the methodology, approach and the results will be provided in a future Council report.

Ms Golebiowski asked whether new traffic counts were conducted after the implementation of cycleway. Council officers noted that traffic counts were undertaken before the cycleway opening and Council will undertake a new traffic count to compare the traffic flows before and after the implementation of the cycleway.

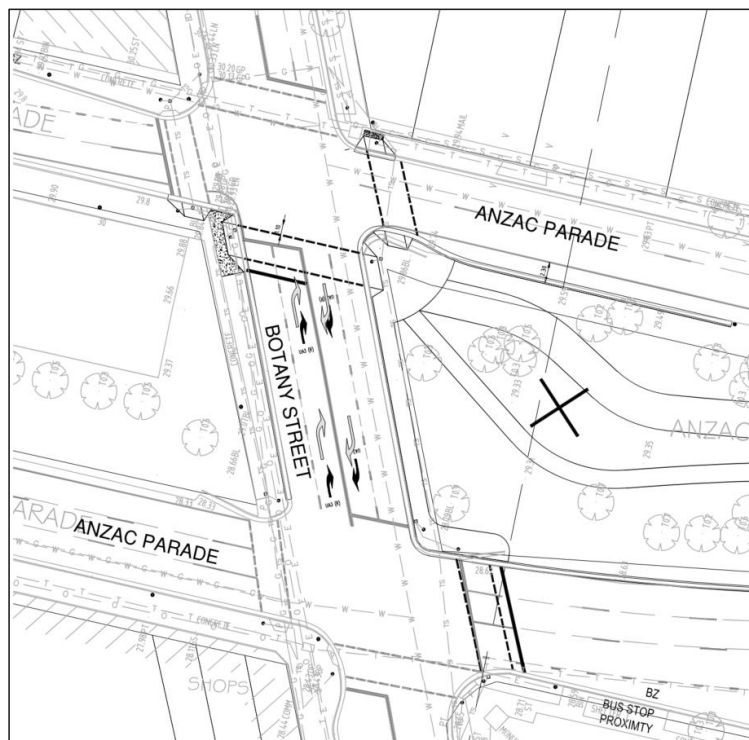
#### Recommendation:

That the information be received.

### 5.4. Anzac Parade (Walking and Cycling) Paths Project (APPP)

Council was successful in gaining 50% funding for developing the detailed design documentation package of the Anzac Parade Walking and Cycling Paths Project under the Get NSW Active Program. The Consultant has completed the Strategic Framework report (Stage 1) and is working on the concept design including traffic control signal (TCS) design and path alignments.

The base traffic assessment is still currently under review by Council and TfNSW and will assist in understanding the opportunities and impacts of the proposed paths and crossings along the corridor. Council officers continue to work together with the consultant and TfNSW to develop the concept design including developing path alignments and analysing associated impacts (i.e. to existing trees and parking provision) and allowing for future activation within the median.



Early draft design indicating an example of the likely outcome of the project (subject to approvals)

The project program has been updated with project completion now anticipated to be by June 2025.

**Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

## 5.5. South Coogee to Kingsford Walking and Cycling Project

Council is continuing to work with the primary consultant to complete the detailed design following the success of Council's Get NSW Active Program submission. The funding covered 100% of the finalisation of the detail documentation package for the South Coogee to Kingsford Walking and Cycling Project (Bundock Street and Sturt Street).

As outlined in section 5.1, Council applied under the 2023/24 Get NSW Active Program for funding to construct Stage 1 of the South Coogee to Kingsford Walking and Cycling Streetscape project. Of the applied funding, the signalisation of the Avoca Street/Bundock Street/Sturt Street intersections was approved with \$2 million allocated for this project. As such, Council has instructed the consultant to prioritise the detailed design for the Avoca Street signalised intersection and to prepare a separate construction tender package.

### 5.5.1. Avoca Street Signalisation

During the detailed design of the Avoca Street signalised intersection, it was found that proposed new traffic signals would be in conflict with a water main on Avoca Street. To address this issue a specific Sydney Water major works approval and specialist input is required. Council have approved and funded the \$136,000 variation to manage this process, which is anticipated to take a minimum of 12 months to complete.

Council continues to work with TfNSW to satisfy the approval requirements of the traffic signal design for the Avoca Street intersection. Following TfNSW's approval of the necessary assessments, the major works approval process will commence.

The construction ready plans for the Avoca Street signalised intersection are anticipated to be complete by mid-2024. Construction for the signalised intersection will commence following completion of the major works approval process, which is currently anticipated in the second half of 2025.

### 5.5.2. Avoca Street / Bundock Street / Sturt Street Temporary Pedestrian Refuges

Council is working to install temporary pedestrian refuges at the crossings of Sturt Street and Bundock Street at Avoca Street.

The two proposed temporary pedestrian refuges will reduce the width of the traffic lanes from the side streets, down to a single lane. Accordingly, a requirement of the proposed changes to the intersection is that right turns from Bundock Street (westbound) into Avoca Street (northbound) be banned and right turns from Sturt Street (eastbound) into Avoca Street (southbound) be banned. The legal authority to ban turn movements is not delegated to Councils but remains with TfNSW. As a result, a Transport Management Plan (TMP) has been submitted to TfNSW seeking approval for the Council to implement the right turn bans.



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**Proposed pedestrian refuges at subject intersections**

### 5.5.3. Sturt Street and Bundock Street Cycleway

The consultants have developed the detailed design for the Avoca Street signalised intersection to 80% complete, and the detailed design for the Sturt Street and Bundock Street cycleway to 50% complete.

Design work has been slowed on these packages due to a similar issue with a water main on Sturt Street, where the proposed new cycleway and associated drainage infrastructure will conflict with the water main and potentially will trigger another Sydney Water major works approval. Design work related to vehicle turn paths at intersections and driveways have progressed in the interim to improve access. Additionally, Council has been working with TfNSW and the bus operator to review Council's proposal to resolve some specific design challenges.

The construction ready plans for the Sturt Street and Bundock Street cycleways are anticipated to be complete by December 2024 with construction subject to approvals (from TfNSW and Ausgrid) and future successful funding applications.

*Ms Poon and Ms Warton requested an update on the current status of the temporary pedestrian refuges. Mr Lehmann advised the temporary refuges will be implemented following TfNSW approval in banning right turns from Sturt and Bundock Streets.*

*Council officers provided an update regarding the delays to Avoca Street traffic signal design and installation related to TfNSW and Sydney Water approval processes.*

#### **Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

## 5.6. Coogee to Randwick Cycleway

The Coogee to Randwick Cycleway project will provide a bike link from Coogee Beach to the Randwick light rail terminus and UNSW. The project will provide an active transport link between these key destinations and provide light rail passengers an alternative to driving to the Randwick light rail stop. The introduction of the light rail corridor on High Street and the new development at the Randwick Health and Innovation Precinct have required that the route originally identified be re-examined.

Council has appointed a primary consultant to complete the first stage of the project, the Strategic Framework and Options Assessment. The strategic framework will establish the vision and objectives for the project and provide a site analysis identifying the opportunities and constraints within the defined study area. Route options will then be developed and evaluated to determine the preferred route alignment in meeting the objectives of this route.

Council officers are in discussions with Health NSW about the project and the option of a link through the Health Infrastructure Precinct. Health NSW did not object to a future link but noted constraints around the operation of the hospital, and the current uncertainties around the future development of the hospital precinct, which will require ongoing dialogue.

The Strategic Framework and Options Assessment report is currently in the final stages. Indicative cycleway facilities are being developed for each of the route options so that these can be tested against both the assessment criteria and on indicative costs, so that the preferred route can be identified in a more robust manner.

Completion of this stage is expected by June 2024, following which Council will share with TfNSW and BIKEast. A consultant to develop the preferred route from concept design through to detailed design will then be appointed subsequent development of the concept design will involve community consultation.

### Recommendation:

That the information be received.

## 5.7. Maroubra Road Corridor Study

The Maroubra Road Corridor Study has been finalised along with a high-level concept design. The recommendation arising out the study included significant access improvements for pedestrians and road safety for all users. Additionally, second round of community consultation regarding the intersection upgrade plans was conducted from 13 December 2023 and 14 February 2024. Currently Council is in process of finalising the community feedback. It is anticipated that the final report will be presented to the Council Meeting for final resolution.

Council is in the process of preparing the scope of works as part of the procurement process to appoint an external consultant to develop concept designs for these pedestrian and road safety improvements. Furthermore, Prioritised project will be submitted for funding under the Road Safety Program 2023/24-2025/26, which was launched in early 2024.

### Recommendation:

That the information be received.

## 5.8. Todman Avenue Cycleway Project

### 5.8.1. Todman Avenue – Provisional Line Marking and Signage Upgrade

The provisional line marking and signage works is line marking maintenance works with improvements to the bike lanes until the future separated cycleway is designed and implemented.

For these works, the completion of community notification in November 2023, the linemarking plans were brought forth to the [March 2024 Local Traffic Committee Meeting](#). At the meeting, TfNSW raised some issues and be deferred. Following consultation with TfNSW, the plans were updated and brought forth to the [April 2024 Local Traffic Committee Meeting](#) where it was endorsed for implementation. The works are currently expected to be completed by end of June, pending weather conditions.

### 5.8.2. Todman Avenue and Lenthall Street Walking and Cycling Improvements Project

Council has been successful in securing funding from 2023/24 Get NSW Active Program for permanent, physically separated, walking, and cycling infrastructure improvements project from concept design to detailed design.

Council advertised for Expressions of Interest in April for a consultant to lead the project from site investigations through to detailed design and construction documentation. Council prepared a short list of preferred consultants from the responses received and invited Requests for Quotations to be submitted. It is anticipated a lead consultant will be appointed in June with the project commencing shortly after.

*Ms Warton requested an update on the permanent cycleway project. Mr Lehmann responded that Council issued an Expression of Interest for designing the cycleway.*

#### Recommendation:

That the information be received.

### 5.9. Paine Reserve shared path (north-south path)

In February CABFAC meeting, Option 3 of the proposed Paine Reserve north-south shared path was proposed. Under Option 3, the shared path follows the Scout Hall property line north and then follows the Fennelly Street alignment to the existing driveway access. It also includes footpath and concrete staircase leading straight north to Fennelly Street within the reserve lands to accommodate pedestrian desire lines. At the meeting, it was noted that the Fennelly Street footpath is too narrow for two people to pass each other.

Subsequently, an on-site meeting with Councillor Olive and residents was held in March 2024 to discuss the Fennelly Street footpath widening. It was noted that the newly installed footpath extension was limited to the existing stormwater pit and in consideration that the majority of the pedestrians are heading north and south from Young Street through Paine Reserve. It was noted on site that the request will be put in the footpath program that reviews the needs of footpaths within the LGA.

Notwithstanding, following further internal discussions, Council officers are reviewing opportunities to modify Option 3 of the Paine Reserve north-south path to include the footpath extension on the reserve lands from the current new footpath extension to the proposed north-south shared path.

With the shared path alignment determined, Council officers are developing the construction documentation.

In the meantime, Council officers were able to negotiate a licence for access over the land subject to Native Title requirements, which will allow Council the rights to construct and maintain a path within the land subject to Native Title requirements.

*Ms Warton requested an update and Councillor Olive sought confirmation around level issues and connections with the proposed shared path. Council officers provided an update on the program and the extension of shared path on Fennelly Street. Once the grades and connections to shared paths are verified the design is to be completed and shared.*

*Ms Warton queried the basis of funding for this project. Mr Lehmann confirmed that the Council will fund construction.*

#### Recommendation:

That the information be received.

### 5.10. Alison Road (between Darley Road and Doncaster Avenue)

Council officers have forwarded the concept plans of a full shared path along the southern side of Alison Road, from Doncaster Avenue (future cycleway) to the Light Rail yard and Royal Randwick Racecourse (the Racecourse) accesses to the Australian Turf Club (ATC).

Council officers are waiting for comments from the ATC and working on the detailed design of the shared path. The path around the back of the bus shelter will require that the Council enter into a lease arrangement with TfNSW as the land behind the bus shelter is not owned by Council. Once finalised, the detailed plans will be forwarded to Transport for NSW to commence the lease process.

**Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

**5.11. Darley Road / Govett Street Gates**

Council officers are continuing the previous conversation with the Greater Sydney Parklands (GSP) to seek their confirmation on the permanent closure of the Parkes Drive gate at Darley Road and Govett Street, Randwick. This proposed gate closure aims to facilitate unrestricted access for pedestrians and cyclists while effectively restricting vehicular movement. By implementing this measure, substantial safety enhancements can be expected in addressing the road safety concerns.

Council have advised GSP that Randwick TAFE have concerns on the closure of the gates and requested they ensure the TAFE is included in their consultation regarding the gates. GSP have provided no further updates to date.

**Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

**5.12. Alison Road / Wansey Road Cycleway**

BIKEast advised that the vegetation growth continues to impact Alison Road paths, especially currently near Anzac Parade. There are regular vegetation maintenance works scheduled along these paths and they have been carried out along the shared paths in the last quarter of 2023. Further maintenance request was made for the paths, especially for the Anzac Parade.

Council officers will work with BIKEast and Maintenance Team for maintenance works along the paths.

*Mr Hope (BIKEast) has expressed concerns regarding the overgrown vegetation along the Wansey Road shared path. Council officers stated that Council has a regular maintenance schedule in place but will review the frequency of maintenance.*

**Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

**5.13. Snape Street and Irvine Street, Maroubra**

Following a high number of vehicle collisions occurring along Snape Street, Kingsford, Randwick, Council implemented improvements along the street, including installation of a roundabout at the previously T-junction at the intersection of Snape Street and Irvine Street, Maroubra. Along the south side of Snape Street is the Snape Park where a shared path run along the southern side of the street. In order to provide a connection from the road on to the shared path and Snape Park, a cyclist exclusive southern leg to the roundabout has been provided. This will support the key north-south bicycle route on Irvine Street, which connects to Anzac Parade and to Byrd Avenue.

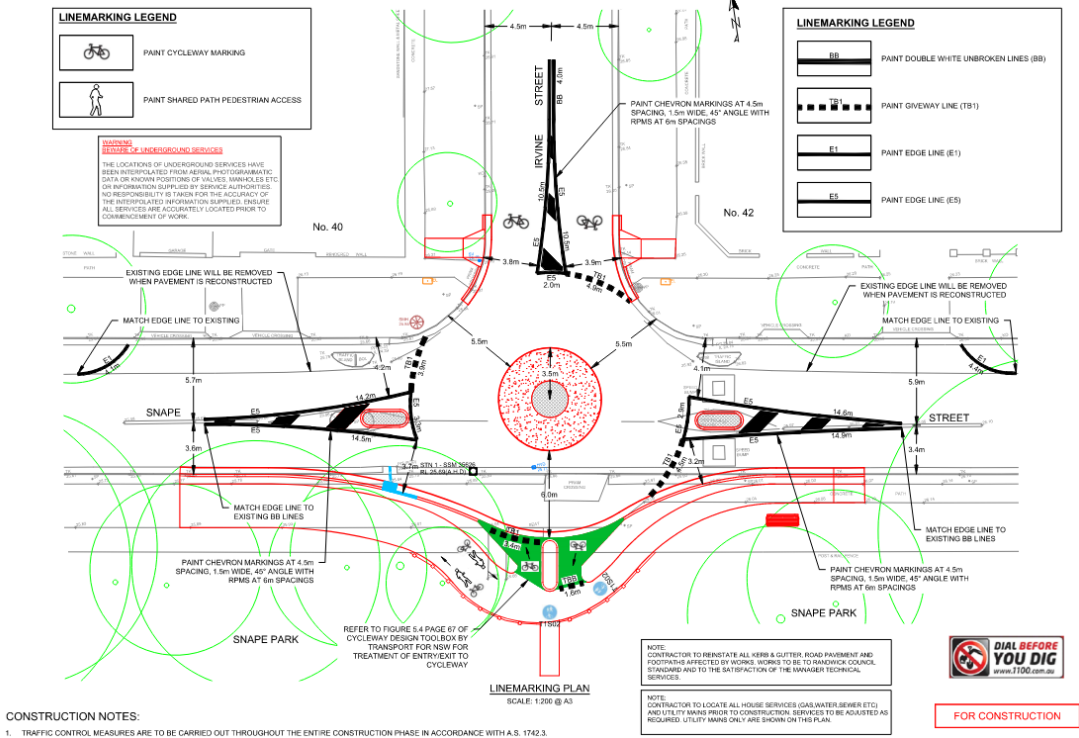
Outstanding works include line marking and green paint for the southern leg of the intersection.



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Aerial photo of Snape St and Irvine St intersection



Construction Plans – Snape St and Irvine St intersection



*Southern side of the Snape Street / Irvine Street roundabout, facing east*

*Mr Lehmann provided background and summary of the project. Council officers noted that line marking is still to be completed.*

*Mr Hope confirmed the design is functioning well.*

**Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

## 5.14. Proposed committee dates 2024

The next meeting has been confirmed to be 21 August 2024 at 6:30pm.

The following dates are proposed for committee meetings in the next 12 months:

- Wednesday 6 November 2024 at 7:30am.

**Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

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## 6. Urgent matters or matters for future investigation

### 6.1. High Street Cycleway

*Ms Golebiowski raised the below safety concerns on the High Street cycleway via the chat:*

- Poor lighting, especially near Gate 2 of UNSW and at the end of the cycleways
- The need for regular sweeping of leaf litter on the cycleway, which poses a danger, particularly in wet conditions
- Sharp angle and narrowness of the ramp at the end of the cycleway is dangerous which is exacerbated by the poor lighting/maintenance/leaf litter.

*Mr Lehmann advised that Council will consider the lighting issue but the width of the cycleway is unlikely to be amended due to constraints related to utilities and services. It was also noted Council undertakes regular maintenance to address leaf litter but will review the frequency of maintenance activities given the larger trees with foliage.*

*Mr Chilcott (resident) noted there are damaged cycleway separator kerbs near Gate 4 of UNSW and requested these be repaired. Mr Lehmann confirmed Council officers will investigate and rectify any damage.*

**Recommendation:**

That the information be received.

**Meeting concluded at 8.31am**

## Director Community & Culture Report No. CC12/24

### Subject: Report back on Place Assessment for Kingsford and Kensington Town Centres

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#### Executive Summary

- This Report provides a summary of a Place Assessment Report undertaken by an external consultant, as part of the recommendations of the wider K2K (Kensington and Kingsford Town Centres) Revitalisation Plan 2019.
- An established place and community data company was engaged by Council in late 2022 to develop an Impact Maximiser Report through engagement with the Kingsford community, through desktop research, online surveys, face to face consultations and a focus group held in 2022 at Kensington Park Community Centre.
- Through the report, the community indicated areas in which Kingsford and Kensington was doing well (nurture), where there were more opportunities to develop (manage), and where there were key needs (prioritise).
- The resulting Report (attached to this Council Report) recommends three high-level aims; support longer and more enjoyable stays, work together to make Anzac Parade greener and cleaner, and celebrate Anzac Parade as a place to explore.
- To achieve these aims, the Impact Maximiser Report outlined a range of wide-reaching actions which are discussed in this document.
- Council has committed to addressing many of these needs already as part of its annual operational plan and as part of the delivery of various informing strategies. Some of these shorter-term outcomes include improvement of street infrastructure, more frequent waste pick-ups, live music and activations in Meeks Street Plaza, playground upgrades and a greening strategy.
- This Report synthesises the consultant aims and findings with Council planning into a series of further recommendations, prioritised as short-term, medium-term and longer-term for Council's consideration and endorsement.

#### Recommendation

That Council:

- a) notes and receives the consultant's Place Assessment Report and its findings; and
- b) approves the next steps and recommendations.

#### Attachment/s:

1. [USE THIS LINK TO VIEW](#) IMPACT Maximiser Report 19 April 2023



## Purpose

At the Ordinary Council meeting 25/05/2022 Council resolved:

“(Luxford/Neilson) that:

- 1) Council notes that there is currently a review into encouraging markets across the Randwick LGA;
- 2) Council notes the Randwick Economic Development Strategy currently has as strategic approach 1.2 to ‘Design and implement ongoing Buy Local, Shop Local marketing campaign with partnerships with local networks and local businesses by 2024’;
- 3) Council call for a report to come back to Council outlining current and proposed actions investigating the provision of night, farmers, Rotary and other markets as well as suitable locations;
- 4) Council recognises that the businesses in Kingsford along Anzac Parade are in special need of support and that Council investigate a range of options and include these in the same report; and
- 5) The report be received by the October 2022 Council meeting.”

Further, at the Ordinary Council meeting 18/10/2022 Council resolved:

“(Veitch/Luxford) that Council proceed with the delivery plan tasks adopted in the Economic Development Strategy in relation to a Markets Program and Buy Local Shop Local campaign, and in addition proceed with a Place Assessment of the Kingsford Town Centre to guide future activation and investment, with recommendations to be provided in a future Councillor briefing.”

The Purpose of this Report is to present findings from the Place Assessment report commissioned by Council and to seek approval to proceed with the proposed short-term, mid-term and long-term recommendations and estimated budget to improve the liveability, appearance, and amenity to this area in the Randwick LGA.

## Discussion

### Background

This Report provides a summary of the Impact Maximiser Report undertaken by an external consultant engaged by Council, as part of the recommendations of the wider K2K Plan - the Kensington and Kingsford Town Centres’ revitalisation program.

An Impact Maximiser Report is an industry standard report giving an overview of a community/location via engagement and consultation with key stakeholders to determine specific views of their communities’ strengths and opportunities. The data collated in this process gives Council the opportunity to better understand a community’s and business network’s perceived needs, and provide a platform for short-term, mid-term and long-term outcomes to benefit town centre and environs.

As such Council engaged a place data company to develop an Impact Maximiser Report through engagement with the Kingsford community.

### Relationship to the K2K Plan and Council Strategies

The *Kensington to Kingsford Town Centres Community Infrastructure Contributions Plan* (or K2K Plan) incorporates the community infrastructure contributions to improve the Kensington and Kingsford precincts. This plan responded to the demand from the community when consulting on the Operational Plan for Kensington and Kingsford, for public amenities and infrastructure by utilising developer contributions to carry out specific town centre improvements.

As recommended in the K2K Report, this included Kensington public art, nighttime economy support measures and Kensington Park improvements. In Kingsford K2K recommendations included public art, future open space acquisition, Anzac Parade footpath embellishments, public realm works, upgrades and general landscape improvements, footpath widening/separate

cycleway along Todman Avenue and Kensington Public School. Many of these projects are underway and being delivered by Council.

The Kensington and Kingsford Development Control Plan (DCP) was adopted by Council in 2019 bringing to a close a five-year planning review process, creating a vision for the future of both town centres.

The following documents (from Council's website) contain the detailed plans for the Town Centres:

- [Kensington and Kingsford DCP - PART A PDF, 6804.17 KB](#)
- [Kensington and Kingsford DCP - PART B PDF, 18105.02 KB](#)
- [Kensington and Kingsford DCP - PART C PDF, 536.14 KB](#)
- [Kensington and Kingsford DCP - PART D PDF, 1047.37 KB](#)

The Town Centres requires particular focus as both town centres are facing considerable redevelopment pressure, reflected by an increase in the number of rezoning applications for various sites along Anzac Parade seeking substantial changes to the planning controls. Kensington and Kingsford are also in the process of transition, with the introduction of the light rail having a direct impact on the town centres' identity, accessibility, functionality, and amenity. It is also likely to be a catalyst for urban renewal and growth as envisaged by the State Government's Metropolitan Planning objectives for key transport corridors in Sydney, and by evidence in other precincts and cities that have introduced such infrastructure.

Kingsford and Kensington are also impacted and addressed in Council's Economic Development Strategy, including a Buy Local Shop Local campaign within the LGA, including Kingsford Town Centre, investigate opportunities for vacant tenancies and activation projects to support the night time economy.

In order to plan and realise many of the above recommended outcomes from the K2K Plan, and to address key strategic approaches in Council's informing strategies, Council needed to capture a "state of play" snapshot of the state of both centres informed from feedback from the business networks in the area.

### **An Impact Maximiser Study of Kingsford and Kensington**

As above, a consultant was engaged in October 2022 to undertake placemaking assessments of the Town Centre along Anzac Parade to provide an understanding of how the local businesses are performing and to lay the groundwork for ongoing engagement with the businesses and surrounding community for future improvements and support to this area.

### **The Process:**

The consultant undertook these engagements to deliver a meaningful snapshot of Kingsford; namely desk top research, online surveys, face to face consultations and a focus group held in 2022 at Kensington Park Community Centre with 14 attendees.

At the workshop attendees were asked to discuss the data and work out what can be learnt from the communities input. Key feedback points to consider emerging from the face-to-face workshop included better connections between UNSW & Kingsford, more live music opportunities, parklets and markets, better lighting and security, increased business diversity, greater visual profile such as banners and flags signage, and Council support in supporting more places for community, business, and longer visitor dwell.

These outcomes influenced the findings in the consultant's report to be discussed in the next section.

An online survey requested respondents rank their community most valued and least valued attributes, the best and least valued performing attributes and the strengths and priorities. 592 people completed the online survey whilst 100 people completed on site assessments via face-to-face surveys from 3 February 2023 -15 February 2023.

**A geographical approach to the Place Assessment and key findings:**

The Place Assessment was approached by breaking down the Anzac Parade corridor between Kensington and Kingsford into geographical sections. Feedback for each area was relatively distinct as follows:

**1. Anzac Parade between High Street and Gardeners Road – key findings**

This study section of Anzac Parade covers the area between High Street and Gardeners Road and has been broken into four separate sections. There are multiple different public transport options that are accessible throughout these sections including the light rail and buses. Towards the High Street end, the prominent features include tertiary educational facilities such as UNSW as well as NIDA. The other sections of the Anzac Parade include residential apartment living in addition to other commercial, retail and eating options. A Place Experience (PX) score is an indicator of what works well or not so well and is scored out of 100.

- This location received a PX Score of 65/100.
- The strongest rated attribute is 'Welcoming to all people'.
- The poorest rated attribute is 'Public art, community art, water or light feature'.

**2. Anzac Parade between High Street and Day Avenue – key findings**

- This location received a PX Score of 68/100.
- The strongest rated attribute is 'Sense of safety'.
- The poorest rated attribute is 'Local history, heritage buildings or features'.

**3. Anzac Parade between Harbourn Lane and Day Avenue – key findings**

- This location received a PX Score of 62/100.
- The strongest rated attribute is 'Welcoming to all people'.
- The poorest rated attribute is 'Public art, community art, water or light feature'.

**4. Anzac Parade between Harbourn Lane and Borrowdale Road – key findings**

- This location received a PX Score of 65/100.
- The strongest rated attribute is 'Welcoming to all people'.
- The poorest rated attribute is 'Amenities and facilities'.

**5. Anzac Parade between Borrowdale Road and Gardeners Road – key findings**

- This location received a PX Score of 61/100
- The strongest rated attribute is 'Welcoming to all people'
- The poorest rated attribute is 'Amenities and facilities'.

### Summary of Findings as presented by the consultant (Impact Maximiser Report):

The following is a synthesis of the resulting Impact Maximiser research as above. The strongest attribute being identified for Kingsford is that it is 'Welcoming to all people', and the poorest attribute 'Public art, community art, water or light feature'.

#### YOUR COMMUNITY VALUES

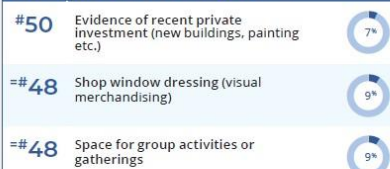
The Kingsford and Kensington community's ideal town centre has things to do in the evening, outdoor restaurants, cafes and seating.

Interestingly, the younger demographic and students place a lower importance on the diversity and condition of businesses, restaurants and cafes. However, there is a greater importance put on cleanliness, ease of walking and a sense of safety from this demographic.

##### MOST VALUED ATTRIBUTES %



##### LEAST VALUED ATTRIBUTES %

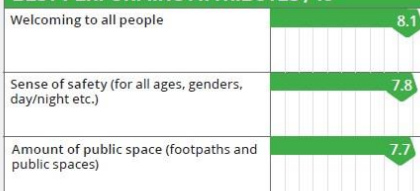


#### YOUR PLACE ATTRIBUTE SCORES

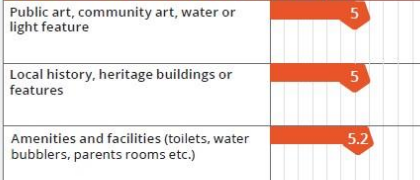
In Kingsford and Kensington, attributes that make a great and welcoming place for people are performing well, there is a high sense of safety and good amount of public space.

On the other hand, attributes that are related to place uniqueness, social and cultural characteristics are performing poorly, with less focus on public art, local history and heritage.

##### BEST PERFORMING ATTRIBUTES / 10



##### WORST PERFORMING ATTRIBUTES / 10



#### YOUR STRENGTHS AND PRIORITIES

The Kingsford and Kensington priorities are determined by aggregating the community values and current performance of the street.

The community currently enjoy the overall look and visual character of the street, they feel safe and can easily walk around. As a priority, introducing more evening activities, more vegetation and ensuring the cleanliness is well maintained, are areas the community feels need improvement.

CF	NURTURE
8*	Ease of walking around (including crossing the street, moving between destinations)
10	Overall look and visual character of the area
12*	Sense of safety (for all ages, genders, day/night etc.)

CF	PRIORITISE
1	Outdoor restaurant, cafe and/or bar seating
3	Things to do in the evening (shopping, dining, entertainment etc.)
7	Elements of the natural environment (views, vegetation, topography, water etc.)
11	Vegetation and natural elements (street trees, planting, water etc.)

The Report has highlighted the highest rating Community Values (the community's concept of what an ideal town centre *should be*) as being:

- Outdoor restaurants, café and/or bar seating
- Cleanliness of public space
- Things to do in the evening (shopping, dining, entertainment etc.)
- One of the least valued attributes is shop windows i.e., visual merchandising.

The best performing attributes (how the community sees Kingsford and Kensington currently - related to place uniqueness, social and cultural characteristics) as highlighted by the report are:

- The precincts are welcoming to all people
- There is a sense of safety for all
- There is an adequate amount of public space (footpaths and public spaces).

The report also identified the strengths and priorities that the community enjoy. The **strengths** were identified as - the ease of walking around the precincts and ease of movement between destinations, the overall look and visual characteristics of the area and the sense of safety.

The **worst performing** areas identified in this process included public art, water features and local heritage features & amenities across both town centres. Placemaking features identified as priorities included outdoor dining, evening activity (shopping, dining), and elements of natural environment (vegetation, planting).

The Place Assessment Report recommends as a priority Council should consider supporting more outdoor restaurants, café opportunities and activations. Council is currently working with local businesses to encourage Alfresco and footway dining expansion where possible and exploring potential laneway activation opportunities. In addition, as outlined in the Place Assessment the



community are keen to see Council prioritising a natural environment, with more vegetation, trees, water etc. This is an ongoing theme in the K2K Planning Strategy (2019).

The following graph illustrates three key areas identified to instigate significant change for Kingsford and Kensington.

## COMMUNITY DIRECTIONS FOR CHANGE

These directions and recommendations for Anzac Parade are based on three community inputs: Place Score's Care Factor and performance data, and workshop findings. The directions can be used to guide planning and investment in the area over the next five years. Each direction also includes recommendations that offer a mix of short and long term, low and high cost projects that could deliver on the community's desired future Anzac Parade.

### SUPPORT LONGER AND MORE ENJOYABLE STAYS

Anzac Parade has changed from a community mainstreet to place of quick trips and fast transactions. To reconnect with community it needs to provide a place for business, for socialisation, and relaxation; day and evening, week days and weekends. Great mainstreets encourage you to stay longer and spend more.

#### DATA RATIONALE

This direction aims to increase the economic and social vitality of your mainstreet by tackling performing poorly, but are highly valued by people.

- Attributes that measure the evening activities and dining offering are highly valued but currently performing poorly.
- *Outdoor restaurant, cafe and/or bar seating* (#1 CF) (PX5.5/10)
- *Thing to do in the evening* (#3 CF) (PX5.8/10)

#### PLACE RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Parklet program** to provide more outdoor seating - commercial and public.
- **Review landuse and local laws** to allow diverse activities such as markets, rooftop bars and live music events.
- **Destination business and events** such as movie theaters/ outdoor cinema.
- **Regular/weekly programs** to support local business.

### WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE ANZAC PARADE GREENER AND CLEANER

Increase investment in vegetation, maintenance, and general cleanliness of the street. This direction is about having a collaborative approach to care for the mainstreet and improving its visual appearance.

#### DATA RATIONALE

This direction is targeted at uplifting score for those attributes that are performing poorly, but are highly valued.

- Attributes about general look and condition of businesses and vegetation are highly valued but performing poorly.
- *Cleanliness of public space* (#2 CF) (PX6.7/10)
- *General condition of businesses and shopfronts* is ranked as (#6 CF) (PX6.7/10)
- *Elements of the natural environment* (views, vegetation, topography, water etc.) (#7 CF) (PX5.5/10)
- *Vegetation and natural elements* (street trees, planting, water etc.) (#11 CF) (PX6.0/10)

#### PLACE RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Increase street trees and planter boxes** to provide softer edge, shade and buffer to traffic.
- **Partner with local business** to develop a regular program for shopfront cleaning and decoration, footpath maintenance and plant caring.
- **More regular garbage pickups** by Council

### CELEBRATE ANZAC PARADE: CREATE A PLACE TO EXPLORE

Transform the mainstreet into a place that celebrates art, culture, food and local history of Anzac Parade. Reshape a traffic dominated road into a vibrant and unique mainstreet that is exciting to explore.

#### DATA RATIONALE

This direction targets multiple attributes that are performing poorly, and aims to shape a more unique mainstreet character. In addition, this direction can further contribute to the current well performing attributes such as *Welcoming to all people*.

- *Local history, heritage buildings or features* (#15) (PX5.0/10)
- *Public art, community art, water or light feature* (#21 CF) (PX5.0/10)
- *Landmarks, special features or meeting places* (#26) (PX6.2/10)

#### PLACE RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Collaborate with local artists & community** on artworks that tell a story about Anzac Parade.
- **Connect to UNSW** with economic development programs to support buy local campaigns
- **Build a better wayfinding system** with useful information and local stories through use of signage, banners and flags.
- **Artistic and festival lighting** that improves safety and connects housing to mainstreet

### Key Recommendations and Next Steps for Kensington and Kingsford

The following is a breakdown of recommendations; those that are identified in the Place Assessment Report, those that are being currently actioned by Council relating to the Assessment recommendations, and importantly, a synthesis of short, mid-term and longer-term recommendations for Council to consider and endorse.

#### 1. Summary of Place Assessment Recommendation

##### SUPPORT LONGER AND MORE ENJOYABLE STAYS

- Implement a parklet program
- Review land use and local legislation to allow more diverse activities like markets, rooftop bars and live music (Vibrancy Reforms)
- Destination business and events (movie theatres etc. – like The Ritz at The Spot)
- Weekly programs and events to support local business

##### WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE ANZAC PARADE GREENER AND CLEANER

- Increase street trees and planters
- Partnerships with local businesses to work together on shopfront cleaning, decoration, maintenance and plant caring

- Increase waste pickups by Council

## CELEBRATE ANZAC PARADE: CREATE A PLACE TO EXPLORE

- Collaborate with local artists and the community on artworks that tell a story about Anzac Parade
- Connect with UNSW, with economic development programs to support buy local campaigns
- Build a better wayfinding system with useful information and local stories through use of signage, banners and flags
- Artistic and festival lighting that makes the areas safer and connects residential to the mainstreet

## 2. Council activations aligned with the engaged consultant recommendations to date

It is important to note that Council has committed to delivering short-term improvements that align with both the Impact Maximiser Report recommendations in the section above. These have included improvement of infrastructure with new paving on Anzac Parade, more frequent waste pick-ups, live music and activations in Meeks Street Plaza, and in the neighbouring streets, improvements to footpaths and playground upgrades.

The following is a summary of Council actions which in many ways address the recommendations in **Section 1** as above.

## SUPPORT LONGER AND MORE ENJOYABLE STAYS

- Weekly programs and events to support local business  
*Council has implemented the pop-up music program at Meeks Street and via events such as Lunar New Year. An LGA-wide Live Music survey was undertaken to ascertain the number of venues currently hosting live music, their challenges and intentions to expand or introduce live music.*  
*Council has started to deliver business capacity workshops aimed specifically at the Kensington and Kingsford businesses, most recently an Empowering Local Business Workshop at UNSW.*

## WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE ANZAC PARADE GREENER AND CLEANER

- Increase street trees and planters  
*Council had included in the 23/24 Capital Works plan for Meeks Street Plaza, works for planting, connecting footpath from parking to plaza, skate deterrents, additional plaza seating, timber work restoration complete. Additional plaza lighting and street furniture are in progress – expected completion Sept 2024 - \$100,000*
- Partnerships with local businesses to work together on shopfront cleaning, decoration, maintenance and plant caring  
*Council has partly addressed this via the completion of the improvement on the streetscape, included paving and landscaping, from Meeks Street to Harborne Road April 2024 \$1,100,000*
- Increase waste pickups by Council  
*This has been enacted by Council's waste and cleansing team*
- Recommendations for Implementation of Traffic Devices  
*Recommendations will be presented to Council late-2024/2025 on traffic devices as identified in the Kensington West Kingsford LATM Study, valued at \$500,000*

## CELEBRATE ANZAC PARADE: CREATE A PLACE TO EXPLORE

- Collaborate with local artists and the community on artworks that tell a story about Anzac Parade  
*New student accommodation development has incorporated plans for public art governed by VPAs with Council, and that are being developed in consultation with the Arts and Culture teams aligned with the draft Public Art Plan focusing on relevance to place.*

- Connect with UNSW with economic development programs to support buy local campaigns  
*A Buy Local Shop Local campaign is being developed with the K2K businesses, commencing with a workshop at UNSW in June 2024. This will eventuate into an economic development pilot for this area, including a marketing/comms campaign to celebrate local businesses on social media with an associated aim of connecting with the University population*

### 3. Ongoing Recommendations for Council to Resource and Deliver

Taking into account Councils existing strategies for Kensington and Kingsford and more over the Place Assessment report the following are the **next key recommendations** for Council to consider including short, mid and long term improvements for Kensington and Kingsford.

#### Short-term (6 months to 1 year):

- **Improved community dwell infrastructure at Meeks Street Plaza**  
*Provide more gathering and seating for community and visitors to the commercial district to increase dwell and increase local spend at local restaurants and cafes. Capital works currently underway to supplement the planned additional seating furniture for the plaza.*
- **Expand Christmas Program**  
*Introduce innovative and interactive components throughout Kingsford and Kensington and specifically at Meeks Street Plaza and include activation events throughout the season.*
- **Lunar New Year**  
*Deliver an innovative and collaborative Lunar New Year program working with Chambers and local businesses to maximise opportunities.*
- **Summer Music Pop Up Program**  
*Following the success of last year's program expanding the Summer Music Pop-Up Program across Kensington and Kingsford bringing businesses and creatives together to boost the vibrancy of both town centres.*
- **Greening Strategy**  
*Greening improvements are currently being delivered along the Anzac Parade corridor as part of Council's Greening Strategy and operational plan; and this will be ongoing.*
- **Public Art across the Town Centres**  
*Council in 2024 will release a Public Art Plan which includes a framework for Developer initiated public artworks; Council is currently working in partnership with developers on highly significant public art initially in Kingsford and then longer term in Kensington.*
- **Programming and Events (continuation / NIDA / partnership with Chamber)**  
*Develop partnerships with the Chamber of Commerce to consolidate their offering to business and encourage the Chambers to advocate on behalf of businesses to State and National Government and promote/engage with local events and programming. Continue conversations with NIDA about the opening up their foyer space for community access and on other partnerships.*
- **Buy Local Shop Local promoted** (aligns with flags / signage) and associated marketing/promotions campaign to celebrate local businesses on social media.
- **Create a stronger partnership with UNSW to encourage and explore the Buy Local, Shop Local campaign**, to spend and promote within the local area. Approaches to be made to ARC to develop and partner in a shared campaign to promote to local town centres and offerings to the local student population. Consider consultation with the university administration to support local business in their daily operations and events.

#### Mid-term (1 year – 3 years):

- **Library Kiosk**

*Proposal is to place an “Anytime Library” on the Meeks Street Plaza. The “Anytime Library” is a de facto library and is part of the library’s outreach program. This would encourage a range of readers to use the area and engage with the Plaza services. The library is self-service so once the initial investment is undertaken ongoing costs are minimal.*

- **Laneway and Plaza Audit and Improvement Plan and Activations for Kensington and Kingsford**

*Due to the impact of the busy arterial route combined with the light rail on the amenity and attractiveness of both centres it is recommended that laneway and plaza activation is a priority.*

*Council is financially committed via the Developer Contributions budget to improve the visual and practical appeal of existing and new laneways across both town centres. There is commitment in the mid-term budgets under strategic planning and infrastructure for improvements including well-lit seating/shade, providing community areas to gather and enjoy the variety of local food offerings. Creating a natural environment feel with more trees, planters, vegetation, and water would assist in deflecting from the throughput of traffic along Anzac Parade.*

*Currently, there is a Have Your Say around the Voluntary Planning Agreement on exhibition (until 29 July 2024) for 273-275 Anzac Parade, Kingsford which includes \$1,135,725 for the purposes of providing footpath upgrade along Anzac Parade including other public realm works, and laneway upgrades along Houston Lane frontage.*

*This aligns to the Economic Development Strategy and Arts and Culture Strategy and Laneways and Strategic Planning Projects and Costings funded via Developer Contributions*

- **A Vacant Shops Activation Program.**

*At the time of this Report, there are 34 shop and retail properties for lease in Kingsford and 14 shop or retail properties for sale in Kingsford. There are 2 shop and retail properties for lease in Kensington and 2 shop or retail properties for sale in Kensington. (data from public sites not private sale).*

*Council to explore a vacant shop front strategy including Kensington and Kingsford town centres with Pop Up Shops or “Meanwhile Use” (i.e. non-commercial and not-for-profits organisations using empty retail spaces) being explored with Real Estate agents and landlords.*

*This aligns to the Economic Development Strategy Outcomes 1 pilot initiatives with local networks and businesses that empowers local businesses, and the Arts and Culture Strategy.*

- **Night-time markets/ Outdoor Dining**

*Increase outdoor dining capacity for restaurants onto footway dining through active engagement with the restaurants, a full audit of potential opportunities and the reduced process. Consider other pop-up activations such as night-time markets to encourage diverse footfall in laneways and Meeks Street Plaza.*

*This aligns to the Economic Development Strategy*

- **Vibrancy Reforms/ Live Music Survey**

*The live music survey carried out in June 2024 by Community and Culture highlighted that musicians and performers bring atmosphere to people and to place and is a key pillar in building community engagement and vibrancy.*

*Council will investigate opportunities to foster and encourage live music activations, working with venues in this area and with the live music sector in the LGA.*

*This aligns to the Economic Development Strategy and the updated Vibrancy Reforms as of 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 which are keen to expand music offerings.*

#### **Long-term (3 to 5 years):**

- **Encourage anchor grocery retail** to relocate/start up along Anzac Pde.



*Working with Strategic Planning to discuss key locations and opportunities for grocery retailers that are appropriate to the demography.*

*Additionally, included in the CP32/24 Director City Planning Report is to discuss with the applicants at 273-275 Anzac Parade an opportunity to consolidate plans with 277-291 Anzac Parade, to include a medium scale grocery and supermarket on the site, to service the residents of Kingsford, Daceyville and surrounds.*

*This aligns to the Economic Development Strategy.*

### **Budget**

The Strategic Planning Developer Contributions have allocated some specific funding as noted below for Night time support measures.

#### **Budget for Recommendations**

<b>PRIORITY</b>	<b>ESTIMATED COST</b>	<b>SOURCE OF FUNDING</b>
<b>SHORT-TERM</b>		
Increase Outdoor Dining opportunities in Kingsford and Kensington	\$10,000	2024/25 EDP Budget
Christmas Program Expanded across Kingsford and Kensington	\$20,000	2024/25 EDP Budget
Lunar New Year 2025	\$25,000	2024/25 EDP Budget
Summer Music Pop Up Program	\$5,000	2024/25 EDP Budget
Programming and Events	\$30,000	2024/25 EDP Budget
Buy Local Shop Local	\$10,000	2024/25 EDP Budget
Marketing and Comms Campaign	\$5,000	2024/25 EDP Budget
<b>MID-TERM – subject to future budget approval</b>		
Library Kiosk	\$93,000	Night time support measures (Strategic Planning budget)
Laneway and Plaza Activations	\$50,000	Night time support measures (Strategic Planning budget)
Vacant Shops Activation Program	\$50,000	Night time support measures (Strategic Planning budget)
Explore Night time markets	\$50,000	Night time support measures (Strategic Planning budget)
Live music	\$50,000	Night time support measures (Strategic Planning budget)
<b>LONG-TERM – subject to future budget approval</b>		
Large Grocery Retail	tbc	tbc
<b>APPROXIMATE TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$398,000</b>	

### **Strategic alignment**

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

**Delivering the Outcomes of the Community Strategic Plan:**

Strategy	Economic Development
Outcome	A city that empowers businesses to start, grow and thrive through a collaborative business culture
Objective	Increase number of businesses by 20% by 2032
Delivery program commitment	Identify 5 opportunities per year to streamline City of Randwick processes to reduce unnecessary barriers to doing business by 2025.
Objective	Increase by 20% the number of businesses that are members of a local network, chamber or association by 2032
Delivery program commitment	Facilitate a sustainable and active business network group/s e.g. Chamber/s which act as an advocate for business by 2023 to increase business engagement and provide networking, marketing and training opportunities.
Delivery program commitment	Research and pilot initiatives with local networks and businesses which empower local businesses to promote their goods or services and support other local businesses by 2025.
Outcome	A city with a 24-hour economy including diverse night time activities and experiences
Objective	Increase night time spending by 7% by 2032 Note: night time is defined as 6pm - 6am
Delivery program commitment	Continue to implement changes to the planning framework as identified in the Night Time Economy Study to focus on encouraging a diverse mix of business and cultural activities including trading hours for small, low impact businesses, and business zonings while ensuring the impact on residential amenity is minimised particularly in both residential and business zones.
Delivery program commitment	Identify and promote Randwick's night time activities and experiences through the City of Randwick's business initiatives such as the Shop Local marketing campaign and existing communication channels by 2024.
Outcome	A city with diverse, active places for businesses, including vibrant town and neighbourhood centres
Objective	Ensure 86% or more of our community are satisfied* with the vitality of town centres by 2032
Delivery program commitment	Investigate opportunities with local commercial property owners to provide façade displays or short-term use for pop-up businesses in vacant tenancies (e.g. home based, business start-ups, seasonal offerings) by 2023.

**Resourcing Strategy implications**

The total budget required from the activities outlined above for 24/25 is \$105 000.00. This will be allocated through the 24/25 Economic Development budget.

The Resourcing required to deliver the Mid-Term Recommendations from the Impact Maximiser Report are subject to future budget approvals, but would be proposed to be sourced from a range of budgets such as Developer Contributions 7.12 budgets, Community Infrastructure Fund and Economic Development Strategy.

**Policy and legislative requirements**

- Kingsford to Kensington Planning strategy
- Economic Development Strategy

- Open Spaces and Recreation Strategy
- Roads Act 1993 Transport for NSW.

## Conclusion

The Kingsford & Kensington Town Centres requires particular focus as both town centres are facing considerable redevelopment pressure, reflected by an increase in the number of rezoning applications for various sites along Anzac Parade seeking substantial changes to the planning controls. Kensington and Kingsford are also in the process of transition, with the introduction of the light rail having a direct impact on the town centres' identity, accessibility, functionality, and amenity.

The consultations carried out by the engaged consultant highlighted a desire for improvement along the corridor for improvements in ease of walking around the area (ease of moving between destinations), prioritizing of outdoor dining, Nighttime economy and green space, management of waste, maintenance, and public art, many of which are also being addressed by Council to date.

Council through this Report has a road map of community and infrastructure improvement to build the identity, resilience and economy of Kensington and Kingsford. High vacancy rates, high density developments and a lack of anchor business such as a large-scale supermarket present challenges for both town centres. The short-term, mid-term and long-term recommendations in this Report provide some solutions that Council can address – many of which as outlined are being addressed or feature in Council planning.

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## Director Community & Culture Report No. CC13/24

**Subject: Community Investment Program - July 2024 - Community Connect and Community Creative**

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### Executive Summary

- The Community Investment Program's July funding round was held for the Community **Connect** and Community **Creative** streams. Applications closed on 10 June 2024.
- Seventeen (17) Community Connect applications were received, requesting a total of **\$139,358.75** in funding (\$118,896.25 cash; \$20,462.50 fee support). The budget for this round of Community Connect is **\$45,000**.
- Nine (9) Community Connect applications are recommended for funding, totaling **\$54,923** (\$52,250 in cash; \$2,673 in fee support).
- Twenty-three (23) Community Creative applications were received, requesting a total of **\$295,713.25** in funding (\$286,212.25 in cash; \$9,501 in fee support). The budget for this round of Community Creative is **\$50,000**.
- Eight (8) Community Creative applications are recommended for funding, totaling **\$57,250** (in cash only).
- For the 2023-24 financial year there were seventy-one (71) Mayor's Contingency Fund allocations, totaling **\$173,652.27**, in excess of the \$106,000 budget.

### Recommendation

That Council:

- a) approve the Community Connect funding allocation of \$54,923 (\$52,250 in cash; \$2,673 in fee support) to the nine recommended projects;
- b) approve the Community Creative funding allocation of \$57,250 (cash only) to the eight recommended projects;
- c) note the final status of the Mayor's Contingency Fund for 2023-24.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

## Purpose

The Community Investment Program opened for applications on 13 May 2024 and closed on 10 June. This report pertains to recommendations for funding across two streams: Community **Connect** and Community **Creative**.

\$186,300 has been allocated to each stream for the 2024-25 financial year (a total of \$372,600).

Under the current Guidelines, the Connect and Creative streams open concurrently for applications during three rounds per year. Applicants must apply during an open round if their application includes a cash request.

In between rounds, applicants may request stand-alone 'Fee Support' (fee waivers for the use of Council venues and services) at any time.

## Background

At the Ordinary Council Meeting on 23 June 2020, Council adopted the 'Community Investment Program', a strategic framework for grant funding and donations. The Community Investment Program encompasses several funding streams, including Community Creative, Community Connect, Community Partnerships and Community Contingency (Mayor's fund).

At the Ordinary Council Meeting on 23 May 2023, Council approved a budget increase for the Community Investment Program and harmonisation of funding levels across the Connect and Creative streams. In June 2024, the Connect and Creative budgets were approved for a CPI increase, bringing the current budget to \$186,300 per stream.

## Discussion

### Community Connect

The objectives of the Community Connect stream are:

- To increase community participation and capacity
- To increase social cohesion, belonging, and connection to place and person
- To increase trust and understanding across diverse communities
- To increase volunteering opportunities
- To encourage healthy and active lifestyles.

### Application assessment

An assessment panel reviewed all applications received in the current round. The panel included the Manager of Community Development, Council officers with skills and experience in community development, and an external representative from NSW Health with extensive knowledge of priority populations in the local area and community grants management. The Director Community & Culture noted a personal conflict with the South Coogee Public School P&C Association and did not take part in any discussion on this application.

Each application was assessed against five core criteria drawn from the Community Connect Guidelines:

1. Capacity to enhance connection and cohesion
2. Ability to deliver the project
3. Capacity to foster inclusion for diverse communities
4. Capacity to measure impact and evaluate the project's outcomes
5. Evidence of a realistic budget and value for money.

## Funding

The total Community Connect budget for the 2024-25 financial year is \$186,300. Both cash and fee support allocations are to be funded from this budget.

'Fee support', previously described as 'in-kind' funding, refers to fee waivers for the use of Council venues, facilities, and services. Under the Community Connect Guidelines adopted in July 2023, applicants requesting fee support **only** (with no cash component) may apply anytime throughout the year using Council's 'Fee Support' pathway, instead of waiting for an open grant round.

As a result of this change, Council approves fee support-only applications on an ongoing basis. Allocations for 2024-25 are noted towards the end of this report.

### Recommended funding allocations: July 2024 funding round

A summary of the recommended allocations for the July round is provided below.

Seventeen (17) applications were considered, requesting a total of **\$139,358.75 in funding** (\$118,896.25 in cash; \$20,462.50 in fee support).

Nine (9) Community Connect applications are recommended for funding, totaling **\$54,923** (\$52,250 in cash; \$2,673 in fee support).

An analysis of the recommended and non-recommended funding requests is provided under separate cover.

### Recommended projects: July 2024

COMMUNITY CONNECT		RECOMMENDED FUNDING	
Applicant and Project Description	Cash	Fee Support	Assessment Panel comments
<b>1. Chinese Australian Services Society (CASS Care Ltd.):</b> Randwick Sense of Community Project  <b>Kensington Park Community Centre, Kensington</b>  A program of free social support activities for the Indonesian and Chinese community	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	This is a strong application targeting a specific cultural group. The project aligns well with the Connect criteria. The applicant has been advised to apply for the Fee Support component separately to cover 12 months of venue hire.
<b>2. Filipino Australian Community Association of Eastern Sydney:</b> Filipino Fiesta in Eastern Sydney  <b>Alison Park, Randwick</b>  A showcase of Filipino culture and heritage, open to the whole community	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	The Fiesta is a popular annually community event attracting a large crowd. It is inclusive, free to attend and meets the core objectives of Community Connect. The applicant has been referred to the Open Space team for follow up on the relevant approvals and quote for the use of Alison Park.
<b>3. Irish Support Agency:</b> Shoulder to Shoulder  <b>Prince Henry Centre, Little Bay</b>  Men's mental health and wellbeing program	\$750.00	\$1,120.00	This activity is well-targeted to Randwick's large Irish community. It fills a critical gap in supporting male mental health and enhancing social connection. Previous projects conducted by the applicant have

COMMUNITY CONNECT		RECOMMENDED FUNDING	
			been well attended. A small investment for strong impact.
<b>4. Junction Neighbourhood Centre:</b> Celebrating 50 years with our community <b>Heffron Park, Maroubra</b> A family-friendly, festival-style public event to mark 50 years of service to the local community	<b>\$8,500.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	The applicant provides a range of services to vulnerable communities. This event has an inclusive focus and will bring residents together for a day of celebration. It has the added benefit of providing a soft entry point to social service providers in the local area.
<b>5. South Coogee Public School Parents &amp; Citizens Association: Fiesta 2024</b> <b>South Coogee Public School</b> A weekend family event open to the whole community, featuring a range of stalls, performances, rides and a smoking ceremony Welcome to Country.	<b>\$6,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	This event is open to the community and has a strong focus on fun, social connection and inclusion. The panel acknowledged the value in the applicant's intention to provide free ride passes to lower-income families from the South Coogee area who may otherwise be unable to participate. A project well-aligned with the Community Connect objectives.
<b>6. St George Coptic Orthodox Church:</b> Kensington Community Fete 2024 <b>Bowral Street, Kensington</b> An annual street-party-style fete open to the whole community.	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	This annual event is well-attended and open to the whole community, bringing a diverse crowd together in Kensington. It meets the objectives of Community Connect. The applicant has been advised to seek the relevant approvals and confirmed quote for the Fee Support component.
<b>7. Sydney Multicultural Community Services (SMCS): Our Roots: Workshop for Inclusion and Cultural Celebration</b> <b>SMCS, Daceyville</b> A social connection program targeting migrant and refugee women from the Randwick LGA in a culturally safe, inclusive environment.	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	This project targets an area of high need, providing opportunity for women from migrant and refugee backgrounds to come together in a celebration of culture and connection. There are no cost barriers, and previous activities have been well-attended. The applicant has confirmed this arm of the program will be provided exclusively to participants from Randwick LGA.
<b>8. Mito Foundation: The Bloody Long Walk</b> <b>Pioneers Park, Malabar</b> A 35km annual walking challenge commencing in Malabar, attracting a huge crowd to the area.	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,553.00</b>	This annual event attracts a large crowd of diverse participants, commencing the walk from southern Randwick LGA. The high entry cost may present a participation barrier for some parts of the community, so

COMMUNITY CONNECT	RECOMMENDED FUNDING		
			partial contribution by way of fee support is considered appropriate.
<b>9. Youth Off the Streets – Bowen College:</b> Connecting generations through drumming circles  <b>Bupa Residential Aged Care, Maroubra</b>  A unique intergenerational project to connect young people with senior citizens in the local area.	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	The proposed project engages at-risk young people with seniors in the local community through a creative intergenerational approach. This is a unique project with potential for high-value outcomes and a strong fit for the Connect funding stream.
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$52,250.00</b>	<b>\$2,673.00</b>	
	<b>Cash</b>	<b>Fee support</b>	
<b>TOTAL RECOMMENDED FUNDING: COMMUNITY CONNECT</b>	<b>\$54,923.00</b>		

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### Community Creative

The objectives of the Community Creative stream are:

- To increase Randwick's reputation as a leading creative and cultural hub
- To increase activation of Council's creative and cultural spaces
- To encourage excellence and innovation in the delivery of arts and culture projects
- To increase access to and participation in the arts, including recognition of the contribution of First Nations people.

### Application assessment

An assessment panel reviewed all applications. Panel members included the Manager of Community Development, Council officers with skills and experience in the arts, culture, and community development, and an external representative drawn from the Randwick Arts and Culture Advisory Committee.

Each application was assessed against five core criteria drawn from the Community Creative Guidelines:

1. Excellence and innovation in creative practice and delivery
2. Ability to deliver the project
3. Capacity to enhance access to the arts and foster inclusion for diverse communities
4. Community benefit, audience size, and capacity to evaluate impact and outcomes
5. Evidence of a realistic budget and value for money.

### Funding

The total Community Creative budget for the 2024-25 financial year is \$186,300. Both cash and fee support allocations are to be funded from this budget.

As per Community Connect, applicants for Creative funding who are seeking fee waivers **only** have the option to apply for fee support at any time throughout the financial year. Approved allocations are noted towards the end of this report.

### Recommended funding allocations: July 2024

Twenty-three (23) Community Creative applications were considered, requesting a total of **\$295,713.25** in funding (\$286,212.25 in cash; \$9,501 in fee support).



Eight (8) Community Creative applications are recommended for funding, totaling **\$57,250** (in cash only).

A detailed analysis of the recommended and non-recommended funding requests is provided under separate cover.

#### Recommended projects: July 2024

COMMUNITY CREATIVE		RECOMMENDED FUNDING	
Applicant and Project Description	Cash	Fee Support	Assessment Panel comments
<b>1. Amber Lawrence (sole trader):</b> Wylie's Concert for Charity <b>Wylie's Baths, Coogee</b> A ticketed country music concert employing local performers. Any funds raised will be allocated to the Wylie's Baths Maintenance Trust and Lifeline Eastern Suburbs.	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	While the event has a fundraising component, it is fundamentally a community concert to celebrate local talent at an iconic Randwick venue.
<b>2. Angela Nashaat (sole trader):</b> Sew Rite <b>Prince Henry Museum</b> A series of free workshops to teach participants hand sewing and machine skills, recycling Council's old street banners into new items such as bags, tablecloths and aprons.	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	The project has been previously funded and was highly successful. Though open to everyone, it has high engagement of residents from the local social housing estates and involves no cost barriers. An excellent grassroots creative project.
<b>3. Angela Sullen (sole trader):</b> Vital Signs <b>National Institute of Dramatic Art (NIDA)</b> A technologically boundary-pushing theatre work, fusing medical technologies with live performance.	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	This project is aligned to Council's Arts and Culture Strategy through providing an opportunity to strengthen ties with NIDA. It supports the incubation of innovation in exploring diverse identities in the arts.
<b>4. Paris Rosemont (sole trader):</b> Poet in the House - Eastside Poetry Party <b>Library venues/ Randwick Town Hall</b> A series of written and spoken-word poetry workshops, open mic and poetry slam nights.	\$6,250.00	\$0.00	The project will increase the community's access to poetry as a creative genre, expanding the diversity of arts and culture activities supported in Randwick. The applicant is encouraged to explore Fee Support options to support access to a venue.
<b>5. Samuel Bright/CLIPPED (sole trader):</b> CLIPPED Music Video Festival <b>Ritz Cinemas, Randwick</b>	\$8,500.00	\$0.00	The applicant has previously produced engaging contemporary works targeting a younger audience. The project includes networking opportunities for

COMMUNITY CREATIVE		RECOMMENDED FUNDING	
A low-cost film event featuring a music video exhibition, workshops, trade show and discussion panels.			emerging creatives. Community impact is considered high due to low cost, including no-cost ticketing for people who identify as First Nations.
<b>6. Shaun Parker &amp; Co.: BUBBLE INTERACT!</b>  <b>Io Myers Studio, University of New South Wales</b>  A free 'bubble art' creative program for primary-school-aged children in Randwick LGA.		<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>  <i>BUBBLE INTERACT!</i> is a free, community program that swirls together dance, sound, light and bubble art in a family-friendly and interactive event.  Part performance, part workshop, part installation.  The project is considered unique and innovative as it targets children and emerging dance artists in bubble-making performance work. The applicant's capacity to deliver is assessed as high.
<b>7. Tiptoe Giants: Small but Mighty Randwick Literary Institute</b>  A series of free school holiday workshops for children aged under 8 years focused on puppetry, dance, costume craft and performance.		<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>  This application represents a high value proposition for free creative theatre workshops during the school holidays. Similar workshops typically involve high fees that are inaccessible to lower-income families, so this project is considered a strong investment in increasing access to the creative sector for children.
<b>8. Wallangang Aboriginal Corporation: Timberly Family Collections</b>  <b>Online – in partnership with La Perouse Museum</b>  Creation of a digital catalogue of significant family history collections relating to La Perouse as a site of spiritual and economic resilience for Aboriginal people.		<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>  The project represents high value creative presentation of works, personal stories, and narratives through digital production. The community capacity building and self-determination potential offered by this project is high. This partnership project serves to showcase one of the most significant national collections related to First Nations history.
<b>Sub-total</b>		<b>\$57,250.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
		<b>Cash</b>	<b>Fee support</b>
<b>TOTAL RECOMMENDED FUNDING: COMMUNITY CREATIVE</b>		<b>\$57,250.00</b>	

## 2024-25 Funding allocations: Community Investment Program

### Fee Support

Under the recently updated Community Investment Program Guidelines for Connect and Creative, applicants seeking fee support **only** (waivers for use of a Council venue, facility, or service) may apply anytime throughout the financial year and are not required to wait for an open round. Applications are assessed on a rolling basis and approved by delegation of the General Manager.

### 2024-25 Fee Support allocations (approved outside of open rounds)

#### Community Connect

Date of approval	Recipient	Event	Venue	Fees waived
28/06/2024	South Maroubra Surf Life Saving Club	Pool Proficiency Evaluations	DRLC	\$1,844.80
27/06/2024	Clovelly Child Care Centre	INTEGRITY Trial	Clovelly Senior Citizens Centre	\$3,920.00
27/06/2024	Indonesian Welfare Association	Maroubra Group	Maroubra Senior Citizens Centre	\$5,522.50
25/06/2024	Souths Cares Inc.	NAIDOC Festival	Heffron Park	\$1,221.00
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$12,508.30</b>

#### Community Creative

N/A

#### Mayor's Community Contingency Fund

Allocations for 2023-24 are listed in the table below

#### 2023-24 Contingency Fund allocations

Annual contributions (ongoing)		
Ord Council - 8 Dec 2020	Annual contribution of \$1,000 for the Mayor's Award for Randwick Boys' High School. The award will continue under the approved 5-year agreement (2020-21 to 2024-25)	\$1,000
Ord Council - 27 July 2021	Annual contribution (3 years from 2021-22 to 2023-24) – Renewal of Community Partnership Agreement with Westpac Helicopter Rescue Service	\$20,000
Ord Council - 23 November 2021	Annual contribution (5 years from 2021-22 to 2025-26) of \$5,000 for Sydney Sick Kids Appeal – Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation	\$5,000
	Annual contribution (5 years from 2021-22 to 2025-26) of \$2,000 for the Lights for Kids Campaign - Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation	<u>\$2,000</u>
Ord Council - 22 Feb 2022	Annual contribution of \$1,000 for the Mayor's Award for Randwick Girls' School. The award will continue for a further 5 years (2022-23 to 2026-27)	\$1,000

**2023-24 Contingency Fund allocations**

Ord Council – 25 July 2023	Annual contribution (2 years from 2023-2024): For Maroubra Charity Car Show to be held on 17 September 2023 at Broadarrow Reserve  \$4,306.27 in-kind waiving of fees; \$6,200 cash contribution  Council commits to supporting the event in 2024 additionally by way of in-kind and donation contribution to the same value as 2023	\$10,506.27
	Souths Cares NAIDOC event – waive of hire fees	\$665
	<b>Total (ongoing annual contributions)</b>	<b>\$40,171.27</b>
<b>One-off allocations</b>		
Ord Council - 27 June 2023	Contribution to Maroubra Bay Public School's centenary fundraising for a weatherproof shelter over the basketball courts	\$1,000
	Waiving of fees for Maroubra Swimming Club Carnival Meet to be held on 23 July at Des Renford Leisure Centre Training Pool	\$930
	Contribution to the Save Yarra Bay Celebration Day towards the cost of catering for the event	\$909
	Randwick supports a vote for Yes – Voice to Parliament	\$28,900
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$31,739</b>
Ord Council – 25 July 2023	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to Spyridon College to beautify their prep courtyard	\$500
	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to Friends of Malabar Headland to promote the headlands	\$472
	Donation to Randwick City Football Club in support of the Purple Hearts Program	\$1,000
	Waiving of fees for the 5 <sup>th</sup> Filipino Fiesta in Randwick for the use of Alison Park	\$1,690
	Donation to Marie Tesoriero (Cool Marie) to participate in the City2Surf to raise funds for Sydney Children's Hospital	\$150
	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to Coogee Public School's Working Bee held on 22 July 2023	\$500
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$4,312</b>
Ord Council – 22 August 2023	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to the Randwick Ladies Golf Charity Day to support the Little Heroes Swim Academy	\$500
	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to the Red Cross Young Parents Program to add a hedge along their back fence	\$500
	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to Chifley Public School P&C to support their Father's Day Stall	\$504
	Waiving of fees for the official launch of the vessel 'City of Randwick IV' of Surf Rescue 30 Offshore Rescue Boat, on 17 September 2023	\$1,390

## 2023-24 Contingency Fund allocations

	Production of a plaque to be unveiled at the official naming event of The Rodgers' Brothers Training Pool at DRLC, on 8 October 2023	\$1,169
	Waiving of fees for the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary event for the Rescue Helicopter Service, held at Arthur Byrne Reserve on 29 September 2023	\$522
	Waiving of fees for the use of Coogee Beach for World Suicide Prevention Day event held on 10 September 2023	\$707
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$5,292</b>
Ord Council – 19 September 2023	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to SOS Preschool to update their garden	\$500
	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to Youth Off the Streets to update their garden	\$500
	Waiving of fees for the Maroubra Diggers Junior Swimming Club's Carnival at DRLC, held on 21 October 2023	\$1,220
	Donation towards catering costs to the Friends of La Perouse Museum for their Civic Event and visit by the NSW Governor, held on 21 October 2023	\$750
	Sister City Scholarship with Temora Shire Council, to be donated to the Temora & District Education Fund Inc.	\$1,500
	Donation to Surfers for Climate 'Changing Tides' event at the Ritz Cinemas	\$1,136
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$5,606</b>
Ord Council – 24 October 2023	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to the Coast Centre for their Annual Plant Stall	\$500
	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to the Royal Hospital for Women's Annual Giving Day Event	\$1,000
	Donation towards catering costs to the Coogee Dolphins for the 21 <sup>st</sup> Bali Memorial Ceremony	\$909
	Donation towards 'EastFest' to be held at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, Randwick	\$1,000
	Waiving of fees for Coogee Surf Life Saving Club's 'Coogee Island Challenge' event to be held on 26 November, 2023 and 14 April, 2024	\$6,214
	Donation of plants from Council's nursery to Coogee Public School P&C Trivia Night event	\$500
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$10,123</b>
Ord Council – 28 November 2023	Waiving of fees for the I'm Still Standing Community Running Event on 16 March 2024	\$8,693
	Contribution to the St Andrew's Catholic Church Annual Pere Receveur Mass on 18 February 2024	\$6,527
	Contribution to Prince of Wales Hospital's Christmas tree for the New Acute Service Building	\$600

## 2023-24 Contingency Fund allocations

	Contribution to South Sydney High School's Christmas Market and Career Expo on 25 November 2023	\$1,000
	Contribution to the Children's Cancer Institute Dare to Cure fundraising event	\$1,000
	Waiving of fees for the Coogee Surf Life Saving Club RunSwim event on 5 May 2024	\$4,440
	Donation of plants and cash contribution to Sydney Multicultural Community Services' 42 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Celebration on 11 November 2023	\$1,020
	Contribution to La Perouse Public School's PBL creative workshop	\$1,000
	Contribution to the Rally to Restore Cardiac Surgery at Sydney Children's Hospital	\$845
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$25,125</b>
Ord Council – 12 December 2023	Waiving of fees for the Coogee United Football Club charity event to fundraise for the Stillbirth Foundation Australia on 14 January 2024	\$925
	Donation of plants to Matraville Sports High School's Green team project	\$1,000
	Waiving of fees for Weave Youth and Community Services' Yarra Bay Event on 20 December 2024	\$660
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$2,585</b>
Ord Council – 27 February 2024	Contribution to the cost of tickets for the Windgap Gala Ball on 25 May 2024	\$2,600
	Contribution to the Ronald McDonald House Annual Charity Day	\$1,000
	Contribution to the Randwick Boys and Randwick Girls High Schools production to be held in May 2024	\$2,500
	Donation of plants to St John's Maroubra Church	\$500
	Contribution to the cost of tickets for Randwick Rugby's Annual Fundraising Lunch	\$995
MM8/24	Waiving of fees for a stall at the Spot Festival: Marie Tesoriero, with profits going to the Sydney Children's Hospital	\$370
MM8/24	Waiving of fees for a stall at the Spot Festival: Running for Premature Babies	\$250
MM8/24	Waiving of fees for a stall at the Spot Festival: Autism Mates	\$280
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$8,495</b>
Ord Council – 26 March 2024		
MM9/24	Waiving of fees for the Sustainability Hub and donation of seedlings to the Community Gardens Gathering on 15 June 2024	\$1,155
	Donation of 200 plants to Chifley Public School for their Mother's Day Stall	\$250
		\$1,360

**2023-24 Contingency Fund allocations**

	Cash contribution to the Rotary Club of Maroubra Dog Fun Day on 7 April 2024	\$1,000
	Cash contribution to Weave Youth & Community Services for the Block Party event on 9 April 2024	\$10,000
	Donation of plants to St Aidan's Primary School P&F for their Mother's Day Stall	\$1,000
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$14,765</b>
Ord Council – 30 April 2024		
MM17/24	Waiving of fees for DRLC for the Surf Life Saving Sydney – Pool Rescue clinics on 12, 19 & 26 May; and 2 June 2024	\$4,224
	Cash contribution to the Clovelly Eskimos Winter Swim Club (Clovelly SLSC) for publication of a book about the history of the club to mark its 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary	\$2,000
	Donation of plants to the Sydney Children's Hospital Saunders Unit (Adolescent Mental Health)	\$800
	Cash contribution to Serving Hands (St George Coptic Orthodox Church) for 12 weeks of food preparation and delivery to community members in need	\$7,200
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$14,224</b>
Ord Council – 28 May 2024		
MM22/24	Waiving of fees for DRLC (pool hire) for the Maroubra Swim Club Carnival on 16 June 2024	\$965
	Donation of gift vouchers for Council's nursery to Clovelly Child Care Centre for their Annual Green Fair held on 19 May 2024	\$250
	Cash contribution towards the La Perouse Public School Christmas in July markets to be held on 28 July 2024	\$1,000
	Cash donation to RACS and to Kingsford Legal Centre for pro-bono legal work as part of National Pro-Bono Day	\$1,000
		\$1,000
MM24/24	Cash contribution towards a NAIDOC Week event held at Yarra Bay Sailing Club on 13 July 2024	\$5,000
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$9,215</b>
Ord Council – 25 June 2024		
MM27/24	Cash contribution towards the Salvation Army's 2024 Red Shield Appeal for services in the Eastern Beaches region	\$2,000
	<b>Total (month)</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
	<b>TOTAL FOR 2023-24</b>	<b>\$173,652.27</b>
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>\$106,000</b>
	<b>REMAINING</b>	<b>-\$67,652.27</b>



## Community Connect

The status of the current Community Connect budget is shown below.

Community Connect					
	Annually	July 2024 round allocation	October 2024 round allocation	February 2025 round allocation	Remaining funds
TOTAL	\$186,300	\$54,923.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$118,868.70
Fee Support allocated between rounds		\$12,508.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	
TOTAL ALLOCATIONS 2024-25				\$67,431.30	
Budget remaining				\$118,868.70	

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## Community Creative

The status of the current Community Creative budget is shown below.

Community Creative					
	Annually	July 2024 round allocation	October 2024 round allocation	February 2025 round allocation	Remaining funds
TOTAL	\$186,300	\$57,250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$129,050.00
Fee Support allocated between rounds		\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00	
TOTAL ALLOCATIONS 2024-25					\$57,250.00
Budget remaining					\$129,050.00

## Strategic alignment

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

Delivering the Outcomes of the Community Strategic Plan:	
Strategy	Inclusive Randwick
Outcome	A resilient city where people are engaged, informed, connected and feel a sense of community and belonging
Objective	The percentage of residents who feel a part of their community will remain above the metro benchmark through to 2031
Delivery program commitment	Increase the promotion of annual grant funding which invests in community ideas, initiatives and events.

## Resourcing Strategy implications

### Community Connect and Community Creative

Council has committed \$186,300 in the 2024-25 budget for the Community Connect investment stream and \$186,300 for the Community Creative investment stream. Funding allocations are progressing in accordance with the adopted budget.

**Mayor's Contingency Fund**

In 2023-24, Council committed \$106,000 to the Mayor's Contingency Fund. The value of allocations has come to \$173,652.27, exceeding the budget by \$67,652.27. The overspend on the Mayor's Contingency will be reconciled during the 23/24 financial statement period, year-end preparations of the financial accounts.

For 2024-25, Council has committed \$109,710 to the Mayor's Contingency Fund. Reporting on Contingency Fund allocations for the 2024-25 financial year will commence during the next Community Investment Program round.

**Policy and legislative requirements**

Local Government Act 1993 - Section 377

Community Connect - Application and Funding Guidelines

Community Creative - Application and Funding Guidelines.

**Conclusion**

The Community Investment Program, through its multiple streams, enables the Randwick community to see their ideas and innovations come to life while providing residents with access to inclusive programs, events, and services.

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**Responsible officer:** Rachel Low, Senior Officer - Social Planning & Community Capacity

**File Reference:** F2020/00336

## Director Community & Culture Report No. CC14/24

**Subject: Community Partnerships Program - July 2024**

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### Executive Summary

- The Community Partnerships funding program provides financial assistance to not-for-profit social service organisations for the purpose of delivering programs and activities to address the needs of residents experiencing disadvantage in Randwick Local Government Area. The program has a current budget of \$300,000 per annum.
- Applicants may request funds not exceeding \$20,000 per year, per project. Multi-year funding is available for up to three years, not exceeding a total of \$60,000 per project.
- Community Partnerships opened for applications on 13 May and closed on 10 June. Promotion for the round occurred through various Council platforms including the website, social media, information sessions, and via local professional networks.
- The amount available for allocation in 2024-25 is **\$221,435.40**. This figure considers previously approved funding allocations for multi-year projects from 2022 and 2023. It also includes a small amount in rollover funds from 2023.
- Council received eight (8) applications requesting a total of **\$141,699.80** for 2024-25. Applications were assessed against the program's funding guidelines and assessment criteria.
- The assessment panel recommends six (6) organisations to receive a total of **\$101,700** in funding from the 2024-25 Community Partnerships budget:
  - Kooloora Community Centre
  - Lokahi Foundation
  - Prince of Wales Hospital Foundation
  - Serving Hands Inc.
  - St Francis Social Services
  - Story Factory
- The surplus funds are to be allocated in accordance with the Community Partnerships eligibility criteria to other suitable projects identified within the 2024-25 financial year.

### Recommendation

That Council:

- a) approve the allocation of \$101,700 to the six organisations listed above and detailed in this report.
- b) allow the surplus funds to remain in the Community Partnerships budget for allocation to other suitable projects to be identified within the 2024-25 financial year.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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Purpose

Community Partnerships, now in its 14<sup>th</sup> year, is part of the Community Investment Program.

With an allocated annual budget of \$300,000, it offers not-for-profit social service providers the opportunity to apply for financial assistance to implement and deliver projects designed to address the social needs of Randwick residents experiencing disadvantage.

Applicants may apply for up to \$20,000.00 per year. Up to three years of recurrent funding may be available for multi-year projects, up to a maximum of \$20,000 per year and a total of \$60,000.

Discussion

The 2024-25 funding round opened for applications on 13 May and closed on 10 June. The program was promoted on Council’s website and social media pages, via distribution to relevant professional networks and interagencies, and through delivery of an online information session.

Recurrent funding

In addition to the six (6) organisations recommended for funding in this round, the allocated budget for 2024-25 will also fund five (5) organisations that are due to receive their recurrent funds for multi-year projects approved in the 2022-23 and 2023-24 rounds.

Projects due for recurrent funding are:

2023-24 allocations (three-year funding)

- Bondi Beach Cottage, Domestic and Family Violence Counselling: **\$20,000** (per annum)
- St Francis Social Services (Centre 360), Youth Outreach Program: **\$20,000**
- WAYS Youth & Family, Safe Summer project: **\$4,490**

2022-23 allocations (three-year funding)

- Souths Cares, Nanga Mai Marri mentoring program: **\$20,000**
- South-Eastern Community Connect, DV and Housing Support initiative: **\$20,000**

Annual budget allocation	\$ 300,000.00
Rollover (2023-24)	\$ 5,925.40
Less recurrent funding commitments (approved in 2023-24)	\$ 44,490.00
Less recurrent funding commitments (approved in 2022-23)	\$ 40,000.00
<i>Total budget available for 2024-25 allocation</i>	<b>\$ 221,435.40</b>

Reporting requirements

The program requires a high level of accountability from funding recipients. This is achieved through a robust annual reporting/acquittal process. If an organisation receiving recurrent funding is unable to meet its annual progress reporting requirements, funding for subsequent years will not be allocated, and will be returned to the budget.

Applicants with outstanding acquittal reports for any stream of the Community Investment Program are ineligible for future funding until the report is received and approved. All recurrent and newly recommended recipients for Community Partnerships funding have satisfactorily acquitted any previous funding received from Council at the time of assessment.

Local Area Priorities

Alignment with Randwick’s Local Area Priorities is key to the allocation of Community Partnerships funding, as per the Application and Funding Guidelines (s2.2). The current Priorities were identified through the [Randwick Social Study \(2021\)](#) and are listed below:

- Domestic and family violence
- Housing affordability and homelessness
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities

- The needs of young people: Education, employment and engagement
- In-home support services
- Mental health/social-emotional wellbeing

### Assessment of 2024-25 applications

The assessment process was undertaken by a panel comprising Council officers with expertise in community services and development, and an independent external representative from South Eastern Sydney Local Health District (SESLHD).

Each application was assessed against the following criteria:

1. Capacity to deliver the project
2. Relevance to Randwick's Local Area Priorities
3. Expected outcomes and impact for the target group
4. Capacity to monitor and evaluate the project
5. A realistic and reasonable budget

### Surplus funding

This round of Community Partnerships attracted a lower than usual number of applications. As two were deemed unsuitable for funding in accordance with the program Guidelines, a surplus of **\$119,736.40** will remain in the budget if all recommendations are adopted.

Due to the ongoing need for social services within Randwick LGA, it is recommended that this funding be reserved for the benefit of other suitable projects identified through the facilitation of a further funding round and/or re-allocation of the funds into an alternative budget line.

### Recommended funding allocations: July 2024

A summary of recommended allocations is provided below. A more detailed analysis of the recommended and non-recommended funding requests is provided under separate cover.

Applicant & Project Name	Description	Panel comments	To be funded (per year)	No. of years: Requested	No. of years: Recommended
<b>1. Kooloora Community Centre:</b> Community Support Program  <b>Location:</b> Kooloora Community Centre, Bilga Crescent Malabar	Provision of social and material support to some of the most vulnerable community members in Randwick LGA. It is a safety net for clients, addressing simple needs such as food and power bills, referrals to relevant services, and tackling more complex issues related to addictions, family matters, housing, community and personal safety, as well as access to internet, telephones and printing.	The applicant is a very small, grassroots community centre servicing an extremely disadvantaged pocket of the LGA with limited resourcing. Lack of funding has led to heavy reliance on a volunteer workforce. This grant will enable additional hours for a paid professional worker. The client base includes a high percentage of Aboriginal people, and the service aligns with Council's Local Area Priorities and objectives of the Community Partnerships stream.	<b>\$18,200</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>2. Lokahi Foundation:</b> Case management for victim-survivors of domestic and family violence	Enabling and empowering female victim-survivors of domestic and family abuse (and their children) to reclaim their lives through on-the-ground specialised advice and support. The service provides ongoing	The panel acknowledged the insufficient level of specialist domestic and family violence services within Randwick. This project addresses a core Local Area Priority and contributes to women's safety. For various	<b>\$19,000</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>

Applicant & Project Name	Description	Panel comments	To be funded (per year)	No. of years: Requested	No. of years: Recommended
<b>Location:</b> LGA-wide	case management to help these women regain their independence and freedom - physically, emotionally, practically and financially.	reasons one year of funding is recommended at this stage.			
<b>3. Prince of Wales Hospital Foundation:</b> Critical Needs Fund  <b>Location:</b> La Perouse and Randwick	PoW Hospital cares for over 2,000 emergency presentations each year and over 2,000 admitted patients identifying as Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander. Some cannot afford transport, accommodation, health equipment or food for themselves and their family while being cared for. This fund provides support to individuals for expenses such as transport, accommodation, and food, with the aim of overcoming barriers to healthcare and reducing the incidence of early discharge against medical advice.	The Panel was advised that PoWH is heavily used by the local Aboriginal community. The SESLHD representative flagged that providing a culturally safe environment to improve health outcomes for Aboriginal people is a priority, however current funding to address specific needs of this cohort is insufficient. Provision of additional resourcing to the Critical Needs Fund will increase social-emotional wellbeing during hospital stays, reduce the likelihood of early discharge, and address related issues such as accommodation overcrowding due to financial constraints. One year of funding is recommended, with increased support from the Local Health District expected in the longer term.	\$6,500	3	1
<b>14. Serving Hands Inc.:</b> Weekly meals for communities experiencing vulnerability and disadvantage  <b>Location:</b> Malabar and Maroubra	Serving Hands provides weekly meals for vulnerable and disadvantaged persons in the Randwick LGA. The organisation is reliant on donations and government funding. Volunteers cook and deliver over 180 meals to the Hub@Lexo and Kooloorra Community Centre every week. The need is continuing and growing.	The panel acknowledged the pressing issue of food insecurity in the context of a cost-of-living crisis. The applicant has been delivering this service for some time and is highly regarded by recipient communities. The meals are prepared in a safe environment by trained volunteers and delivered to partner organisations operating in areas of high disadvantage. Meal distribution from these community hubs also provides the opportunity for residents to connect with social services. Full funding recommended.	\$20,000	3	3
<b>5. St Francis Social Services (Centre 360):</b> Supportive Circles – Program for parents and carers to meet the needs of	The Tuning into Teens program is part of Centre 360's holistic approach, offering therapeutic wrap-around supports, skills, and confidence-building to parents and carers, enhancing their ability to support and coach their teenagers to develop emotional intelligence. The	The applicant is a reputable youth and family service with connections to Centennial Park and Matraville Sports High schools. They have indicated that approximately 30% of previous participants in this program are from Randwick LGA. There is a significant gap in youth-focused services in the local area, so the panel recommends one year of	\$18,000	3	1

Applicant & Project Name	Description	Panel comments	To be funded (per year)	No. of years: Requested	No. of years: Recommended
at-risk young people <b>Location:</b> Randwick (online or in a community venue)	program prioritises supporting parents and families to ensure the best outcomes for young people.	funding with a view to increasing engagement within the LGA through Council's Community Development team.			
<b>6. Story Factory:</b> Embedding an enduring culture of creativity, writing and wellbeing for young people. <b>Location:</b> Matraville Sports High School	The project will deliver 12 seven-week creative writing programs at Matraville Sports High School, addressing persistent literacy inequalities and emerging social challenges. At a crucial developmental stage, 240 young people will gain the foundation of skills and self-belief they need to thrive, both in the classroom and beyond.	The applicant is highly regarded and has robust planning and evaluation processes in place. The panel acknowledged the diversity of need at Matraville Sports High School and the value of providing this program free of charge to young people who would otherwise be unable to access it. Council's Aboriginal Programs Officer advised that First Nations culture is embedded into the applicant's work, including activities in language. The program addresses Local Area Priorities and is recommended for full funding.	<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Total recommended: new allocations</b>			2024-25 Committed for 2025-26 Committed for 2026-27	<b>\$101,700</b> <b>\$58,200</b> <b>\$58,200</b>	

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### Strategic alignment

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

Delivering the Outcomes of the Community Strategic Plan:	
Strategy	Inclusive Randwick
Outcome	A city where people can access social support and amenities wherever their ability and wherever they live
Objective	Increase by 10% the number of people who feel their social needs are being met by 2031 from the 2021 baseline
Delivery program commitment	Increase the promotion of Council's grant program for funding service providers.

### Resourcing Strategy implications

The recommended expenditure is within the allocated budget for this purpose.

### Policy and legislative requirements



Local Government Act 1993 - Section 377  
Community Partnerships: Application and Funding Guidelines.

## Conclusion

The Community Partnerships program plays an important role in supporting priority groups living in Randwick City, through the allocation of funds to social service providers to deliver much-needed services to residents experiencing disadvantage in the local area.

All applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application following final determination by Council. This includes unsuccessful applicants, who will receive feedback specific to their application and, on request, advice relating to future applications or other funding opportunities available through Randwick City Council.

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**Responsible officer:** Rachel Low, Senior Officer - Social Planning & Community Capacity

**File Reference:** F2021/00139

## Director Community & Culture Report No. CC15/24

**Subject:** Community screening of Gweagal Spears documentary

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### Executive Summary

- Council endorsed a motion at the May meeting to congratulate the La Perouse community on their work in having the Gweagal spears returned to Country at Gamay and to work with representatives on appropriate ways to acknowledge this historic and important achievement.
- A meeting was held with representatives from the La Perouse Aboriginal Land Council on how we can recognize this achievement and it was discussed that a free community screening of the documentary that was made on the Spears would be an appropriate way to commemorate and share information.
- An event in August or September at The Ritz is being planned towards, for Council's consideration and endorsement.

### Recommendation

That Council endorse a free community event and screening of the documentary on the Gweagal Spears at The Ritz Cinema as outlined in this report, as an appropriate way to acknowledge the historic and important achievement in having the spears returned to Country.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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Purpose

At its meeting held 28 May Council resolved:

“(Mayor, Cr P Veitch) that Council:

- a) congratulate the La Perouse Aboriginal Community on their work in returning the Gweagal spears to Country at Gamay; and
- b) work with representatives of the La Perouse Aboriginal Community on appropriate ways to acknowledge this historic and important achievement.”

This report brings back information on an opportunity for Council can acknowledge this achievement at a community event.

Discussion

Following the Council resolution a meeting was held and attended by the Mayor, CEO La Perouse Aboriginal Land Council, Chair La Perouse Aboriginal Land Council and Director Community & Culture.

Some options for ways in which Council could congratulate and recognize the La Perouse community were discussed. One option was for an event that screened a documentary on the Spears where members of the La Perouse Aboriginal Community, as well as the broader Randwick Community. This would be a way to celebrate the achievement as well as share information.

There were a range of National stakeholders involved in the process of having the spears returned to Country. These included members of the La Perouse Aboriginal Community, Gujaga Foundation, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATIS) and the National Museum of Australia.

As part of the trip to London AIATIS have developed a documentary which includes footage of the Spears and documents their return. There is an opportunity for Council to host the screening of this documentary in partnership with the Land Council, along with a Q&A panel at The Ritz Cinema in Randwick.

It is proposed that a cinema is hired on a date in August or September (to be confirmed), which will include the screening, plus Q&A with representatives from the Land Council and possibly the National Museum of Australia. La Perouse Elders would be invited to attend and Council would promote the free screening to the community. It is anticipated the cinema capacity will be 227 people.

Strategic alignment

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

Delivering the Outcomes of the Community Strategic Plan:	
Strategy	Arts and Culture
Outcome	A creative and culturally rich city that is innovative, inclusive and recognised nationally
Objective	Establish a strong cultural identity for the Randwick LGA by 2031 that is inclusive and founded on the contribution of First Nations people by 2031
Delivery program commitment	Recognise, value and celebrate our First Nations history through a minimum of 5 targeted events, activities or programs each year.

## Resourcing Strategy implications

Costs would be as follows:

Hire of cinema	\$2 900.00
PA/AV	\$1 000.00
Welcome to Country/dancers	\$2 600.00
Red carpet & lighting	\$2 500.00
Catering	\$5 000.00
Promotion & Marketing & photographer	\$5 500.00
TOTAL	\$19 500.00

The total anticipated costs for this event would be \$19 500.00, to be funded from the Mayor's Contingency Fund 24/25.

## Policy and legislative requirements

N/A

## Conclusion

After working with representatives from the La Perouse Aboriginal Land Council on an appropriate way to recognise and acknowledge the return of the Gweagal Spears to Country at Gamay, a community screening of the documentary of the Spears by AIATIS will show footage of the recent visit to the UK and their return to Australia. The Panel Q&A will provide an opportunity for questions and having Elders and representatives from the La Perouse Aboriginal community at the event is a nice way to honour them as well as ancestral ties to the Spears.

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**Responsible officer:** Katie Anderson, Director Community & Culture

**File Reference:** F2010/00087

## Director Corporate Services Report No. CO29/24

**Subject: Investment Report - June 2024**

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### Executive Summary

- This report outlines Council's investment portfolio and performance as at 30 June 2024.
- All investments have been made in accordance with the Act, Regulations and Council's Investment Policy.
- For the month of June, the total portfolio (Term Deposits (T/D), Floating Rate Notes (FRN) and Bonds), provided a return of +0.41% (actual) or +5.10% p.a. (annualised<sup>1</sup>), outperforming the benchmark AusBond Bank Bill Index return of +0.35% (actual) or +4.34% p.a. (annualised).
- Our overall investment return remains solid. Investment income received to 30 June 2024 is \$7,290,843, exceeding current budget expectations by \$1,061,487 up to the end of June and representing 117.04% of the current budget year to date.
- Cashflow will continue to be monitored closely, as the RBA expects to take further steps in the process of normalising monetary conditions over the coming months. Investments will continue to be managed to ensure liquidity to meet operational requirements.

### Recommendation

That the Investment Report for June 2024 be received and noted.

### Attachment/s:

1.  Certificate by Responsible Accounting Officer - June 2024

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<sup>1</sup> The annualised rate is the rate for a one-year period, based on periodic rates.

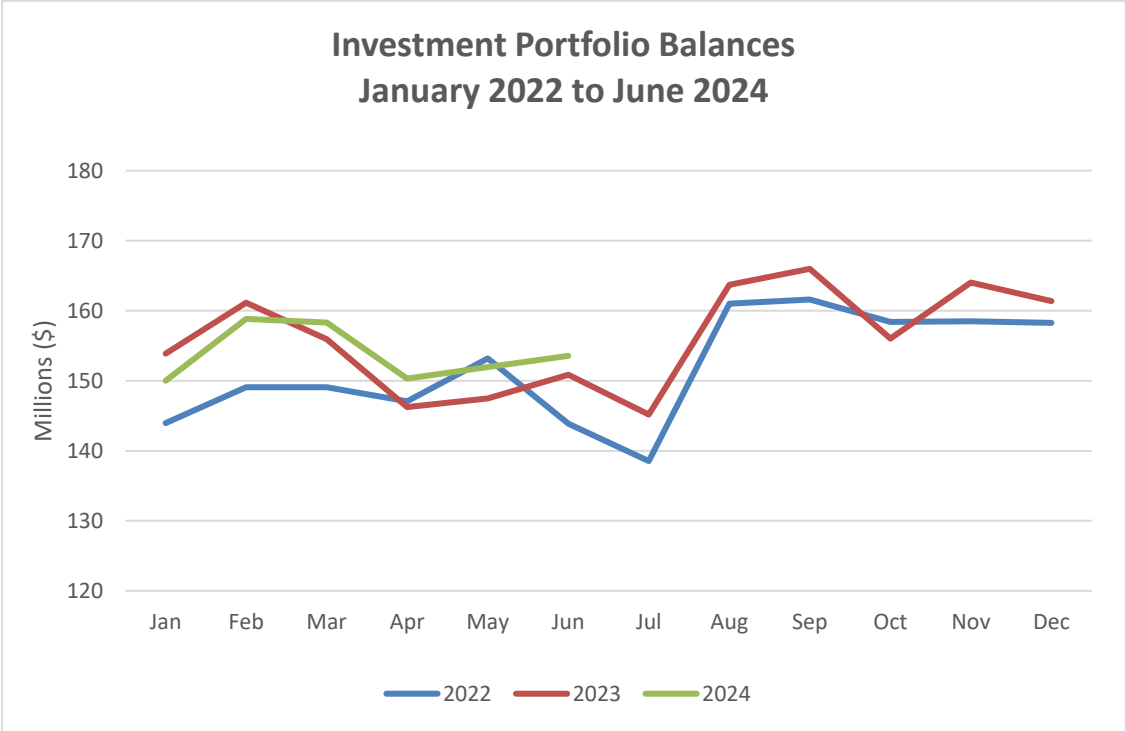
Purpose

The Local Government (General) Regulation requires a written report to be provided to the Ordinary meeting of the Council giving details of all monies invested and a certificate as to whether the investments have been made in accordance with the Act, the regulations, and the Council's Investment Policy.

Discussion

As of 30 June 2024, Council held investments with a market value of \$153.54 million. The portfolio value increased during June by \$1,601,855. The increase is representative of a positive cash flow for the month reflecting the net effect of revenue receipts, rates, grants, and miscellaneous payments, offset by capital works expenditure and other operational payments.

The size of the investment portfolio varies significantly from month to month because of cash flows for the period. The variances for the period January 2022 to June 2024 are shown below. Cash outflows (expenditure) are typically relatively stable from one month to another. Cash inflows (income) are cyclical and are largely dependent on the rates instalment due dates and the timing of grant payments including receipt of the Financial Assistance Grants. The Financial Assistance Grant was received on the 28 June 2024. The portfolio balance movement is the result of the net impact of the cyclic cash outflows versus cash inflows.



Cashflow continues to be closely monitored, ensuring that there is enough cash in the business to operate on a day-to-day basis, to:

- Ensure that Council maintains a balanced operating result.
- Ensure that payments are received on time to control debtors; and
- Manage and finance capital projects.

The RBA's decision in its last meeting on 18 June 2024 was to maintain the cash rate at 4.35 per cent.

The RBA stated in its *June 2024 Statement on Monetary Policy* that 'Inflation remains above target and is proving persistent'. The Monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) Indicator surged by 0.4 per cent to 4.0 percent in May from 3.6 per cent in March 2024.

The RBA also stated 'The economic outlook remains uncertain and recent data have demonstrated that the process of returning inflation to target is unlikely to be smooth' The

expectations are for inflation to return to the target range of 2-3 per cent in the second half of 2025. Returning inflation to target within a reasonable timeframe remains the Board's highest priority.

The next update of the cash rate will be released by the RBA on 6 August 2024.

## On Call Funds

On Call funds are held to meet Council's immediate cash flow requirements. The on-call balance at month end is \$9.81 million representing 4.42% of the total portfolio.

Investment	Rating	Balance 1 June 2024	Movement	Balance 30 June 2024	Interest Rate
CBA	AA-	\$6,712,234	\$3,098,676	\$9,810,910	4.35%

## Term Deposits

- At month's end the portfolio included \$103.5 million in term deposits.
- Term Deposits made up 67.41% of the total investment portfolio.
- Six term deposits matured in June 2024 totaling \$11 million.
- Four new term deposits were placed in June 2024 for \$8 million.
- As at end of June 2024, the term deposit portfolio was yielding 4.92% p.a. (up 5bp from the previous month).

Investment	Rating	Balance 1 June 2024	Movement	Balance 30 June 2024	Date Invested	Date Maturity	Interest Rate
ICBC	A	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	9/09/2021	18/09/2024	0.94%
Westpac	AA-	\$1,000,000	0	\$1,000,000	10/11/2021	3/12/2025	1.70%
Westpac	AA-	\$1,000,000	0	\$1,000,000	10/11/2021	9/12/2026	1.88%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	-\$2,000,000	\$0	31/08/2022	19/06/2024	4.25%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	-\$2,000,000	\$0	31/08/2022	26/06/2024	4.25%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	-\$2,000,000	\$0	1/09/2022	12/06/2024	4.35%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	9/01/2023	23/12/2024	4.80%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	9/01/2023	31/12/2024	4.80%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	9/01/2023	8/01/2025	4.80%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	9/01/2023	15/01/2025	4.80%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	9/01/2023	22/01/2025	4.80%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	12/01/2023	17/07/2024	4.67%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	12/01/2023	25/09/2024	4.67%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	12/01/2023	16/10/2024	4.67%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	12/01/2023	3/07/2024	4.60%
Westpac	AA-	\$1,500,000	0	\$1,500,000	25/01/2023	24/07/2024	4.40%
Westpac	AA-	\$1,500,000	0	\$1,500,000	25/01/2023	9/10/2024	4.38%
CBA	AA-	\$1,500,000	0	\$1,500,000	31/01/2023	10/07/2024	4.63%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	21/02/2023	31/07/2024	4.98%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	21/02/2023	2/10/2024	4.98%



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Investment	Rating	Balance 1 June 2024	Movement	Balance 30 June 2024	Date Invested	Date Maturity	Interest Rate
CBA	AA-	\$1,000,000	0	\$1,000,000	28/02/2023	12/03/2025	4.98%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	28/02/2023	18/06/2025	4.94%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	28/02/2023	25/06/2025	4.94%
NAB	AA-	\$1,500,000	0	\$1,500,000	2/03/2023	9/04/2025	4.95%
NAB	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	23/05/2023	23/10/2024	4.95%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	-\$2,000,000	\$0	01/06/2023	12/06/2024	5.06%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	-\$2,000,000	\$0	01/06/2023	19/06/2024	5.06%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	06/06/2023	29/01/2025	5.00%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	06/06/2023	05/02/2025	5.00%
NAB	AA-	\$1,000,000	-\$1,000,000	\$0	08/06/2023	26/06/2024	5.34%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	1/08/2023	19/03/2025	5.20%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	1/08/2023	30/10/2024	5.28%
ING Bank	A	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	8/08/2023	16/04/2025	5.16%
ING Bank	A	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	8/08/2023	10/07/2024	5.25%
NAB	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	15/08/2023	24/07/2024	5.24%
CBA	AA-	\$3,000,000	0	\$3,000,000	16/08/2023	31/07/2024	5.56%
CBA	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	24/08/2023	17/07/2024	5.42%
NAB	AA-	\$1,500,000	0	\$1,500,000	25/08/2023	18/09/2024	5.22%
NAB	AA-	\$1,500,000	0	\$1,500,000	30/08/2023	25/09/2024	5.24%
NAB	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	31/08/2023	11/09/2024	5.21%
ING Bank	A	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	1/09/2023	26/03/2025	5.05%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	1/09/2023	9/10/2024	5.14%
NAB	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	5/09/2023	18/12/2024	5.13%
NAB	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	14/09/2023	7/08/2024	5.21%
ING Bank	A	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	3/11/2023	5/11/2025	5.52%
ING Bank	A	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	30/11/2023	6/11/2024	5.37%
Suncorp	A+	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	1/12/2023	23/04/2025	5.38%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	5/12/2023	2/04/2025	5.35%
Suncorp	A+	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	30/01/2024	15/01/2025	5.17%
ING Bank	A	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	30/01/2024	30/04/2025	5.13%
Suncorp	A+	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	8/02/2024	7/05/2025	5.09%
Suncorp	A+	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	8/02/2024	17/09/2025	5.00%
Westpac	AA-	\$1,000,000	0	\$1,000,000	29/02/2024	9/04/2025	5.01%
Westpac	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	29/02/2024	2/07/2025	4.99%
Suncorp	A+	\$2,500,000	0	\$2,500,000	7/03/2024	22/01/2025	4.99%
Westpac	AA-	\$1,000,000	0	\$1,000,000	29/04/2024	18/06/2025	5.35%
Nab	AA-	\$2,000,000	0	\$2,000,000	20/05/2024	09/05/2025	5.15%

Investment	Rating	Balance 1 June 2024	Movement	Balance 30 June 2024	Date Invested	Date Maturity	Interest Rate
ING Bank	A	0	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	04/06/2024	16/07/2025	5.31%
ING Bank	A	0	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	04/06/2024	23/07/2025	5.31%
Nab	AA-	0	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	06/06/2024	18/12/2024	5.19%
ING Bank	A	0	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	13/06/2024	17/12/2025	5.15%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$106,500,000</b>	<b>-\$3,000,000</b>	<b>\$103,500,000</b>			

### Floating Rate Notes (FRNs)

- The portfolio includes \$38.57 million in floating rate notes, making up 25.12% of the total portfolio.
- FRNs are classified as “held for trading” and are required to be reported at the latest indicative market valuations at month end.
- The indicative market value of the FRNs as at 30 June 2024 increased by ~\$3 thousand.
- There was one new floating rate note placed during the month.
- Council will continue to look at opportunities and new issuances as they become available, and switch if viable.

Investment	Rating	Purchase Price	Indicative Value 30 June 2024	Date Invested	Maturity Date	Interest Rate
UBS AG	A+	\$1,300,000	\$1,303,052.40	30/07/2020	30/07/2025	90D BBSW + 87 bpts
UBS AG	A+	\$3,000,000	\$2,988,351.00	26/02/2021	26/02/2026	90D BBSW + 50 bpts
ICBC	A	\$1,700,000	\$1,693,880.00	18/06/2021	18/06/2026	90D BBSW + 66 bpts
NAB	AA-	\$3,100,000	\$3,087,736.40	24/08/2021	24/08/2026	90D BBSW + 41 bpts
Suncorp	A+	\$1,750,000	\$1,741,766.25	15/09/2021	15/09/2026	90D BBSW + 48 bpts
CBA	AA-	\$1,500,000	\$1,501,729.50	14/01/2022	14/01/2027	90D BBSW + 70 bpts
Suncorp	A+	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,943.20	25/01/2022	25/01/2027	90D BBSW + 78 bpts
Rabobank Australia	A+	\$2,000,000	\$1,998,650.00	27/01/2022	27/01/2027	90D BBSW + 73 bpts
CBA	AA-	\$1,750,000	\$1,759,950.50	17/08/2023	17/08/2028	90D BBSW + 95 bpts
ANZ Bank	AA-	\$2,800,000	\$2,814,218.40	11/09/2023	11/09/2028	90D BBSW + 93 bpts
NAB	AA-	\$3,200,000	\$3,227,408.00	16/11/2023	16/11/2028	90D BBSW + 103 bpts
Rabobank Australia	A+	\$2,250,000	\$2,270,119.50	21/11/2023	21/11/2028	90D BBSW + 115 bpts
ANZ Bank	AA-	\$750,000	\$754,091.25	5/02/2024	5/02/2029	90D BBSW + 96 bpts
Rabobank Australia	A+	\$2,000,000	\$2,007,058.00	26/02/2024	26/02/2029	90D BBSW + 103 bpts
Suncorp	A+	\$2,500,000	\$2,506,250.00	19/03/2024	19/03/2029	90D BBSW + 98 bpts
ING Bank	A	\$500,000	\$501,310.00	22/03/2024	22/3/2027	90D BBSW + 95 bpts
NAB	AA-	\$1,800,000	\$1,805,279.40	22/03/2024	22/03/2029	90D BBSW + 90 bpts
Bank of Queensland	A-	\$2,500,000	\$2,510,200.00	30/04/2024	30/07/2029	90D BBSW + 128 bpts
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	A-	\$800,000	\$800,944.00	14/05/2024	14/05/2027	90D BBSW + 105 bpts
ANZ Bank	AA-	\$1,500,000	\$1,499,746.50	18/06/2024	18/06/2029	90D BBSW + 86 bpts
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$38,500,000</b>	<b>\$38,572,684.30</b>			

## Fixed Bonds

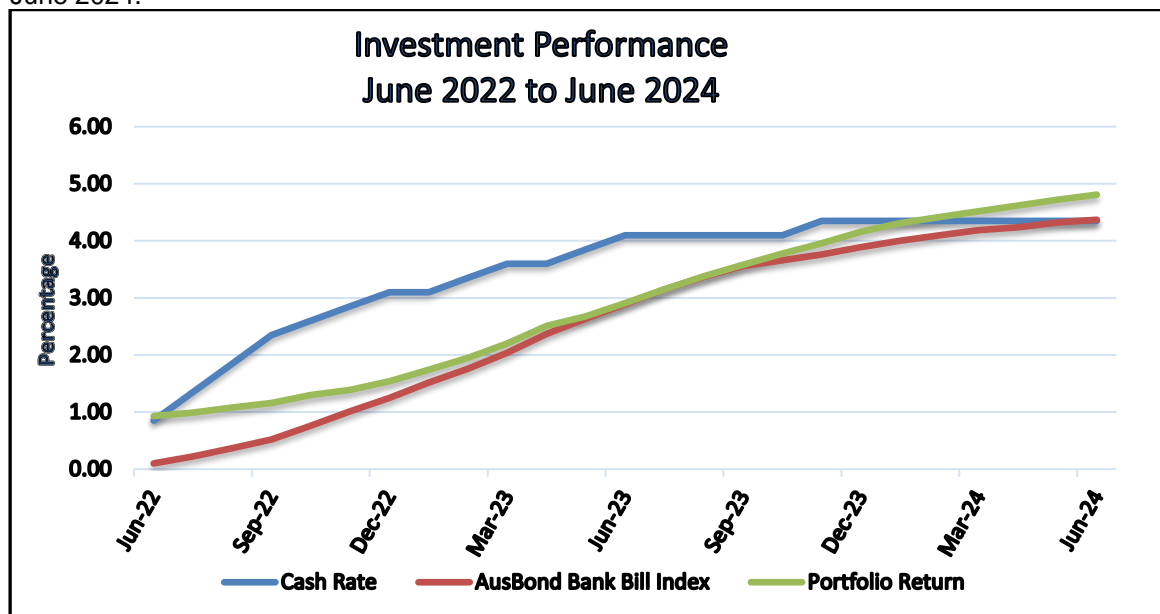
In August 2021, Council purchased, at a discount, \$1.8 million (face value) of the AAA-rated covered fixed bonds with ING Bank Australia. A fixed coupon rate of 1.10% will be paid on a semi-annual basis on the \$1.8 million face value.

The indicative value is the value Council would receive at 30 June 2024 if it were to consider selling this investment prior to its maturity date. Selling prior to maturity would only be considered if a capital gain resulted while holding to maturity ensures a return of the full amount invested along with semi-annual interest payments over the life of the investment.

Investment	Rating	Purchase Price	Indicative Value 30 June 2024	Date Invested	Maturity Date	Interest Rate
ING Covered Bond	AAA	\$1,794,762	\$1,658,651.40	19/08/2021	19/08/2026	1.10%
Total		\$1,794,762	\$1,658,651.40			

## Performance

The following graph shows the investment returns achieved against the AusBond Bank Bill Index and the official Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) cash interest rate for the period June 2022 to June 2024.



Performance	1 month	3 months	6 months	FYTD	1 year	2 year	3 year
Official Cash Rate	0.35%	1.07%	2.15%	4.28%	4.28%	3.62%	2.46%
AusBond Bank Bill Index	0.35%	1.08%	2.18%	4.37%	4.37%	3.63%	2.44%
Council's T/D Portfolio	0.41%	1.23%	2.43%	4.73%	4.73%	3.73%	2.74%
Council's FRN Portfolio	0.43%	1.33%	2.68%	5.28%	5.28%	4.54%	3.44%
Council's Bond Portfolio	0.09%	0.27%	0.55%	1.10%	1.10%	1.10%	-
Council's Portfolio	0.41%	1.24%	2.47%	4.81%	4.81%	3.85%	2.87%
Outperformance	0.06%	0.16%	0.29%	0.43%	0.43%	0.22%	0.43%

For the month of June, a return of +0.41% (actual) or +5.10% p.a. (annualised<sup>2</sup>), outperforming the benchmark AusBond Bank Bill Index return of +0.35% (actual) or +4.34% p.a. (annualised).

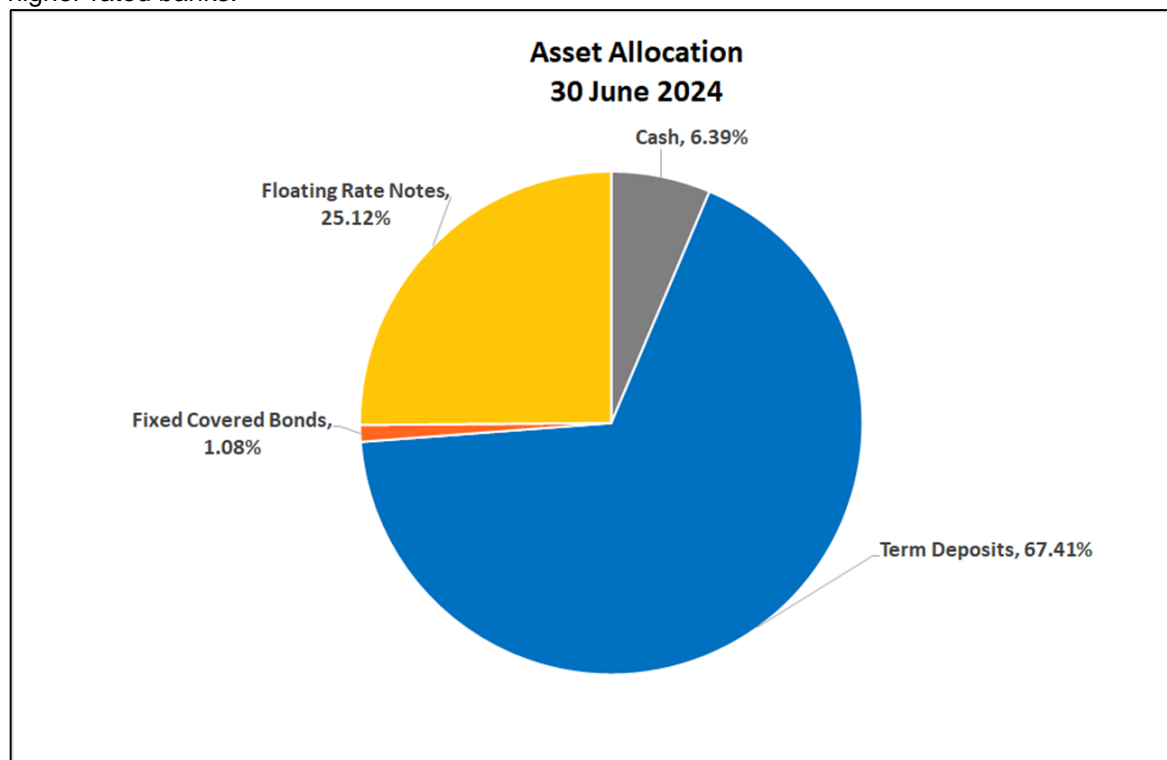
Over the past year, the combined term deposit and FRN portfolio returned +4.81% p.a., outperforming bank bills by 0.43%.

## Council's Portfolio and Compliance

### Asset Allocation

Most of Council's portfolio is spread between term deposits (67.41%) and senior floating rate notes (25.12%). The remainder of the portfolio is held in the overnight cash accounts with CBA (6.39%) and the "AAA" rated fixed covered bond (1.08%).

The FRNs add additional liquidity and are generally accessible within 2-3 business days. FRNs are also dominated by the higher-rated ADIs which allows Council to maintain a bias towards the higher-rated banks.



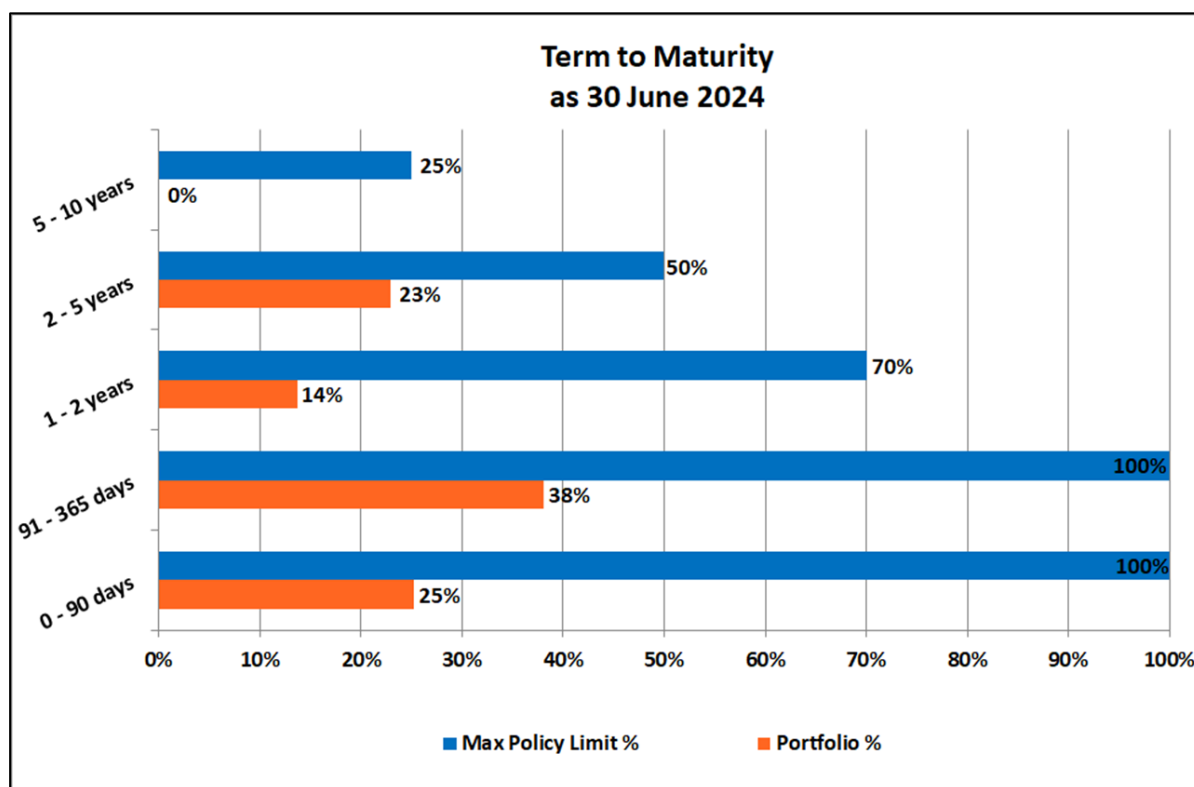
### Term to Maturity

The portfolio remains diversified from a maturity perspective with a spread of maturities out to 5 years. Medium-term (2-5 years) assets account for around 22.96% of the total investment.

Compliant	Horizon	Invested	%	Min Limit	Max Limit
✓	0-90 days	\$38,810,910	25.28%	15%	100%
✓	91-365 days	\$58,500,000	38.10%	15%	100%
✓	1-2 years	\$20,985,283	13.67%	0%	70%
✓	2-5 years	\$35,246,052	22.96%	0%	50%
✓	5-10 years	\$0	0%	0%	25%

<sup>2</sup> The annualised rate is the rate for a one-year period, based on periodic rates.

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The investment portfolio is regularly reviewed to maximise investment performance and minimise risk. Comparisons are made between existing investments with available products that are not part of the Council's portfolio. Independent advice is sought on new investment opportunities.

### Credit Quality

As at end of June 2024, applying the long-term S&P ratings only, Council is compliant across all individual counterparties. The investment portfolio is entirely directly to assets rated "A" or higher, as per Council's adopted policy framework.

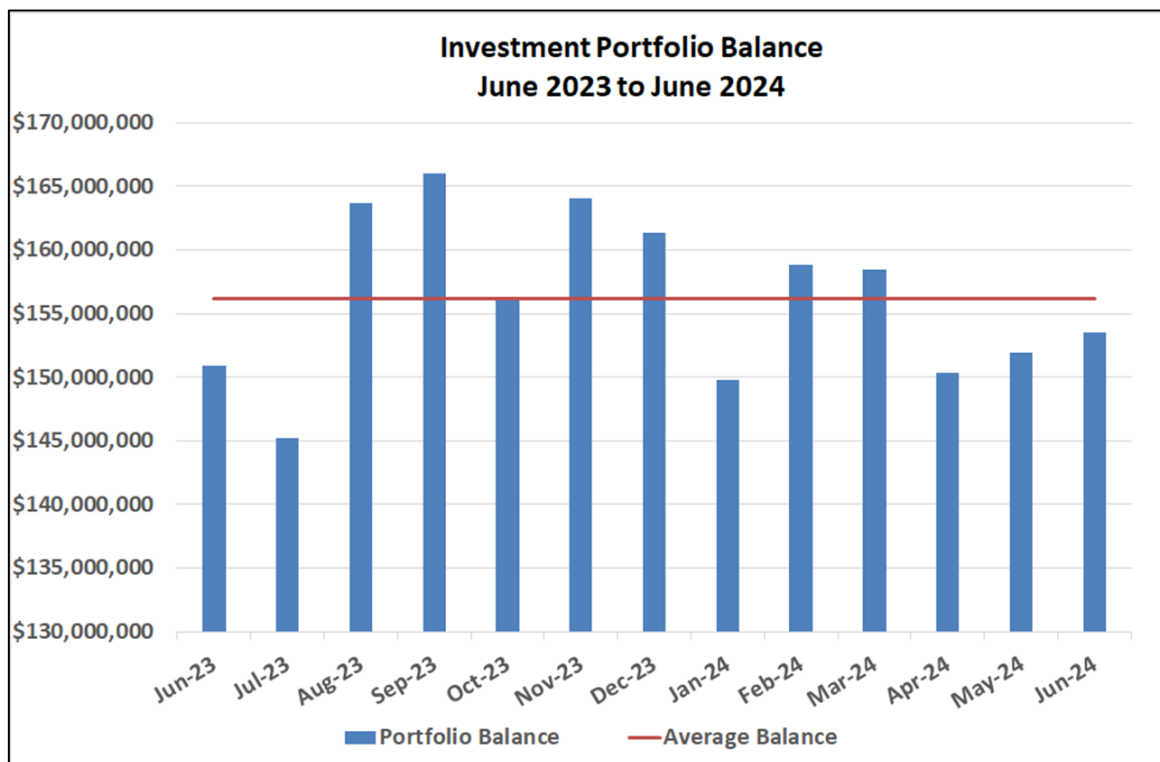
Compliant	Rating	Invested	Invested	Max. Limit	Available
✓	AAA Category	\$1,658,651	1.08%	100%	\$151,883,594
✓	AA Category	\$99,261,070	64.65%	100%	\$54,281,176
✓	A Category	\$52,622,524	34.27%	80%	\$70,211,272
✓	Unrated ADIs	\$0	0%	0%	\$0

### Counterparty

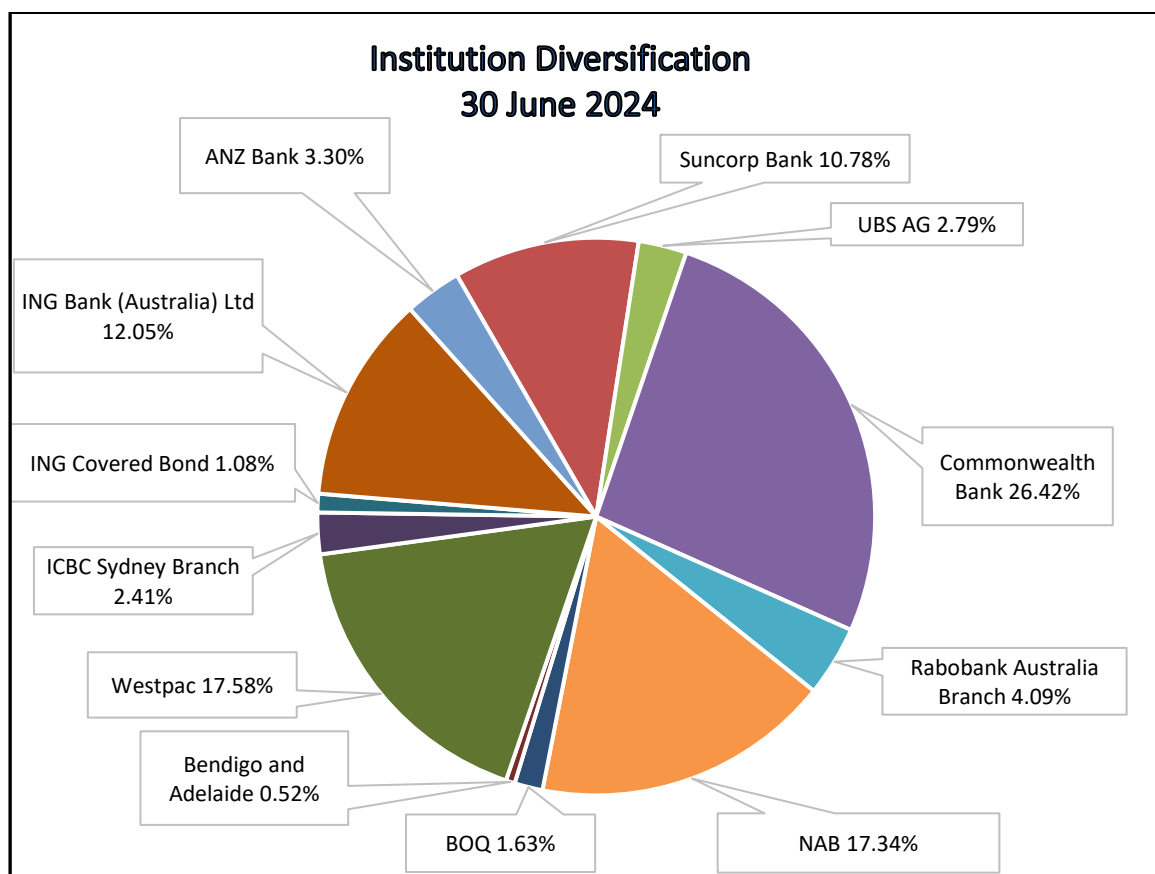
The table below shows the individual counterparty exposures against Council's current investment policy based on long-term S&P ratings.

Compliant	Issuer	Rating	Invested	%	Max. Limit	Available
✓	ING Covered Bond	AAA	\$1,658,651	1.08%	40%	\$59,758,247
✓	ANZ Bank	AA-	\$5,068,056	3.30%	40%	\$56,348,842

Compliant	Issuer	Rating	Invested	%	Max. Limit	Available
✓	CBA	AA-	\$40,572,590	26.42%	40%	\$20,844,308
✓	NAB	AA-	\$26,620,424	17.34%	40%	\$34,796,475
✓	Westpac	AA-	\$27,000,000	17.58%	40%	\$34,416,898
✓	Rabobank Australia Branch	A+	\$6,275,828	4.09%	25%	\$32,109,734
✓	Suncorp	A+	\$16,548,959	10.78%	25%	\$21,836,602
✓	UBS AG	A+	\$4,291,403	2.79%	25%	\$34,094,158
✓	ICBC Sydney	A	\$3,693,880	2.41%	25%	\$34,691,681
✓	ING Bank	A	\$18,501,310	12.05%	25%	\$19,884,251
✓	Bendigo and Adelaide	A-	\$800,944	0.52%	25%	\$37,584,617
✓	Bank of Queensland	A-	\$2,510,200	1.63%	25%	\$35,875,361



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### Restricted Funds (*Local Government Act 1993 s409*)

Councils' preliminary calculations of restricted and unrestricted funds for 30 June 2024 are shown below. Unrestricted Cash is the cash that is readily available or convertible to cash for Councils' day-to-day management. The restricted cash is either externally or internally restricted. Externally restricted cash can only be spent as permitted in line with legislative responsibilities and/or contractual obligations, while internally restricted cash is to be spent on Council-specific funding commitments as per the operational plan and adopted Council budget.

Investment Portfolio Balance as at 30 April 2024		\$153,542,246
Restricted Cash	Internal	\$84,255,072
	External	\$58,932,551
Unrestricted Cash		\$10,354,623
Total Restricted & Unrestricted		\$153,542,246

### Green Investment

Council's investment policy includes guidelines that give preference to placing funds with institutions identified as not dealing with fossil fuel companies, where financial institutions offer equivalent investment returns with the same credit rating. The big four banks and other institutions rated A- and above have some exposure to fossil fuels. The banks with little or no exposure to fossil fuels are the lower-rated institutions. The current policy does not permit investments in these BBB-rated institutions.

Council's exposure to fossil fuel funds is shown below:

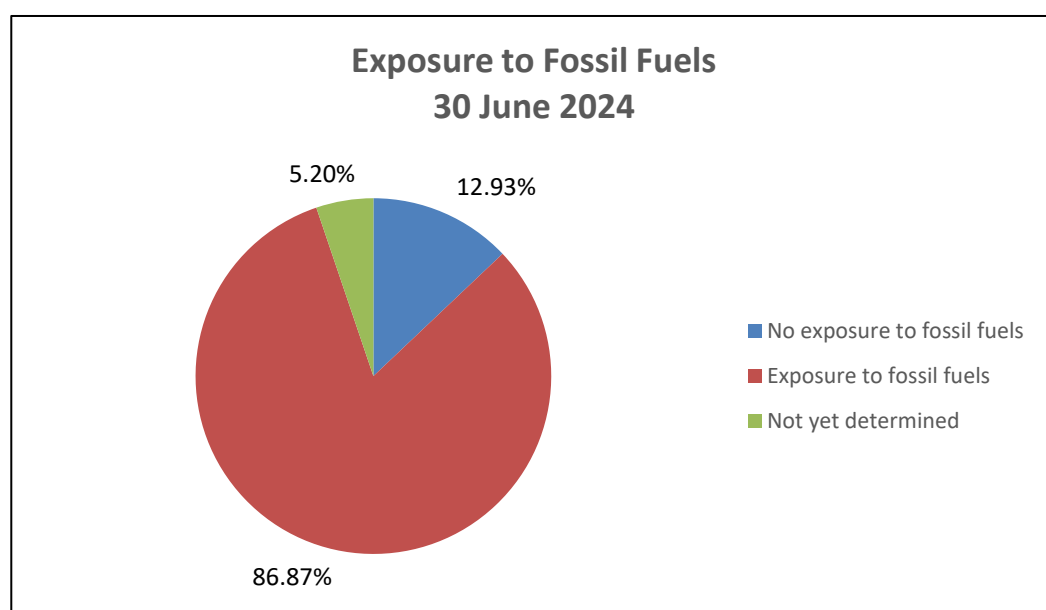


Counterparty	Credit rating	Funding fossil fuel	Position
ING Covered Bond	AAA	Yes	Loaned to fossil fuels in Australia since 2016
ANZ Bank	AA-	Yes	Loaned to fossil fuels since 2016
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	Yes	Loaned to fossil fuels globally since 2016
NAB	AA-	Yes	Loaned to fossil fuels globally since 2016
Westpac	AA-	Yes	Loaned to fossil fuels globally since 2016
Rabobank	A+	Yes	Loaned to fossil fuels globally since 2016
Suncorp	A+	No	Loans to fossil fuels in 2008/2009, but released the position statement that they have withdrawn from the sector
UBS	A+	Not yet determined	No Position provided
ICBC, Sydney Branch	A	Not yet determined	No Position provided
ING Bank	A	Yes	Loaned to fossil fuels since 2016
Bank of Queensland	A-	No	Do not loan to fossil fuels
Bendigo and Adelaide	A-	No	Do not loan to fossil fuels

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Based on the portfolio balance of \$153.54 million at 30 June 2024, funding with green initiatives banks made up 12.93% of total investment, or \$19.86 million. Funding with banks that have exposure to fossil fuels constitutes 81.87%, or \$125.70 million. The remaining 5.20% are not yet determined as no position has been provided by the financial institutions.

Institutions	Invested	Invested %
<b>No exposure to fossil fuels</b>	\$19,860,103.45	12.93%
<b>Exposure to fossil fuels</b>	\$125,696,859.01	81.87%
<b>Not yet determined</b>	\$7,985,283.40	5.20%



Strategic alignment

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

Delivering services and regulatory functions:	
Service area	Financial Management
Function	Financial Management and Control
Delivery program commitment	Support Council's sustainable delivery of projects and services through sound Financial Management and Control, including long term financial planning, budget preparation, and financial performance monitoring.

Resourcing Strategy implications

The Original Budget provision for investment income is \$4,229,356. The September, December and March quarterly budget reviews have been adopted by Council with an additional \$700,000, \$800,000, and \$500,000 respectively for investment interest. The total revised interest on investments FY23/24 budget is \$6,229,356. Interest received to 30 June 2024 is \$7,290,843 representing 117.04% of the current budget year to date. The increased portfolio balance and increases in interest rates continue to result in overall improved returns.

Policy and legislative requirements

Council is authorised by Section 625 of the Local Government Act to invest its surplus funds. Funds will only be invested in the form of investment notified by Order of the Minister dated 12 January 2011. The Local Government (General) Regulation prescribes the records that must be maintained in relation to Council's Investment Policy.

Conclusion

Funds are invested with the objective of capital preservation and maximising returns as per the Investment Policy for the 2023-24 financial year. Our current investment return remains strong. Investment income received to 30 June 2024 is \$7,290,843, exceeding current budget expectations by \$1,061,487.

All investments as at 30 June 2024 have been made in accordance with the Local Government Act, the Regulations and Council's Investment Policy.

**Responsible officer:** Xinyu Zhang, Financial Accountant

**File Reference:** F2016/06527

## Randwick City Council

## Investments

for the period ending 30 June 2024

## Certificate by Responsible Accounting Officer

made pursuant to Clause 212(1)(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005

I hereby certify that all investments as at 30 June 2024 have been made in accordance with Council's Investment Policy (adopted Feb 2024).

I hereby certify that all investments as at 30 June 2024 meet the requirements of section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 including the Ministerial Investment Order (2011).

I hereby certify that all investments as at 30 June 2024, and this investment report, meet the requirements of clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.



Stephen Wong

RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER

8 July 2024

Date

## Director Corporate Services Report No. CO30/24

**Subject:** 2023-24 Budget Carry Overs

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### Executive Summary

- This report details the carry-over of budgets and related fundings totalling \$48.6m from the 2023-24 Budget into the 2024-25 Budget.

### Recommendation

That Council resolves the 2023-24 Budget of \$48.6m being carry over to the 2024-25 financial year as per the attachment.

### Attachment/s:

1.  2023-24 Carry Over Schedule

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Purpose

The purpose of this report is to carry over unspent budget from the 2023-24 financial year to the 2024-25 financial year.

Discussion

The Council undertakes a programmed and disciplined approach to financial planning and management. There are projects that have not been completed as at 30 June 2023-24 and the funding allocation needs to be carried forward into 2024-25 financial year due to the following reasons:

- Projects have already commenced, and expenditure is committed.
- Grant funding has been received for projects spanning a timeframe beyond 30 June 2024.
- The funds were voted as part of the 2023-24 financial year, due to factors such as recent inclement weather patterns, community consultation programs for projects still underway, concept designs awaiting Council and / or stakeholder sign off, the project still in planning that have taken longer than expected.
- Funding for the project is to be raised over more than one financial year.

Attachment 1 contains the details of Council carryover projects.

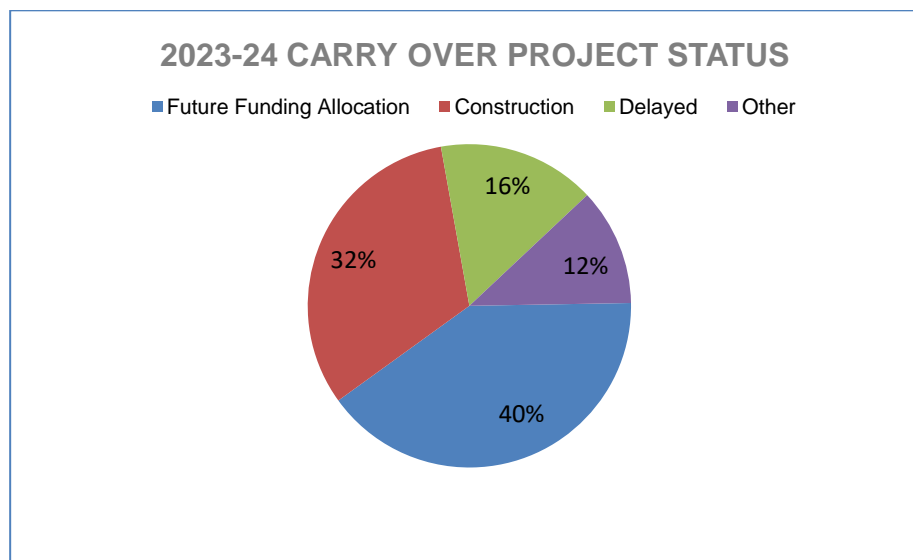
The total budget proposed for carrying forward into the 2024-25 financial year is \$48.6m. This amount might change slightly pending processing of final invoices for the 2023-24 financial year. Note that all 2023-24 budgets being brought forward was fully budgeted and funded in the 2023-24 budget. Funding sources include unexpended grants, Developer Contributions, Environmental Levy, internally and externally restricted reserve funds.

The 2023-24 carry over budget will be added to the 2024-25 budget.

Major Carry Over Projects

Project Name	Amount
Building Works	\$24.8m
Grant funded projects	\$3.3m
Open space works	\$7.4m
Roads and footpaths projects	\$6.4m
Drainage works	\$1.3m
Information and technology projects	\$0.5m
Plant and Fleet Replacement Program	\$3.6m
Other projects	\$1.3m
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$48.6m*</b>

\*Amount might change slightly pending processing of final invoices for the 2023-24 financial year.



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### Strategic alignment

The relationship with our 2022-26 Delivery Program is as follows:

Delivering services and regulatory functions:	
Service area	Financial Management
Function	Financial Management and Control
Delivery program commitment	Support Council's sustainable delivery of projects and services through sound Financial Management and Control, including long term financial planning, budget preparation, and financial performance monitoring.
Function	Accounting
Delivery program commitment	Manage and record the financial transactions arising from Council's activities, including the levy and collection of rates and charges, and the preparation of financial statements and returns.

### Resourcing Strategy implications

There is no additional resource impact from this report.

Adoption of the recommendation formally carries over committed and unexpended 2023-24 budgets into the 2024-25 budget for the projects outlined in the attachment. These projects are fully funded.

### Policy and legislative requirements

Local Government Act 1993; Part 3, Financial Management.

Local Government (General) Regulation 2005; Part 9, Division 3, Budgeting by councils.

NSW Government OLG, Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.

### Conclusion

That Council endorses the 2023-24 carry overs. This will ensure the continuation of budgets and funding allocated to facilitate the delivery of the listed projects in 2024-25 financial year.

**Responsible officer:** Stephen Wong, Chief Financial Officer

**File Reference:** F2021/00364

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End of Financial Year 2023-24

## Carry Over Schedule 2023-24



PROJECTS ALLOCATED FUNDING IN 2023-24 BUDGET CARRIED OVER TO <b>2024-25</b> BUDGET SUMMARY			
Principal Activity	Carry Over Amount to 2024-25 Budget		
	General Funds	Restricted Funding (Reserves, Grants, Contributions)	Total Expenditure
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
PROJECTS IN PROGRESS	23,228,255	22,017,567	45,245,822
GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS	-	3,352,328	3,352,328
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23,228,255</b>	<b>25,369,895</b>	<b>48,598,150</b>

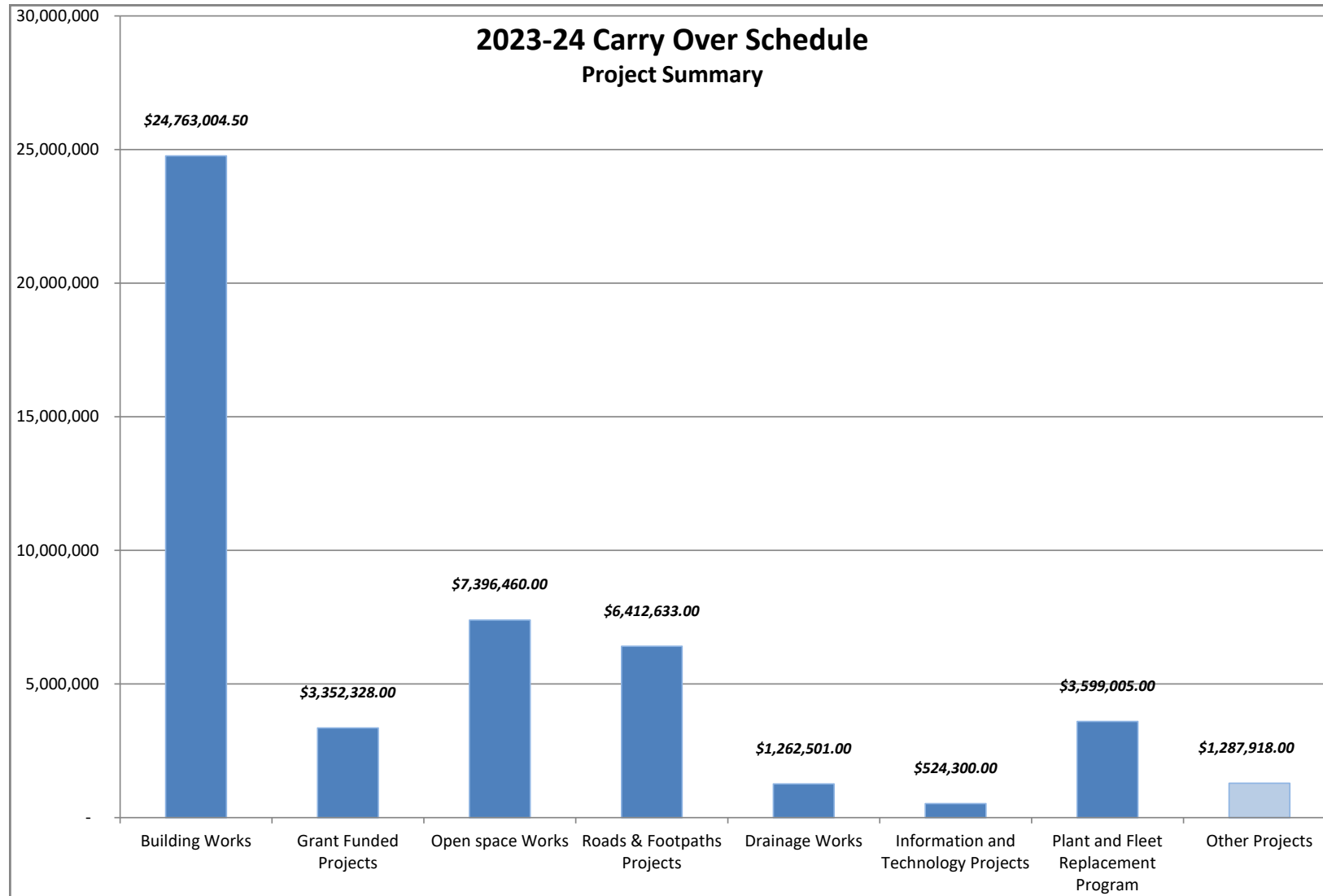
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## 2023-24 Carry Over Schedule

## Summary

Project	\$
Building Works	24,763,005
Grant Funded Projects	3,352,328
Open space Works	7,396,460
Roads & Footpaths Projects	6,412,633
Drainage Works	1,262,501
Information and Technology Projects	524,300
Plant and Fleet Replacement Program	3,599,005
Other Projects	1,287,918
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,598,150</b>

Funding Source	\$
General Fund	23,228,255
Grants	3,352,328
Developer Contribution Fund	2,961,581
Environment Levy	1,809,404
Stormwater Levy	693,673
Domestic Waste Levy	737,493
Our Community Our Future	6,305,710
Infrastructure Loan Reserve	4,275,468
Plant and Fleet Reserve	2,558,493
Infrastructure Reserve	1,969,016
Other Internal Reserve	706,729
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,598,150</b>



Attachment A

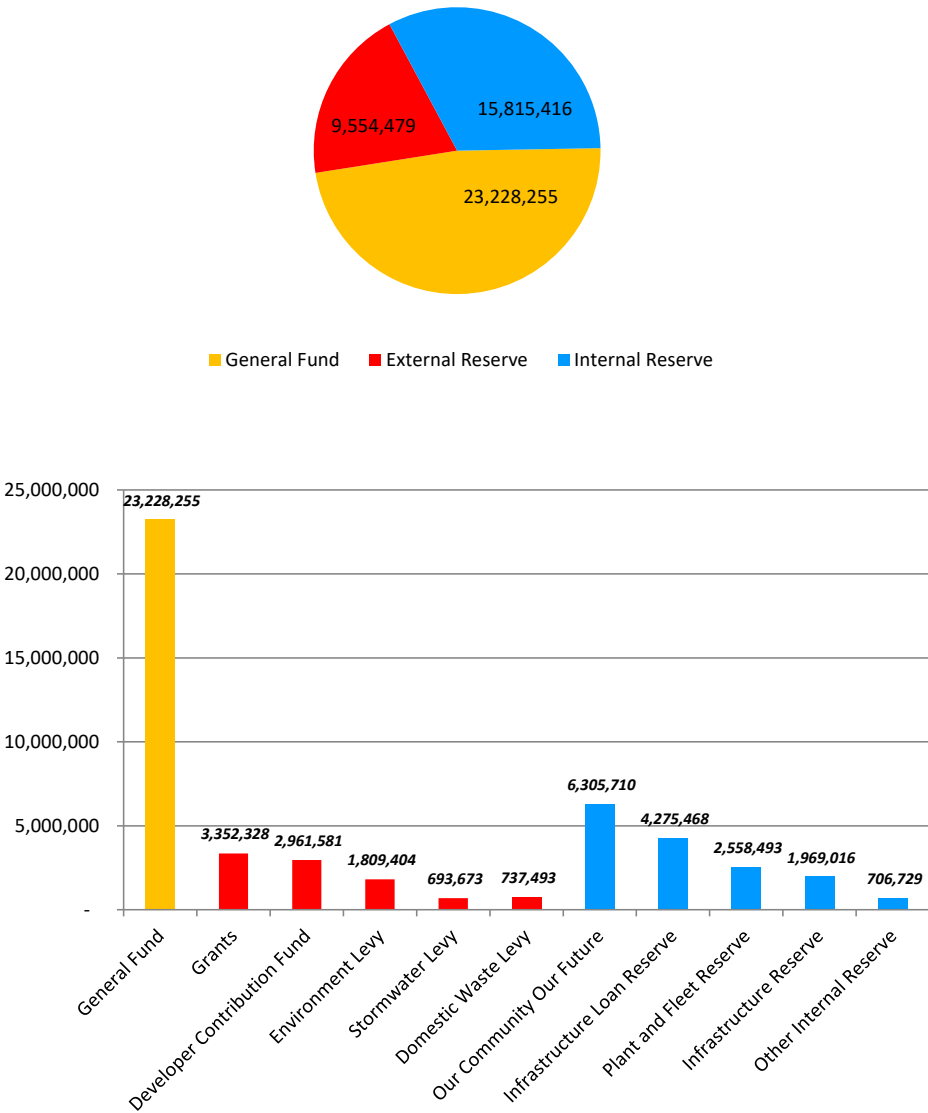
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2023-24 Carry Over Schedule

Funding Sources

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PROJECTS ALLOCATED FUNDING IN 2023-24 BUDGET CARRIED OVER TO 2024-25 BUDGET DETAILED																
Project / Area	Comment	TOTAL	Status	GENERAL FUND								EXTERNAL RESERVES				
				General Fund	K2K Kensington	Section 7.12	Environment Levy	Unexpended Grants	Stormwater Levy	Domestic Waste Levy	Building Levy	ICT Reserve	Infrastructure Reserve	Plant and Fleet Reserve	Our Community Our Future	Infrastructure Loan Reserve
		48,598,150		23,228,255	500,000	2,461,581	1,809,404	3,352,328	693,673	737,493	659,060	47,669	1,969,016	2,558,493	6,305,710	4,275,468
WORKS IN PROGRESS																
BUILDINGS CONSTRUCTION																
10047. Lionel Bowen Library	At Planning and Design Phase.	306,116	Delayed										306,116			
10199. Coogee Transit Amenities	Work in progress. This is a two year project with Projected total budget of \$6 millions	1,359,858	Future Funding Allocation												1,359,858	
10328. Burrows Park Building	Work in progress. This is a two year project with Projected total budget of \$2 millions	686,103	Future Funding Allocation												500,000	186,103
10482. Maroubra Surf Club	Work in progress, A multi year project.	3,835,316	Future Funding Allocation	3,740,000									95,316			
10526. South Maroubra SLSC	Work in progress, A multi year project.	1,000,000	Future Funding Allocation	500,000									500,000			
10552. Pioneer Park Top Field Amenity Building	At Construction Phase.	212,731	Construction	212,731												
10574. DRLC Des Renford Leisure Centre	At Planning and Design Phase. Delay due to scope change.	983,500	Delayed	983,500												
10611. Randwick City Council Administration Building	At Construction Phase.	5,936,837	Construction	5,936,837												
10732. Malabar Memorial Hall	Work in progress, A multi year project.	1,814,252	Future Funding Allocation	491,645							659,060		302,593		360,954	
10742. Randwick Literary Institute	Work in progress, A multi year project.	1,500,000	Future Funding Allocation												1,500,000	
10750. La Perouse Museum	Work in progress, A multi year project.	675,676	Future Funding Allocation													675,676
10752. La Perouse Toilets	At Planning and Design Phase. A multi year project.	1,220,547	Future Funding Allocation	292,177		500,000									428,370	
10754. Southern Suburbs Youth Facility	Work in progress, A multi year project.	300,000	Future Funding Allocation													300,000
10860. Blenheim House - Cultural Centre	At Construction Phase. A multi year project.	2,392,128	Construction												250,000	2,142,128
10959. Snape Park Amenities Upgrade	At Planning and Design Phase. A multi year project.	1,348,427	Future Funding Allocation												1,000,000	348,427
10961. Malabar Pool Amenities	Work in progress, A multi year project.	388,699	Future Funding Allocation													388,699
11017. Randwick Stables	Work in progress.	293,400	Delayed			293,400										
11019. Latham Park Amenities Upgrade	At concept Design Phase.	150,000	Delayed	150,000												
11023. La Perouse Museum Battery Building Repairs and Upgrades	At Construction Phase.	124,980	Construction	124,980												
11024. Heffron Park Central Amenities	At Construction Phase.	234,435	Construction													234,435

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OPEN SPACE CONSTRUCTION																	
10171. Coastal Walkway	Work in progress. To be implemented in 2024-25	144,639	Delayed	75,000			69,639										
10189. Playground Upgrades	At Planning and Construction Phase (Woomera Reserve Playground Renewal, Dr Walters Reserve Playground, Wills Reserve Playground Upgrade and Finucane Reserve Playground)	1,128,920	Delayed	150,000									72,392			906,528	
10201. Dog Exercise Facilities	Work in progress.	11,280	Construction	11,280													
10255. Tree Planting	Work in progress. Expected to complete by October 2024.	962,793	Construction	248,685		144,225	569,883										
10806. Malabar Rock Pool	Work in progress.	34,090	Delayed	34,090													
10955. Heffron Criterium Track Upgrade	Work in progress.	858,847	Future Funding Allocation	858,847						-							
10956. Pump Park (BMX Park)	At Construction Phase.	1,350,000	Future Funding Allocation	1,350,000													
10992. Open Space Night Activation plan	Work in progress Anticipated to complete in 2024-25	325,000	Delayed	325,000													
11027. Snape Upper Flood Lights Upgrade	At Construction Phase.	308,367	Construction	308,367													
11028. Goldstein Reserve Landscaping	At Construction Phase.	174,000	Construction	174,000													
11030. Rock Pool	At Construction Phase.	306,714	Construction										306,714				
11031. Public Arts Plan	At Construction Phase.	300,000	Construction	250,000		50,000											
11033. Beach Safety Signage	At Construction Phase.	160,000	Construction	160,000													
11034. Fishermans Road - Site remediation Design and documentation	Work in progress.	459,730	Delayed							459,730							
11035. Heffron Park Sportsfield Lighting	At Construction Phase.	572,080	Construction	300,000		272,080											
11037. Chifley Baseball	Work in progress.	100,000	Delayed	100,000													
11045. Clovelly Pool - Access Improvements	Work in progress.	200,000	Delayed	200,000													

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ROADS CONSTRUCTION																	
10358. Area Parking Scheme	Work in progress.	12,677	Construction	12,677													
10554. RetWall & Railing Program	Work in progress for below listed programs:- 1957636. Retaining Wall Program 23/24 2269691. Malabar Beach - Slope Subsidence 2269692. Milford Street, Randwick - Retaining Wall 2269693. Clovelly Road, Clovelly - Retaining Wall 2269694. Mount St Bowling Club - Retaining Wall 2315494. 242 Arden Street 2376763. 267 Rainbow Street, South Coogee 2376765. St Pauls St, Randwick (The Spot) 2415073. Clovelly Sea Pool - New Access	192,447	Construction	192,447													
10618. Bicycle Route Construction	Work in progress.	490,878	Delayed			162,394	328,484										
10858. Undergrounding Powerlines	Work in progress. A multi year project. This funding is for the undergrounding of powerlines and streetscape upgrades at The Spot, Randwick.	1,711,547	Future Funding Allocation	1,236,264		475,283											
10957. Clovelly Road Masterplan	Work in progress.	326,579	Construction	300,000		26,579											
10994. Maroubra Corridor Study Implement	Work in progress, Multi years project	750,000	Future Funding Allocation	750,000													
11049. Commercial Centre Parking Review	Work in progress.	25,000	Delayed	25,000													
11061. Town Centre Upgrade Program-Clovelly & Burnie St Plaza	Work in progress.	1,173,619	Construction	450,000		337,734							385,885				
11064. Matraville Town Centre - Streetscape	Work in Progress	1,149,886	Construction	950,000		199,886											
11066. Kensington / West Kingsford - Traffic Management	Work in Progress	500,000	Delayed		500,000												
11069. Anzac/Pine/Little Bay/Jenner - Ped Crossing	Work in Progress	80,000	Delayed	80,000													
DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION																	
10245. Drainage Capital Works	Work in progress.	15,545	Construction						15,545								
10878. Environmental Levy - GPT Upgrade works	Work in progress.	443,828	Delayed	97,035			346,793										
10901. South LGA Flood Study	Work in progress.	264,125	Delayed	60,000					204,125								
11038. Stormwater Relining Program	Work in progress.	238,500	Delayed						238,500								
11039. Drainage Infrastructure Condition Assessment Program	Work in progress.	235,503	Delayed						235,503								
11044. Pioneers Park Upper Drainage	Work in progress.	65,000	Delayed	65,000													
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY STRATEGY																	
10865. IMT Network CCTV and Access Infrastructure	IM&T have spent more than half of the budget allocated for improvements to CCTV and Access Control Infrastructure. IM&T planned to upgrade existing IDIS CCTV head end units to newer models, however a number of technical limitations in the IDIS solution in supporting third party cameras meant that IM&T went back to Sapio to identify a new solution. A new solution based on WAVE was trialled at three sites to confirm functionality. These issues meant that the project has been delayed. Quotations for the new solution have been obtained and works will commence in July.	190,930		190,930													
10871. IMT End User Equipment	A decision was made by the Director, based on recommendation from IM&T, to extend the life of the multifunction devices for 12 months based on lower consumption than planned. This project will proceed in FY2425.	333,370		333,370													

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PLANT REPLACEMENT PROGRAM																	
10911. Exp-Fleet- Dom Waste	Delivery expected in July (having additional work completed)	277,763									277,763						
10979. Exp-Fleet- Heavy Plant	Delivery expected September 2024	808,160														808,160	
10982. Exp-Fleet - LCV	Delayed orders due to fleet review	1,575,063		762,749												812,314	
10983. Exp-Fleet- Passenger	Delayed orders due to market shortage	938,019														938,019	
SUSTAINING OUR CITY PROGRAM																	
10092.Biodiversity	Wildlife Information and Rescue Service (WIRES) Facility Construction per Ordinary Council meeting 26 March 2024 (CS12/24)	494,605						494,605									
OPERATING PROJECTS																	
10838. IMT Applications Management	Funding to support the implementation of the new Chart of Accounts and Ci to CIA Transition phase of the project.	47,669											47,669				
10946. Job Evaluation System	To completed by FY2425	1,903		1,903													
11057. Wellbeing Program	To completed by FY2425	10,404		10,404													
7000. Library Administration	Recollect library subscription and data storage costs.	23,587		23,587													
10208. Council Events	Service Level Review project will continue into financial year 2024-25 per ordinary Council meeting 26 March 2024 (CC10/24)	72,387		72,387													
8250. La Perouse Museum	To fund ongoing La Perouse Museum strategic projects: Oral Histories Project and First Nations programming and exhibition developments	46,110		46,110													
11052. RLI Flooring upgrades	Work in progress. Part of the informing strategy to utilise all 5 spaces at the Randwick Literary Institute, to provide additional opportunities for Arts and Cultural activity.	34,893		34,893													
10939. Economic Development Strategy	Continue to deliver the Alfresco trial and expand number of businesses aligned with new Footway Dining service.	85,177		85,177													
20053. Arts and Culture	\$116,816 Funding on activations for Blenheim House as venue delayed until 24/25 for use. \$91,450 Major Arts activation 2025 for Night Time First Nations Public Art - Event in staged delivery 24/25 and primary component in development for endorsement and approval July 2024. \$30,000 for Laneway Revitalisation Plan-Laneways project now embedded in Strategy approach Public Art Plan 24/25 and now includes activation.	237,678		237,678													
10436. Strategic Planning Projects-Operating	Projects have been delayed due to various factors including Department of Planning requirements, announced Government Housing reforms and team resources directed to higher priority works.	233,505		233,505													
TOTAL WORKS IN PROGRESS		45,245,822		23,228,255	500,000	2,461,581	1,809,404		693,673	737,493	659,060	47,669	1,969,016	2,558,493	6,305,710	4,275,468	

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GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS																
10615. Storm Damage Works	Work in progress. Malabar Boat Ramp Repair.	5,657	Construction					5,657								
11053. Greening our City 23/24 - Tree Planting	Work in progress. Delay due to recent inclement weather patterns	628,217	Delayed					628,217								
10944. Route 1 cycleway – Doncaster / Houston etc	Work in progress.	175,642	Delayed					175,642								
11009. TNSW Anzac Parade Bike Path	Work in progress. Grant works to complete in 24/25.	202,784	Delayed					202,784								
11010. TNSW Bundock & Sturt St - Bike Path	Work in progress. Grant works to complete in 24/25.	423,970	Delayed					423,970								
10482. Maroubra Surf Club	Work in progress, A multi year project. Grant funded works to follow.	1,000,000	Future Funding Allocation					1,000,000								
10961. Malabar Pool Amenities	Work in progress, A multi year project.	17,759	Future Funding Allocation					17,759								
11024. Heffron Park Central Amenities	At Construction phase. Grant works to complete.	898,299	Construction					898,299								
TOTAL GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS		3,352,328	3,352,328													
TOTAL RANDWICK CITY COUNCIL CARRY OVERS		48,598,150		23,228,255	500,000	2,461,581	1,809,404	3,352,328	693,673	737,493	659,060	47,669	1,969,016	2,558,493	6,305,710	4,275,468

Note for Capital programs status

Construction - Approximately \$15.8 million can be attributed to works in progress or construction as at 30.6.24.

Delayed - Approximately \$7.8 million can be attributed to works still in planning that have taken longer than expected due to factors such as recent inclement weather patterns, community consultation programs for projects still underway, concept designs awaiting Council and / or stakeholder sign off.

Future Funding Allocation - Approximately \$19.9million can be attributed to funding allocated for projects to be delivered in a future year. I.e. Maroubra Surf Club in 25/26, South Maroubra Surf Club in 27/28, Coogee Amenities Bus Shelter in 2026/27 etc. Full details to be provided in separate ARIC Report.

## Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM58/24

**Subject:** Notice of Motion from Cr Parker - Muraborah Reserve off-leash dog park proposal

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**Motion:**

That Randwick Council:

- a) exhibit in the month of August a proposal for an off-leash dog park encompassing the entirety of Muraborah Reserve, Maroubra including the enclosure of any gaps in gates; and
- b) commence work on any required environmental assessment to facilitate the accompanying change.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Parker, Central Ward

**File Reference:** F2011/00464

NM58/24

## Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM59/24

**Subject:** Notice of Motion from Cr Rosenfeld - Supply of a defibrillator at Nagle Park Maroubra

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### Motion:

That Council:

- a) Bring back a report considering the supply of a defibrillator at Nagle Park Maroubra; and
- b) This is to be locked in the store rooms located in the amenities block of the park

### Background:

Randwick Rugby Club mentioned that they would like to have a defibrillator supplied at the park.

Their juniors regularly train and play at this park with parents and grandparents often attending matches. The park is also used occasionally on match days for lower grades and colts when bad weather impacts how many games can be played at Coogee Oval. The club believes that this is needed for spectator and player safety reasons. Junior cricket is also played at the park in late Spring and Summer.

### Source of funding:

The report to consider if it is feasible to include in the 2024-25 Operational Plan and Budget.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Rosenfeld, Central Ward

**File Reference:** F2006/00056

NM59/24

## Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM60/24

**Subject:** Notice of Motion from Cr Burst - Passing of Andrew William Gullotta OAM - Naming Gullotta's Corner and a Plaque

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### Motion:

That Council investigate and support the official naming of Gullotta's Corner and a plaque at the corner of Perry Street & Bunnerong Road, Matraville.

### Background:

The family has a long and distinguished indelible connection to the community of Matraville and the Italian community, Randwick and NSW.

The Gullotta's first opened a pharmacy in Matraville in 1961 on Bunnerong Rd & Jordan's Lane opened by Giovanni Gullotta, Andrew started their in 1964 and in 1973 the pharmacist moved to the Community Pharmacy site at "Gullotta's Corner", Andrew's advocacy in all things pharmacy, medical, academia, Rotary Club of Maroubra, enrolled nurses training, aged services, lecturing in prescribing and forensic pharmacy, held Chairman / Advisory / Committee roles across many pharmacy related areas, worked in HIV/AIDS prevention programs and active in promoting trade between Australia & Italy.

In 1999 Mr Gullotta was awarded one of Italy's top honours for his contribution to the Italo-Australian community and services to Pharmacy. He was awarded a "Cavaliere Ufficiale" Knight Commander of the Italian Republic on the occasion of the 53rd Anniversary of the Italian Republic

In 2000 he was awarded a prestigious University of Sydney 2000 Alumni Award for achievement in Community Service and contribution to Pharmacy Practice. In 2001 he was bestowed the prestigious title of Chevalier Sovereign Order of St John of Jerusalem, Knights of Malta.

In 2003 he was bestowed the prestigious title of Knight of the Sovereign Military Order of the Iron Crown of the first Napoleonic Italian Kingdom. He was later appointed the Diplomatic Advisor for Australia for the Order.

In 2006 he was made an Ambassador of the University of Sydney in recognition of his sterling service and dedication to the University of Sydney.

Andrew's son Dr John Gullotta still serves our community from the Matraville Medical Centre at Gullotta Corner with Health Corner Pharmacy operating this site that was first opened by Andrew William Gullotta OAM in 1973.

### Source of funding:

Budgeted 2024-/25.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Burst, South Ward

**File Reference:** F2005/00266

NM60/24

## Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM61/24

**Subject:** Notice of Motion from Cr Burst - Investigate rectification plan and funding for removal of building debris on Little Bay Beach

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### Motion:

That Council:

- a) investigate a rectification plan for building debris on Little Bay Beach raised by the Bays and Beaches Precinct; and
- b) write to relevant Ministers for funding - Federal Member for Kingsford Smith, NSW State Member for Maroubra, Federal Environment Minister, NSW State Environment Minister.

### Background:

After the Prince Henry Hospital was closed, debris, building materials & thousands of bricks were used as fill. This creek had a big flood in 1999 that washed out the side walls of the creek and exposed and washed bricks and debris onto the creek mouth and Little Bay beach. These bricks continued to grow with rains after this point.

In 2009 RCC was successful in securing Landcom to remediate the site, remove 900 tons of bricks, Landcom constructed a rock wall in the creek mouth to stop bricks moving onto the beach. The rock wall has failed with subsequent rain falls over the years and gravity down the creek.

The rock wall has completely been destroyed and bricks and debris now wash onto the beach and move in and out with tidal conditions.

It is anticipated that there is approximately 2000 ton of bricks that need to be removed and an engineer designed rock wall to stop further bricks from being washed onto the beach. Council to investigate rectification, removal and funding.

As this happened under Landcom's watch initially it's important that this environmental repair is funded by State and Federal Environmental budgets.

### Source of funding:

2025-26 / State / Federal Funding.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Burst, South Ward

**File Reference:** F2020/00570

NM61/24

## Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM62/24

**Subject:** Notice of Motion from Cr Hay - LGNSW Kensington Post Office Motion

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### Motion:

That Randwick Council submit the following motion for the next LGNSW Conference:

“Noting the closure of Kensington Post Office as a loss to the local residents who need postal services in walking distance.

- a) LGNSW calls on the Commonwealth Government to find a suitable local alternative Post Office for the residents of Kensington; and
- b) LGNSW is generally supportive of the need for local post offices across NSW and Australia”.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Hay, West Ward

**File Reference:** F2012/00347

NM62/24

## Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM63/24

**Subject:** Notice of Motion from Cr Olive - Campaign to promote longer term hosted rentals in the Randwick LGA

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### Motion:

That Council undertake discussions with relevant organisations on the development of a campaign to promote longer term hosted rentals in the Randwick LGA to assist in increasing housing supply. Consideration should be given to promotion through communications, information on websites to connect with potential renters and a 'how to' information guide, amongst other measures.

### Background:

The NSW Government has set new 5-year housing completion targets for Council in a commitment to deliver 377,000 homes across the state by 2029. This is in the context of record high levels of rental stress and homelessness. Randwick City also has a large number of workers who reside outside the LGA and face long commutes.

An alternate source of housing that may be suitable to some renters who want to live in the area is long term hosted rentals. This might be in the form of a spare room being let out by the homeowner or some other similar set up. Currently, there are many registered short-term rental private and shared rooms, but it is less clear for longer term rentals.

Council recently presented a submission to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure regarding a discussion paper on Short- and Long-Term Rental Accommodation. The thrust of Council's main recommendations were:

1. to reduce the cap to 90 days on non-hosted short-term rentals and thus encourage long term rentals;
2. effective STRA guideline enforcement measures; and
3. introduce a bed tax for all short-term rental accommodation to help pay for the added infrastructure impost.

This motion is a complement to Council's submission recommendations. It asks Council to look at what other measures can be taken to encourage longer term rentals in the area, to unlock rental supply from existing housing in a low impact way, and to help maintain a healthy demographic diversity in our community.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Olive, East Ward

**File Reference:** F2021/00607



## Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM64/24

**Subject:** Notice of Motion from Cr Chapple - Webcasting of Council meetings

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### Motion:

That Council officers begin a three month trial of live webcasting Council meetings with video including closed captions.

### Background:

As included in the Office of Local Government Guide to webcasting Council and Committee meetings March 2020 benefits of webcasting meetings include:

- a) it demonstrates a Council's commitment to open and transparent decision-making;
- b) it encourages people at council meetings to be accountable for their actions, behaviour and comments;
- c) the ability to view the meeting at a later time can assist with the accuracy of minutes and other records;
- d) it provides the opportunity for more people to watch a council meeting;
- e) it provides higher levels of transparency and accountability;
- f) it eliminates geographical and time barriers which may prevent people from attending meetings in person;
- g) it reduces or stops the spread of incorrect information;
- h) it allows people to access source material when needed; and
- i) communities expect their councils to be accessible online and webcasting goes some way towards meeting this expectation.

Some Councils currently doing audio-visual broadcast of meetings include:

- Northern Beaches
- Cumberland
- Inner West
- Hornsby
- Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council
- Port Stephens Council
- Ballina Shire Council
- Central Coast Council
- Wagga Wagga City Council
- Snowy Valleys Council
- Shellharbour City Council
- Eurobodalla Shire Council
- City of Broken Hill Council.

### Source of funding:

Per answers to February QWN this small cost to be paid for from budget for existing operations in relevant section.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Chapple, Central Ward

**File Reference:** F2004/06570

## Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM65/24

**Subject:** Notice of Motion from Cr Hay - Affordable Housing for Key Workers Strategy

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### Motion:

That Council:

- a) endorse, that as part of the review of the Affordable Housing Strategy, consideration be given to the provision of affordable housing for key workers such as nurses, midwives and other essential workers. Matters of consideration should include the feasibility of locating this housing near key employers such as Randwick Hospitals and UNSW; and
- b) support the lodgement of a submission to the Parliamentary Inquiry into Housing for Essential Workers and the issues raised in this submission and findings of the Inquiry (once released) are taken into consideration in the preparation of the Affordable Housing Strategy and associated action plan.

### Background:

Randwick Council has \$6.3m in the Affordable Housing Contribution Fund, and \$22.3m scheduled to be deposited in due course. This creates an opportunity to provide some Key Worker housing.

Many nurses, midwives, aged care workers, police, fire and ambulance officers need to travel over an hour to protect and provide for our community, often at unusual times due to the nature of their shift work.

There is a strong desire to provide local housing for key workers to be fresh and fully available to serve the community, as well as not risk driving home at the end of an incredibly long shift.

Though a Key Worker Strategy is unlikely to be exclusively for one industry, a large number of key workers are employed in the four Randwick Hospitals, so a strong synergy is possible in that location. Further, there are multiple developments being planned in the nearby Housing Investigation Areas and the Randwick Town Centre Masterplan, so many opportunities could be present in the next few years.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Hay, West Ward

**File Reference:** F2023/00708

NM65/24

## Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM66/24

**Subject:** Notice of Motion from Cr Wilson - Equitable Briefing Policy

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### Motion:

That Council officers bring back a report regarding Council's adoption of the Law Council of Australia's Equitable Briefing Policy.

### Background:

Council is proud of the diversity of our community and is committed to policies of inclusion. As part of that commitment, Council is committed to equal employment opportunity.


The Australian legal profession is committed to promoting diversity, equality respect and inclusion and as part of that commitment the Law Council of Australia (the Law Council) supports measures to improve the retention of women barristers. One such measure is the Equitable Briefing Policy.

Equitable briefing practices open access to suitably qualified barristers and advocates and maximises choices for legal practitioners and their clients. Council is a consumer of legal services and briefs barristers, either through in-house counsel or via solicitors.

The Law Council encourages all entities that brief barristers to adopt its Equitable Briefing Policy.

As part of our commitment to inclusion, Council can work with the legal profession to increase inclusion and participation of women by adopting the Equitable Briefing Policy.

### Attachment/s:

1.  Equitable Briefing Policy

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Wilson, East Ward

**File Reference:** F2023/00603

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Law Council of Australia

# Equitable Briefing Policy

Updated November 2022



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## EQUITABLE BRIEFING POLICY

The Australian legal profession is committed to promoting diversity, equality, respect and inclusion consistent with the principles of justice, integrity, equity and the pursuit of excellence upon which the profession is founded.

The Law Council of Australia (the **Law Council**) supports measures to improve the retention within the profession of women barristers. Since 2016, the Law Council's Equitable Briefing Policy has included measurable targets relating to the percentage of women barristers briefed and the value of those briefs and reporting mechanisms on measures to implement those targets.

### The Policy

The Law Council of Australia and its constituent members encourage all persons or entities who brief or select barristers:<sup>1</sup>

1. to make all reasonable endeavours to brief or select women barristers with relevant seniority and expertise, experience or interest in the relevant practice area;
2. to brief or select women barristers for at least 30% of all briefs and at least 30% of the value of all brief fees, in accordance with international benchmarks concerning the retention and promotion of women;
3. to provide a confidential report to the Law Council by 30 September each year with respect to the measures taken to implement these targets; and
4. to ensure that the Law Council is notified within a reasonable time of any changes to the status or contact details provided to the Law Council.

An adoptee would not be expected to meet the targets in clause 2 if local conditions preclude them from doing so.<sup>2</sup> In such cases, adoptees of the Policy should include in the 'Comments' section of their annual confidential report the nature of the local conditions affecting the data.

### What is the aim of the Policy?

The Law Council's aim is to achieve a nationally consistent approach towards bringing about cultural and attitudinal change within the legal profession with respect to gender briefing practices.

<sup>1</sup> See below for Definitions and Expressions used in this Policy

<sup>2</sup> For example, in some areas, particularly rural, regional and remote areas, there may be only one woman barrister. It may be unreasonable for that woman barrister to be expected to accept 30% of an adoptee's briefs, particularly if there are other Policy adoptees in that local area who are also looking to brief that woman barrister.

Equitable briefing practices maximise choices for legal practitioners and their clients, promote the full use of the independent bar and optimise opportunities for practice development of all barristers.

### Why is the Policy necessary?

The Law Council is committed to taking measures that ensure a level playing field for all members of the Australian legal profession.

In 2004, the Law Council vigorously supported the creation of a Model Briefing Policy because it was convinced that equitable briefing practices open up access to suitably qualified barristers and advocates, maximising choices for legal practitioners and their clients.

The Law Council recognises that it is now appropriate to revise the Model Briefing Policy that was adopted in 2004 in order to ensure there is transparency and accountability in the implementation of that Policy.

The objectives of the Policy are that it will (continue to):

- play an important role in the progression of women in the law, the judiciary and the wider community;
- redress the underrepresentation of women as barristers in Australia;
- acknowledge that diverse groups bring a greater variety of experience and enhance decision making;
- promote the provision of role models for women in the legal profession generally;
- reflect community expectations of fairness in all aspects of the administration of the law; and
- enhance the profession's credibility by making it more representative of the composition of the community which it serves.

### Who can adopt the Policy?

The Policy is formulated for adoption by any briefing entity.

The Policy may also be adopted by clients of briefing entities operating in Australia.

The selection of counsel is ultimately the decision of the client, and in-house counsel are encouraged to adopt and apply the Policy when instructing briefing entities and making their selections of barristers.

Barristers' clerks and barristers can play a significant role in the effective operation of the Policy. When they are consulted by clients and briefing entities with a view to engaging barristers, all barristers' clerks and barristers adopting the Policy will include women barristers in the relevant practice area among the names of barristers whom they suggest.

### How is the policy adopted

Adoption of the Policy should be accompanied by notification or publication of its adoption internally and externally, including to the Law Council. The Law Council will publish on its website the names of those who have adopted the Policy.

### What needs to be done when the Policy is adopted?

The Policy should be distributed widely within the briefing entity, client or other organisation.

The Law Council recommends that each briefing entity, client and organisation review their current briefing practices, having regard to the following questions:

- Do your briefing practices reflect the objectives of the Policy?
- How do you maintain a record of your briefing practices?
- Do you regularly review the panel of barristers whom you brief (if any)?
- How do your partners/staff receive ongoing training in 'best briefing' practices, including practices that will promote achievement of the targets?
- How do you foster and encourage women barristers?

Periodically there should be internal publication of reminders and refreshers about the adoption of the Policy and its requirements.

Briefing entities which have adopted the Policy are requested to provide the Law Council with updated contact details if their contact details change, by sending an email to 'mail@lawcouncil.asn.au' with 'Equitable Briefing Policy contact update' in the subject line.

### What are the benefits to clients, briefing entities and barristers who adopt the Policy?

The benefits of the Policy include:

- expanding the existing and prospective pool of talent for barristers available for court appearance and advice work;
- meeting client expectations with respect to genuine participation and inclusion of women; and
- giving effect to gender equity in supply chains for the provision of legal services.

### How to identify women barristers?

The Policy encourages genuine consideration of women barristers based on their skill, experience, expertise and interest. It encourages all practitioners (barristers, solicitors, in-house counsel etc) and barristers' clerks/practice managers to seek out women barristers appropriate for the relevant matter.



For example:

- briefing entities are encouraged to prepare and maintain an internal referral list/database of women barristers, which is regularly updated;
- briefing entities should liaise with local bar associations and chambers to obtain relevant information about women barristers, such as up to date contact details, qualifications, seniority, practice areas and experience;
- briefing entities should invite women barristers to provide them with statements of their relevant experience and areas of interest;
- if a recommendation is sought from a barrister, they should be asked whether there are appropriate women barristers to be considered; and
- if the client requests a list of barristers who might be engaged, women barristers should be included in that list.

Are the targets mandatory?

The targets are not mandatory.

The targets are not intended to be quotas or to undermine clients' right to select the barrister(s) to advise and appear on their behalf.

Can the targets be modified to address local conditions?

### Briefing above the targets

The Law Council recognises that, in some practice areas, women barristers may be briefed to advise and appear in numbers higher than these targets.

The targets are not intended to limit the number of women barristers briefed. It is open to any briefing entity to adopt targets higher than those recommended in this Policy.

Where the proportion of available women barristers is low, briefing entities are encouraged to increase the proportion of briefs they provide to junior women barristers in excess of the targets in the Policy in order to nurture and develop expertise.

### Briefing below the targets

The targets are intended to increase the number of women briefed in practice areas where women barristers are not briefed, infrequently briefed or where the pool of women briefed is small.

The Law Council also recognises that some briefing entities may need to set their own incremental annual targets and to extend the time to meet the targets in order to reflect the proportion of women barristers who are available to appear in small jurisdictions, remote and rural areas or in particular areas of practice.

Exceptions can be made where these targets are not achievable due to the gender make up in particular areas of practice or geographical locations, provided this is stated in the annual confidential report (see below).

### What happens if the targets are not achieved?

Where a briefing entity does not meet a target in the Policy, consideration should be given by that entity as to the reasons why a target was not achieved.

### What are the reporting obligations?

The reporting obligations for individuals and entities, such as sole practitioners and law firms, adopting the Policy are different from the reporting obligations for barristers adopting the Policy.

### Reporting obligations for individuals and entities adopting the Policy

Individuals and entities adopting this policy are asked to provide an annual confidential report on their briefing practices and measures taken to implement the Policy.

The confidential report will assist the briefing entity to achieve the targets and to assess how it might improve its briefing policies with respect to selection practices, costs and means to identify a pool of talented, experienced and skilled barristers of all genders.

The confidential report should address separately the figures for men and women barristers in respect of:

- a. the number of barristers briefed during the year;
- b. the number of those barristers who are senior barristers;
- c. the number of those barristers who were junior barristers;
- d. the number of those junior barristers who were briefed without a leader; and
- e. the monetary value of the briefs.

Confidential reports should be provided to the Law Council, by 30 September each year.

The Law Council will subsequently publish the figures on state-by-state and national bases each year. The material published will be in a format that does not identify any individual barrister or briefing entity.

### What is the role and commitment of in-house counsel and clients who adopt the Policy?

Where they do not already do so, clients and in-house counsel may consider:

- requiring that the firms they engage confirm their adoption of the Policy; and
- requesting regular reporting from firms as to their performance against the targets, both overall and on matters for that client; and if women barristers are not recommended or targets are not met, asking “why not?”.

### What is the role and commitment of barristers who adopt the Policy?

In addition to targets identified in this Policy, barristers who adopt the Policy will make all reasonable endeavours to ensure that all recommendations they make of other barristers include at least one woman, unless there is no qualified woman.

### Reporting obligations for barristers adopting the policy

Barristers should provide a confidential annual report to the Law Council. A barrister's report should address the following information, by reference to gender:

- a. the number of barristers briefed as their junior or as their leader during the year;
- b. number of barristers who were briefed as junior barristers as a result of a recommendation by senior barristers (if known);
- c. the number of barristers who were briefed as senior barristers as a result of recommendations by junior barristers (if known); and
- d. the number of barristers recommended to briefing entities in new matters.

Barristers' clerks should work with barristers who adopt the Policy to develop practices and protocols to assist with their reporting obligations.

### Are there resources to assist implementing the Policy?

Many Bar Associations and Law Societies have online resources which are publicly available. Likewise, Australian Women Lawyers and State Women Lawyers' Associations have publicly available resources.

Local Bar Associations and Law Societies will assist with the implementation of the Policy by adopting appropriate strategies, including education, information and resources. Barristers' clerks and practice managers can assist with information, recommendations and introductions.

The Law Council will assist its constituent bodies to provide templates for reporting, regular information and education seminars and workshops directed to implementing the Policy as required.

### Review and development of the Policy

The Law Council recognises the need to continue to review the Policy from time to time to ensure the Policy is appropriate and adapted to achieve its purpose.

The targets set out in clause 2 will be reviewed in the report on the 2023-2024 reporting year. The Law Council will continue ongoing discussions with its constituent bodies to monitor the impact of the Policy and consider its broader application beyond gender.

### Other areas of diversity

The Law Council is committed to improving inclusion and diversity across the legal profession by reference to a broader range of considerations. It recognises that enhancing inclusion must also extend to persons:

- from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds;
- living with disability; and
- who identify as LGBTIQ+.

The Law Council supports the application of equitable briefing practices to broader areas of diversity. At this stage, lack of consistency in data collection precludes the Policy's application across these broader areas, as it is not possible for the Law Council to set

targets for equitable briefing in these additional areas of diversity, nor monitor progress against them. Going forward, the Law Council will continue to consider whether this Policy can be so expanded, aided by consultation with members of the profession who identify as being from those and potentially other diverse groups.

Even though the Policy does not currently encompass other areas of diversity, the Law Council encourages briefing entities to brief or select barristers from other diverse groups.

### Definitions and expressions used in the Policy

For the purpose of the Policy:

**barrister** means a member of an independent State or Territory Bar.

**brief** means the engagement of legal services provided by barristers and includes barristers' work in judicial (before Courts and tribunals), non-judicial (through commissions of inquiry, investigations, negotiation, mediation or arbitration) and advisory work. A brief may count towards the targets in this Policy by reference either to the retention of a barrister or to the provision on behalf of a barrister of an invoice for fees, depending upon the length and scope of the matter.

**briefing entity** is a person, corporation, entity, firm, partnership, government or body who recommends or briefs Australian barristers to advise or to appear in Australia or overseas.

**senior barrister** is a barrister of 10 or more years standing at the independent bar or who is King's Counsel or Senior Counsel, and **junior barrister** means all other barristers.

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Motion Pursuant to Notice No. NM67/24

Subject: Notice of Motion from Cr Hamilton - Searle Avenue, Randwick - Parking Solution

Motion:

That Council:

- a) extend the current resident parking zone to begin at the corner of Searle Avenue / Frenchmans Road;
- b) investigate parking zones in Searle Avenue and adjacent streets; and
- c) bring a report back to Council with parking options that would result in more street parking for residents.

Background:

Multiple residents of Searle Avenue have signed a petition, included in this motion. It would be advantageous to find a resolution that is suitable for both parties.

Petition to Randwick Council

Subject: Street parking for homeowners on Searle Avenue, Randwick

Organiser: Patricia Daly, 3 Searle Avenue, Randwick, NSW 2031 m0413603610

We, the undersigned, petition the Council to change the resident's parking zone on Searle Avenue, Randwick. We want it changed to a 30-minute limit instead of the current 2-hour limit and we want the start of the zone extended to the corner of Searle Avenue/Frenchmans Road. This action is hoped to go some way to address the dire parking situation for homeowners (most of whom do not have off street parking) caused by the businesses operating from 68 Frenchmans Road contravening their development consent by using both sides of our street to park and work on cars on a daily basis. It is also hoped to help with safety concerns for pedestrians caused by both sides of our street being used effectively as a car mechanics workshop.

NAME	ADDRESS
[REDACTED]	1 Searle Ave Frenchmans Drive
[REDACTED]	No. 3 Searle Avenue, Randwick
[REDACTED]	5 Searle Avenue, Randwick
[REDACTED]	15 Searle Ave, Randwick
[REDACTED]	9 SEARLE AVE, RANDWICK
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ADDRESS	
	15 Searle Av., Randwick
	17 Searle Av Randwick
	11A SEARLE AVE, RANDWICK
	11A Searle Avenue Randwick

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

**Submitted by:** Councillor Hamilton, North Ward

**File Reference:** F2004/06136

## Question with Notice No. QN6/24

**Subject:** Question with Notice from Cr Olive - One year update on the number of PV rooftop solar, battery storage and gas in new dwellings

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### Question:

In June 2023, as per resolution CP16/23, Council resolved to “keep statistics on the number of new dwellings that do and don’t add PV rooftop solar, battery storage and gas to their property.”

One year on, what are the results of these statistics?

### Response from Director City Planning:

To be distributed in a supplementary business paper.

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**Submitted by:** Councillor Olive, East Ward

**File Reference:** F2019/00323

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