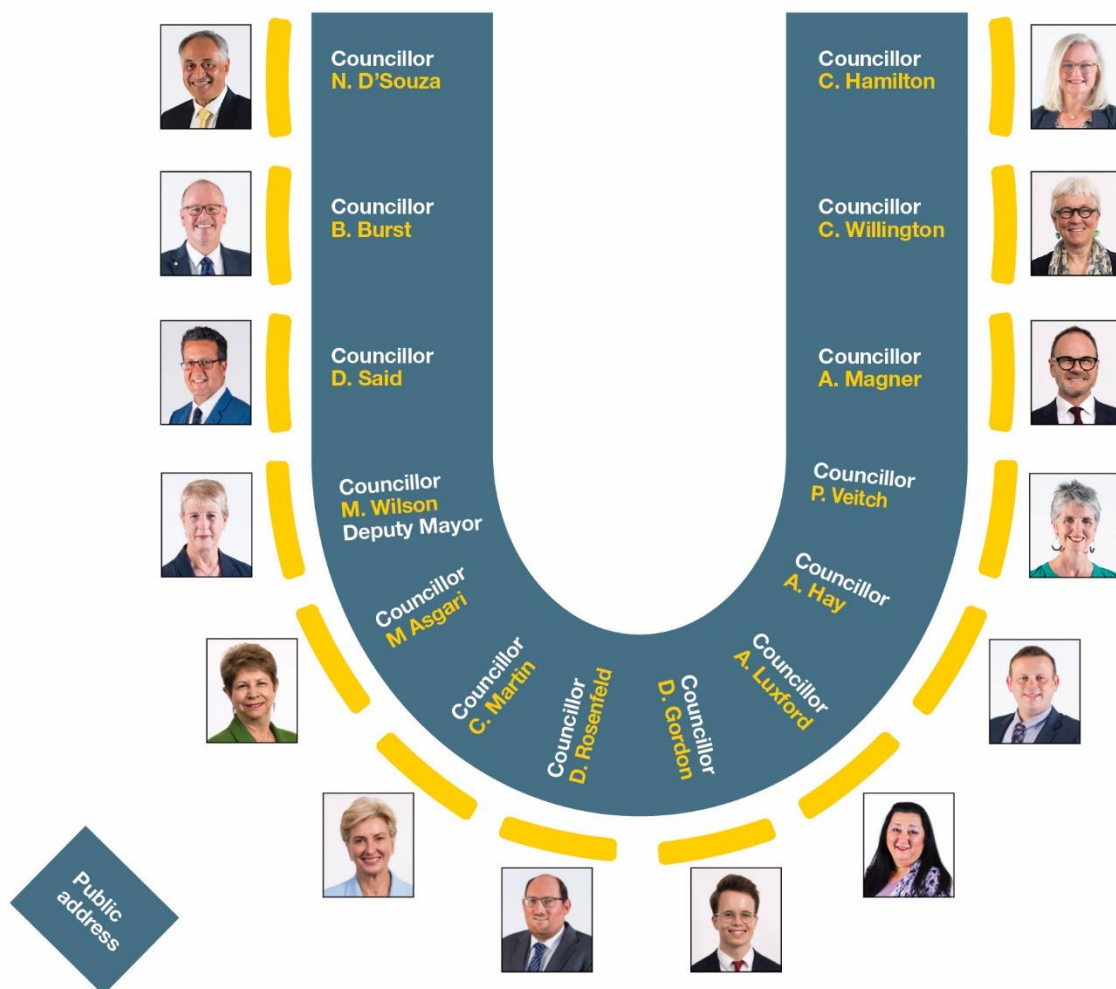


Ordinary Council Meeting

Supplementary Business Paper

Tuesday 27 May 2025

Seating plan for Council meetings



Statement of ethical obligations

Obligations	
Oath [Affirmation] of Office by Councillors	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	
Pecuniary interests	<p>A Councillor who has a pecuniary interest 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) at any time during which the matter is being considered or discussed, orb) at any time during which the council is voting on any question in relation to the matter.
Non-pecuniary conflict of interests	A Councillor who has a non-pecuniary conflict of interest 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.
Significant non-pecuniary interests	A Councillor who has a significant 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.
Non-significant non-pecuniary interests	A Councillor who determines that they have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest in a matter that is not significant 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 Town Hall building, 90 Avoca Street, Randwick on Tuesday, 27 May 2025 at 7pm

Question with Notice - Response from Director City Services

QN5/25	Question with Notice from Cr Willington - Second Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides (SGARs)	1
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Ray Brownlee, PSM
GENERAL MANAGER

Question with Notice No. QN5/25

Subject: Question with Notice from Cr Willington - Second Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides (SGARs)

Question:

1. As part of its operations does Council conduct rodent control to protect business and the community and if so, do these activities include a baiting and monitoring program?
2. Has Council or its contractors used any Second-Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides (SGARs) in the Randwick LGA during the past 12 months? If so, for each product used, please provide:
 - product name and active ingredient
 - date(s) of application
 - locations
 - quantity applied.
3. If Council and its contractors are using SGARS, who determines which rodenticide products are deployed by Council contractors-the Council or the contractor? If Council selects the products, what criteria or risk-assessment process guides that choice?
4. Are Council officers aware of the widely documented negative effects of SGARs on birds and other wildlife due to the higher risk of secondary poisoning to non-target animals?
5. How does Council ensure its pest-control contractors work to industry best practice and Council safety requirements and policies when handling, placing and disposing of rodenticides?
6. If Council or its contractors are using SGARS, will measures be taken to identify a suitable alternative product to replace SGARS, such as a first-generation product that does not have the potential for bioaccumulation?
7. In November 2022, Cr Veitch received an email from the Manager of Infrastructure Services indicating that Council would move away from the use of SGARS: what actions have been taken to stop the use of SGARS since that assurance was given in November 2022?

Response from Director City Services:

1. Council Officers have a baiting and monitoring program.
2. A report will be brought back to Council at its July 2025 Ordinary Meeting with the information requested.
3. Council Officers request methodology and Council Contractors select suited product.
4. Council Officers aim to mitigate impacts on environment where practicable in all operational activities. Council Officers utilise different baiting techniques to address the issues of the rodents at Coogee after community concern.
5. Council engages suitably qualified pest control contractors in line with the Local Government Act 1993.
6. Council Officers utilise different baiting techniques to address the issues of the rodents at Coogee after community concern.
7. Council Officers trialled first-generation rodenticides in late 2022 and early 2023 and have found these to be ineffective in the management of rodents within our open space areas. The consequence of this trial contributed to an outbreak of rodent populations and a multitude of complaints from members of the public. Council has since returned to the use

of second-generation rodenticides, which has led to greater control of rodent populations. Council is monitoring for any adverse effects, however, at this stage none have been recorded.

Submitted by: Councillor Willington, North Ward

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