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MINUTES - 24 AUGUST 2021



Minutes of Ordinary meeting of the Port Stephens Council held via audio link (due to COVID-19 restrictions) on – 24 August 2021, commencing at 5.37pm.

PRESENT:

Mayor R Palmer, Councillors J Abbott, G Arnott, C Doohan, K Jordan, P Le Mottee, J Nell, S Smith, S Tucker, General Manager, Corporate Services Group Manager, Facilities and Services Group Manager, Development Services Group Manager and Governance Section Manager.

232	Councillor Chris Doohan Councillor Ken Jordan
	It was resolved that Cr Glen Dunkley be granted leave of absence for the Council meeting held on 24 August 2021.

The motion was carried.

233	Councillor Jaimie Abbott Councillor Ken Jordan
	It was resolved that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Port Stephens Council held on 10 August 2021 be confirmed.

The motion was carried.

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	There were no Declaration of Interest received.			

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MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO. 1 FILE NO: 21/228341 EDRMS NO: PSC2015-01024

WAIVING CHILDCARE GAP

THAT COUNCIL:

1) Recognises the financial impact on families from the COVID-19 lockdown.

2) Provides support for families through waiving the collection of gap fees in Outside School Hours services from those families choosing not to send children to care during the lockdown period.

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Mayor Ryan Palmer Councillor Giacomo Arnott It was resolved that Council: 1) Recognises the financial impact on families from the COVID-19 lockdown. 2) Provides support for families through waiving the collection of gap fees

 Provides support for families through waiving the collection of gap fees in Outside School Hours services from those families choosing not to send children to care during the lockdown period.

The motion was carried.

BACKGROUND

The Hon Alan Tudge, Minister for Education and Youth, has announced that childcare services can waive gap fees from the first day of any hotspot declaration exceeding a week. For Port Stephens Council OOSH services, this refers to Friday 13 August 2021.

Gap fees are the portion of the childcare fee, which parents pay directly to Port Stephens Council. The remainder of the childcare fee is paid to Council as Childcare Subsidy from the Federal Government.

Services choosing to waive gap fees will continue to receive the Childcare Subsidy portion. Gap fees can only be waived for families who receive the Childcare Subsidy

and are choosing to keep their children at home during the lockdown period. Families who continue to send their children to care continue to pay the full fee as usual.

Gap fee waiving helps parents keep their children enrolled without having to pay for a service they are not using. The benefit to Port Stephens Council is that waiving gap fees encourages families to maintain their enrolment rather than cancelling.

With most families keeping their children home from school, our OOSH services have experienced a significant drop in children attending. If the lockdown continues, many families will choose to cancel care. By encouraging families to maintain enrolment, Council will continue to receive a portion of the fee for children not attending. Services can reduce expenditure by deploying only permanent staff to cover regulated Child:Educator ratios as fewer staff are currently required.

Maximising income and reducing expenditure will improve budget outcomes during the lockdown period. Throughout COVID-19 restrictions in 2020, Children's Services benefited from substantial government subsidies. Similar support cannot be expected this year, as it has not been forthcoming despite an extended period of lockdown in Greater Sydney.

Data:

- Since the lockdown was announced 2 weeks ago in Port Stephens, 82% of booked child attendances across all OOSH services have been absent from care.
- Between March 2020 and April 2020 when lockdown commenced 89% of booked positions were cancelled.
- The proportion of childcare fees collected by Council, which is paid by parents, depends on the Childcare Subsidy of each family. Across the Children's Services budget it averages about 55%.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

If Council continues to collect gap fees for families not using OOSH care during lockdown, it is likely that many families will cancel their bookings.

If a high proportion of OOSH families cancel their bookings during lockdown then the Children's Services budget will experience a significant deficit.

If Council waives the collection of gap fees for absences during lockdown then a significant proportion of the fee, approximately 45%, will still be collected through Childcare Subsidy.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

COUNCIL REPORTS

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WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2021-2031

REPORT OF: TAMMY GUTSCHE - COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION

MANAGER

GROUP: FACILITIES & SERVICES

RECOMMENDATION IS THAT COUNCIL:

1) Endorse the draft Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031 as shown at **(ATTACHMENT 1)**.

- 2) Place the draft Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031 on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and should no submissions be received, the strategy be adopted without a further report to Council.
- 3) Revoke the Waste Management and Resource Recovery Policy (ATTACHMENT 2) dated 8 December 2020, Minute No. 280 should no submissions be received.

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ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 24 AUGUST 2021 MOTION

Councillor Ken Jordan

Councillor Chris Doohan It was resolved that Council: 1) Endorse the draft Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031 as shown at (ATTACHMENT 1). 2) Place the draft Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031 on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and should no submissions be received, the strategy be adopted without a further report to Council. 3) Revoke the Waste Management and Resource Recovery Policy (ATTACHMENT 2) dated 8 December 2020, Minute No. 280 should no submissions be received.

Councillor Paul Le Mottee left the meeting at 5.42pm. Councillor Paul Le Mottee returned to the meeting at 5.44pm.

The motion was carried.

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BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to endorse the draft Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031 (the 'strategy').

Port Stephens Council currently provides domestic and non-domestic waste services in accordance with sections 496 and 501 of the Local Government Act 1993.

Port Stephens Council has always been at the forefront of the waste industry being one of the first Councils to introduce and adopt the Bedminster system to compost its waste stream into a reusable product. Due to recent changes in legislation, it became apparent that Council needed to revisit its waste processes and procedures to ensure best practice, to keep up to date and remain compliant in the waste industry.

A Waste Strategy is required to help guide Council's waste management system and to plan for the community's needs for the short (1 to 5 years), medium (5 to 10 years) and the long term (10 to 15 years).

The strategy is intended to review current regional growth in the area and identify possible options for the future, which meet the needs of the community, whilst ensuring Port Stephens Council remains at the forefront of the waste industry.

The key objectives of the strategy are to:

- 1) Address how Council can meet current targets set by the NSW EPA in the 2021-2041 Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy by:
- investigating systems for the processing of our waste
- introduction of a third bin.
- 2) Identify opportunities for Council to utilise waste assets and resources in the most efficient manner to maximise recovery and provide waste services more efficiently through:
- regional cooperation and coordination.
- service delivery.
- 3) Reduce the community's environmental footprint through:
- waste avoidance, reduction and resource recovery
- expansion of litter prevention and management initiatives
- community education.
- 4) Identify opportunities to reduce waste to landfill through:
- recycling of additional material through the procuring of waste technology
- use of alternate processing options/locations.

The Waste Management Strategy will replace Council's existing Waste Management and Resource Recovery Policy (ATTACHMENT 2).

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Direction	Delivery Program 2018-2022	
	Reduce the community's environmental footprint.	

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are no additional financial or resource implications created by this strategy in excess of those already provided under the previous Waste Management and Resource Recovery Policy.

Source of Funds	Yes/No	Funding (\$)	Comment
Existing budget	Yes		
Reserve Funds	No		
Developer Contributions (S7.11)	No		
External Grants	No		
Other	No		

LEGAL, POLICY AND RISK IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal or policy impediments to adopting the recommendations.

Risk	Risk Ranking	Proposed Treatments	Within Existing Resources?
There is a risk that Council will not meet the future waste needs of the community.	Low	Adopt the recommendations.	Yes
There is a risk that Council will not comply with waste legislation.	Low	Adopt the recommendations.	Yes

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Includes Social, Economic and Environmental Implications

There are no sustainability implications created by this strategy.

CONSULTATION

Consultation with key stakeholders has been undertaken by the Community Services Section in conjunction with Talis Consultants. Consultation with both internal and external stakeholders was undertaken to ensure that the position taken by Council on waste management and resource recovery practices was in line with current trends in the industry as well as safe, convenient and affordable for the residents and businesses of Port Stephens.

Internal

All internal staff associated with the delivery of the suite of waste services were consulted in person during the drafting of this strategy. All Council staff were provided the opportunity to contribute via the external consultation options provided below.

External

A consultation program was developed to allow multiple opportunities for residents and ratepayers to have their say in a manner that they are comfortable with. The consultation program included:

- 3 face-to-face consultation sessions at Raymond Terrace, Lemon Tree Passage and Nelson Bay the week commencing 16 November 2020
- 1 face-to-face session with Councillors held on 17 November 2020
- online survey
- telephone survey
- a PS Live Facebook Event held on 25 November 2020.

In accordance with local government legislation the draft Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031 will go on public exhibition for 28 days.

OPTIONS

- 1) Accept the recommendations.
- 2) Amend the recommendations.
- 3) Reject the recommendations.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031.
- 2) Waste Management and Resource Recovery Policy.

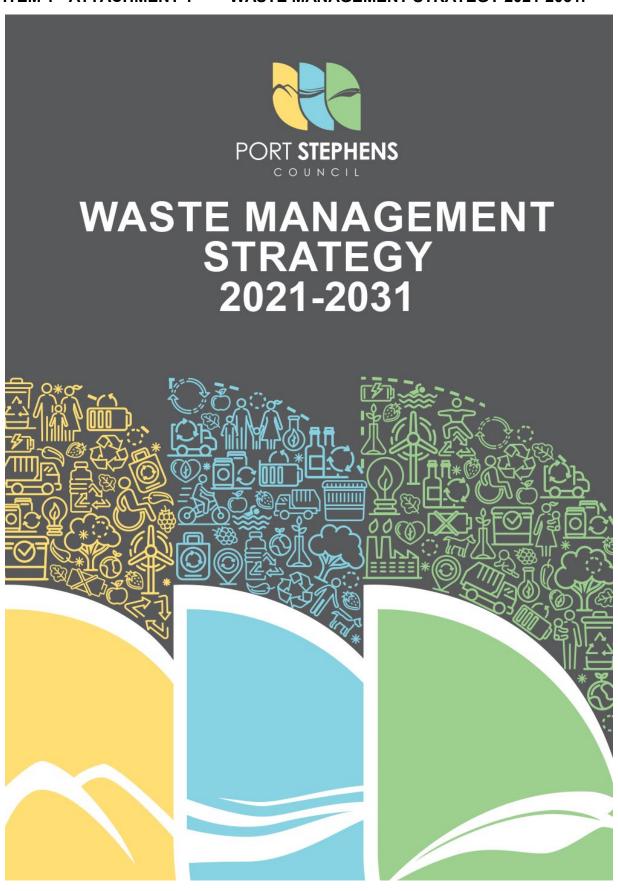
COUNCILLORS ROOM

Nil.

TABLED DOCUMENTS

Nil.

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Key Outcomes

Council is dedicated to progressing its waste management and resource recovery services and striving for better practice. The key objectives of the Strategy are to:

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- Address how Council can meet current targets set by the NSW EPA in the 2021-2041 Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy by:
- Investigating systems for the processing of our waste
- · Introduction of a third bin.
- Identify opportunities for Council to utilise waste assets and resources in the most efficient manner to maximise recovery and provide waste services more efficiently through:
 - Regional cooperation and coordination
 - · Service delivery.
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Reduce the community's environmental footprint through:

- · Waste avoidance, reduction and resource recovery
- · Expansion of litter prevention and management initiatives
- · Community education.
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Identify opportunities to reduce waste to landfill through:

- · Recycling of additional material through the procuring of waste technology
- · Use of alternate processing options/locations.



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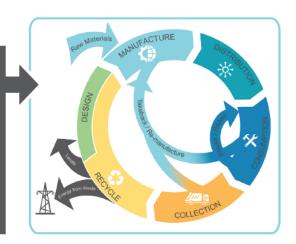


The NSW Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery (WARR) Strategy aims to avoid and reduce waste generation, increase recycling, alter public behaviour through education and increase investment, innovation and improvement of environmental practices and divert more waste from landfill. In doing so, the NSW WARR Strategy includes specific waste diversion from landfill targets to achieve its objectives, as outlined below.

NSW WARR Strategy Diversion Targets	NSW WARR Strategy Diversion Targets		
Waste Type	2022 Diversion Target		
Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)	70%		
Commercial and Industrial (C&I)	70%		
Construction and Demolition (C&D)	80%		
Overall Diversion from Landfill	75%		

Circular Economy

The circular economy is an alternative to the traditional, linear economy (take, make, use, dispose) which refers to taking resources, making goods that are then bought and used to then be disposed of as waste. Given there is a finite supply of natural resources which are getting increasingly harder and costlier to extract, these traditional processes result in unnecessary waste. A circular economy aims to 'close the loop' by recovering and reusing items that would otherwise have been disposed of and returning them to the economy – considering them as a valuable resource rather than waste.



Waste Management Hierarchy

The Waste Management Hierarchy has been adopted within this report as the basis for classifying and assessing the various resource recovery options which are being considered to assist Council to improve its waste management system. Options which achieve outcomes higher up the Waste Management Hierarchy are preferred over those located further down the Hierarchy. Notwithstanding this, options from each level of the Waste Management Hierarchy have been identified and assessed.



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Collection Services



Kerbside Collection

As required by section 496 of the Local Government Act 1993, a domestic waste service charge is applied to all developed residential properties, whether occupied or unoccupied, including land categorised as 'residential' and 'farmland'.

In 2020/21 services are provided to 33,030 domestic residences and 2,338 non-domestic services, including commercial services.



2 Kerbside Collection Service Summary				
Waste Stream		Standard Bin Size	Options	Collection Frequency
General W	aste/	240L	Nil	Weekly
Recycling		240L	360L	Fortnightly

On-Call Kerbside Collection of Bulky Items

Council offers each rate paying household access to two on-call kerbside collection of bulky waste/or garden organic items each financial year. Acceptable materials include:

- Furniture chairs, cupboards, tables and similar (furniture containing glass is not accepted)
- · Mattresses and mattress bases
- · Electronic waste (e-waste)

- Appliances fridges, washing machines and similar
- · Scrap metal fencing, hot water systems, BBQs
- · Garden organics.

Materials are collected in a rear compactor collection vehicle and transported to the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station. Council sorts the material and recovers scrap metal and mattresses for recycling.

Public Place Waste Collection



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Waste Management Facilities

Council owns and operates the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station, which includes a Community Recycling Centre. The following waste types are accepted at the facility.



Paid Waste Type



Household recycling



Fire extinguishers



General waste



Cardboard & paper



Motor & other oils



Green waste



Metals



Car batteries



Tyres



Electronic Waste



Household batteries



Mattresses



Paint



Smoke detectors



Construction & demolition waste



Gas Bottles



Fluro globes & tubes



Old furniture items



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Waste Education

Council facilitates several waste education programs to support the current waste collection service and other waste initiatives within the community including:



Preparation and distribution of kerbside collection service calendar and information brochure.



Website and social media posts, including video campaigns and direct messaging.



Waste and recycling presentations, including truck visits, for pre-school and primary school children.



Visual audits of the recycling bin as a means for reminding residents what can and cannot be recycled.



Online and in-person workshops on decluttering, waste minimisation, upcycling and beeswax wraps.



Internal programs providing information on recycling within Council facilities and reducing waste.

The Small Acts Big Change program is a long-running initiative between councils in the Hunter and Central Coast to divert waste from landfill. The program website and Facebook page engages community groups, businesses and individuals via ideas and

informative reviews to understand that the small things people do can re-imagine the way we buy, use, and dispose of "stuff" for a better planet and better community.

Other Waste Services



Drop-off Days

In addition to providing permanent drop off locations at the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station, Council offers residents free drop off days for green waste, chemicals, mattresses, tyres, and e-waste at various locations across the LGA.



Annual Chemical Cleanout

Household chemicals and hazardous wastes can be dropped off by residents at the EPA funded annual chemical cleanout on specified dates which are advertised on Council's website. These items can also be disposed of free of charge at Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station during opening hours.



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WASTE DATA AND PERFORMANCE

Waste data is collected based on three distinct waste streams. These distinct, and regulated waste streams include:

Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)
MSW is solid waste from households and local government operations, including waste placed at the kerbside for collection and waste collected by councils from municipal parks and gardens, street sweepings, council engineering works and public council bins.



Commercial and Industrial (C&I) Waste C&I waste is solid waste generated by business, industries (including shopping centres, restaurants, and offices)

and institutions (such as schools, hospitals and government offices).



Construction & Demolition (C&D) Waste

C&D waste is solid waste generated from construction and demolition works, including building and demolition waste,

asphalt waste and excavated natural material.

Current Generation



Waste Streams and Composition

Municipal Solid Waste

In 2019/20 a total of 37,412 tonnes of MSW was generated across the LGA. Of this, 16,377 tonnes were recovered, and the remaining 21,035 tonnes was landfilled resulting in an overall diversion rate of 44%.

3 Summary of Municip	Summary of Municipal Solid Waste Tonnes 2019/20				
	Tonnes Collected	Tonnes Landfilled	Tonnes Recovered	Diversion Rate	
Red-lidded waste bin	25,859	17,951	7,908		
Yellow-lidded recycling bin	5,614	545	5,069		
On-call kerbside bulky waste	1,634	1,157	477	44%	
Self-hauled	3,392	1,382	2,010	1 44 %	
Drop-off days	913	0	913		
TOTAL	37,412	21,035	16,377		

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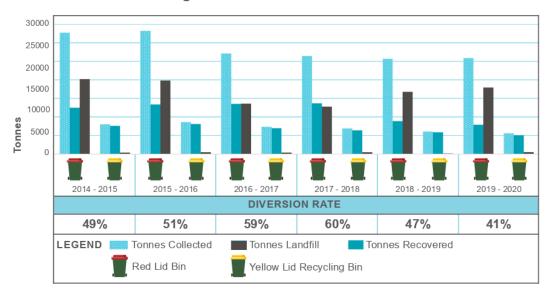
Kerbside Waste

In 2019/20 a total of 31,473 tonnes of material was collected at the kerbside as part of Council's kerbside collection service. The current kerbside collection system results in a kerbside diversion rate of 41%, which is well short of the NSW EPA target of 70% for MSW. It should be noted that Council's performance against the municipal solid

waste diversion target has been significantly impacted by the NSW EPA's ban on the application of mixed waste organic output (MWOO) to land. If the ban on MWOO was not implemented, Council's kerbside diversion rate would be 60%.

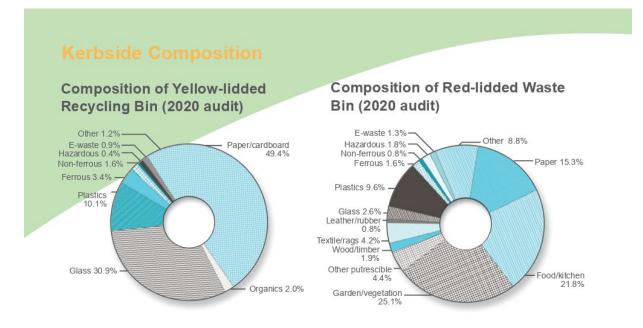
2019/20 Kerbside Tonnages & Diversion Rate					
		Tonnes Collected	Tonnes Recovered	Tonnes Landfill	Diversion Rate
Red-lidded waste bin		25,859	7,908	17,951	
Yellow-lidded recycling bin		5,614	5,069	545	41%
TOTAL		31,473	12,977	18,496	

Annual Kerbside Tonnages & Diversion Rates 2014 - 2020



The slow decline in recycling tonnages collected at the kerbside may be a result of the Container Deposit Scheme, which has collected 5,676 tonnes since its introduction in December 2017.

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Council has undertaken kerbside waste compositional audits of the yellow-lidded recycling and red-lidded waste bins in 2011, 2013, 2016, 2018 and 2020 with the objective of identifying the performance of the bin system, measuring trends, and planning reductions in waste to landfill.

The above graphs detail the composition of the yellow-lidded recycling bin and the red-lidded waste bin from the 2020 audit.

C&I Waste

In 2019/20 a 5,907 tonnes of C&I waste was received at the Salamander Bay Transfer Station. Of this, 1,436 tonnes (24%) were recovered for recycling or reprocessing. The remaining 4,471 tonnes (76%) was landfilled, resulting in a diversion rate of 24% for this waste stream.

C&D Waste

In 2019/20 a 641 tonnes of C&D waste was received at the Salamander Bay Transfer Station. The composition of this material consisted of two material types, bricks or concrete (44%) and ferrous (56%). All tonnes received were recovered for recycling or reprocessing, resulting in a diversion rate of 100% for this waste stream.

Performance Against State Diversion Targets

Council's performance against the Waste Diversion Targets set by the NSW EPA in the WARR Strategy for 2019/20 are detailed below. As previously mentioned, if the ban on MWOO was not implemented, Council's overall diversion rate would be 60%.

WARR Waste Diversion Targets					
Waste Type 2019/20 Council Diversion Rate 2022 Diversion Target					
MSW	44%	70%			
C&I	24%	70%			
C&D	100%	80%			
Overall Diversion from Landfill	56%	75%			

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community engagement has been identified by Council as a core aspect of the development of the Waste Management Strategy in order to allow community input and to ensure services delivered by Council match the community's expectations. It is seen as particularly important to ensure that the input from the key waste generators (the community) is obtained and utilised to help form future actions and recommendations moving forward



Telephone Survey



400 completed response from a random sample of residents in the Port Stephens LGA.



92% of residents believe the current collection frequency of the red-lidded bin is appropriate.

40% of residents indicated that their red-lidded bin was full or overflowing when presented for collection.

30% indicated their bin was 75% full when presented for collection.



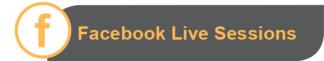
77% of residents believe the current collection frequency of the yellow-lidded bin is appropriate.

51% of residents indicated that their yellow-lidded bin was full or overflowing when presented for collection.

The following seven ideas were presented to respondents, who were asked to indicate whether they were supportive of the idea.

Minimising the environmental, social and economic impacts of littering 97% 2% Encouraging waste avoidance and reuse behaviours to help generate less waste 92% 4% 4% Expansion of waste and recycling education programs to the community 91% 5% 4% Increasing recycling by recovering food and garden organics 90% 6% 4% Increasing the range of recycling for the community and businesses 88% 6% 6% 5% Beveloping markets for the reuse, repair and re-selling of waste 87% 5% 8%

Prohibiting the use of single-use plastic bags



23,000 residents reached, sessions viewed for a total of 2,261 minutes

Council facilitated a Facebook Live session to provide answers to those "burning" questions being asked by the community. During the live stream, the session reached 51 residents.

The post reached 23,000 people and the recorded version of the session was viewed for a total of 2,261 minutes. Overall, the sentiment was positive from the community.

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To discuss and obtain feedback on the proposed resident focused **themes and initiatives.**

Council undertook face-to-face engagement with members of the community. The purpose of these sessions was to provide attendees with the outcomes of the telephone survey and to discuss and obtain feedback on the proposed resident focused themes and initiatives detailed below.

Proposed Resident Focused Themes and Initiatives			
Themes	Initiative		
Kerbside Collection Services	 Introduction of alternative sizes of waste and recycling bins (140L) Greater promotion of the availability of a 360L recycling bin Introduction of a third kerbside bin for the collection of garden organics (GO) or Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) Consider transitioning to a user-pay on call kerbside bulky waste collection service 		
Drop-off Days	Reassess the number of drop-off days for garden organics and problem wastes		
Littering	Implement Council supported anti-littering campaign Review locations and collection frequencies of public place bins		
Single-use Plastics	Implement a local ban on single-use plastics Implement supporting education campaign for businesses, residents and visitors		
Sustainable Events Policy	Introduce a Sustainable Events Policy that requires the use of recyclable or compostable packaging and source separation of waste collected at events		
Expansion of materials collected at the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station	Soft plastics Polystyrene Textiles		
Education Programs	 Introduce and promote reuse, upcycling and repair workshops utilising the existing Tip Shop or local Men's Shed (or similar) Greater promotion of material accepted at the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station Promotion of anti-littering program Promotion of single-use plastics ban Promotion of Sustainable Events Policy 		



To determine levels of community support of the resident focused **themes and initiatives.**

IRIS Research undertook an online community survey to determine levels of community support of the resident focused themes and initiatives.

A total of 225 completed surveys were collected over this period.

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Based on the outcomes of the community engagement and review of Council's current services and waste management systems, the following resource recovery options were proposed for detailed analysis.



Avoid, Reduce, Reuse

- Integrated community education and behavioural change program
- · Council Waste Minimisation Plan
- · Litter prevention and management
- Business waste reduction.



Recycle

Undertake a visual audit of material accepted at the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station to identify additional material for recovery.

Undertake a textiles collection and recycling trial.



Recover & Treat

Investigate the feasibility of implementing a third kerbside bin for the source separation and collection of garden organics (GO) or Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO), including processing technology options.



Kerbside Collection Options

- · Introduction of third kerbside bin
- · Introduction of alternative bin sizes
- Promotion of 360L recycling bin
- Soft plastics recycling trial
- · Kerbside bulky items collection assessment
- · Commercial waste collections.



Public Place Smart Waste Technology

- · Smart sensors in new/existing public place bins
- · Smart compactor bins
- Smart tree hubs
- · Smart waste/recycling hubs trial
- · Smart Cities Pilot and Action Plan.



Free Drop-off Days Assessment

Undertake an assessment of the number of free-drop off days offered and consider alternative solutions.



Regional Collaboration Opportunity

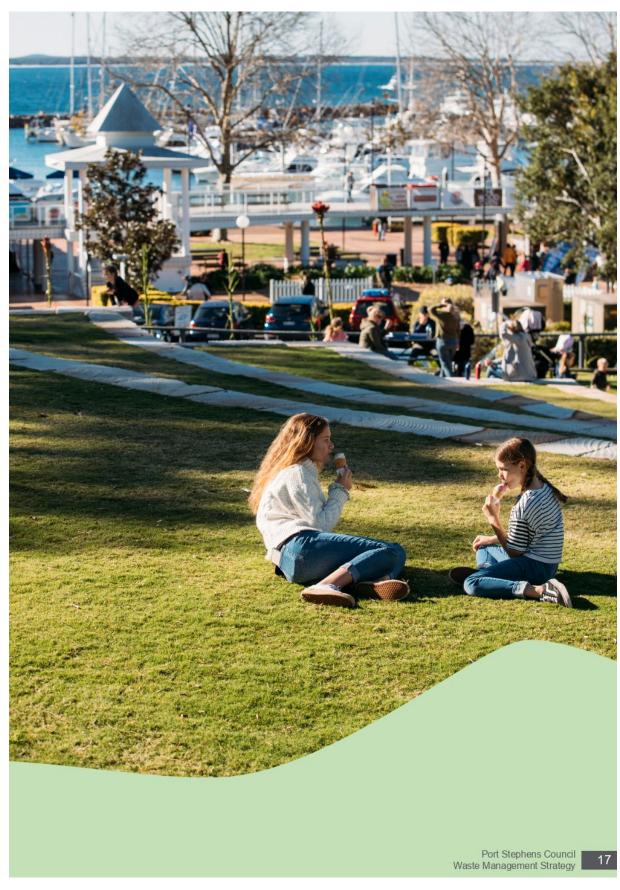
Continue to work collaboratively with neighbouring councils and other stakeholders on regional and circular economy opportunities.



Planning & Management

- · Waste management planning controls
- · Sustainable Events Policy
- Waste management services financial model review
- · Waste data management
- Landfill Aftercare Management and Rehabilitation Works Plan
- Master Plan Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station

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Following detailed analysis of the proposed Resource Recovery Options the Preferred Waste Management System is shown below.

Preferred Waste Management System			
Grouping		Options	
T	Avoid, Reduce, Reuse	Litter prevention and management Integrated community education Council Waste Minimisation Plan Business waste reduction	
	Recycle	Expansion of materials recovered	
	Recover & Treat	Source separated organics collection Organic waste processing	
	Kerbside Collection Options	Introduction of third kerbside bin Introduction of alternative bin sizes Promotion of 360L recycling bin Commercial waste collections	
	Drop-off Days	Free drop-off day assessment	
•••	Smart Waste Technology	Smart sensors in new/existing public place bins Smart compactor bins Smart tree hubs Smart waste/recycling hub trial Smart Cities Pilot and Action Plan	
	Planning & Management	 Waste management planning controls Sustainable Events Policy Waste management services financial model review Waste data management Landfill Aftercare Management and Rehabilitation Works Plan Master Plan Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station 	
2	Regional Collaboration Opportunities	Investigate regional opportunities	

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PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT

The waterfall diagram below illustrates Council's current waste diversion rate and how it would be impacted by the Preferred Waste Management System. The implementation of the Preferred Waste Management System has the potential to increase Councils current diversion rate from 25% to 84% which exceeds the state target.



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IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The following Implementation Plan has been developed to guide the delivery of the Preferred Waste Management System.

Time frames for implementation are based on:

- 0-3 years (short term)
- 3-5 years (medium term)
- 5-10 years (long term).

8 Imple	lementation Plan			
Grouping	Option	Action	Timeframe	
Avoid, Reduce, Reuse	Integrated community education	Explore the expansion of community education programs including the delivery of recycling, upcycling, repair, community farming, composting, and worm farming workshops.	Short	
	Council Waste Minimisation Plan	Develop a Waste Minimisation Plan which aligns with Council's sustainability goals and formalises Council's commitment to sustainable waste management.	Short	
	Litter prevention & management	Develop a one-stop web presence to advertise and provide information on upcoming local, regional, and state litter-related events.	Short	
		Consider provision of suitable equipment for some events such as waste collection bags and litter grabbers in exchange for data feedback from the event.		
	Business waste reduction	Investigate options available to divert food waste generated by businesses from landfill including supporting a food program.	Medium	
		Explore the implementation of a local ban on single use plastics across the LGA.		
Recycle	Expansion of materials recovered	Undertake a visual audit of material accepted at the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station to identify additional materials for recovery.	Short	
		Undertake a textiles collection and recycling trial.		
Recover & Treat	Source separated organics collection	Investigate the feasibility of implementing a third kerbside bin for the source separation and collection of garden organics (GO) or Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO), including processing technology options.	Short	
Kerbside Collection Options	Introduction of third kerbside bin	If feasible, introduce a third kerbside bin for the collection of GO or FOGO	Medium	

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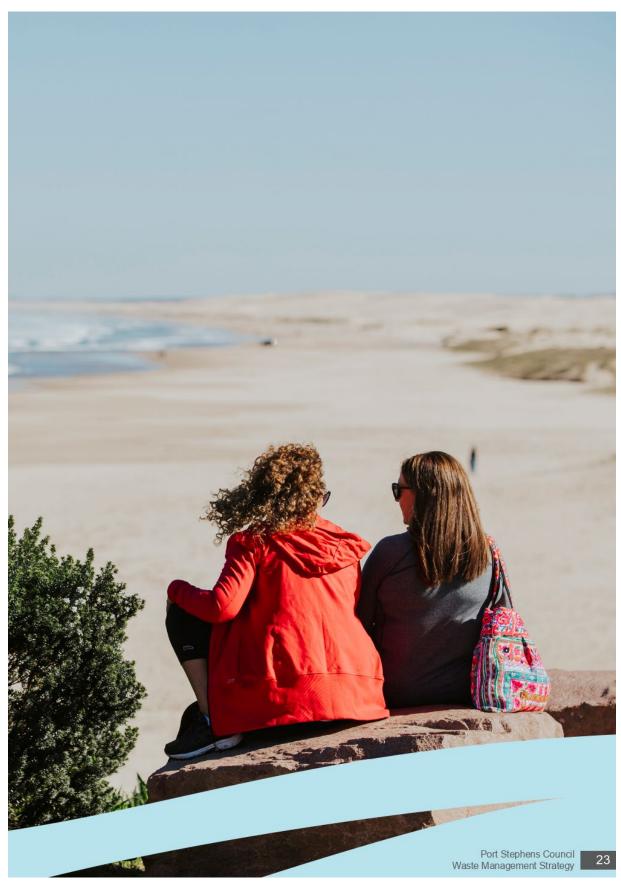
8 Imple	mentation Plan		
Grouping	Option	Action	Timeframe
Kerbside Collection Options	Introduction of alternative bin sizes	Investigate the introduction of a smaller suite of kerbside bins, including 80L and 140L, for those residents that generate minimal waste.	Short
	Promotion of 360L recycling bin	Actively promote the availability of the 360L kerbside recycling bin to ensure appropriate management of excess recyclables at the household level.	Short
	Commercial waste collections	Consider the expansion of a source separated organics collection service to businesses if the service is rolled out to residents. Such a service would be undertaken as Phase 2, with residential roll-out being considered Phase 1.	Medium
Drop-off Days	Free drop-off day assessment	Undertake an assessment of the number of free drop-off days offered and consider alternative solutions.	Short
Smart Waste Technology	Smart sensors in new/ existing public place bins	Undertake a bin sensor installation trial at determined locations to explore ways to further utilise smart data in managing public place waste collections, routes, and reporting.	Short
	Smart compactor bins	Consider trialling the broader rollout of smart solar compaction bins to gain a clearer understanding of public place waste collections with the aim of increasing collection efficiencies and reducing collection costs.	Medium
	Smart tree hubs	Liaise with relevant Council departments regarding the implementation of smart tree hubs which integrate facilities such as smart bins, shade, seats, and tables, charging stations, solar power, sensors, lighting, public WiFi, greenery, and smart fountains.	Long
	Smart waste/recycling hub trial	Consider trialling smart waste hubs as a replacement for multiple commercial bin services in key areas that experience high pedestrian access and/or servicing issues.	Long
	Smart Cities Pilot and Action Plan	Implement a Smart City Pilot Project and Action Plan in collaboration with relevant Council departments and other key stakeholders.	Short

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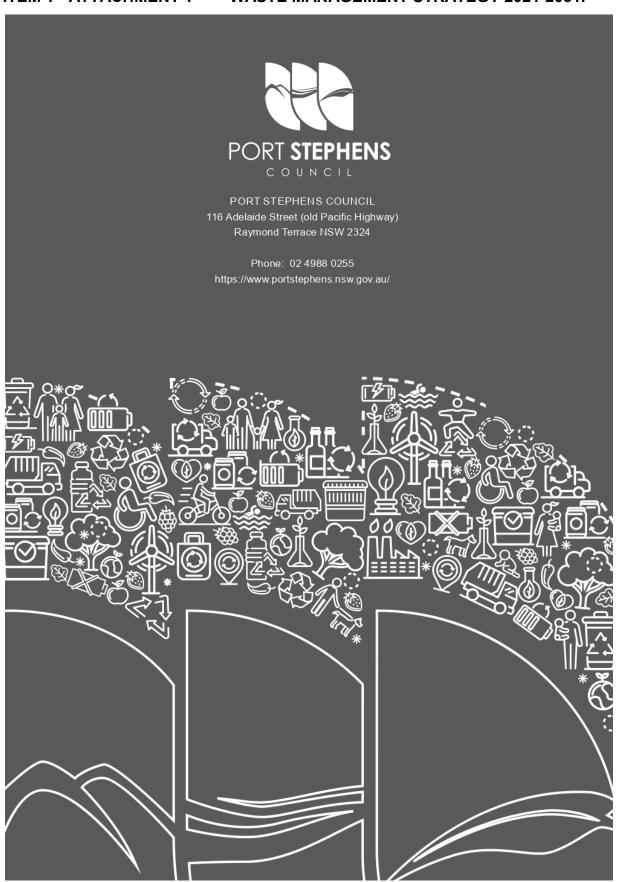


8 Implementation Plan			
Grouping	Option	Action	Timeframe
Planning & Management	Waste management planning controls	Prepare and include a waste management chapter in Council's Development Control Plan (DCP) which will inform on the waste management requirements of the various types of development both during construction and ongoing management.	Medium
	Sustainable Events Policy	Develop a Sustainable Events Policy, in consultation with relevant stakeholders, that requires the use of recyclable or compostable packaging and source separation of waste collected at events.	Short
		Support the implementation of the Policy with an education campaign for both stallholders and event attendees.	
	Waste management services financial model review	Undertake a review of Council's waste management financial model to ensure currency, auditability and incorporation of all operational and capital costs associated with Council's waste management services.	Medium
	Waste data management	Undertake a review of Council's current weighbridge recording system to ensure waste types are allocated against the correct stream and source (municipal, commercial & industrial and construction & demolition).	Short
	Landfill Aftercare Management and Rehabilitation Works Plan	Prepare Landfill Aftercare Management and Rehabilitation Work Plans for the decommissioned waste facilities located at New Line Road, Salamander Bay and Lemon Tree Passage that consider "best practice" monitoring and rehabilitation and future uses for the sites.	Short
	Master Plan Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station	Prepare a Master Plan for the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station.	Medium
Regional Opportunities	Investigate regional opportunities	Continue to work collaboratively with neighbouring councils and other stakeholders on regional and circular economy opportunities.	Long

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Policy



FILE NO: PSC2007-3163

TITLE: WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCE RECOVERY

POLICY

OWNER: COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION MANAGER

PURPOSE:

1.1. The purpose of this policy is to detail Council's position on waste management within the Port Stephens Council Local Government Area in order to facilitate the delivery of waste services that are both convenient and cost effective and that maximise the diversion of waste from landfill.

2. CONTEXT/BACKGROUND:

- 2.1 Port Stephens Council currently provides domestic and non-domestic waste services in accordance with sections 496 and 501 of the Local Government Act 1993.
- 2.2 These services include:
- a) the provision of mobile garbage bins
- b) weekly residual waste (red bin) collection service
- c) fortnightly dry recycling (yellow bin) collection service
- d) on-call bulky and green waste collection
- e) processing of recyclables
- f) processing of residual waste via an Advanced Resource Recovery Technology (ARRT) Facility
- g) green waste drop off days
- h) where required, the land filling of residual wastes
- i) environmental monitoring of decommissioned landfills
- j) community education about waste services provided by Council, how to correctly use the provided services and how waste generation can be reduced.
- 2.3 Port Stephens Council also coordinates the collection of certain hazardous and problem waste not suitable for collection in either waste or recycling household bins. These include the provision of permanent drop off sites or drop off events for the collection of household chemicals, paints, oils, gas bottles, electronic waste, mattresses, tyres, car and household batteries, mobile phones printer cartridges and fluorescent tubes.
- 2.4 Port Stephens Council also provides waste and recycling services to events held within Port Stephens and in public places such as parks and reserves,

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sporting fields and streets where Council's asset owners have determined the need for this service.

- 2.5 Residents and businesses of Port Stephens have self-haul access to one Council-owned Waste Transfer Station at Salamander Bay. Waste delivered to the transfer station is sorted and separated for reuse, recycling or disposal.
- 2.6 The management of waste provides significant outcomes for human health and for the quality of our environment. Since the mid 1990's Council's approach to waste management has moved from simple landfilling of all wastes to kerbside recycling and the utilisation of technology designed to efficiently collect and sort waste for maximum resource recovery. Through these actions Port Stephens Council has improved the sustainability of its waste management services to the community.

3. SCOPE:

3.1 The policy outlines what waste services are provided to the residents, ratepayers and businesses of Port Stephens as well as Council's overall position on waste management.

4. **DEFINITIONS**:

4.1 An outline of the key definitions of terms included in the policy.

Collection, processing and disposal of solid waste **Domestic Waste** collected from the kerbside of residential properties. Management Collection, processing and disposal of solid waste Non-Domestic Waste collected from non-domestic (commercial) properties. Management Collection, processing and disposal of waste collected Public Place Waste from streets, parks and central business districts. Management Waste streams such as mattresses, electronic waste, Problem Waste tyres, medical sharps and household chemicals such as paints, oils, batteries etc.

5. STATEMENT:

5.1 Council provides the following waste management to the residents, ratepayers and businesses of Port Stephens.

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5.2 Domestic and Non-domestic (Commercial) Waste Management

5.2.1 Council is committed to:

- a) providing convenient and accessible waste services that meet the needs of the community
- reasonable costing of waste services in accordance with Sections 496 and 501 the Local Government Act 1993
- the source separation of commercially viable recyclables from residual waste both in its kerbside collections and bulk waste collections
- d) processing residual waste via Advanced Resource Recovery Technology (ARRT) Facility until at least 2027
- e) the disposal of inert domestic waste to licensed landfill sites
- the provision of waste collection services via contracts with commercial operators
- g) the provision of alternative waste technology via contracts with commercial operators
- continually educating the community about its range of waste services and how to correctly use them.

5.2.2 Toxic/Hazardous/Medical Waste

5.2.2.1 Council is committed to:

- creating solutions that separate these wastes from the domestic/commercial waste streams
- supporting extended producer responsibility schemes for the collection and disposal of hazardous and medical wastes
- run drop off events for problem wastes such as chemicals, mattresses, tyres and electronic waste
- continue to operate the Community Recycling Centre (CRC) at the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station that accepts hazardous household chemicals free of charge from residents of Port Stephens
- e) continue to have medical sharp collection points in amenities across Port Stephens LGA to allow safe disposal of these items in public places.

5.2.3 Public Place Waste Management

5.2.3.1 Council is committed to:

- providing mobile garbage bins and bulk containers in public places where the need is determined by Council's asset owners including:
 - o CBD areas
 - Streets
 - Parks & Reserves
 - Sporting Facilities

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- the source separation of commercially viable recyclables in locations where trials have deemed it successful
- the provision of waste services for special events where Council has approved the waste management plans for these events
- the maintenance of all public place waste infrastructure to ensure that it is safe and clean for the users of the area
- the collection and disposal of unidentifiable illegal dumped waste in public spaces
- f) the collection and disposal of litter within public spaces.

5.2.4 Management of Waste Transfer Stations

5.2.4.1 Council is committed to:

the provision and operation of Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Station at 4
 Tarrant Road Salamander Bay as per Council's Community Strategic Plan.

5.2.5 Landfill Management

5.2.5.1 Council is committed to:

- the rehabilitation of decommissioned landfills to meet or exceed the licence requirements
- b) the continued monitoring of decommissioned landfill sites for due diligence purposes so that the environmental impacts are known
- reducing the community's reliance on land filling as the primary waste management method.

5.2.6 Financial Assistance for the Disposal of Waste in Port Stephens

5.2.6.1 Council is committed to:

a) The provision of financial assistance for the disposal of waste to charitable, not for profit or benevolent organisations in accordance with Council's Policy "Financial Assistance for the Disposal of Waste in Port Stephens" under section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993.

5.2.7 Illegal Dumping

5.2.7.1 Council is committed to:

 minimising illegal dumping as it is an offence under the NSW Protection of the Environment Operations Act 2001 and those carrying out such activities may be fined. Council's Compliance Policy addresses the issues surrounding illegal

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dumping, in terms of its regulation and the need to prioritise activities that educate the community.

5.2.8 Information/Education

5.2.8.1 Council is committed to:

- a) providing clear and concise information on the range, cost and availability of waste services provided
- providing education to residents and visitors to the area in order to maximise the potential of its services
- working with the Strategy and Environment Section to educate the community via its association with community groups, schools and other interest groups.

5.2.9 Development Planning

5.2.9.1 Council is committed to:

a) ensuring that waste management issues are managed in the Local Environment Plan and related Development Control Plan.

5.2.10 Legislative compliance

5.2.10.1 Council will comply with relevant legislation, including:

- observing the principles of ecological sustainable development (as defined in the Local Government Amendment (Ecologically Sustainable Development) Act 1997) in the management of waste services, specifically:
 - o inter-generational equity
 - o improved valuation
 - pricing and incentive mechanisms (eg: polluter pays and full life cycle costing)
 - o the precautionary principle and the conservation of ecological integrity.
- NSW Environment Protection Licences for the Salamander Bay Waste Transfer Stations and the surrender notices for all decommissioned landfill sites
- the Local Government Act 1993 by continuing to provide waste services to domestic and non-domestic properties under sections 496 and 501 of the Act
- d) the Work Health and Safety Act 2011 (NSW)
- giving due consideration to state and commonwealth guidelines and strategies including but not limited to:
 - o NSW Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act 2001
 - o NSW Waste Avoidance and Recovery Strategy 2014-21.
- the NSW Waste Hierarchy of Avoid, Reduce Reuse, Repair, Recycle, Recover, Dispose, will guide decision making processes (Waste Avoidance & Resource Recovery Act 2001)

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- g) complying with Australian Standards relating to mobile garbage bin design and standard colours (AS4123.6 2006 and AS4123.7 2006)
- h) providing services and education material that is consistent with regional, state and national strategies and programs
- participating in local and regional initiatives to address waste issues where opportunities exist.

6. RESPONSIBILITIES:

6.1 Overall review and evaluation of this policy lies with the Community Services Section Manager.

7. RELATED DOCUMENTS:

- 7.1 Financial Assistance for the disposal of waste in Port Stephens Policy.
- 7.2 Compliance Policy.

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ITEM 1 - ATTACHMENT 2 RECOVERY POLICY.

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VERSION HISTORY:

Adoption date

Version	Date	Author	Details	Min. No
1	27/11/2007	Steve Bernasconi	Policy Adopted.	337
2	24/11/2009	Steve Bernasconi	Amended Policy Adopted.	396
3	23/6/2015	Aaron Malloy	Amended Policy Adopted.	176
4	27/02/2018	Steve Bernasconi	 Reformatting the policy into the new format. Inclusion of additional information to cover new services under Toxic/Hazardous/Medical Waste and Public Place Waste Management. Some minor wording changes through the document to make if reflect current trends in the waste industry and levels of services provided. 	035

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			 Revised draft policy for review and endorsement by Executive Leadership Team. Draft for Public Exhibition. 	
5	08/12/20	Community Services	Reformatted policy into the new template.	280
	Section Manager	Updated Policy owner from Waste Management Coordinator to Community Services Section Manager.		
			1.1 Deleted 'solid', 'a Waste Management and Resource Recovery Plan.' Added 'waste services that are both convenient and cost effective and that maximise the diversion of waste from landfill.'	
			3.1 Added 'waste' and 'overall'. Deleted 'solid'.	
			4.1 Added definition for Problem Waste.	
			5.2.2.1a Deleted 'source'.	
			5.2.3.1 Added lines 'e' and 'f'.	
			5.2.8.1c Deleted 'Environmental Services'. Added 'the Strategy and Environment Section'.	
			5.2.9.1 remove 'Plans' and replace with 'Plan'.	
			5.2.10 Added line.	
			5.2.10.1 Deleted 'In pursing this policy'. Added 'relevant'. Replaced 'specifically' with 'including'.	

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	5.2.10.1a Reworded sentence
	5.2.10.1b Deleted 'Council will comply with'
	5.2.10.1c Deleted 'Council will comply with'
	5.2.10.1d Deleted 'Council will comply with'
	5.2.10.1e Deleted 'Council will give'. Added 'giving'.
	5.2.10.1f Added 'Reduce, Repair, Recover'.
	5.2.10.1g Deleted 'Council will comply'. Added 'compliance'.
	5.2.10.1h Deleted 'Council will provide'. Added 'providing'.
	5.2.10.1i – reworded sentence.
	6.2 to 6.7 have been deleted.
	6.8 Added line.
	6.9 Added line.
	6.10 Added 'is responsible for'.
	7.1 – deleted reference to date and minute number.
	7.2 – deleted reference to date and minute number.
	Updated EDRMS record number from 18/86846 to 20/275597.

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ITEM NO. 2 FILE NO: 21/216561 EDRMS NO: PSC2013-04570

POLICY REVIEW: MANAGEMENT OF COMPETITIVE NEUTRALITY

REPORT OF: TONY WICKHAM - GOVERNANCE SECTION MANAGER

GROUP: GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE

RECOMMENDATION IS THAT COUNCIL:

1) Endorse the revised Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints Policy shown at (ATTACHMENT 1).

- 2) Place the revised Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints Policy, as amended on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and should no submissions be received, the policy be adopted as amended, without a further report to Council.
- 3) Revoke the Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints Policy dated 24 September 2019, Minute No. 170, should no submissions be received.

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 24 AUGUST 2021 MOTION

Councillor Jaimie Abbott Councillor Ken Jordan It was resolved that Council: Endorse the revised Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints Policy shown at (ATTACHMENT 1). Place the revised Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints Policy, as amended on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and should no submissions be received, the policy be adopted as amended, without a further report to Council. Revoke the Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints Policy dated 24 September 2019, Minute No. 170, should no submissions be received.

The motion was carried.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of the revised Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints Policy (policy) shown at **(ATTACHMENT 1).**

The purpose of the Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints Policy is to ensure Port Stephens Council has a framework to manage and investigate complaints received concerning competitive neutrality. Whilst Council does not have business units classified under the Competitive Neutrality Guidelines, Council needs to ensure a process is in place to deal with any complaints received.

Please note that yellow highlighting in the attached policy indicates an amendment has been made and strikethrough text is to be deleted.

The policy has been reviewed as part of Council's ongoing policy review program.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Direction	Delivery Program 2018-2021
	Provide a strong ethical governance structure.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

All costs associated with the development and implementation of the policy is within the existing budget.

Source of Funds	Yes/No	Funding (\$)	Comment
Existing budget	Yes		
Reserve Funds	No		
Developer Contributions (S7.11)	No		
External Grants	No		
Other	No		

LEGAL, POLICY AND RISK IMPLICATIONS

The policy has been developed to meet be requirements of the Office of Local Government.

Risk	Risk Ranking	Proposed Treatments	Within Existing Resources?
There is a risk that Council may be in breach of legislation without a policy framework in place.	Low	Adopt the recommendation.	Yes

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Includes Social, Economic and Environmental Implications

The policy framework ensures that Council can meet the objectives of the National Competition Policy and maintains a business approach when competing with the private sector, where applicable.

CONSULTATION

Consultation with key stakeholders has been undertaken by the Governance and Legal Services Unit.

Internal

The policy has been endorsed by Council's Executive Team.

External

Council is required to publicly exhibit the policy for a period of 28 days, seeking public comment.

OPTIONS

- 1) Accept the recommendations.
- 2) Amend the recommendations.
- 3) Reject the recommendations.

ATTACHMENTS

1) Management of Competitive Neutrality Policy.

COUNCILLORS ROOM

Nil.

TABLED DOCUMENTS

Nil.

ITEM 2 - ATTACHMENT 1 MANAGEMENT OF COMPETITIVE NEUTRALITY POLICY.

Policy



FILE NO: PSC2013-04570

TITLE: MANAGEMENT OF COMPETITIVE NEUTRALITY

COMPLAINTS

POLICY OWNER: GOVERNANCE SECTION MANAGER

1. PURPOSE:

- 1.1 The purpose of the Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints Policy is to ensure Port Stephens Council (Council) has a framework to manage and investigate complaints received concerning competitive neutrality.
- 1.2 Any complaints outside the limits of this policy will be managed under Council's Complaints Handling Policy.

2. CONTEXT/BACKGROUND:

- 2.1 Council first adopted its policy for the Management of Competitive Neutrality Complaints on 23 December 1997. This policy was adopted to comply with the former Division of Local Government requirements (now Office of Local Government).
- 2.2 Council recognises that the market has changed somewhat since the first adoption of the policy, and now has a number of business units actively operating in competition with the private sector. Council looks to ensure that the operations of Council are open and transparent when conducting commercial activities within the limits of the law, whilst maintaining a commercial business approach.

3. SCOPE:

- 3.1 Council is committed to the aims and objective of the National Competition Policy.
- 3.2 Council will remain accountable for its business to the community. The elected Council and staff will continue to have responsibility for ensuring that a service is being conducted effectively and that the Rates are being used responsibly.
- 3.3 All complaints should be forwarded to the General Manager. Complaints will generally be managed by the Governance Section Manager, subject to the General Manager direction. Should a complaint be investigated, a report will be prepared for the General Manager.

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MANAGEMENT OF COMPETITIVE NEUTRALITY **ITEM 2 - ATTACHMENT 1** POLICY.

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- 3.4 Staff investigating competitive neutrality complaints will not be involved in the area subject to the complaint.
- 3.5 A full response will be provided to the complainant following an investigation, providing details of the findings.
- 3.6 Should an investigation not be required a response will be provided, giving details of why an investigation did not proceed.
- 3.7 Alternative avenues are available for making competitive neutrality complaints such as the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), the NSW Ombudsman or the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC).

4. DEFINITIONS:

4.1 An outline of the key definitions of terms included in the policy.

ACCC means Australian Competition and Consumer

Commission.

Competitive neutrality

complaint

A complaint that eCouncil has not met its requirements under the Policy or 'Pricing and Costing for Council Business - A Guide to Competitive Neutrality'. This includes a concern that Council has not established an effective complaints handling mechanism; and a complaint that council has not abided by the spirit of competitive neutrality in the conduct of a business

activity.

Competitive neutrality

complaint is not

A complaint regarding the level of service provided by a business activity (ie reserve requiring maintenance, a

garbage bin not collected).

A complaint regarding the cost of the service, unless it is that council has not costed its service to take competitive

neutrality into account.

A complaint regarding the trade practices laws and their application to councils. Such complaints should be managed under Council's Complaint Handling Policy.

Council means Port Stephens Council.

ICAC means Independent Commission Against Corruption.



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5. STATEMENT:

- 5.1 Council is committed to:
- a) Taking all reasonable steps to ensure that when conducting business in the market place it will not use its public position to gain an unfair advantage over a private sector competitor.
- b) Exercising its powers appropriately within the market.
- c) Be responsive to the complaints from the community.
- d) Resolving, without delay, all proven complaints.

6. RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 6.1.1 The General Manager, group managers, section managers and coordinators are responsible for complying with the policy.
- 6.1.2 The Governance Section Manager is implementing, complying with, monitoring, evaluating, reviewing and providing advice on the policy.

7. RELATED DOCUMENTS:

- 7.1.1 Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth).
- 7.1.2 Council's Complaints Handling Policy.

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Author	Governance Section Manager				
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timeframe	31 August 2024				
Adoption date	23 December 1997.				

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ITEM 2 - ATTACHMENT 1 POLICY.

MANAGEMENT OF COMPETITIVE NEUTRALITY

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VERSION HISTORY:

Version	Date	Author	Details	Minute No.
1.0	23 December 1997	Assistant General Manager	Adopted by Council.	1472
2.0	12 November 2013	Executive Officer	Adopted by Council.	323
2.1	24 October 2017	Governance Manager	Transferred policy to new corporate policy template. Reviewed the policy with a minor administrative amendment.	259
2.2	29 September 2019	Governance Section Manager	Reviewed the policy, included numbering to each paragraph and updated the version control. Updated title of policy owner to Governance Section Manager. 2.1 – Updated background reference to former Division of Local Government and Office of Local Government. 3.3 – Replaced Executive Officer title with Governance Section Manager. 4.1 – Inserted 'means' for ACCC and ICAC. 6.1.2 – Inserted 'Section' in title. 7.1.2 – Corrected spelling error 'handling'.	170
2.3		Governance Section Manager	Reviewed the policy, included numbering to each paragraph and updated the version control. 2.1 – removed original date adopted. 4.1 – updated definitions.	

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ITEM NO. 3 FILE NO: 21/222998 EDRMS NO: PSC2017-00739

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2021 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW BOARD ELECTIONS AND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

REPORT OF: WAYNE WALLIS - GENERAL MANAGER

GROUP: GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE

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RECOMMENDATION IS THAT COUNCIL:

1) Nominates 4 voting delegates for the LGNSW Board Elections and LGNSW Annual Conference to be held via video conference on 29 November 2021.

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 24 AUGUST 2021 MOTION

Councillor Giacomo Arnott Councillor John Nell

That Council nominate Mayor Ryan Palmer, Cr Giacomo Arnott, Cr Chris Doohan and Cr Jaimie Abbott as voting delegates for the LGNSW Board Elections and LGNSW Annual Conference to be held via video conference on 29 November 2021.

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 24 AUGUST 2021 AMENDMENT

237 Councillor Ken Jordan Councillor Jaimie Abbott

It was resolved that Council nominate Mayor Ryan Palmer, Cr Paul Le Mottee, Cr Chris Doohan and Cr Jaimie Abbott as voting delegates for the LGNSW Board Elections and LGNSW Annual Conference to be held via video conference on 29 November 2021.

Councillor Paul Le Mottee left the meeting at 5.52pm.

Councillor Paul Le Mottee returned to the meeting at 5:54pm.

Councillor Paul Le Mottee left the meeting at 5:58pm.

Councillor Paul Le Mottee returned to the meeting at 6.03pm.

Councillor Paul Le Mottee left the meeting at 6.05pm.

The amendment on being put became the motion, which was put and carried.

The motion was carried on the casting vote of the Mayor.

Cr John Nell and Cr Giacomo Arnott requested their names be recorded opposing the amendment and the motion.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the LGNSW Board Elections and the 1 hour 2021 Local Government NSW Annual Conference to be held on 29 November 2021 via video conference.

The Annual Conference will present the LGNSW annual report and financial reports.

Each member Council of LGNSW has a voting entitlement for the Board Elections and the conference. The voting entitlement for Port Stephens Council is 4 delegates. Council is requested to nominate its 4 voting delegates for the Board Elections and the Annual Conference.

The conference is open to all Elected Members.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Direction	Delivery Program 2018-2022
	Provide strong civic leadership and government regulations.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There is no registration fee associated with attending the online conference.

Source of Funds	Yes/No	Funding (\$)	Comment
Existing budget	Yes		
Reserve Funds	No		
Developer Contributions (S7.11)	No		
External Grants	No		
Other	No		

LEGAL, POLICY AND RISK IMPLICATIONS

As per the Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to the Mayor and Councillors Policy, approval to participate in a conference or seminar is subject to approval of a full Council.

Risk	Risk Ranking	Proposed Treatments	Within Existing Resources?
There is a risk that Council may have its reputation damaged by not participating in key Local Government matters in NSW.	Low	Adopt the recommendation.	Yes

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Includes Social, Economic and Environmental Implications

The Port Stephens community would benefit from Elected Members participating in the Board Elections and Annual Conference to ensure the local government area has a voice.

CONSULTATION

Nil.

OPTIONS

- 1) Accept the recommendation.
- 2) Amend the recommendation.
- 3) Reject the recommendation.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

COUNCILLORS ROOM

Nil.

TABLED DOCUMENTS

Nil.

ITEM NO. 4 FILE NO: 21/215474 EDRMS NO: PSC2017-00178

REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

REPORT OF: WAYNE WALLIS - GENERAL MANAGER

GROUP: GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE

RECOMMENDATION IS THAT COUNCIL:

1) Approves provision of financial assistance under Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993 from Mayoral and Ward funds to the following:-

- a. Mayoral funds \$2261.19 donation to Port Stephens FM towards rent assistance.
- b. Central Ward funds Cr Doohan Rapid Response \$500 donation to Tilligerry RSL Sub-Branch towards refurbishment of the RSL Memorial Wall.

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 24 AUGUST 2021 MOTION

238 Councillor Chris Doohan Councillor Sarah Smith It was resolved that Council approves provision of financial assistance under Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993 from Mayoral and Ward funds to the following: a. Mayoral funds - \$2261.19 donation to Port Stephens FM towards rent assistance. b. Central Ward funds – Cr Doohan – Rapid Response – \$500 donation to Tilligerry RSL Sub-Branch towards refurbishment of the RSL Memorial Wall.

Councillor Paul Le Mottee returned to the meeting at 6.07pm.

The motion was carried.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to determine and, where required, authorise payment of financial assistance to recipients judged by the Mayor and or Councillors as deserving of public funding. The Grants and Donations Policy gives the Mayor and Councillors a wide discretion either to grant or to refuse any requests.

Council's Grants and Donations Policy provides the community, the Mayor and Councillors with a number of options when seeking financial assistance from Council. Those options being:

- 1) Mayoral Funds
- 2) Rapid Response
- 3) Community Financial Assistance Grants (bi-annually)
- 4) Community Capacity Building

Council is unable to grant approval of financial assistance to individuals unless it is performed in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993. This would mean that the financial assistance would need to be included in the Operational Plan or Council would need to advertise for 28 days of its intent to grant approval. Council can make donations to community groups.

The requests for financial assistance are shown below:

MAYORAL FUNDS – Mayor Palmer

•	Port Stephens FM is a not-for-profit organisation,	\$2261.19	Donation towards rent assistance.	
	run by a team of		Torre addictarios.	
	dedicated volunteers.			

WARD FUNDS

Tilligerry RSL Sub- Branch	The RSL NSW network of sub-branches housing local services and welcoming spaces in over 340 small towns and	\$500	Donation towards refurbishment of the RSL Memorial Wall.
	suburbs across NSW.		

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Direction	Delivery Program 2018-2022			
Community Partnerships	Support financially creative and active communities.			

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Source of Funds	Yes/No	Funding (\$)	Comment
Existing budget	Yes		
Reserve Funds	No		

Source of Funds	Yes/No	Funding (\$)	Comment
Developer Contributions (S7.11)	No		
External Grants	No		
Other	No		

LEGAL AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

To qualify for assistance under Section 356(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, the purpose must assist the Council in the exercise of its functions. Functions under the Act include the provision of community, culture, health, sport and recreation services and facilities.

The policy interpretation required is whether the Council believes that:

- a) applicants are carrying out a function, which it, the Council, would otherwise undertake.
- b) the funding will directly benefit the community of Port Stephens.
- c) applicants do not act for private gain.

Risk	Risk Ranking	Proposed Treatments	Within Existing Resources?
There is a risk that Council may set a precedent when allocating funds to the community and an expectation those funds will always be available.	Low	Adopt the recommendations.	Yes

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Includes Social, Economic and Environmental Implications

Nil.

CONSULTATION

Consultation with key stakeholders has been undertaken by the General Manager's Office.

Consultation has been undertaken with the key stakeholders to ensure budget requirements are met and approved.

OPTIONS

- Accept the recommendation.
 Vary the dollar amount before granting each or any request.
 Decline to fund all the requests.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

COUNCILLORS ROOM

Nil.

TABLED DOCUMENTS

Nil.

ITEM NO. 5 FILE NO: 21/216950 EDRMS NO: PSC2015-00015

INFORMATION PAPERS

REPORT OF: WAYNE WALLIS - GENERAL MANAGER

GROUP: GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE

RECOMMENDATION IS THAT COUNCIL:

Receives and notes the Information Papers listed below being presented to Council on 24 August 2021.

No:	Report Title	Page:
1	July 2021 Cash and Investments	62
2	Questions on Notice/Questions with Notice	65
3	Council Resolutions	66

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 24 AUGUST 2021 MOTION

239		cillor John Nell cillor Chris Doohan
		resolved that Council receives and notes the Information Papers below being presented to Council on 24 August 2021.
	No:	Report Title
	1 2 3	July 2021 Cash and Investments Questions on Notice/Questions with Notice Council Resolutions

The motion was carried.

INFORMATION PAPERS

ITEM NO. 1 FILE NO: 21/213022

EDRMS NO: PSC2006-6531

JULY 2021 CASH AND INVESTMENTS

REPORT OF: TIM HAZELL - FINANCIAL SERVICES SECTION MANAGER

GROUP: CORPORATE SERVICES

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to present Council's schedule of cash and investments held at 31 July 2021.

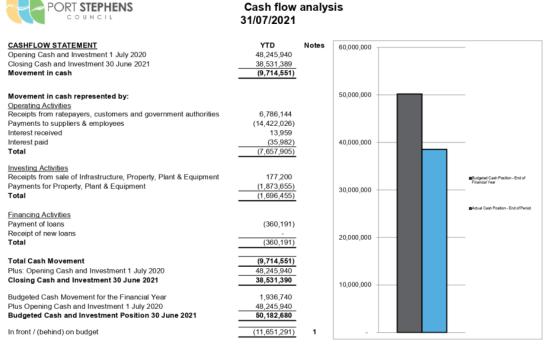
ATTACHMENTS

- 1) July 2021 Cash and Investments.
- 2) July 2021 Cashflow.

ITEM 1 - ATTACHMENT 1 JULY 2021 CASH AND INVESTMENTS.

ISSUER	BROKER	RATING*	DESC	YIELD %	TERM	MATURITY	AMOUNT	MARKET
TERM DEPOSITS	BROKER		D200.	11220 70	DAYS		INVESTED	VALUE
JUDO BANK	CURVE	NR	TD	1.05%	343	4-Aug-21	900,000	900,00
JUDO BANK	CURVE	NR	TD	1.05%	337	4-Aug-21	300,000	300,00
MUTUAL BANK	MUTUAL	NR	TD	0.95%	351	18-Aug-21	300,000	300,00
JUDO BANK	FIIG	NR	TD	0.90%	181	31-Aug-21	700,000	700,00
AMP BANK	LAMINAR	BBB+	TD	0.80%	383	15-Sep-21	1,000,000	1,000,00
AUSWIDE BANK	CURVE	BBB	TD	1.75%	727	28-Sep-21	1,000,000	1,000,00
ICBC	IMPERIUM	A	TD	1.62%	729	13-Oct-21	1,000,000	1,000,00
AUSWIDE BANK	IMPERIUM	BBB	TD	1.65%	731	15-Oct-21	500,000	500,00
MACQUARIE BANK	LAMINAR	Α	TD	0.70%	286	25-Oct-21	1,000,000	1,000,00
MUTUAL BANK	MUTUAL BANK	NR	TD	0.90%	159	27-Oct-21	700,000	700,00
AMP BANK	LAMINAR	BBB+	TD	0.75%	365	25-Nov-21	1,250,000	1,250,00
DEFENCE BANK	CURVE	BBB	TD	0.60%	367	6-Dec-21	600,000	600,00
AMP BANK	LAMINAR	BBB	TD	0.75%	371	8-Dec-21	550,000	550,00
AMP BANK	LAMINAR	BBB	TD	0.75%	376	15-Dec-21	350,000	350,00
JUDO BANK	LAMINAR	NR	TD	0.84%	385	22-Dec-21	350,000	350,00
JUDO BANK	LAMINAR	NR	TD	0.85%	383	22-Dec-21	550,000	550,00
NAB	LAMINAR	AA	TD	0.50%	386	23-Dec-21	1,000,000	1,000,00
DEFENCE BANK	CURVE	BBB	TD	0.60%	399	5-Jan-22	1,000,000	1,000,00
NAB	LAMINAR	AA	TD	0.50%	399	5-Jan-22	1,000,000	1,000,00
NAB	LAMINAR	AA	TD	0.50%	413	19-Jan-22	1,000,000	1,000,00
JUDO BANK	LAMINAR	NR	TD	0.70%	391	19-Jan-22	750,000	750,00
MACQUARIE BANK	LAMINAR	Α	TD	0.70%	385	1-Feb-22	1,000,000	1,000,00
AUSWIDE BANK	RIM	BBB	TD	1.73%	701	2-Feb-22	1,250,000	1,250,00
JUDO BANK	RIM	NR	TD	0.70%	294	12-Apr-22	1,000,000	1,000,00
DEFENCE BANK	CURVE	BBB	TD	0.65%	539	25-May-22	1,000,000	1,000,00
DEFENCE BANK	CURVE	BBB	TD	0.65%	550	7-Jun-22	600,000	600,00
MOVE BANK	RIM	NR	TD	0.65%	384	21-Jun-22	1,000,000	1,000,00
MOVE BANK	RIM	NR	TD	0.65%	391	28-Jun-22	500,000	500,00
JUDO BANK	RIM	NR	TD	0.75%	392	19-Jul-22	1,000,000	1,000,00
SUB TOTAL (\$)							23,150,000	23,150,00
	T00DD							
TCORP SHORT TERM INCOME FUND	TCORP	AAA					3,000,000	3,020,33
TCORP MEDIUM TERM GROWTH FUND	TCORP	AAA					5,500,000	5,849,41
TCORP LONG TERM GROWTH FUND	TCORP	AAA					3,000,000	3,292,16
NVESTMENTS TOTAL (\$)							34,650,000	35,311,91
CASH AT BANK (\$)							2,932,133	2,932,13
TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS (\$)							37,582,133	38,244,04
CACH AT BANK INTEREST DATE				0.20%				
CASH AT BANK INTEREST RATE				0.20%				
BBSW FOR PREVIOUS 3 MONTHS				0.30%				
AVG. INVESTMENT RATE OF RETURN ON TDs				0.87%				
TD = TERM DEPOSIT								
AC = AT CALL CASH ACCOUNT								
FRTD = FLOATING RATE TERM DEPOSIT								
STANDARD AND POORS LONG TERM RATING								
CERTIFICATE OF RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFF	ICER							
HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INVESTMENTS LISTE	D ABOVE HAVE BEEN	I MADE IN A	CCORDA	NCE WITH	SECTION	625 OF THE		
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993, CLAUSE 212 OF T								
COUNCIL'S CASH INVESTMENT POLICY								

ITEM 1 - ATTACHMENT 2 JULY 2021 CASHFLOW.

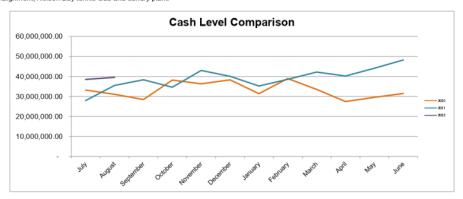


Notes

1 Council's cash position is behind on the budgeted year end position predominately due to the following reason: a) Receipt of 1st quarter rates is yet to occur b) Sale of commercial land is outstanding.

Significant future cash inflows expected in the next few months include 2022 1st quarter rates, state roads program service charges and new financial year operating grants.

Significant future cash outflows expected in next few months include: Tomaree sports complex amenities replacement, Little Beach boat ramp upgrade, Stuart park clubhouse upgrade, Shoal Bay Foreshore pathways works, Fingal Bay amenities block, Birubi Point aboriginal place tourism interchange, Depot rebuild, Foreshore drive upgrade, Lakeside leisure centre upgrades, Mallabula park upgrades, School drive Tomago payment rehabilitation, Riverflat road realignment, Nelson Bay tennis club and sundry plant.



ITEM NO. 2 FILE NO: 21/222616 EDRMS NO: PSC2021-02510

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

REPORT OF: WAYNE WALLIS - GENERAL MANAGER

GROUP: GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to provide a response to Questions taken on or with Notice in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice.

Item:	1
Councillor:	Cr Giacomo Arnott
Date Received:	10 August 2021
Question with Notice:	How long does Council retain information captured on its CCTV system?
Response:	Any CCTV footage that Council extracts as part of an investigation, both internal and external, is stored and kept as a record for 7 years. It should be noted that retention of footage that is not extracted is temporarily stored. That is, the CCTV system will record until all available space is used, then it will start overwriting the oldest data. The duration of keeping this temporary information before it is overwritten will depend on the volume of activity that occurs in front of the camera. The cameras do not record constantly, only when there is activity.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

COUNCILLORS ROOM

Nil.

TABLED DOCUMENTS

Nil.

ITEM NO. 3 FILE NO: 21/216948 EDRMS NO: PSC2017-00106

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

REPORT OF: WAYNE WALLIS - GENERAL MANAGER

GROUP: GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to inform the Mayor and Councillors of the status of all matters to be dealt with arising out of the proceedings of previous meetings of the Council in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Corporate Services Group report.
- 2) Development Services Group report.
- 3) Facilities & Services Group report.
- 4) General Manager's Office report.

COUNCILLORS ROOM

Nil.

TABLED DOCUMENTS

Nil.

ITEM 3 - ATTACHMENT 1 CORPORATE SERVICES GROUP REPORT.



Outstanding Division: Corporate Services Date From: 26/09/2017
Committee: Date To: 10/08/2021
Officer:

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Printed: Monday, 16 August 2021

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed
Report	Ordinary Council 27/03/2018	Crosdale, Timothy	COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF AN EASEMENT FOR ACCESS OVER PART OF 6 GOVERNMENT ROAD, SHOAL BAY	30/12/2021	28/03/2018	
13		Crosdale, Timothy				18/66656
066						
13 Aug 2	.021					
Minister's	s consent obta	ined 23 June 2021.	Acquisition to be gazetted in Oct	ober 2021.		

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 28/05/2019	Crosdale, Timothy	COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF PART OF VICTORIA PARADE RESERVE NELSON BAY FOR ROAD PURPOSES	30/12/2021	29/05/2019			
6		Crosdale, Timothy				19/148388		
110								
Governo	13 Aug 2021 Governor's approval to issue Proposed Acquisition Notices (PANS) received. PANS issued 10 June 2021. Acquisition To be gazetted in October 2021.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed
Report	Ordinary Council 23/07/2019	Crosdale, Timothy	GRANT OF EASEMENTS IN FAVOUR OF AGL - PUNT ROAD, TOMAGO	30/12/2021		
7		Crosdale, Timothy				19/200498
169						
13 Aug 2 Matter o	2021 In hold with AGL					

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Division: Corporate Services
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Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 22/09/2020	Crosdale, Timothy	Newline Road, Raymond Terrace	28/02/2022				
2		Crosdale, Timothy				20/288489		
199								
ı -	13 Aug 2021 Approved. Contracts prepared. Finalising survey levels in contract.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed			
Report	Ordinary Council 13/04/2021	Crosdale, Timothy	PROPOSED CLOSURE AND SALE OF PATHWAY IN BOAT HARBOUR	30/04/2022	14/04/2021				
2		Crosdale, Timothy				21/96728			
090									
	13 Aug 2021 Objection withdrawn. Matter proceeding.								

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 11/05/2021	Crosdale, Timothy	Car parking in Shoal Bay	30/12/2021	12/05/2021			
1		Crosdale, Timothy				21/123694		
	13 Aug 2021 Consultation continues with Crown Lands to enable this proposed use.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed	
Report	Ordinary Council 22/06/2021	Crosdale, Timothy	Proposed sale of Council owned land - Salamander Bay	30/12/2021			
1		Crosdale, Timothy				21/170138	
158							
ľ	13 Aug 2021						
Matter p	rogressing. Obt	aining Request for (Quotations from agents to market	the property.			

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Division: Corporate Services
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Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Crosdale, Timothy	Purchase of property - Lemon Tree Passage	24/08/2021	13/08/2021			
3		Crosdale, Timothy				21/218740		
207								
ı -	13 Aug 2021 Matter progressing. Legal documentation in preparation.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Hazell, Tim	Quarterly Grants Update - 30 June 2021	24/08/2021	13/08/2021	
2		Crosdale, Timothy				21/218740
13 Aug : Recomm	2021 nendation endor	sed.				

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Hazell, Tim	June 2021 Cash and Investments	24/08/2021	13/08/2021	
3		Crosdale, Timothy				21/218740
13 Aug 2 Recomn	2021 nendation endor	sed.				

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ITEM 3 - ATTACHMENT 2 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES GROUP REPORT.



Outstanding Division: Development Services Date From: 26/09/2017
Committee: Date To: 10/08/2021
Officer:

Action Sheets
Report

Printed: Monday, 16 August 2021

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed
Report	Ordinary Council 13/07/2021	Drinan, Kate	Policy Review: Dog Noise Policy	30/09/2021	15/07/2021	
3		Peart, Steven				21/190429
13 Aug 2021 Revised Target Date changed From: 20 Aug 2021 To: 30 Sep 2021 Reason: Submissions received - reporting to Council 28 September 2021						

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 13/07/2021	Gardner, Janelle	Policy Review: Heritage Policy	30/09/2021				
5		Peart, Steven				21/190429		
Revised	13 Aug 2021 Revised Target Date changed From: 20 Aug 2021 To: 30 Sep 2021 Reason: 1 submission received - reporting to Council 28 September 2021							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed
Report	Ordinary Council 13/07/2021	Drinan, Kate	Publication of Development Application Information	29/10/2021		
3		Peart, Steven				21/190429
178						

13 Aug 2021

Revised Target Date changed From: 13 Aug 2021 To: 29 Oct 2021

Reason: The motion was carried -

- 1) Notes its desire to engage meaningfully with the public through the DA process.
- 2) Seek external legal advice on how to reduce the risk to Council in making DA information more accessible to the public via online methods and consideration of:
- publishing DA information online until the determination of the DA; and
- following determination publishing the stamped plans which are to remain online in perpetuity.
- 3) Seek OLG and Dept of Planning advice.

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ITEM 3 - ATTACHMENT 2 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES GROUP REPORT.



Outstanding Division: Development Services Date From: 26/09/2017
Committee: Date To: 10/08/2021
Officer:

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Report

Printed: Monday, 16 August 2021

Type	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 13/07/2021	Drinan, Kate	Publication of Development Application Submissions	30/10/2021				
4		Peart, Steven				21/190429		
Revised	13 Aug 2021 Revised Target Date changed From: 13 Aug 2021 To: 30 Oct 2021 Reason: Seeking legal advice.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed			
Report	Ordinary Council 13/07/2021	Drinan, Kate	Policy Review: Compliance Policy	27/08/2021					
2		Peart, Steven				21/190429			
Revised	9 Aug 2021 Revised Target Date changed From: 16 Aug 2021 To: 27 Aug 2021 Reason: Currently on public exhibition.								

Type	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 27/07/2021	Gardner, Janelle	Draft Voluntary Planning Agreement - Kings Hill Development	31/08/2021	28/07/2021			
3		Peart, Steven				21/204573		
193								
Revised	9 Aug 2021 Revised Target Date changed From: 27 Aug 2021 To: 31 Aug 2021 Reason: Currently on public exhibition - 25 August 2021.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed	
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Gardner, Janelle	Assistance for Local Businesses	24/08/2021	13/08/2021		
1		Peart, Steven				21/218740	
198							
	16 Aug 2021 Action reassigned to Gardner, Janelle.						

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Outstanding

Division: Development Services
Committee: Date From: 26/09/2017
Date To: 10/08/2021
Officer:

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Printed: Monday, 16 August 2021

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Gardner, Janelle	POLICY REVIEW: Corporate Sponsorship Policy	10/09/2021	13/08/2021			
3		Peart, Steven				21/218740		
212								
Revised	13 Aug 2021 Revised Target Date changed From: 24 Aug 2021 To: 10 Sep 2021 Reason: Currently on public exhibition.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Drinan, Kate	Dwellings in High Hazard Floodways	30/09/2021				
10		Peart, Steven				21/218740		
225								
	13 Aug 2021 Revised Target Date changed From: 24 Aug 2021 To: 30 Sep 2021							

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Outstanding Division: Facilities & Services Date From: 26/09/2017
Committee: Date To: 10/08/2021
Officer:

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Printed: Monday, 16 August 2021

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed			
Report	Ordinary Council 10/12/2019	Maretich, John	Solar Infrastructure	31/12/2021	11/12/2019				
6		Kable, Gregory				19/388450			
264									
	16 Aug 2021 Contractor allocated and ready to commence once they are able to move out of a COVID lockdown area.								

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 10/12/2019	Gutsche, Tammy	GREEN WASTE DROP OFF - SALAMANDER BAY	31/10/2021	11/12/2019			
7		Kable, Gregory				19/388450		
265								
13 Aug 2	13 Aug 2021							
Item to b	e discussed at 0	Council Meeting 24 A	august 2021					

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed			
Report	Ordinary Council 25/02/2020	Lamont, Brock	Indoor Sports Facility	1/12/2021	26/02/2020				
4		Kable, Gregory				20/50488			
042									
Indoor Sp Commen	13 Aug 2021 Indoor Sports Facility has been included within Development Contributions Plan. Feasibility of project has been Commenced, however resources are being prioritised to scoping and delivery of Capital works Program. Recruiting in Community and Recreation Assets to achieve full complement and report will be finalised by December 2021								

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Outstanding Division: Facilities & Services Date From: 26/09/2017
Committee: Date To: 10/08/2021
Officer:

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Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed			
Report	Ordinary Council 14/07/2020	Stewart, Adam	Tomaree Headland	31/07/2022					
2		Kable, Gregory				20/192934			
139									
Council h	12 Aug 2021 Council has undertaken a site review with National Parks as part of their footpath design assessment. It should be noted that National Parks are still in design phase of this project and at present Council has not allocated funds tough options are being assessed for a funding source for this project.								

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 24/11/2020	Miles, Philip	Disposal of Surplus Excavated Materials at Newcastle Airport Development Project Site.	1/12/2021				
11		Kable, Gregory				20/358525		
261								
9 Aug 2021								
Newcastle approval.	Newcastle Airport to submit DA modification. Legal Contracts have been drafted in preparation for DA modification							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 8/12/2020	Stewart, Adam	Fly Point and Little Beach Parking/SMART Parking	31/12/2021				
3		Kable, Gregory				20/391301		
12 Aug 2021 Awaiting completion of the associated Place Plans. Report to prepared and reported back to Council during March 2022.								

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed	
Report	Ordinary Council 9/02/2021	Stewart, Adam	5G Small Cell Technology Rollout in Port Stephens	31/12/2021			
3		Kable, Gregory				21/33235	
006							
12 Aug 2021							
Discussion	ons have comme	nced with Telstra.					

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Outstanding Division: Facilities & Services Date From: 26/09/2017
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Officer:

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Printed: Monday, 16 August 2021

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed			
Report	Ordinary Council 9/02/2021	Lamont, Brock	MEDOWIE REGIONAL PLAYGROUND AND TOWN CENTRE	1/12/2021					
2		Kable, Gregory				21/33235			
012									
	13 Aug 2021 Report due diligence being undertaken. Resources are being prioritised to scoping and delivery of Capital Works								

Report due diligence being undertaken. Resources are being prioritised to scoping and delivery of Capital Works Program. Recruiting in Community and Recreation Assets to achieve full complement and report will be finalised by December 2021.

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Report	Ordinary Council 13/04/2021	Lamont, Brock	Drainage at Vi Barnett Field in Raymond Terrace	30/09/2021					
12		Kable, Gregory				21/96728			
083									
Sewer up	13 Aug 2021 Sewer upgrade works have been completed. Further drain and field maintenance works being undertaken. Water quality testing on hold until works have been completed to that results are not impacted.								

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed	
Report	Ordinary Council 13/04/2021	Stewart, Adam	Drainage investigation - Lemon Tree Passage	1/12/2021	14/04/2021		
1		Kable, Gregory				21/96728	
088							
12 Aug 2021 Drainage investigation and property evaluation has commenced. Discussion with property owners is ongoing. Any future actions will be determined by Council.							

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Report	Ordinary Council 25/05/2021	Maretich, John	Anna Bay Drainage Union	1/12/2021	26/05/2021			
2		Kable, Gregory				21/138820		
126								
	12 Aug 2021 The State Government agency responsible for Anna Bay Drainage Union shall be consulted with.							

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Report	Ordinary Council 25/05/2021	Maretich, John	Bus Stop in Seaside Estate, Fern Bay	31/12/2021	26/05/2021				
5		Kable, Gregory				21/138820			
128									
12 Aug 2	12 Aug 2021								
This review shall be undertaken through Local Traffic Committee and consultation with members of the Seaside									
Commu	nity Association.								

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 8/06/2021	Lamont, Brock	Sand Movement from Shoal Bay to Fly Point	31/12/2022	9/06/2021			
2		Kable, Gregory				21/156213		
143								
_ ~	13 Aug 2021 Council shall apply for grants in accordance with associated criteria.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 22/06/2021	Lamont, Brock	Review of Dog Off Lead Areas - Anna Bay/Birubi Point, Fisherman's Bay and Boat Harbour	4/10/2021	23/06/2021			
5		Kable, Gregory				21/170138		
	13 Aug 2021 Council mapping updated. Signs installed on-site and trial underway. Council collecting feedback during trial period.							

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Report	Ordinary Council 22/06/2021	Lamont, Brock	Funding for Rock Revetment at Kangaroo Point, Soldiers Point	31/12/2021	23/06/2021			
2		Kable, Gregory				21/170138		
155								
13 Aug 2021 Staff continue to identify grants suitable for works as described. Staff will prepare correspondence for Hunter Water seeking assistance with erosion issues.								
Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed
Report	Ordinary Council 13/07/2021	Gutsche, Tammy	POLICY REVIEW - COMMERCIAL OPERATORS POLICY	31/10/2021		
6		Kable, Gregory				21/190429
13 Aug	2021					

Policy went live for Public Exhibition 21/07/2021 for 28 days, ending 17 August 2021.

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed	
Report	Ordinary Council 13/07/2021	Stewart, Adam	Hydrogen and Electric Vehicles in Council's Fleet	31/12/2021			
2		Kable, Gregory				21/190429	
177							
12 Aug 2021 Staff will investigate the future use of hydrogen and electric vehicles in its fleet, the needs of the community in regards to recharging stations and prepare a report for Council.							

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Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Maretich, John	DEDICATION AS PUBLIC ROAD OF PART LOT 491 DP 27846 - 18C CROMARTY ROAD, SOLDIERS POINT	31/12/2022	13/08/2021			
1		Kable, Gregory				21/218740		
210								
16 Aug 2	16 Aug 2021							
Council	staff will commen	ce transfer of land parce	I to the road reserve.					

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed			
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Maretich, John	Agreement with Community Association DP270468 - Lagoons Estate, Nelson Bay	30/04/2022					
4		Kable, Gregory				21/218740			
208									
Council	16 Aug 2021 Council to enter agreement with the Community Association DP 270468 in accordance with the confidential terms as per Council report.								

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed			
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Stewart, Adam	NEW POLICY - CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION (CCTV) IN PUBLIC PLACES	31/10/2021	13/08/2021				
4		Kable, Gregory				21/218740			
213									
ı ~	15 Aug 2021 The CCTV In Public Places Policy will be placed on Public Exhibition for 28 days.								

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Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Stewart, Adam	Kirrang Drive, Medowie Shared Pathway	31/01/2022	13/08/2021			
8		Kable, Gregory				21/218740		
217								
Council	15 Aug 2021 Council staff will undertake further investigations into the financial requirements and options to accelerate the Kirrang Drive, Medowie pathway. Staff will report the outcomes back to Council.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Lamont, Brock	Amenities Design	30/04/2022	13/08/2021			
2		Kable, Gregory				21/218740		
222								
	16 Aug 2021 As part of the CSP staff will undertake a review or the existing amenities buildings replacement policy.							

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed	
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Lamont, Brock	Shade Sail at Robinson Reserve, Anna Bay	30/11/2021	13/08/2021		
5		Kable, Gregory				21/218740	
223							
16 Aug 2021 Council staff will investigate the costs and specifications of a shade sail to be installed at Robinson Reserve and report back to Council.							

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Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Lamont, Brock	Raymond Terrace Indoor Sports Facility	1/12/2021	13/08/2021	
16		Kable, Gregory				21/218740
227						

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Indoor Sports Facility has been included within Development Contributions Plan. Feasibility of project has been commenced, however resources are being prioritised to scoping and delivery of Capital works Program. Recruiting in Community and Recreation Assets to achieve full complement and report will be finalised by December 2021

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Lamont, Brock	Raymond Terrace Seven Day Makeover	31/12/2022	13/08/2021			
17		Kable, Gregory				21/218740		
15 Aug :	15 Aug 2021							

Staff to allocate \$50,000 from NSW Government Public Spaces Legacy fund grand to stage 2 of William Street, Raymond Terrace for a 7 Day Makeover to completed prior to the end of 2022.

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed	
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Stewart, Adam	Australia Post Mail Box, 14A William Street, Raymond Terrace	31/10/2021	13/08/2021		
20		Kable, Gregory				21/218740	
229							
15 Aug 2021 Council staff to prepare a letter requesting support and advocacy to have the mailbox moved to the vicinity of the							

pedestrian crossing in front of Marketplace Raymond Terrace.

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Report	Ordinary Council 13/07/2021	Wickham, Tony	POLICY REVIEW: GRANTS AND DONATIONS	18/08/2021		
7		Wallis, Wayne				21/190429
13 August 2021 Revised Target Date changed From: 27 Jul 2021 To: 18 Aug 2021 Reason: Policy on public exhibition.						

Туре	Meeting	Officer/Director	Subject	Est. Compl.	Emailed	Completed		
Report	Ordinary Council 10/08/2021	Wickham, Tony	Public Access	30/09/2021	13/08/2021			
23		Wallis, Wayne				21/218740		
230								
Revised T	13 Aug 2021 Revised Target Date changed From: 24 Aug 2021 To: 30 Sep 2021 Reason: Two way conversation to be scheduled.							

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.07pm.