



# **MAYORAL MINUTE**

## **13 MAY 2025**

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**ITEM NO. 1**

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**MAYOR'S DIARY**

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**THAT COUNCIL:**

- 1) Note the Mayoral appointments for the period from 9 April 2025 to 13 May 2025.
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**BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the Mayoral appointments for the period 9 April to 13 May 2025.

This Mayoral Minute aims to inform the Council and community of the key engagements of the Mayor for the preceding period. This is an initiative I wanted to introduce this term to provide a clear record of the engagements undertaken through the Mayoral office.

**9 April 2025**

- Meeting with Newcastle Herald representative.
- Filmed Council meeting debrief.

**10 April 2025**

- Attended Hunter Joint Organisation Board meeting and workshop at Cessnock.
- ABC Radio interview re Birubi shuttle bus trial.

**11 April 2025**

- Salamander Bay Town Centre Place Plan meeting.

**14 April 2025**

- Hume Housing media event, Raymond Terrace.

**15 April 2025**

- ABC Radio interview re Federal election priorities.
- Meeting with Wahroonga Aboriginal Corporation.
- Meeting with Tilligerry Community Association.
- Catchup with Facilities and Infrastructure staff.
- Catchup with the Executive Team.
- Meeting with Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia.
- Two Way Conversations:
  - Follow up from 8 April 2025 Council meeting
  - Finance Update

- Council Chambers Refurbishment and Technology Update
- Planning Proposal Update
- Comprehensive Development Control Plan
- Comprehensive Amendment to the Port Stephens Infrastructure Contributions Plan and AGL Tomago Battery Voluntary Planning Agreement

**16 April 2025**

- Filmed video of Fingal Bay foreshore works and Community Satisfaction Survey.
- Attended Rivergum Grandparents as Parents Group Easter Family Fun Day.
- Meeting re NBN Investment across Port Stephens region.
- Cr Errington sport announcement at Lakeside.
- Communications and Engagement Advisory Group meeting.

**17 April 2025**

- Site inspection – Salamander Bay.
- Battle of the Arts – Youth Week 2025.

**22 April 2025**

- Meeting with Hunter Community Alliance representatives.
- Catchup with the Executive Team.

**23 April 2025**

- Photo opportunity with Minister for Tourism, Nelson Bay.
- Fern Bay community meeting.

**24 April 2025**

- Newcastle Airport tour with Minister for Tourism.
- Attended Tomaree Residents and Ratepayers Association meeting.

**25 April 2025**

- Participated in the following ANZAC Day events:
  - Dawn Service, Nelson Bay
  - Wests Diggers Breakfast, Nelson Bay
  - Main Service, Raymond Terrace

**28 April 2025**

- Catchup with Communications staff.
- Site inspection – Salamander Bay.

**29 April 2025**

- MGA Thermal Demonstration Unit announcement, Tomago.
- Catchup with Facilities and Infrastructure staff.
- Catchup with the Executive Team.
- Raymond Terrace Town Centre Development meeting.
- Councillors' Workshop catchup session.

**30 April 2025**

- Visited SES Unit at Corlette.

**1 May 2025**

- ABC Radio interview on recent weather events.
- Presented at the Combined Leadership Team Workshop.

**2 May 2025**

- Newcastle Airport Pty Ltd and Greater Newcastle Aerotropolis Board meetings.
- West Ward road inspection.

**3 May 2025**

- Port Stephens Netball – official season opening.

**5 May 2025**

- Catchup with Communications staff.

**6 May 2025**

- Site inspection – Salamander Bay.
- Catchup with the Executive Team.
- Meeting with Tilligerry Habitat.
- 112 Adelaide Street, Raymond Terrace update.
- Meeting with Newcastle Game Fishing Club representatives.

**7 May 2025**

- Catchup with the General Manager.
- Monthly Mayor meetings – Fingal Bay and Salamander Bay.

**8 May 2025**

- Council Pop Up – Salamander Place Plan.

**9 May 2025**

- Country Mayors' Association meeting, Parliament House, Sydney.

**10 May 2025**

- Attended Girl Guides High Tea, Williamtown.

**12 May 2025**

- Tomaree Community Connect Week.
- Newcastle Airport International Terminal tour and media event.
- Catchup with the General Manager.
- Catchup with Communications staff.
- Meeting with community members - placement of artist's map of Medowie.

**13 May 2025**

- Port Stephens Business meet and greet, Taylors Beach.
- Catchup with Facilities and Infrastructure staff.

## **ORDINARY COUNCIL - 13 MAY 2025**

- Catchup with the Executive Team.
- Councillor Briefings:
  - Hunter Joint Organisation
  - Pre-Council briefings
- Public Access and Ordinary Council meeting.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.