

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO. 1

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MAYOR'S DIARY

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1) Note the Mayoral appointments for the period from 26 March 2025 to 8 April 2025.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the Mayoral appointments for the period 26 March to 8 April 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.

26 March 2025

- Greater Newcastle Aerotropolis Partnership Board meeting.
- Filmed Council meeting debrief.
- Newcastle Airport Partnership Company 3 and Newcastle Airport Partnership Company 4 Board of Directors meetings.

27 March 2025

- Tree planting, Bridle Path.
- ABC Radio interview on tree vandalism.
- Jet ski meeting with Hon Kate Washington MP and Transport for NSW representatives.
- Attended awarding of Emerging Athlete Grants.

28 March 2025

- Destination Port Stephens quarterly catchup.
- Volunteered to help with the Tomaree Neighbourhood Centre Kindness Trolley.

30 March 2025

- Hunter Region Botanic Gardens reopening post storm.
- Sister Cities Yugawara student visit BBQ.

31 March 2025

- IPWEA Asset Management Course webinar.
- Catchup with the General Manager.
- Catchup with Councillors' Workshop facilitator.
- Meeting with the General Manager and Hunter Joint Organisation representatives on strategic planning.
- Catchup with Communications staff.
- Filmed content for Communication and Engagement Strategy and Mayoral Academic Scholarship Program.
- Welcome Ceremony for Sail Port Stephens participants and prize presentation.

1 April 2025

- Tour of Newcastle Airport.
- Catchup with the Executive Team.
- Meeting with Nelson Bay tourism operator.
- Social media training.
- Positive Behaviour for Learning Citizenship Awards.
- Councillor Business Paper review.

2 April 2025

- Sail Port Stephens Street Party.

3 April 2025

- Meeting with Fishing Australia representative.
- Monthly Nelson Bay View Club.
- Visited resident turning 100 years old.
- Farewell dinner for Newcastle Airport Director, Nuatali Nelmes.

4 April 2025

- Newcastle Airport Pty Ltd and Greater Newcastle Aerotropolis Pty Ltd Board meetings.
- Meeting with Hon Kate Washington MP and Executive Team.

5 April 2025

- Councillors' Strategic Workshop.

7 April 2025

- Meeting at NSW Parliament House with Hunter Joint Organisation representatives and the Hon Paul Scully MP re accelerating the reactivation of current and former mining lands to create jobs in the Hunter Region.

8 April 2025

- Catchup with Communications staff.
- Catchup with the Executive Team.
- Catchup with the General Manager.
- Smart Parking Portal meeting.

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- Interview with the Councillors and Port Stephens Examiner.
- Pre-Council meeting.
- Public Access and Ordinary Council meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.