



Minutes of the Council Meeting

Held at the Council Chamber, Moreland Civic Centre,
90 Bell Street, Coburg
on Wednesday 14 April 2021

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7.01 pm and stated the Council meeting is being held on the traditional country of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people and acknowledged them as Traditional Owners. The Mayor paid respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and the Elders from other communities who may be here today.

Present	Time In	Time Out
Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan, Mayor	7.01 pm	10.34 pm
Cr Mark Riley, Deputy Mayor	7.01 pm	10.34 pm
Cr Adam Pulford	7.01 pm	10.34 pm
Cr Angelica Panopoulos	7.01 pm	10.34 pm
Cr Helen Davidson	7.01 pm	10.34 pm
Cr Helen Pavlidis	7.01 pm	10.34 pm
Cr James Conlan	7.01 pm	10.34 pm
Cr Lambros Tapinos	7.01 pm	10.34 pm
Cr Milad El-Halabi	7.01 pm	9.14 pm
Cr Oscar Yildiz JP	7.01 pm	10.34 pm
Cr Sue Bolton	7.01 pm	10.34 pm

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

OFFICERS

Chief Executive Officer – Cathy Henderson
Director Business Transformation – Sue Vujcevic
Director City Infrastructure – Anita Curnow
Director City Futures – Kirsten Coster
Director Community Development – Arden Joseph
Director Engagement and Partnerships – Joseph Tabacco
Manager Governance and Strategy – Yvonne Callanan
Acting Unit Manager Governance and Civic Protocols – Naomi Ellis

DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Yildiz disclosed a conflict of interest in Notice of Motion 8.5 Council's aged care service as he has a family member who works in the area.

7.04 pm Cr Tapinos left the meeting.

7.04 pm Cr Tapinos returned to the meeting.

MINUTE CONFIRMATION

Resolution

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Riley seconded -

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 10 March 2021 be confirmed, subject to the following correction on page 5 of the proposed minutes:

- The inclusion of a second question submitted by Rachel Matton, noting that, as Rachel Matton was not in attendance, the question was referred to the relevant Director for a direct, out-of-session response:

It is understood that Pascoe Vale Football Club is currently the sole tenant of Hosken Reserve. Is it the intention that this site/facility become multi-tenanted beyond 2021, or remain a sole tenant leasing arrangement whereby any 'other users' would sub-lease from the primary tenant?

- The inclusion of a second question submitted by Kelli Skapetis, noting that, as Kelli Skapetis was not in attendance, the question was referred to the relevant Director for a direct, out-of-session response:

The '2021 Annual and Winter Sports Facilities and Ground Tenancy Allocations' are scheduled to be tabled with Council on Wednesday March 10 2021 (tonight). As such, why was Pascoe Vale Football Club's allocated hours for exclusive use of Hosken Reserve approved prior to this council meeting to increase from 37 hours per week (Mon-Fri 4pm-9pm, Sat-Sun 10am-4pm) to 45 hours per week (Mon-Fri 4pm-9pm, Sat-Sun 8am-6pm), commencing Sat 13th February 2021?

Carried

7.05 pm Mayor adjourned the meeting for five minutes for the gallery audio to be fixed.

7.11 pm Mayor resumed the meeting.

PETITIONS

REQUEST FOR DOG OFF-LEASH AREA IN F COX RESERVE ON MURRAY ROAD, COBURG NORTH

A petition containing 24 signatures requests that Council reclassify a specific area of F Cox Reserve on Murray Road, Coburg North as a dog off-leash area.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Davidson seconded -

That Council:

1. Receives the petition, requesting Council reclassify a specific area of F Cox Reserve on Murray Road, Coburg North as a dog off-leash area.
2. Refers the petition to the Director City Infrastructure for consideration and response.

Carried

HOSKEN RESERVE

A joint letter was tabled at the meeting containing 6 signatures regarding the Hosken Reserve Masterplan refresh community consultation process.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Conlan seconded –

That Council:

- 1. Receives the joint letter regarding Hosken Reserve community consultation.**
- 2. Refers the joint letter to the Chief Executive Officer consideration and response.**

Carried

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Public Question Time commenced at 7.13 pm.

CLANCY MOORE – STATEMENT – BIKES LANES ON GLENLYON ROAD

I live on Glenlyon Rd, between Sydney Rd and Lygon St. I'm a parent of two boys aged 4 and 9 who attend or have attended the two childcare centres on Glenlyon Rd. We also ride regularly to Brunswick library and swimming pool. Due to the high number of cars and trucks we often choose to ride on the footpath and not on the current bike lane. There is a risk of being hit by cars and of parked cars opening their doors on us. Riding on the footpath also means we need to be careful of people leaving the local church, medical centre and waiting / boarding the bus at the stops near Sydney Rd. Many of the families (approx over 200) ride to the childcare centres along Glenlyon Rd. Just over 3 weeks ago there was an accident when a car hit a dad with his young daughter on the back of the bike. Many students travel by bike to Brunswick High School too. For these reasons I support the statements in favour of safer bike lanes along Glenlyon Rd/ Dawson St.

As Clancy Moore was not in attendance, the statement was taken on notice and will be circulated out-of-session to Councillors. An acknowledgement will be sent to Clancy Moore.

PETER FISHER – RELATIONSHIPS WITH DEVELOPERS

Could Council please inform the public, in the interest of transparency (7.10), about the nature of any potential past or potential ongoing relationships with Senol, a company that "specialises in the delivery of innovative high-quality residential and commercial property solutions within Melbourne and its surrounds" or with MRC Building Engineers, a company that is involved in designing residential and commercial buildings?

At the request of the Mayor, Kirsten Coster, Director City Futures advised:

- As can be viewed through Council's Planning Register Senol have on occasion applied for medium density developments.
- There are no records for applications lodged by MRC Building Engineers.

PETER FISHER – SPORTING FACILITY UPGRADES AND DEVELOPERS

How has Council ensured the appropriate management of potential past or potential ongoing relationships that may have influenced previous and current decision making in relation to proposals to upgrade sporting facilities where sporting organisations are sponsored by developers?

At the request of the Mayor, Sue Vujcevic, Director Business Transformation advised:

- Council is committed to transparency in decision making and operates under a governance and transparency framework.
- This includes our Governance rules – meeting record requirements and conflict of interest disclosure procedures that apply to all Councillors.

ELOISE MIGNON – STATEMENT – SEPARATE BIKE LANE ON GLENLYON ROAD

My name is Eloïse. I live on Minnie Street in Brunswick, which abuts Glenlyon Road. I have a four year old and a nine month old, and for reasons both ethical and practical, am committed to cycling them to creche and kinder by bicycle during the week, and myself to work. I use Glenlyon Rd. at least twice daily, and this often feels precarious: when it is traffic-heavy, as it frequently is, I choose to ride stretches on the footpath. It makes me nervous to ride East toward Lygon or Nicholson Streets or West toward Sydney Rd. and beyond.

My children and I would greatly benefit from separated bike lanes on Glenlyon Rd. If they were in place, I would use Glenlyon Rd to take them to swimming and to the library instead of cutting through smaller streets or riding on the footpath—or indeed driving. I would use it to go to Sydney Rd. by bike for shopping, instead of by car.

When my children start at primary school, I want them to ride to school; first with me, then when they are old enough, by themselves. If Glenlyon Rd. had a separate bike lane, this idea – one that resonates with a projection of Moreland as a sustainable, liveable community - would be achievable.

The Mayor advised:

- Items 8.11 and 8.12 that refer to bicycle lanes and infrastructure, will be considered as part of tonight's agenda.
- They will be brought forward for consideration so that members of the gallery do not have to stay late.

ALICIA LILEY - HOSKEN RESERVE

Living 5 minutes away from Hosken Reserve in my 33rd year since acquiring my brain injury, having been legally asserted that I am over 50% disabled, so I personally require exercise in a natural setting for my mental health. Furthermore, I have researched, finding my utmost concern of David Attenborough's statement, "the true tragedy of our time is the spiralling decline of our planet's biodiversity, leading to this Planet's 6th Extinction." So what does the Council propose to amend this serious realistic dilemma when you propose synthetic turf to be laid on Hosken Reserve, when even the IPCC (International Panel of Climate Change) advise that we humans limit further use of synthetic plastics that kills biodiversity, which also leads to human suffering due to the cancer-generating toxic carcinogens caused by tyres, that make up Synthetic Turf, which is also damaging for everyone's overall health due to our environment concerns, as this turf ends up in landfill! So again, what is every Councillors response to this tragedy?

The Mayor advised:

- The Hosken Reserve Masterplan will be considered at the 12 May 2021 Council meeting.

ALICIA LILEY - HOSKEN RESERVE

From an article, 'Why artificial turf may truly be bad for kids' also deeply concerns me, being a mother of three and a dog: "Artificial turf increases "turf burn" abrasions from sliding, puts additional stress on joints, and can become dangerously hot in the sun" (proof of a local resident's reading on synthetic turf surface over summer resulted in being at

least 60 degrees!) "It may also cause cancer and other serious long-term health problems." So why is the Council and the Pascoe Vale Soccer Club, who are wanting to attract more youth, encouraging Synthetic Turf? This is assuming that you don't want to encourage serious health concerns for your residents, or for the members living outside The City of Moreland who play soccer at Hosken Reserve?

The Mayor took this question on notice and a written response will be provided.

WARRAN HOCKING - HOSKEN RESERVE

Understanding The Environmental and Health Impacts of Synthetic Turf Urban Heat Island Effect Action Plan - How do plans for replacing grass open spaces into synthetic surfaces fit into Moreland's Urban Heat island action plan (Hosken Reserve Masterplan Refresh). Moreland Councils role in responding to Urban Heat Island effect is to implement localised green infrastructure, develop greater social resilience to heatwaves (converting greenspace to synthetic is the opposite to this). Coburg is listed as a high risk area due to lack of tree cover and greenspaces. Moreland's priority areas based on thermal imaging performed show that of the five hot spots, Hadfield and North Coburg were listed, the mapping has listed the area where Hosken reserve sits as priority 1. Targets of the Urban Heat Island strategy is to increase and strengthen green spaces, tree canopy and storm water harvests. If Hosken Reserve Masterplan Refresh synthetic options are passed this will turn 16,000 square metres of natural grass to plastic. This is 3,200 tons of CO2 Emissions per 10 years per the FIFA 2017 Artificial Turf Environmental Impact Study. Planting some trees will note offset this volume of emissions How does replacing a storm watered grass oval to synthetic turf at Hosken Reserve which is listed in a High Risk Priority 1 location fit into the targets and strategies of the Urban Heat island strategy?

At the request of the Mayor, Cathy Henderson, Chief Executive Officer advised:

- Hosken Reserve shares a number of existing characteristics of both a 'District' and 'Regional' level sports facility as noted in the Open Space Strategy Appendix 2 Classifications and core levels of service, particularly 'Higher quality support facilities (irrigated to highest level), playing surfaces able to be enclosed to take a gate fee, competition lights, pavilion, including club and social rooms where applicable'. In line with this mixed provision of District/Regional facilities at the site, options including synthetic surfaces and fencing options are being considered for implementation.
- It is acknowledged that some State level planning has identified Moreland as one of the third lowest municipalities in metropolitan Melbourne for square metres of open space per 1,000 population, which is why Council has embarked upon the 'A Park Close to Home' strategy to fill the identified open space gap areas in Moreland. This strategy also notes that in 2016, there was 113.3 square metres of unrestricted open space per person in Coburg North – the highest in Moreland and more than 4 times the Moreland average of 27.8 square metres per person. In addition, there are four open space areas within 500 metres of Hosken Reserve including Sanger Reserve, Richards Reserve, Bain Reserve and the Coburg North Linear Reserve.
- Appendix 3 of the Open Space Strategy is intended for application to residential subdivisions, precinct structure plans and the like, however the core principles of assessing 'Supply' and 'Demand' is being applied to the Hosken Reserve Master Plan Refresh project and will factor in the above mentioned statistics.

7.28 pm Mayor adjourned the meeting for two minutes due to technical issues with the livestream.

7.29 pm Mayor resumed the meeting.

JOHN ENGLART – STATEMENT - SYNTHETIC TURF

Statement on 8.13 Understanding The Environmental And Health Impacts Of Synthetic Turf In Moreland I have just done a literature review of the science on synthetic turf, I would like to make a statement in support of this motion which I believe will assist in Council governance on the issue of use of synthetic turf in Moreland.

At the invitation of the Mayor, Cr Tapinos advised:

- Councillors have received your review and this issue will be considered as an agenda item in tonight's meeting.

GAVAN SQUIRES - OAK PARK OUTDOOR POOL

Given the Oak Park outdoor heated Pool is so popular with lap swimmers will Council open the Oak Park Pool for the whole year in 2021. The Coburg Pool is overcrowded, congested and just too small for all the activities that are conducted there during the winter months when Oak Park Pool is closed.

As Gavan Squires was not in attendance, the question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

ROBERT SEYCHELL – STATEMENT – RECONSTRUCTING MCPHERSON STREET

Residents are seeking full reconstruction of McPherson Street Coburg VIC 3058 (dead end section) to be included as part of 4 Year Moreland City Council Budget to upgrade infrastructure as articulated in letter dated 2 March 2021 (signed by residents) and follow up email dated 7 April 2021 addressed to Mayor and all Councillors.

At the invitation of the Mayor, Anita Curnow, Director City Infrastructure advised:

- This will be considered as part of the draft Budget at the 12 May 2021 Council meeting.

The following questions were taken on notice.

IAN MACK - SYNTHETIC TURF

The usual principle with using of public resources is that the user is responsible for the use and any damage that use causes. That's why insurance is required to use a Public hall in case of damage. With Hosken Reserve the damage caused to the lawn of the park is by the over use of the grass by the Pascoe Vale Soccer Club. Why instead of requiring the Soccer Club to fix the damaged grass is Council considering installing plastic which will poison the soil and further contamination to the water

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

IAN MACK - SYNTHETIC TURF

Evidence shows that plastic Astro turf, as intended for Hoskin Reserve, contributes to the heat island effect. Clearly exacerbating the consequences felt by Moreland residents of climate change. Having declared a Climate Emergency is incompatible with Moreland Council aggravating the Climate Emergency by covering precious public open parks with toxic heat island increasing plastic. Can each councillor please explain how Moreland Council can take the Climate Emergency seriously and stop giving it lip service, using the practice of plastic coating public land as one of the examples?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

WARRAN HOCKING - SYNTHETIC TURF

8.13 Understanding The Environmental And Health Impacts Of Synthetic Turf Moreland has been identified as one of the third lowest (of 29 municipalities) providers of open space per 1000 people in metropolitan Melbourne. This question is concerned with natural open spaces such as Hosken Reserve Masterplan and Parker Reserve that are being considered to be converted to synthetic surfaces and fenced in and how Open space Strategy has been adopted by Council In the section of the Openspace Strategy related to core level of services table 7 'sports open space', that spaces in a District location has required accessibility "May fulfil the role of a local park for urban residents within 500m e.g. Social /family recreation" which is the case for Hosken Reserve being the only open space for residents within 500m. As part of the same table Under Quality/Complexity the playing space must be unfenced for flexibility. 'Sufficient space to accommodate a core range of competitive sports (not restricted to one). Pleasant landscape setting for non-sporting, recreation opportunities, dog exercise, etc' The openspace strategy refers to synthetic turf and sports grounds "Synthetic turf can be considered in some circumstances although should not be seen as the only alternative to dealing with difficult conditions" Hosken Reserve has a Storm water System in place so drought and water usage are not relevant conditions for synthetic. Alternatives such as oversowing or different grass types should be considered before synthetic. The Open Space strategy also has a planning process for Open Space in Appendix 3. How does Synthetic turf and fencing options fit into Hosken Reserve Masterplan Refresh and the Openspace strategy? And how has the Open Space planning process in appendix 3 been applied to the Hosken Reserve Masterplan Refresh?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

TATIANA STEPHENS – DRAFT CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES PLAN 2021-2025

The Moreland Early Years Strategy 2016-2020, which will be replaced by the CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES PLAN 2021-2025, contained an action to encourage: "healthy eating, play and physical exercise" which would be achieved by "making it easy for 'more people to be more active more often.'" Did council consider this commitment under the Early Years Strategy when it: a) made the decision to put out to tender in September 2020 a project which would see a local multi-use community recreation reserve in Coburg North converted to a single use synthetic soccer pitch no longer suitable for a wide range of active recreation activities?

b) increased the allocation of Hosken Reserve to a fee-collecting private sports club to 45 hours in March 2021 - effectively rendering Hosken Reserve inaccessible to local residents for active recreation activities?

Will there be any reporting against the Moreland Early Years Strategy 2016-2020?

Going forward, will the new Children, Young People and Families Plan 2021-2025 be considered by council when making decisions that impact the outcomes, actions, or other priorities of the plan?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

TATIANA STEPHENS – HEAT VULNERABILITY MAP

Is Moreland City Council committed to using expert advice and research, such as the heat vulnerability map, to inform policy and planning and fulfill its duty to protect residents' health and wellbeing?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

RACHEL MATTON – COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE AT MELBOURNE VICTORY CHAIRMAN’S FUNCTION

Early last month, both Oscar Yildiz and Helen Davidson attended the Melbourne Victory Chairman’s function. How were the tickets to this function obtained (e.g. privately funded or gifted) and if they were gifted, who was the individual or organisation who gifted them and on what date was this gift listed in the gifts and benefits register?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

NAT ABBOUD – MERRI CREEK TRAIL

Have the Crs read my submission to the 4 year budget regarding the ramp on the Merri Creek trail, just south of Bell Street?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

NAT ABBOUD - MERRI CREEK TRAIL

Will the Crs vote to deliver an upgraded ramp that is accessible, safe and functional by the end of the four budget term?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

KELLI SKAPETIS – RESPONSES TO PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Why are council not publishing the answers to questions submitted by members of the community for council meetings, in their governance report?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

KELLI SKAPETIS - RESPONSES TO PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Answers to questions submitted for council meeting are not currently being published in the monthly governance report. Therefore, how does a member of the community obtain access to an answer council have provided to a question asked by other member of the community?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

DICKON RODDIE - COBURG OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL

The current contract for the management of the Coburg Olympic Swimming Pool expires in 2022. When will the tender for this contract be released? Prior to its release will there be an opportunity to review the Moreland City Council Aquatic and Leisure Strategy 2018 – 2038 in light of the changes to resident’s preference or restrictions to exercise outdoors due to the COVID 19 pandemic and the growing impact that climate change is having on our homes?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

RACHEL MATTON – HOSKEN RESERVE

Last month I asked council the following question: Pascoe Vale Football Club is currently the sole tenant of Hosken Reserve. Is it the intention that this site/facility become multi-tenanted beyond 2021, or remain a sole tenant leasing arrangement whereby any ‘other users’ would sub-lease from the primary tenant? Council responded, and I quote: “There are no current plans to have multi-tenants on this reserve. The Pascoe Vale Football Club has been a longstanding tenant of Hosken Reserve”. If there are no plans to have multiple

teams/tenants using Hosken Reserve, can council explain why Football Victoria, via letter addressed to all Moreland soccer club presidents issued last week, suggested Hosken Reserve would be used as an “overflow facility for all Moreland clubs”. Why would Football Victoria hold a belief that Hosken Reserve is to become an overflow or shared facility for all Moreland soccer clubs, if this is not what is intended by council?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

CATHERINE EDWARDS – MERLYNSTON TENNIS CLUB TOILETS

Why is an obscene amount of money spent by our Moreland City Council on a private Soccer club?

What about the Merlynston Tennis club toilets? Have you looked at their facilities? Not an ounce of Council money spent in 30 years.

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

CATHERINE EDWARDS – MERLYNSTON TENNIS CLUB TOILETS

Why are the Coburg North locals mental health and recreations needs much less of a priority than a private soccer Club to Moreland Council?

This question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

Public Question Time concluded at 7.42 pm.

Agenda items brought forward

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Notices of Motion 8.11, 8.12 and 8.13 be brought forward and considered at the completion of Council Report 7.1 Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy Review.

Carried

COUNCIL REPORTS

7.1 MORELAND INTEGRATED TRANSPORT STRATEGY - REVIEW

In accordance with NOM60/20 this report contains a revised Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy (MITS) 2019 at Attachment 1 reflecting two primary changes to abandon expanded parking restrictions and planning scheme amendments to revise car parking rates within the Moreland Planning Scheme. It is not yet understood what the impacts of these changes are on the ability of the Strategy to achieve the transport mode shift targets and related Council aspirations to achieve net zero emissions by 2040 as set by Zero Carbon Moreland. It is therefore recommended that further work be undertaken to ensure that all other consequential changes that arise from the NOM60/20 revisions are appropriately considered before the revision process is completed.

Also in accordance with NOM 60/20, a review of Council's Parking Management Policy (PMP) has been undertaken. The PMP was initially adopted in 2011 and revised in 2018 and 2019. A key element of the PMP is that residents living in properties subdivided after August 2011 are not eligible for resident parking permits, to protect residents of pre-August 2011 housing from parking impacts of newer developments.

Following Council's decision in March 2019 (DCF12/19) to introduce parking restrictions in all Neighbourhood Centres and within 200 metres of all Activity Centres (the "MITS car parking restriction rollout"), a number of "transitional" parking policies were adopted in 2019 and 2020 to ensure the expanded restrictions did not result in unintended consequences, particularly in terms of impacting vulnerable or disadvantaged people. As a result of Council's resolution to abandon the MITS car parking restrictions rollout, many of the transitional parking policies are currently only applicable in two Neighbourhood Centres in Brunswick West and Hadfield.

As resolved by Council, officers have conducted a review of the PMP and proposed a number of changes, as shown in the Draft PMP 2021 at Attachment 2, which is recommended to be endorsed for community consultation prior to developing a final revised PMP. This has been informed by benchmarking against parking permit options and costs against a number of other Councils in Melbourne.

Key changes in the Draft PMP 2021 include:

- Formalising some transitional parking policies relating to permit options for people with disabilities and others with special circumstances, and discounted permits for non-profits and organisations looking after children
- Revising the permit option for organisations providing home care to vulnerable or disadvantaged clients to be offered on a daily rather than annual basis
- Allowing businesses (not only residents) to access a permit option when requiring services from tradespeople, removalists, etc.
- Delegating authority to officers to make parking changes affecting no more than two parking spaces for safety or operational reasons, and changes affecting more than two parking spaces where this is recommended by a road safety audit to address a safety issue
- Providing additional guidance for decision making on appeals to allow consideration of special circumstances which may give rise to undue disadvantage.

It is recommended to consult on discontinuing a number of transitional parking permit options which currently only apply in the Brunswick West and Hadfield Neighbourhood Centres, such as the resident A parking permit. It is also not recommended to expand resident parking permit eligibility to smaller-scale, post-August 2011 developments, as detailed in the review contained in Attachment 4.

This report also contains advice on how surveys of multi-dwelling developments with zero off-street parking could be conducted to understand their impact on on-street parking demand at Attachment 5. Based on this advice and indicative costs, it is not recommended to conduct these surveys at this time.

A comprehensive stand-alone human rights assessment and gender impact assessment of the Draft PMP 2021 are provided at Attachment 6 and Attachment 7 respectively.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the initial revisions to the Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy (MITS) 2019 at Attachment 1 in accordance with Council's December 2020 resolutions abandoning two MITS actions relating to car parking (NOM60/20).
2. Endorses the commencement of further work to fully revise MITS 2019 and related documents including revised mode shift targets, implications for Council's aspirations to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2040, and potential additional MITS actions to meet mode shift and carbon emission objectives to continue to achieve this aspiration.
3. Receives a further report when the costs of this additional work has been fully scoped and costed, noting an early indication of this budget is in the order of \$60,000 to \$80,000.
4. Endorses the Draft Parking Management Policy (PMP) 2021 at Attachment 2 for community consultation, which includes the following changes to the existing PMP 2019:
 - a) Formalising transitional parking policies developed in anticipation of implementing MITS parking restrictions that remain relevant including:
 - i. Allowing all residents who have an accessible parking permit to access a resident parking permit regardless of where they live
 - ii. Allowing residents who live in properties subdivided after August 2011 to apply for an exemption to access visitor permits, where they can provide evidence from a relevant professional that they have a special need for these based on factors such as age, disability, health or specific threat to personal safety
 - iii. Providing a 50 per cent discount on business parking permits for registered charities and not-for-profits, schools and early years services
 - b) Allowing businesses (not only residents) to access service parking permits to cater for tradespeople, removalists, etc.
 - c) Revising the home visit permit for organisations that provide services to clients' homes in Moreland to be based on daily permits as needed rather than annual permits
 - d) Delegating authority to officers to make parking changes affecting no more than two parking spaces for safety or operational reasons consistent with the User Priority Guidelines in the PMP, and changes affecting more than two parking spaces where this is recommended by a road safety audit to address a safety issue
 - e) Providing additional decision making guidance for the appeals process to allow consideration of undue disadvantage arising from special circumstances and where it is reasonable to make an exemption
 - f) Removing references to implementation of MITS 2019 parking restrictions, other than relating to the Brunswick West and Hadfield areas where

consultation will occur to determine whether there is community support to retain these restrictions

- g) Minor changes to car share permit eligibility, operation and fees
 - h) Other minor changes such as updates to position titles, text revisions for greater clarity and reference to the new ePermit system
5. Notes that the Draft PMP at Attachment 2 does not include the following transitional permits options developed in anticipation of the MITS parking restrictions rollout, effectively discontinuing these once the final PMP is adopted:
 - a) Transitional (additional) resident and business parking permits
 - b) Daily parking permit for non-residents
 - c) Ability to use business permits where MITS parking restrictions introduced
 - d) Resident A parking permit
 - e) Removed limit on number of business permits for registered charities and not-for-profits, schools and early years services
 6. Endorses the Draft PMP for community consultation as outlined in section 7 of this report subject to the allocation of the necessary funds outlined in section 6 of this report which will be referred to the third quarter budget review process.
 7. Notes benchmarking of parking permit eligibility and cost, as well as processes for considering changes to parking restrictions, at Attachment 3.
 8. Notes the analysis of likely impacts of allowing smaller-scale post-August 2011 subdivisions to access resident parking permits (as requested by NOM6/20 and NOM60/20) at Attachment 4, including the recommendation not to allow these subdivisions to access resident permits.
 9. Notes advice from Dr De Gruyter at RMIT University on a recommended approach to survey zero parking developments to determine their impact on on-street parking utilization, at Attachment 5.
 10. Notes the human rights assessment and gender impact assessment relating to proposed changes to the Parking Management Policy at Attachment 6 and Attachment 7 respectively.
 11. Notes that officers are preparing to consult the Brunswick West and Hadfield Neighbourhood Centre areas where MITS parking restrictions were introduced in December 2019 to determine whether there is community support to retain these restrictions, and will report on this consultation with recommendations to Council at a future meeting.

Motion

Cr Riley moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

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 - Allowing businesses (not only residents) to access service parking permits to cater for tradespeople, removalists, etc.
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 - d) Delegating authority to officers to make parking changes affecting no more than two parking spaces for safety or operational reasons consistent with the User Priority Guidelines in the PMP, and changes affecting more than two parking spaces where this is recommended by a road safety audit to address a safety issue
 - e) Providing additional decision making guidance for the appeals process to allow consideration of undue disadvantage arising from special circumstances and where it is reasonable to make an exemption
 - f) Removing references to implementation of MITS 2019 parking restrictions, other than relating to the Brunswick West and Hadfield areas where consultation will occur to determine whether there is community support to retain these restrictions
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6. Endorses the Draft PMP for community consultation as outlined in section 7 of this report subject to the allocation of the necessary funds outlined in section 6 of this report which will be referred to the third quarter budget review process.
7. Notes benchmarking of parking permit eligibility and cost, as well as processes for

considering changes to parking restrictions, at Attachment 3.

8. Notes the analysis of likely impacts of allowing smaller-scale post-August 2011 subdivisions to access resident parking permits (as requested by NOM6/20 and NOM60/20) at Attachment 4, including the recommendation not to allow these subdivisions to access resident permits.
9. Notes advice from Dr De Gruyter at RMIT University on a recommended approach to survey zero parking developments to determine their impact on on-street parking utilization, at Attachment 5.
10. Notes the human rights assessment and gender impact assessment relating to proposed changes to the Parking Management Policy at Attachment 6 and Attachment 7 respectively.
11. Notes that officers are preparing to consult the Brunswick West and Hadfield Neighbourhood Centre areas where MITS parking restrictions were introduced in December 2019 to determine whether there is community support to retain these restrictions, and will report on this consultation with recommendations to Council at a future meeting.
12. Notes the significant work involved in undertaking the consultation process for the revised PMP and further refining the MITS and, in particular, that limited progression will occur on the other MITS actions during this time while the extensive COVID transport program is continued to be rolled out as well.

Amendment

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

That point 2 of the Motion be deleted:

2. Endorses the commencement of further work to fully revise MITS 2019 and related documents, implications for Council's aspirations to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2040, and potential additional MITS actions to meet mode shift and carbon emission objectives to continue to achieve this aspiration.

7.46 pm Cr Yildiz left the Council Chamber.

7.49pm Cr Yildiz returned to the Council Chamber.

Lost

Cr Panopoulos called for a division.

For

Cr Carli Hannan
Cr Tapinos
Cr Yildiz
Cr Pavlidis
Cr El-Halabi

Total For (5)

Against

Cr Bolton
Cr Davidson
Cr Riley
Cr Pulford
Cr Panopoulos
Cr Conlan

Total Against (6)

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

That point 3 of the Motion be deleted:

3. **Receives a further report when the costs of this additional work has been fully scoped and costed, noting an early indication of this budget is in the order of \$60,000 to \$80,000.**

Carried

Cr Conlan called for a division.

For	Against
Cr Carli Hannan	Cr Bolton
Cr Davidson	Cr Riley
Cr Tapinos	Cr Pulford
Cr Yildiz	Cr Panopoulos
Cr Pavlidis	Cr Conlan
Cr El-Halabi	
Total For (6)	Total Against (5)

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

That point 4 i) be added to Motion:

4 i) Other minor changes required to give effect to this motion.

Carried

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

That point 7 of the Motion be amended:

7. Notes benchmarking of parking permit eligibility and cost, as well as processes for considering changes to parking restrictions, at Attachment 3 and determines to undertake community consultation as part of the PMP consultation on the following change:
 - a) the cost for the first standard residential parking permit be free.

Carried

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

That point 8 of the Motion be amended:

8. Notes the analysis of likely impacts of allowing smaller-scale post-August 2011 subdivisions to access resident parking permits (as requested by NOM6/20 and NOM60/20) at Attachment 4 and makes available standard residential parking permits and visitor parking permits for subdivisions that meet the following criteria:
 - Small subdivisions of 3 dwellings or less on a lot.
 - Are within 200 metres (as the crow flies) of an Activity Centre.
 - Were subdivided before 31 December 2021.

Carried on the casting vote of the Mayor

Cr Riley called for a division.

For	Against	Abstain
Cr Carli Hannan	Cr Davidson	Cr Bolton
Cr Tapinos	Cr Riley	
Cr Yildiz	Cr Pulford	
Cr Pavlidis	Cr Panopoulos	
Cr El-Halabi	Cr Conlan	
Total For (5)	Total Against (5)	Total Abstain (1)

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

That point 9 a) be added to the Motion:

9. **Notes advice from Dr De Gruyter at RMIT University on a recommended approach to survey zero parking developments to determine their impact on on-street parking utilization, at Attachment 5.**
 - a) **Council proceed to conduct two surveys of existing ‘zero parking developments’ and new developments within 12 months of occupancy certificates being granted.**

Carried

Cr Riley called for a division.

For	Against
Cr Bolton	Cr Riley
Cr Carli Hannan	Cr Pulford
Cr Davidson	Cr Panopoulos
Cr Tapinos	Cr Conlan
Cr Yildiz	
Cr Pavlidis	
Cr El-Halabi	
Total For (7)	Total Against (4)

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

That point 11 of the Motion be amended:

11. **Notes that officers are preparing to consult the Brunswick West and Hadfield Neighbourhood Centre areas where MITS parking restrictions were introduced in December 2019 to determine whether there is community support as required by current policy to retain these restrictions, if not these restrictions will be moved.**

Carried

Cr Riley called for a division.

For	Against
Cr Carli Hannan	Cr Bolton
Cr Davidson	Cr Riley
Cr Tapinos	Cr Pulford
Cr Yildiz	Cr Panopoulos
Cr Pavlidis	Cr Conlan
Cr El-Halabi	
Total For (6)	Total Against (5)

Substantive Motion

Cr Riley withdrew his moving rights.

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

That Council:

1. **Notes the initial revisions to the Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy (MITS) 2019 at Attachment 1 in accordance with Council’s December 2020**

- resolutions abandoning two MITS actions relating to car parking (NOM60/20).
2. **Endorses the commencement of further work to revise MITS 2019 and related documents, implications for Council’s aspirations to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2040, and potential additional MITS actions to meet mode shift and carbon emission objectives to continue to achieve this aspiration.**
 3. **Endorses the Draft Parking Management Policy (PMP) 2021 at Attachment 2 for community consultation, which includes the following changes to the existing PMP 2019:**
 - a) **Formalising transitional parking policies developed in anticipation of implementing MITS parking restrictions that remain relevant including:**
 - i. **Allowing all residents who have an accessible parking permit to access a resident parking permit regardless of where they live**
 - ii. **Allowing residents who live in properties subdivided after August 2011 to apply for an exemption to access visitor permits, where they can provide evidence from a relevant professional that they have a special need for these based on factors such as age, disability, health or specific threat to personal safety**
 - iii. **Providing a 50 per cent discount on business parking permits for registered charities and not-for-profits, schools and early years services**
 - b) **Allowing businesses (not only residents) to access service parking permits to cater for tradespeople, removalists, etc.**
 - c) **Revising the home visit permit for organisations that provide services to clients’ homes in Moreland to be based on daily permits as needed rather than annual permits.**
 - d) **Delegating authority to officers to make parking changes affecting no more than two parking spaces for safety or operational reasons consistent with the User Priority Guidelines in the PMP, and changes affecting more than two parking spaces where this is recommended by a road safety audit to address a safety issue.**
 - e) **Providing additional decision making guidance for the appeals process to allow consideration of undue disadvantage arising from special circumstances and where it is reasonable to make an exemption.**
 - f) **Removing references to implementation of MITS 2019 parking restrictions, other than relating to the Brunswick West and Hadfield areas where consultation will occur to determine whether there is community support to retain these restrictions.**
 - g) **Minor changes to car share permit eligibility, operation and fees.**
 - h) **Other minor changes such as updates to position titles, text revisions for greater clarity and reference to the new ePermit system.**
 - i) **Other minor changes required to give effect to this motion.**
 4. **Notes that the Draft PMP at Attachment 2 does not include the following transitional permits options developed in anticipation of the MITS parking restrictions rollout, effectively discontinuing these once the final PMP is adopted:**
 - a) **Transitional (additional) resident and business parking permits**
 - b) **Daily parking permit for non-residents**
 - c) **Ability to use business permits where MITS parking restrictions introduced**

- d) Resident A parking permit
 - e) Removed limit on number of business permits for registered charities and not-for-profits, schools and early years services
5. Endorses the Draft PMP for community consultation as outlined in section 7 of this report subject to the allocation of the necessary funds outlined in section 6 of this report which will be referred to the third quarter budget review process.
 6. Notes benchmarking of parking permit eligibility and cost, as well as processes for considering changes to parking restrictions, at Attachment 3 and determines to undertake community consultation as part of the PMP consultation on the following change:
 - a) the cost for the first standard residential parking permit be free.
 7. Notes the analysis of likely impacts of allowing smaller-scale post-August 2011 subdivisions to access resident parking permits (as requested by NOM6/20 and NOM60/20) at Attachment 4 and makes available standard residential parking permits and visitor parking permits for subdivisions that meet the following criteria:
 - Small subdivisions of 3 dwellings or less on a lot
 - Are within 200 metres (as the crow flies) of an Activity Centre
 - Were subdivided before 31 December 2021
 8. Notes advice from Dr De Gruyter at RMIT University on a recommended approach to survey zero parking developments to determine their impact on on-street parking utilisation, at Attachment 5:
 - a) Council proceed to conduct two surveys of existing ‘zero parking developments’ and new developments within 12 months of occupancy certificates being granted.
 9. Notes the human rights assessment and gender impact assessment relating to proposed changes to the Parking Management Policy at Attachment 6 and Attachment 7 respectively.
 10. Notes that officers are preparing to consult the Brunswick West and Hadfield Neighbourhood Centre areas where MITS parking restrictions were introduced in December 2019 to determine whether there is community support as required by current policy to retain these restrictions, if not these restrictions will be moved.
 11. Notes the significant work involved in undertaking the consultation process for the revised PMP and further refining the MITS and, in particular, that limited progression will occur on the other MITS actions during this time while the extensive COVID transport program is continued to be rolled out as well.

8.24 pm Cr Yildiz left the meeting.

8.26 pm Cr Yildiz returned to the meeting.

Carried

Mayor, Cr Carli Hannan called for a division.

For	Against
Cr Bolton	Cr Davidson
Cr Carli Hannan	Cr Riley
Cr Tapinos	Cr Pulford
Cr Yildiz	Cr Panopoulos
Cr Pavlidis	Cr Conlan
Cr El-Halabi	
Total For (6)	Total Against (5)

NOTICES OF MOTION

8.11 BUILDING THE CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE FUTURE

Motion

That Council:

- 1) Reiterates its resolution of 9 December 2020, “That Council ... Reaffirms the objective of mode shift to more sustainable transport options, noting that this requires strong investment in public transport, cycling, walking and other sustainable transport infrastructure, as well as incentives and encouragements to take up sustainable transport.”
- 2) Notes that past investment in cycling infrastructure from all levels of Government in Moreland has not been adequate, often due to the misalignment between Council aspirations and State Government authorisation, and that the imperative to overcome policy and bureaucratic inefficiencies between the Council and State is greater than ever as Victoria emerges from the coronavirus pandemic and our local and arterial roads become more congested and less safe.
- 3) Notes the success of Melbourne City Council in delivering new, lower cost bicycle lanes through a Council-State partnership model, based on an agreement between the Council and the Department of Transport to fast-track assessment and authorisation of Council-nominated projects.
- 4) Requests that the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer approach the Minister for Roads and Road Safety, The Hon Ben Carroll MP, to seek the approval and creation of a formalised City of Moreland-Department of Transport partnership (the partnership) based on the City of Melbourne model, seeking a Council-State Government, dollar-for-dollar funding commitment for the 2020-21 financial year. The results of the negotiations and/or agreement will be reported back to Council via the 2021-22 Council budget process. If endorsed, the projects sought in Notice of Motion ‘Building East West Bike Lanes in Moreland’, should be prioritised for consideration.
- 5) The parameters of the partnership are as follows;
 - a) Projects should be specifically for separated, on-road cycling infrastructure, not shared paths or bridges, consistent with the Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy to create new infrastructure that separates motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.
 - b) Projects should prioritise lower cost materials such as those used by the City of Melbourne (e.g. concrete polymer rather than concrete) to maximise the number of projects, and length of routes, able to be pursued under the partnership.

Resolution

Cr Panopoulos moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

- 1) **Reiterates its resolution of 9 December 2020, “That Council ... Reaffirms the objective of mode shift to more sustainable transport options, noting that this requires strong investment in public transport, cycling, walking and other sustainable transport infrastructure, as well as incentives and encouragements to take up sustainable transport.”**
- 2) **Notes that past investment in cycling infrastructure from all levels of Government in Moreland has not been adequate, often due to the**

misalignment between Council aspirations and State Government authorisation, and that the imperative to overcome policy and bureaucratic inefficiencies between the Council and State is greater than ever as Victoria emerges from the coronavirus pandemic and our local and arterial roads become more congested and less safe.

- 3) Notes the success of Melbourne City Council in delivering new, lower cost bicycle lanes through a Council-State partnership model, based on an agreement between the Council and the Department of Transport to fast-track assessment and authorisation of Council-nominated projects.**
- 4) Requests that the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer approach the Minister for Roads and Road Safety, The Hon Ben Carroll MP, to seek the approval and creation of a formalised City of Moreland-Department of Transport partnership (the partnership) based on the City of Melbourne model, seeking a Council-State Government, dollar-for-dollar funding commitment for the 2021-22 financial year. The results of the negotiations and/or agreement will be reported back to Council via the 2021/22 Council budget process, or by the July 2021 Council meeting, whichever comes first. If endorsed, the projects sought in Notice of Motion 'Building East West Bike Lanes in Moreland', should be prioritised for consideration.**
- 5) The parameters of the partnership are as follows;**
 - a) Projects should be specifically for separated, on-road cycling infrastructure, not shared paths or bridges, consistent with the Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy to create new infrastructure that separates motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.**
 - b) Projects should prioritise lower cost materials such as those used by the City of Melbourne (e.g. concrete polymer rather than concrete) to maximise the number of projects, and length of routes, able to be pursued under the partnership.**

Carried

8.12 BUILDING EAST-WEST BIKE LANES IN MORELAND

Motion

That Council receives as part of the annual report on cycling expenditure (scheduled for the May Council Meeting), an indication of the likely costs and possible timing for the delivery of the construction of physically separated cycling lanes on Glenlyon Road (Brunswick Secondary College to Nicholson Street), and Harding Street (Nicholson Street to Sydney Road), and Munro Street (Sydney Road to Rose Street).

Resolution

Cr Conlan moved, Cr Bolton seconded -

That Council receives as part of the annual report on cycling expenditure (scheduled for the May Council Meeting), an indication of the likely costs and possible timing for the delivery of the construction of physically separated cycling lanes on Glenlyon Road/Dawson Street (Brunswick Secondary College to Nicholson Street), and Harding Street (Nicholson Street to Sydney Road), and Munro Street (Sydney Road to Rose Street).

Carried

8.13 UNDERSTANDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH IMPACTS OF SYNTHETIC TURF IN MORELAND

Motion

That Council:

Receives a report at the May 2021 Council meeting on the cost and timing for a report that investigates the:

1. Environmental impacts of synthetic turf in relation to;
 - a) The recyclability of synthetic turf at the end of its life, having regard to the recycling capacities in Victoria and Australia for synthetic turf
 - b) The leachability of toxins into ground water and waterways associated with synthetic turf
 - c) The associated biological impacts in relation to soil biota destruction, and loss of habitat for wildlife and insects
 - d) The urban heat island effects related to the conversion of natural green spaces to concreted/paved grey spaces
 - e) Carbon emissions associated with synthetic turf manufacturing
2. Health impacts of synthetic turf in relation to;
 - a) Toxic off-gassing from degrading synthetic turf, rubber and associated materials
 - b) The heating of synthetic turf and/or concrete on people's health when playing during hot weather
 - c) Comparison of injury rates associated with synthetic turf compared with well-maintained natural surfaces
3. Life-cycle financial costs of synthetic versus natural turf, taking into consideration the ongoing maintenance costs associated with cyclical synthetic turf replacement.

4. The report will incorporate:
 - a) A thorough literature review of current, peer-reviewed research into the above issues and risks.
 - b) An analysis of points 1,2 and 3 and their consistency with the following Council strategies, policies and plans:
 - Access and Inclusion Policy
 - Active Moreland Framework 2010-14
 - Allocation of Sporting Grounds and Pavilions Policy
 - Open Space Strategy 2012-2022
 - Zero Carbon Moreland - Climate Emergency Action Plan
 - Moreland Nature Plan
 - Fossil Fuel Divestment Strategy
 - Waste and Litter Strategy 2018 - 2022
 - Urban Heat Island Effect Action Plan
 - Integrated Water Management Strategy 2040

Motion

Cr Conlan moved, Cr Bolton seconded -

That Council:

Receives a report at the May 2021 Council meeting on the cost and timing for a report that investigates the:

1. Environmental impacts of synthetic turf in relation to;
 - a) The recyclability of synthetic turf at the end of its life, having regard to the recycling capacities in Victoria and Australia for synthetic turf
 - b) The leachability of toxins into ground water and waterways associated with synthetic turf
 - c) The associated biological impacts in relation to soil biota destruction, and loss of habitat for wildlife and insects
 - d) The urban heat island effects related to the conversion of natural green spaces to concreted/paved grey spaces
 - e) Carbon emissions associated with synthetic turf manufacturing
2. Health impacts of synthetic turf in relation to;
 - a) toxic off-gassing from degrading synthetic turf, rubber and associated materials
 - b) The heating of synthetic turf and/or concrete on people's health when playing during hot weather
 - c) Comparison of injury rates associated with synthetic turf compared with well-maintained natural surfaces
3. Life-cycle financial costs of synthetic versus natural turf, taking into consideration the ongoing maintenance costs associated with cyclical synthetic turf replacement.
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 - a) a thorough literature review of current, peer-reviewed research into the above issues and risks.
 - b) An analysis of points 1,2 and 3 and their consistency with the following Council strategies, policies and plans:
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- Active Moreland Framework 2010-14
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- Zero Carbon Moreland - Climate Emergency Action Plan
- Moreland Nature Plan
- Fossil Fuel Divestment Strategy
- Waste and Litter Strategy 2018 - 2022
- Urban Heat Island Effect Action Plan
- Integrated Water Management Strategy 2040

Lost

Cr Angelica Panopoulos called for a division.

For	Against
Cr Bolton	Cr Carli Hannan
Cr Riley	Cr Davidson
Cr Pulford	Cr Tapinos
Cr Panopoulos	Cr Yildiz
Cr Conlan	Cr Pavlidis
	Cr El-Halabi
Total For (5)	Total Against (6)

COUNCIL REPORTS

7.2 REDEVELOPMENT OF 33 SAXON STREET, BRUNSWICK AS A CREATIVE AND COMMUNITY FACILITY

A Council owned site, 33 Saxon Street, Brunswick, is being prepared for redevelopment as a vibrant creative and community facility and new urban park. Strategic planning, community engagement and the successful activation period, known as “Siteworks” (2016 – present), has provided the blueprint for the redevelopment project. Council endorsed a redevelopment concept in July 2020, which was costed at \$13.4 million.

This report recommends a key gateway decision in delivery of this project, by progressing with appointment of a site and community manager, and noting the proposed approach to financing the project. This report also highlights progress towards supporting the relocation of part of the Brunswick Neighbourhood House (BNH) to the redeveloped site. It is recommended to continue feasibility studies and engagement with the BNH with a view to confirming the relocation details within the next 12 months.

Design procurement is also underway, and the project is tracking well for delivery within this Council term.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes progress to redevelop 33 Saxon Street, Brunswick as a creative and community facility in accordance with the Strategic Framework, 2017 and the endorsed concept of July 2020.
2. Endorses the proposed financial approach to deliver the redevelopment project, as described in Table 2 of this Council Report.
3. Notes progress towards reaching an agreement with Brunswick Neighbourhood House, as described in this Council Report, for relocation of their services from 16 Garden Street, Brunswick to a redeveloped 33 Saxon Street.

4. Commences the public procurement process to seek a partner organisation as a site and community manager to deliver the vision and objectives at the redeveloped 33 Saxon Street.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Bolton seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes progress to redevelop 33 Saxon Street, Brunswick as a creative and community facility in accordance with the Strategic Framework, 2017 and the endorsed concept of July 2020 (Concept Plan D - \$13.4 million)**
2. **Presents to council a further report at decision Gateway 3 detailing:**
 - a) **the short term and long term, costs, benefits, and delivery impacts of expanding the building to include an additional level of commercial and/or community space**
 - b) **A range of scenarios for the ratio of community, commercial and sub-market affordable arts spaces, and public open space, and highlighting the cost implications of each of these**
 - c) **Options for management arrangements, and the costs and benefits of each of these, including an option where the external Community Manager does not manage the space where BNH operates or its tenancy arrangements**
 - d) **Cost estimates for high level fit-out costs for each of the tenants, and the implications to the cost model of Council covering the full fit-out costs for community tenants**
3. **Endorses the proposed financial approach to deliver the redevelopment project, as described in Table 2 of this Council Report.**
4. **Notes progress towards reaching an agreement with Brunswick Neighbourhood House (BNH), as described in this Council Report, for relocation of their services to a redeveloped 33 Saxon Street.**
 - a) **Council confirms the new BNH will be a facility with distinct identity and autonomy within the Saxon Street facility, with full control over its own organisational governance.**
 - b) **Council confirms its commitment for the relocation of the BNH to Saxon Street with their whole suite of services and administration but notes some services may remain at De Carle Street site by agreement, if required.**
 - c) **Council notes the BNH's preference for the relocation to be to the refurbished historic Sherwood House and explores whether this option can accommodate their needs as well as the objectives of the overall project, during the architectural design period.**
 - d) **Council reaffirms Council's long standing policy to only require neighbourhood houses to pay peppercorn rent.**
5. **Commences the public procurement process to seek a partner organisation as a site and community manager to deliver the vision and objectives at the redeveloped 33 Saxon Street, noting that no final decision will be made about the management model until Council has considered the report detailed in point 2 of this resolution.**

8.59 pm Cr Panopoulos left the meeting.

9.02 pm Cr Panopoulos returned to the meeting.

Carried

7.3 DRAFT CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES PLAN 2021-2025

The draft *Children, Young People and Families Plan 2021-2025* (the 'Plan') is an integrated strategy to guide the delivery of learning, development, health and wellbeing outcomes for children, young people and families in Moreland. The *Plan* will consolidate two existing strategies for children and young people, namely: *Moreland Early Years Strategy 2016-2020* and *Full Potential: A Strategy for Moreland's Young People*. Informed by community feedback and evidence the integration of these two strategies now forms an integrated plan for children, young people and families in Moreland and provide opportunities for collaboration, service enhancement and delivery across the age continuum, from birth to adulthood, 0-24 years of age.

Although COVID-19 affected the methods used to engage with the community and stakeholders over 400 children, young people, parents, community members and local organisations provided ideas on how children and young people's outcomes can be improved.

The draft *Plan* has been developed within existing resourcing and does not have budget implications, however its implementation from 2021 to 2025 may require further resourcing and this will be addressed through subsequent budget processes as required. An Implementation Plan will be developed with a series of actions to address each objective. These actions will include Council's role, timeframe for completion and resources required. Monitoring and evaluation will inform an annual report to Council and the community on progress and achievements in implementing the Plan.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Endorses for public exhibition of the draft *Children, Young People and Families Plan 2021-2025* (Attachment 1).
2. Notes the draft *Children, Young People and Families Plan 2021-2025* will be available for public exhibition for 21 days, 19 April to 9 May 2021.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council:

1. Endorses for public exhibition of the draft *Children, Young People and Families Plan 2021-2025* (Attachment 1).
2. Notes the draft *Children, Young People and Families Plan 2021-2025* will be available for public exhibition for 21 days, 19 April to 9 May 2021.

Carried

7.4 PROPOSED SALE OF LAND FROM FORMER ROAD AND RESERVE REAR OF 33 RICHARDS STREET, COBURG

At its meeting on 8 November 1999 (DCD36), Council resolved to discontinue a road and reserve to the rear of 23 to 49 Richards Street, Coburg, shown shaded on the plan in

Attachment 1 and to sell the land to the adjoining property owners. Several parcels of land from the former road and reserve were either sold at the time or in the years thereafter.

Council has received a request from the owner of 33 Richards Street, Coburg, to acquire the land from the discontinued road and reserve adjoining the rear of their property.

Council's historical map records indicate the land from the former road has been enclosed within the fence boundary of 33 Richards Street, Coburg since 1966. The sale of this portion of land will legally formalise their occupation.

The previous owners of 33 Richards Street were not interested in purchasing the land to the rear of their property.

However, new owners of 33 Richards Street have now requested to purchase this land, meaning that Council can now enact the resolution and proceed with the sale.

The purpose of this report is for Council to note the intention to now sell the land from the former road and reserve to the owner of 33 Richards Street Coburg.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the intention to sell the land from the previously discontinued road and reserve at the rear of 33 Richards Street, Coburg, known as Lot 6 on Plan of Subdivision PS419827K and contained in certificate of title Volume 10558 Folio 701, to the owner of 33 Richard Street, Coburg, by private treaty.
2. Authorises the Director Engagement and Partnerships to do all things necessary to effect the sale of Council's land to the owner of 33 Richards Street, Coburg.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr El-Halabi seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes the intention to sell the land from the previously discontinued road and reserve at the rear of 33 Richards Street, Coburg, known as Lot 6 on Plan of Subdivision PS419827K and contained in certificate of title Volume 10558 Folio 701, to the owner of 33 Richard Street, Coburg, by private treaty.**
2. **Authorises the Director Engagement and Partnerships to do all things necessary to effect the sale of Council's land to the owner of 33 Richards Street, Coburg.**

Carried

Cr Bolton requested her vote against be noted.

7.5 WITHDRAWAL OF REQUEST TO AUTHORISE AMENDMENT C193 AND COMMENCE PREPARATION OF AN ACTIVITY CENTRE ZONE FOR THE BRUNSWICK ACTIVITY CENTRE

Council Report 7.7 (10 February 2021) provided Council with an update of the progress of Amendment C193 to the Moreland Planning Scheme. This Report noted that based on early drafts of strategic analysis of Moreland's commercial and employment floor space needs, that the rezoning proposed by Amendment C193 may not be the most effective way to meet Moreland's overall commercial floor space needs and associated employment outcomes. This analysis of Moreland's commercial and industrial employment floor space needs was commissioned following the State Government release of the

Melbourne Industrial and Commercial Land Use Plan 2020 (MICLUP) which identified the need for Moreland to increase its employment land considerably.

This further report now brings to Council the finalised strategic analysis foreshadowed in Report 7.7, titled A Job in Moreland: The floorspace we need now and in the future (AJiM). This analysis provides insight into how employment in Moreland can be supported and maximised into the future through both planning scheme controls, and other Council actions.

Based on this analysis it is recommended that Council resolve to withdraw the request for the Minister to authorise Amendment C193, on the basis that pursuing the Commercial 3 Zone for the 56 sites included in Amendment C193 would not holistically address the issues with future commercial floor space provision identified in AJiM. As Amendment C193 has not yet been through the amendment process (i.e. authorised, exhibited, considered by a Panel and approved by Council), it is not considered to be 'seriously entertained,' and it is appropriate to withdraw the authorisation request now in favour of a more holistic approach to commercial and industrial employment floorspace in the Brunswick Activity Centre (BAC).

This report also outlines recommended consultation to inform the preparation of a draft Activity Centre Zone (ACZ) for the BAC. The ACZ planning scheme tool would allow Council to more effectively set a requirement for commercial floor space provision and employment growth in line with the findings of AJiM. The ACZ can be tailored to require specific land use and development outcomes in specific precincts within the Centre and enable identification of which land uses are encouraged in different precincts. In commercial areas it would provide greater ability for Council to require more commercial floorspace than the market is currently delivering and refuse applications that do not provide adequate commercial floor space.

AJiM highlights the opportunity to slow and halt the current long-term decline in employment self-sufficiency right across Moreland. Council can take actions to assist in setting up the economic conditions to increase employment self-sufficiency over the longer term and provide a holistic approach to job creation in Moreland's Employment Precincts. Whilst this particular report focuses on the implications of AJiM on the BAC and Amendment C193, AJiM will guide actions to support employment growth right across the City.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Withdraws the request to seek authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare Amendment C193 to the Moreland Planning Scheme.
2. Notes that officers will undertake consultation (as detailed in the Council Report) to inform preparation of a draft Activity Centre Zone schedule for the Brunswick Activity Centre.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That the item be deferred for one month until the Council meeting on 12 May 2021.

Carried

7.6 PUBLIC HIGHWAY DECLARATION - STREETS, ROADS, LANEWAYS AND EASEMENTS NEAR WILKINSON STREET, BRUNSWICK

Council's public car park known as 2-8 Wilkinson Street was constructed in the mid-1970s. That construction incorporated an abutting property (between 2-8 Wilkinson Street and 10-12 Wilkinson Street) into the car park which has a carriageway easement across the full length and width. At the time, the former Brunswick City Council concluded that constructing the road pavement over the carriageway easement and the subsequent use by the public, met the legal criteria for this land to be a road. After that date, Brunswick City Council showed the land as a road on its city plans (Attachment 1). Recently it has been found that the property title still shows that abutting land without 'road' status, owned by the original subdivider in 1885. Recent legal opinion is that the legal criteria Brunswick City Council used, is now insufficient for the property title to be changed to show 'road'.

A feasibility being undertaken for the land abutting the western boundary of this "road" (10-12 Wilkinson Street) has found that the property title has not been changed. The possible future development of the abutting land parcel requires the land to be converted to "road" on title, both to confirm the public's right to use that land and to facilitate access to and from that land, requiring a formal declaration by Council.

Just 50 metres away, there is also a laneway that exists physically across 409-419 Sydney Road, Brunswick. The laneway goes through the middle of the current Bunnings site and provides a public connection from Wilkinson Street to Victoria Street. It is currently used by cars and delivery vehicles and is a busy pedestrian connection. This laneway appears on the former Brunswick City Council city plans and show that Council has been, *and still is*, responsible for the on-going maintenance of the laneway. However, the Bunnings land property title does not show the laneway across it. This has raised questions about the public's right to use it. A formal declaration is required by Council to guarantee the continued access that the public have been using for the past century.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Approves the commencement of the process under Section 204(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989* to declare in the Government Gazette, that all roads constructed by Council within the area bounded by Sydney Road, the northern boundary of Victoria Street, the railway line and the southern boundary of Albert Street to be public highways, including the constructed easement on Title Plan TP 940933P in the 2-8 Wilkinson Street Car Park and the constructed laneways at the rear of 409-419 Sydney Road and 2-8 Wilkinson Street, Brunswick, on Title Plan TP 238758W.
2. Gives public notice of the declaration of public highway status and calls for submissions in accordance with Section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* in *The Age* newspaper.
3. Publishes a copy of the public notice on Council's website and provides a copy to owners and occupiers of all properties abutting the portion of the roads that will be declared.
4. Appoints Councillor _____ as Chair, and Councillors _____, _____ and _____ to a Committee to hear any submitters requesting to be heard in support of their written submission.
5. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to set the time, date and place of a meeting of the committee to hear submissions in relation to Council's intent to declare all roads constructed by Council within the area bounded by Sydney Road, the northern boundary of Victoria Street, the railway line and the southern boundary of Albert Street, to be public highways following consultation with Councillors and any submitters.
6. Following the consultation process, receives a report outlining any submissions received, a summary of proceedings of any Hearing of Submissions held in relation

to the proposed declaration of public highways, with a recommendation on whether to proceed.

7. Notes that further advice will be provided in 2021/22 and beyond of other locations that may be identified within the municipality in which Council's roads are similarly exposed to enclosure by abutting properties.

9.13 pm Cr Pulford left the meeting.

9.14 pm Cr El-Halabi left the meeting and did not return.

9.15 pm Cr Pulford returned to the meeting.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council:

1. **Approves the commencement of the process under Section 204(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989* to declare in the Government Gazette, that all roads constructed by Council within the area bounded by Sydney Road, the northern boundary of Victoria Street, the railway line and the southern boundary of Albert Street to be public highways, including the constructed easement on Title Plan TP 940933P in the 2-8 Wilkinson Street Car Park and the constructed laneways at the rear of 409-419 Sydney Road and 2-8 Wilkinson Street, Brunswick, on Title Plan TP 238758W.**
2. **Gives public notice of the declaration of public highway status and calls for submissions in accordance with Section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* in *The Age* newspaper.**
3. **Publishes a copy of the public notice on Council's website and provides a copy to owners and occupiers of all properties abutting the portion of the roads that will be declared.**
4. **Appoints Councillor Tapinos as Chair, and Councillors Conlan, Riley, and Bolton to a Committee to hear any submitters requesting to be heard in support of their written submission.**
5. **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to set the time, date and place of a meeting of the committee to hear submissions in relation to Council's intent to declare all roads constructed by Council within the area bounded by Sydney Road, the northern boundary of Victoria Street, the railway line and the southern boundary of Albert Street, to be public highways following consultation with Councillors and any submitters.**
6. **Following the consultation process, receives a report outlining any submissions received, a summary of proceedings of any Hearing of Submissions held in relation to the proposed declaration of public highways, with a recommendation on whether to proceed.**
7. **Notes that further advice will be provided in 2021/22 and beyond of other locations that may be identified within the municipality in which Council's roads are similarly exposed to enclosure by abutting properties.**

Carried

7.7 INFRASTRUCTURE VICTORIA'S DRAFT 30-YEAR STRATEGY - COUNCIL SUBMISSION

Infrastructure Victoria is an independent advisory body with a function to prepare a 30-year infrastructure strategy for Victoria every three to five years. The most recent draft

strategy, consisting of 95 recommendations to the Victorian Government, was released for public consultation in December 2020.

An officer submission was prepared by compiling feedback across nine Moreland Council business units. The officer submission broadly endorses the draft strategy, supporting 49 of its recommendations and opposing only two.

The officer submission was submitted to Infrastructure Victoria by the deadline of 26 February 2021 advising that Council would formally consider the submission at its next available meeting, being April 2021. Due to tight timeframes, it was not possible for Council to consider the submission prior to the deadline. Should Council make any changes to the officer submission this will be substituted.

Officer Recommendation

That Council endorses the officer submission as submitted to Infrastructure Victoria's draft 30-year strategy consultation as contained in Attachment 1 to this report.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council endorses the officer submission as submitted to Infrastructure Victoria's draft 30-year strategy consultation as contained in Attachment 1 to this report.

Carried

7.8 TECHNICAL STUDY ON THE IMPACT OF 5G TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES

This technical study was requested by Council in the course of considering a proposal to lease land to Telstra for a new telecommunications facility.

Council owns land at 1A Francis Street, Oak Park. Visionstream, acting on behalf of Telstra, approached Council to lease a part of Council land to construct a new telecommunications facility. In October 2019, Council resolved to commence procedures to lease the land as proposed. Following all statutory consultation processes, Council resolved to lease the land to Telstra on 15 May 2020.

As part of the May 2020 resolution, Council resolved that a technical study should be undertaken on the impact of 5G telecommunication facilities.

Council officers engaged researchers from Swinburne University of Technology to undertake the technical study. The study was conducted by three expert biophysicists, one of whom is also a medical practitioner, from the School of Health Sciences at Swinburne University. This study is now complete.

The Technical Study states: "*Our overall conclusion is that 5G RFR [Radiofrequency Radiation] will not present any deleterious effects on organisms in the environment and that 5G RFR is in many ways similar to 4G and previous generations of mobile telecommunications systems, without environmental effects.*" (page 21).

The study also notes a statement issued by Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) that "*there is no established scientific evidence that the use of mobile phones causes any health effects*" (page 20) which is broadly in line with the results presented in the report.

The full Technical Study report is provided in Attachment 1.

Officer Recommendation

That Council notes the Review of Possible Effects of 5G Radiation and the Review's overall conclusion *"that 5G RFR will not present any deleterious effects on organisms in the environment and that 5G RFR is in many ways similar to 4G and previous generations of mobile telecommunications systems, without noticeable environmental effects."* (page 21).

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded –

That Council:

- 1. Notes the Review of Possible Effects of 5G Radiation and the Review's overall conclusion *"that 5G RFR will not present any deleterious effects on organisms in the environment and that 5G RFR is in many ways similar to 4G and previous generations of mobile telecommunications systems, without noticeable environmental effects."* (page 21)**
- 2. Contacts those residents who engaged with the statutory process as per the Council decision of 19 October 2019, namely those that submitted letters, made in person submissions and at a minimum, the lead signatory of the related petition, advising them of the technical report commissioned by Council, providing a summary of the outcomes (similar to that presented in the cover report for this item) and including a link to the full technical report for their reference.**
- 3. Shares this with MAV and VLGA for distribution to other councils as a resource to address the concerns that may be continuing to circulate in the broader Victorian community.**

Carried

7.9 ACCESS TO LOCAL COMMUNITY NEWS IN MORELAND - RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION

In March 2021, Council resolved to receive a report into access to local community news in Moreland. This report explores Council's obligation to communicate 'Council news' to its citizens and the channels through which it does this.

The media landscape in Australia has been changing over the past decade, with a decline in traditional community news outlets, particularly in suburban and regional media, and an increase in digital news platforms. These changes were amplified with the onset of the covid-19 pandemic, and many additional suburban and regional news outlets ceased printing and shut their doors.

Councils have had to deal with the challenge of changes to traditional news channels, while ensuring they continue to meet their obligation to communicate 'Council news' and upholding their role in emergency communication of essential health messaging during the pandemic.

With the decline in traditional news outlets, we have seen the emergence of non-traditional news sources, driven by community interest and advocacy groups or individuals with an interest in community news and research into alternative sustainable news models.

Council does not have an official role in the dissemination of community news that is not related to Council, however readily available community news plays a key role in creating connected communities.

It is beneficial for the community and for Council to have access to community news via independent news outlets. However, to ensure the independence of news outlets, these should ideally operate at arm's length from Council.

There are still a number of ways that Council can support local journalists and news outlets, the creation and dissemination of community news and organisations that advocate for public interest journalism. Options have been explored in this report that might assist in tackling a number of the issues around access to community news in Moreland.

The recommended option is to continue to explore possibilities with the Inner North Community Foundation's journalist-led local news initiative, while advocating for extended federal government assistance to community news outlets.

Another positive possibility would be extending Council's Inside Moreland newsletter, with more content and/or more frequency, but this would rely on additional budget allocation in an challenging budget environment.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Writes to the Inner Northern Community Foundation (INCF) formally expressing interest in its journalist-led news initiative;
2. Receives a further report on the feasibility of the journalist-led news initiative including any financial implications associated with supporting the project;
3. Writes to the Honourable Paul Fletcher MP, Minister for Communications, Infrastructure, Cities and Arts advocating for:
 - a) A new fund to support suburban local news outlets and start-ups that do not qualify for the federal governments public interest journalism grants;
 - b) A stronger aid for independent newspapers that serve as the primary source of local news for their suburbs, towns and cities;
 - c) A lowering of the revenue threshold in the draft mandatory code to \$75,000 especially for those outlets serving populations of less than 100,000 people.

Resolution

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Writes to the Inner Northern Community Foundation (INCF) formally expressing interest in its journalist-led news initiative;**
2. **Receives a further report on the feasibility of the journalist-led news initiative including any financial implications associated with supporting the project;**
3. **Writes to the Honourable Paul Fletcher MP, Minister for Communications, Infrastructure, Cities and Arts advocating for:**
 - a) **A new fund to support suburban local news outlets and start-ups that do not qualify for the federal governments public interest journalism grants;**
 - b) **A stronger aid for independent newspapers that serve as the primary source of local news for their suburbs, towns and cities;**
 - c) **A lowering of the revenue threshold in the draft mandatory code to \$75,000 especially for those outlets serving populations of less than 100,000 people.**

Carried

7.10 TRANSPARENCY - DISCLOSURES OF RELATIONSHIPS WITH DEVELOPERS - RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION

Council is committed to transparency in decision making and in December 2020 sought a report regarding transparency of Councillor relationships with developers.

Consideration has been given to the existing governance and transparency framework along with examples from other Australian states.

Existing laws, policies and guidelines that apply to Councillors and Council officers include:

- *Local Government Act 2020* transparency principles, conflict of interest and improper conduct provisions and requirement for biannual personal interest returns;
- Councillor Code of Conduct;
- Governance Rules – Meeting Record requirements and conflict of interest disclosure procedures;
- Councillor and Council Staff Interaction Protocol;
- Employee Code of Conduct; and
- Urban Planning delegates reports procedures.

This legislative and policy framework is supported by Council's commitment to transparency in addition to the requirements to make some records or registers publicly available. The information available to the public on Council's website, relating to the disclosure of relationships includes:

- Summary of Personal Interest Returns;
- Register of gifts, benefits and hospitality;
- Council meeting minutes – including disclosures of conflicts of interest and records of meetings organised or hosted by Council;
- Conflicts of interest register;
- Summary of Election Campaign Donation Returns.

Western Australia, New South Wales and Queensland provide examples of how Councillor contact with developers, donors and lobbyists is managed with only Western Australia requiring a register. These registers however, do not seem to be available on Council websites and therefore do not necessarily provide a transparency mechanism.

In New South Wales, the obligation remains with Councillors to protect themselves from any allegations of impropriety through their own record keeping and conduct. Queensland councils are required to have a policy to govern conduct relating to developers and lobbyists.

What should be included in register of Councillor contacts or relationships with developers would be difficult to define and a register cumbersome to maintain and it is not recommended a register is established.

Officer Recommendation

That Council notes the existing requirements and policies to support transparency in decision making outlined in this report, including the Governance Rules, Councillor and Employee Codes of Conduct, Councillor and Council Staff Interaction Protocol and Urban Planning delegates reports procedure.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Davidson seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes the existing requirements and policies to support transparency in decision making outlined in this report, including the Governance Rules, Councillor and Employee Codes of Conduct, Councillor and Council Staff Interaction Protocol and Urban Planning delegates reports procedure.**
2. **Establishes a public registry of meetings of Councillors with developers, be they corporate or residential land owners, for a trial period of 12 months until 31 March 2022 and which would operate as an opt in system for Councillors, at least in the initial trial phase.**
3. **Receives a report on a review of the trial of the registry to be presented at a Council meeting in May 2022.**

Carried unanimously
(Cr El-Halabi absent)

7.11 CHARLES MUTTON RESERVE FEMALE FRIENDLY CHANGEROOMS - GRANT APPLICATION

Moreland Council's Sporting Pavilion Redevelopment Strategy (2017) reviewed the current level of provision and standard of Council-owned sporting pavilions in Moreland and provides strategic directions for the future provision, use and redevelopment of these pavilions.

The general findings of the assessment of Charles Mutton Reserve Pavilion confirmed that the facility failed to comply with AFL Victoria and Cricket Victoria facility standards.

The forward Moreland Council 2021/22 Capital Works Program had a provision of \$551,000 for the upgrade of the change rooms and umpires rooms at the reserve. On 8 July 2020, Council adopted the 2020/21 budget and capital works plan, and as part of this Council specifically resolved to bring the project forward as a project of high priority.

This meant the final approved capital works program allocated an additional \$200,000 in order to commence construction of the Mutton reserve project in the 2020/21 year if possible, as well as the \$50,000 design costs already allocated. This makes a total project contribution from Council of \$801,000.

Council had the opportunity to apply to Sport and Recreation Victoria as part of their 2021/22 Local Sport Infrastructure Fund category of 'Female Friendly Changerooms' for an additional \$500,000 to complete the project, ensuring the project delivers four changerooms and umpires rooms to service two ovals at the reserve, a total project cost of \$1.3 million.

Grant applications were due 22 March 2021 and timing did not allow for the matter to be brought to a Council meeting for endorsement prior to this date. The grant application has been submitted with a notification that the application will be withdrawn if Council does not endorse the application.

Officer Recommendation

That Council endorses the application to Sport and Recreation Victoria's Local Sport Infrastructure Fund – Female Friendly Facilities for the upgrade of the change rooms and umpires rooms at Charles Mutton Reserve, Fawkner.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Yildiz seconded -

That Council endorses the application to Sport and Recreation Victoria's Local Sport Infrastructure Fund – Female Friendly Facilities for the upgrade of the change rooms and umpires rooms at Charles Mutton Reserve, Fawkner.

Carried

7.12 REVISED COUNCILLOR GIFTS, BENEFITS AND HOSPITALITY POLICY

The *Local Government Act 2020* requires all Councils to adopt a Councillor Gift Policy by 24 April 2021.

A Councillor Gift Policy was not a requirement of the previous *Local Government Act 1989*, however Council has adopted such policies over time to regulate the receiving of gifts.

Pertinent to the requirements of the 2020 Act, Councils must:

- Maintain a gift register;
- Align its policy with Council's Public Transparency Policy and Council's Councillor Code of Conduct; and
- Include reference to Election Campaign Donation Returns requirements.

The revised Councillor Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality Policy (as provided in Attachment 1), to a large extent, has retained much of the content of the current policy adopted by Council in November 2019. However, Council officers have undertaken a review to ensure alignment with the above provisions and took the opportunity to:

- Refresh language and improve clarity;
- Remove references to the 'giving of gifts' as it is deemed unnecessary to appear in a Councillor related Policy only, noting a new guideline will be developed to include requirements for Councillors and all staff;
- Include a visual representation (diagram) of the procedure required to follow upon the receipt or offer of gifts;
- Simplify explanation of breaches; and
- Removed sections now considered duplicate or obsolete.

A summary document is provided in Attachment 2, that details the amendments made and provides a comparison between Council's existing 2019 policy and the new revised policy.

Officer Recommendation

That Council adopts the revised Councillor Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality Policy as provided in Attachment 1 to this report.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Riley seconded -

That Council adopts the revised Councillor Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality Policy as provided in Attachment 1 to this report.

Carried

7.13 GOVERNANCE REPORT - APRIL 2021 - CYCLICAL REPORT

The Governance Report has been developed as a monthly standing report to Council to provide a single reporting mechanism for a range of statutory compliance, transparency and governance matters.

This Governance Report includes:

- Reports from Committees to Council, with a recommendation that Council notes the reports;
- Records of Meetings, with a recommendation Council notes the records;
- Instrument of Delegations from Council to members of Council staff;
- A recommendation Council appoints and authorises the Council officer referred to in the Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation (*Planning and Environment Act 1987*) at Attachment 4.
- Proposed motions to be submitted to the Municipal Association of Victoria State Council meeting on the following topics:
 - Disability and physical access;
 - State-wide Environmentally Sustainable Design policy;
 - Seeking action to strengthen planning scheme provisions to support the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* objective to facilitate the provision of affordable housing; and
 - Seeking improvements to the Infrastructure Contribution Plan tool for all Metropolitan Councils to access to better deliver community and other infrastructure that meets the need of growing populations in established areas of Melbourne.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the reports from Committees to Council, at Attachment 1 to this report and:
 - a) Commissions the following Moreland artist to create an artwork celebrating the Greek Bicentenary as recommended by the Moreland Arts Advisory Committee:
 - Anna Kiparis (Coburg) – www.annakiparis.com, \$7,500 ex GST
 - b) Accepts the biannual Audit and Risk Report (Recommendations and Findings 2020/21) as endorsed by the Audit and Risk Committee.
2. Notes the Record of Meetings, at Attachment 2 to this report.
3. Delegates to the members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the offices or positions referred to in Instrument of Delegation to members of Council staff at Attachment 3 to this report, the powers, duties and functions set out in that Instrument, subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument, and determines:
 - a) The instrument comes into force immediately the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.
 - b) On the coming into force of the instrument all previous delegations to members of Council staff (other than the Chief Executive Officer) are revoked.

- c) The duties and functions set out in the instrument must be performed, and the powers set out in the instruments must be executed, in accordance with any guidelines or policies of Council that it may from time to time adopt.
4. In the exercise of the powers conferred by section 147(4) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and section 313 of the *Local Government Act 2020*:
- a) Appoints and authorises the Council staff referred to in the Instrument at Attachment 4 to this report, as set out in the instrument.
 - b) Determines the instrument comes into force immediately, the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument and remains in force until Council determines to vary or revoke it.
 - c) Authorises the affixing of Council's common seal.
5. Endorses the following motions for submission to the next Municipal Association of Victoria State Council meeting:
- a) That the MAV calls on the State Government to:
 - Review, improve and strengthen relevant legislation, Australian Standards and building codes to increase accessibility for people with a disability, with a focus on the retail sector. A reliance on advocacy, complaint-based legislation and building codes has done little to improve accessibility for many people with disability particularly in retail outlets.
 - Support businesses through awareness raising and resources to become more accessible.
 - Uphold Article 9 of the Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, so that all people with a disability have the right to freedom of movement and equal access to all aspects of social, commercial and community life.
 - Promote the economic and employment benefits for better accessibility in the retail sector.
 - b) That the MAV calls on the State Government to formalise and resource the work it is undertaking with the Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment to develop a State-wide Environmentally Sustainable Design policy.
 - c) That the MAV calls on the State Government to:

Take action to strengthen planning scheme provisions to support the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* objective to facilitate the provision of affordable housing. The requirement for voluntary participation to negotiate an affordable housing contribution has led to negligible outcomes. The Minister for Planning appointed a Ministerial Advisory Committee (MAC) in September 2019 to consider these matters. The MAV reiterates the key proposals detailed in its submission to the MAC and calls for:

 - A suite of Affordable Housing Planning Provisions that can be used by councils to seek affordable housing contributions;
 - That the Provisions include mandatory (rather than discretionary) requirements;
 - That the Provisions provide for land, dwelling, and/or cash affordable housing contributions and allows councils to specify the preferred form the contribution will take.
 - d) That the MAV calls on the State Government to:

Improve the Infrastructure Contribution Plan tool to make it a viable option for all *Metropolitan* Councils to access to better deliver community and other

infrastructure which meets the need of growing populations in established areas of Melbourne.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Notes the reports from Committees to Council, at Attachment 1 to this report and:**
 - a) Commissions the following Moreland artist to create an artwork celebrating the Greek Bicentenary as recommended by the Moreland Arts Advisory Committee:**
 - Anna Kiparis (Coburg) – www.annakiparis.com, \$7,500 ex GST**
 - b) Accepts the biannual Audit and Risk Report (Recommendations and Findings 2020/21) as endorsed by the Audit and Risk Committee.**
- 2. Notes the Record of Meetings, at Attachment 2 to this report.**
- 3. Delegates to the members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the offices or positions referred to in Instrument of Delegation to members of Council staff at Attachment 3 to this report, the powers, duties and functions set out in that Instrument subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument (noting the removal of any reference to the Urban Planning Committee as they appear against s.18 and 19 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*), and determines:**
 - a) The instrument comes into force immediately the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.**
 - b) On the coming into force of the instrument all previous delegations to members of Council staff (other than the Chief Executive Officer) are revoked.**
 - c) The duties and functions set out in the instrument must be performed, and the powers set out in the instruments must be executed, in accordance with any guidelines or policies of Council that it may from time to time adopt.**
- 4. In the exercise of the powers conferred by section 147(4) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and section 313 of the *Local Government Act 2020*:**
 - a) Appoints and authorises the Council staff referred to in the Instrument at Attachment 4 to this report, as set out in the instrument.**
 - b) Determines the instrument comes into force immediately, the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument and remains in force until Council determines to vary or revoke it.**
 - c) Authorises the affixing of Council's common seal.**
- 5. Endorses the following motions for submission to the next Municipal Association of Victoria State Council meeting:**
 - a) That the MAV calls on the State Government to:**
 - Review, improve and strengthen relevant legislation, Australian Standards and building codes to increase accessibility for people with a disability, with a focus on the retail sector. A reliance on advocacy, complaint-based legislation and building codes has done little to improve accessibility for many people with disability**

- particularly in retail outlets.
 - Support businesses through awareness raising and resources to become more accessible.
 - Uphold Article 9 of the Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, so that all people with a disability have the right to freedom of movement and equal access to all aspects of social, commercial and community life.
 - Promote the economic and employment benefits for better accessibility in the retail sector.
- b) That the MAV calls on the State Government to formalise and resource the work it is undertaking with the Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment to develop a State-wide Environmentally Sustainable Design policy.
- c) That the MAV calls on the State Government to:
- Take action to strengthen planning scheme provisions to support the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* objective to facilitate the provision of affordable housing. The requirement for voluntary participation to negotiate an affordable housing contribution has led to negligible outcomes. The Minister for Planning appointed a Ministerial Advisory Committee (MAC) in September 2019 to consider these matters. The MAV reiterates the key proposals detailed in its submission to the MAC and calls for:
- A suite of Affordable Housing Planning Provisions that can be used by councils to seek affordable housing contributions;
 - That the Provisions include mandatory (rather than discretionary) requirements;
 - That the Provisions provide for land, dwelling, and/or cash affordable housing contributions and allows councils to specify the preferred form the contribution will take.
- d) That the MAV calls on the State Government to:
- Improve the Infrastructure Contribution Plan tool to make it a viable option for all *Metropolitan* Councils to access to better deliver community and other infrastructure which meets the need of growing populations in established areas of Melbourne.

Carried

7.14 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2021

This report presents the Financial Management Report for the financial year to date period ending 28 February 2021.

A detailed financial review was undertaken across the organisation at the end of December 2020. This process provides the opportunity to review financial performance to date and reallocate the available financial resources to maximise the delivery on strategic objectives.

The results of this review are included in this report as the Full Year Revised Forecast.

The February Income Statement shows the Council surplus is \$6.6 million better the year to date Revised Forecast as a result of lower overall expenditure. These differences are considered largely timing in nature.

Council has spent \$29.3 million on capital expenditure which is \$2.1 million less than the year to date Revised Forecast.

Council has previously taken the approach of generating small surpluses to reinvest in much needed infrastructure projects. This strategy has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and it is unlikely Council will generate a funding surplus for 2020/21.

Officer Recommendation

That Council notes the Financial Management Report for the period ended 28 February 2021, at Attachment 1 to this report.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council notes the Financial Management Report for the period ended 28 February 2021, at Attachment 1 to this report.

Carried

7.15 MICROSOFT SOFTWARE LICENCING AGREEMENT

For the past twelve years Council has used a licencing arrangement for Microsoft products known as the Microsoft Enterprise Agreement (EA). The Microsoft EA covers the licensing of Council's Microsoft software including applications such as Windows 10, Office 365, Visio, Teams, etc. The agreement allows Council to continuously upgrade Microsoft software to the latest version and adjust the number of licences as required. Each EA lasts for three years. The EA defines what software Council intends to use but does not include pricing schedules. For the last two EAs, Council has utilised a Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) sponsored panel with an umbrella contract to obtain the lowest prices for Microsoft software. Utilising the MAV panel avoids the need for Council to tender individually allows us to obtain cheaper rates than would be possible individually. Council's current EA ends on 31 April 2021 and Council needs to join the MAV panel agreement before the new EA commences on 1 May 2021. The rates applicable at this time will apply until the EA expires on 30 April 2024.

The MAV tender evaluation process recommended the appointment of a panel of five providers for an initial contract period from 1 July 2020 until 28 March 2022 with options to extend for an additional period up to three years. The tender complied with all *Local Government Act 1989* requirements.

The total operational expenditure expected over the contract term including all extensions is estimated to be \$3,000,000 excluding GST based on the current staff numbers and product usage. This expenditure has been included in the 2020/21 operational budget and is reviewed annually as a part of the budget process to allow for any changes in staffing levels and/or licence usage, the budget allocation is subject to budget adoption.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Joins the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) Microsoft Arrangement NPN 2.17-3 to provide Council's Microsoft Enterprise Agreement and other Microsoft products, expiring on 28 March 2022 with options to extend for an additional period up to three years.

2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - a) Do all things necessary to execute the agreement and any required documentation for the agreement.
 - b) Exercise the options to extend the agreement in accordance with the relevant provisions.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council:

1. **Joins the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) Microsoft Arrangement NPN 2.17-3 to provide Council's Microsoft Enterprise Agreement and other Microsoft products, expiring on 28 March 2022 with options to extend for an additional period up to three years.**
2. **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:**
 - a) **Do all things necessary to execute the agreement and any required documentation for the agreement.**
 - b) **Exercise the options to extend the agreement in accordance with the relevant provisions.**

Carried

7.16 CONTRACT RFT-P-2020-173 - PROVISION OF BLUESTONE, PAVING AND RETAINING WALL MAINTENANCE SERVICES

The Roads Unit maintenance services cover bluestones, retaining walls and paving assets across Moreland. There are several assets that form part of the heritage of the suburbs within Moreland and often require maintenance works such as bluestone laneways and kerb and channel. Further to this, Council is responsible for retaining walls within the road reserve and at Council owned facilities. It is important that these are maintained to a high standard for public safety.

Council has in-house staff that are able to make assets safe and in some instances, reinstate assets on a small scale. However, in most cases Council requires specialised contractors to assist with reinstating these assets.

Previously, Contract 381T – Provision of Bluestone Pavement Repairs Services was used for the maintenance of bluestone assets and retaining walls. Contract expiry is 3 April 2021 and it does not have adequate provision for paving maintenance.

On 30 January 2021, advertisements were placed for a public tender for a panel of contractors to provide “Bluestone, Paving and Retaining Wall Maintenance Services” across the Moreland municipality. Tenders closed on 22 February 2021 with five conforming tenders received.

The tender complies with Section 186 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. **Accepts the Schedule of Rates Tenders and Award Contract RFT-P-2020-173 – Provision of Bluestone, Paving and Retaining Wall Maintenance Services to the panel of contractors listed below for a period of 3 years from 26 April 2021 to 26 April 2024, with an option for a further two 1 year extension periods until 26 April**

2026.

- Civillink Group Pty Ltd ABN 50119219840
- GP Bluestone Pty Ltd ABN 21664700435
- Kaizen Civil Pty Ltd ABN 18619423068
- Langdon Contractors Pty Ltd ABN 93119755065
- Stone Culture Pty Ltd ABN 80113193990

2. Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:
 - a) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to do all things necessary to execute the Contract, including advising the tenderers of Council's decision in this matter.
 - b) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to exercise the options to extend the contract in accordance with the provisions within the Contracts.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council:

1. **Accepts the Schedule of Rates Tenders and Award Contract RFT-P-2020-173 – Provision of Bluestone, Paving and Retaining Wall Maintenance Services to the panel of contractors listed below for a period of 3 years from 26 April 2021 to 26 April 2024, with an option for a further two 1 year extension periods until 26 April 2026.**
 - **Civillink Group Pty Ltd ABN 50119219840**
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 - **Stone Culture Pty Ltd ABN 80113193990**
2. **Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:**
 - a) **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to do all things necessary to execute the Contract, including advising the tenderers of Council's decision in this matter.**
 - b) **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to exercise the options to extend the contract in accordance with the provisions within the Contracts.**

Carried

7.17 CONTRACT Q13558 – MOBILE GARBAGE BIN SUPPLY CONTRACT SPEND

Bin supply is an essential service offered by Council, facilitating kerbside waste collection services. It includes bins for new premises, new Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) bins and upsizing and downsizing of other bins as circumstances in households change.

This report brings to Council's attention an increase in the costs being incurred under contract Q13558. Expenditure to date and future forecast expenditure have increased beyond previous expectations. The figures have now been revised to account for a growing trend in additional size changes by residents and uptake into opt-in FOGO, responding to Council's promotion of the FOGO option.

Contract spend for Mobile Garbage Bin Supply was previously forecast to be \$800,235 excluding GST. The new estimate, including contingency, is \$1,261,739.62 excluding GST (\$1,387,913.58 including GST) until 30 June 2021.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes that the total spend for contract Q13558 – Supply of Mobile Garbage Bins is based on a schedule of rates, and that expenditure under the contract varies according to the level of demand from residents for bin swaps and new bins.
2. Notes that, including contingency, the current forecast expenditure under this contract is \$1,261,739.62 excluding GST (\$1,387,913.58 including GST).
3. Notes that budget provision for expenditure under this contract comes from the waste charge and that expenses arising from this contract are managed within the overall waste charge provisions.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes that the total spend for contract Q13558 – Supply of Mobile Garbage Bins is based on a schedule of rates, and that expenditure under the contract varies according to the level of demand from residents for bin swaps and new bins.**
2. **Notes that, including contingency, the current forecast expenditure under this contract is \$1,261,739.62 excluding GST (\$1,387,913.58 including GST).**
3. **Notes that budget provision for expenditure under this contract comes from the waste charge and that expenses arising from this contract are managed within the overall waste charge provisions.**

Carried

NOTICES OF MOTION

8.1 FROM STRUGGLE TO PEACE: ADDRESSING THE WAR ON WASTE IN OUR HOMES, STREETS AND PARKS

Motion

That Council:

1. Confirms its commitment to Zero Waste to Landfill by 2030 and the expectation that this will feature in the forthcoming Council Plan.
2. Recognises the need for further research and development to support achievement of this aspirational goal.
3. Seeks Council officers to provide a report in October 2021 on the cost of streamlining the look and feel of public litter bins, to enable consideration in the 2022-23 budget cycle
4. Seeks Council officers to provide a report in October 2021 outlining the project plan for the Waste and Litter Strategy 2023-2028 to ensure this work is budgeted in 2022-23. This would include:
 - a) The scope of research and resourcing options to deliver an options paper by December 2022 on measures to support zero waste to landfill, covering kerbside waste, public realm waste and use of diverted waste.
 - b) The preparation (including engagement process) of the next Waste and Litter Strategy (scheduled for preparation in 2022-23).

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Confirms its commitment to Zero Waste to Landfill by 2030 and the expectation that this will feature in the forthcoming Council Plan.**
2. **Recognises the need for further research and development to support achievement of this aspirational goal.**
3. **Seeks Council officers to provide a report in October 2021 on the cost of streamlining the look and feel of public litter bins, including the colour and messaging consistent with residential bins, to enable consideration in the 2022/23 budget cycle**
4. **Seeks Council officers to provide a report in October 2021 outlining the project plan for the Waste and Litter Strategy 2023-2028 to ensure this work is budgeted in 2022-23. This would include:**
 - a) **The scope of research and resourcing options to deliver an options paper by December 2022 on measures to support zero waste to landfill, covering kerbside waste, public realm waste and use of diverted waste.**
 - b) **The preparation (including engagement process) of the next Waste and Litter Strategy (scheduled for preparation in 2022/23).**

Carried

8.2 SUPPORT FOR MYANMAR EVENT

Motion

That Council waives Brunswick Town Hall hire and associated fees for the community organisation Victorian Myanmar Youth for a fund-raising event to be held on Sunday 25 April in support of the families of the people who have been killed in the military crackdown in Myanmar.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council waives Town Hall hire and associated fees for the community organisation Victorian Myanmar Youth for a fund-raising event to be held on Sunday 25 April or a Sunday in May in support of the families of the people who have been killed in the military crackdown in Myanmar.

9.41 pm Cr Pavlidis left the meeting before the vote.

Carried

Cr Yildiz abstained from voting.

8.3 ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT OF ACTIVITY CENTRES

Motion

That Council:

1. Conducts an accessibility audit of the Louisa Street-Munro Street intersection and surrounds in Coburg;
2. Receives a report at the June 2021 Council meeting on a program of accessibility audits of other activity centres in Moreland.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

Motion

That Council:

1. **Conducts an accessibility audit of the Louisa Street-Munro Street intersection and surrounds in Coburg;**
2. **Receives a report at the June 2021 Council meeting on a program of accessibility audits of other activity centres in Moreland.**

Carried

8.4 CHARLES MUTTON RESERVE PLAYGROUND

Motion

That Council receives a report on plans for the upgrade of the Charles Mutton Reserve playground, including a consideration of issues which have newly been identified by families who regularly use the playground and the potential for bring forward the upgrade.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Yildiz seconded –

That Council:

- 1. Receives a report to bring forward plans to upgrade the Charles Mutton Reserve playground, including a consideration of issues which have newly been identified by families who regularly use the playground and the potential for bring forward the upgrade.**
- 2. Meets with the lead petitioners of the petition to upgrade the playground to gain an understanding of the safety issues with this playground.**

9.45 pm Cr Pavlidis returned to the meeting.

Carried

9.47 pm Cr Yildiz left the meeting due to his disclosed conflict of interest in item 8.5 Council's aged care service.

8.5 COUNCIL'S AGED CARE SERVICE

Motion

That Council:

1. Notes the findings and recommendations of the 'Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety' and its focus on "placing people at the centre of aged care".
2. Notes that Council's aged care services are provided under the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP).
3. Notes Council is currently not a registered Home Care Package Provider which offers a structured and comprehensive bundle of services on a 'consumer directed care basis'.
4. Receives a Council report in November 2021 on the benefits, options and way forward on Council also becoming a registered Home Care Packages provider.

Motion

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council:

1. Notes the findings and recommendations of the 'Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety' and its focus on "placing people at the centre of aged care".
2. Notes that Council's aged care services are currently provided under the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP).
3. Notes Council is currently not a registered Home Care Package Provider which offers a structured and comprehensive bundle of services on a 'consumer directed

care basis’.

4. Receives a Council report by 21 June 2021 on the opportunities and options for growth in Aged Care services at Moreland Council following the Commonwealth Government’s response to the Royal Commission Recommendations into Aged Care Quality and Safety on 31 May.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council defers consideration of this item until after Councillors have been briefing in May on home care packages and Council’s involvement.

Carried

Cr Bolton and Cr Davidson requested their vote against be noted.

9.56 pm Time Extension

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That the Council meeting be extended by 30 minutes.

Carried

9.56 pm Cr Yildiz returned to the meeting.

8.6 BREARLY RESERVE PASCOE VALE SOUTH

Motion

That Council:

1. Seeks a report from Council officers into:
 - a) The cost to install lighting in the Brearley Reserve Pascoe Vale South Carpark
 - b) Any additional cost and appropriate times to apply if adjusting the opening and closing times for the car park so that it is not accessed during hours of poor behaviour. For example the gate being opened at 9am and closed at 5pm (or 9pm on game days).
2. Seeks Council officers to contact the tenants of Brearley Reserve (East Coburg Cricket Club and West Coburg Football Club) to ensure they are made aware of the ongoing complaints made by residents and that they consider options to ensure the safety of residents is not compromised.

Resolution

Cr Yildiz moved, Cr Bolton seconded -

That Council:

1. **Seeks a report from Council officers into:**
 - a) **The cost to install lighting in the Brearley Reserve Pascoe Vale South Carpark**
 - b) **Any additional cost and appropriate times to apply if adjusting the opening and closing times for the car park so that it is not accessed**

during hours of poor behaviour. For example the gate being opened at 9am and closed at 5pm (or 9pm on game days).

2. **Seeks Council officers to contact the tenants of Brearley Reserve (East Coburg Cricket Club and West Coburg Football Club) to ensure they are made aware of the ongoing complaints made by residents and that they consider options to ensure the safety of residents is not compromised.**

Carried

8.7 ELECTION MATERIAL

Motion

That

1. Council notes the provisions of the Governance Rules in relation to candidate or political party coreflutes on Council owned property.
2. Whenever Council staff become aware of a candidate or political party coreflute on Council owned property, staff contact the candidate or party in writing and request the immediate removal of any such material from public property.
3. Council notes penalties applicable under the General Local Law should the candidate ignore requests.
4. Council contacts all candidates including their parties (if applicable) via email once nominations are received for the 2024 Moreland Council Elections, advising that any such breaches of the General Local Law may incur a fine.
5. Council publishes on relevant social media platforms the requirements of the Governance Rules and General Local Law to ensure the public have the opportunity to raise such breaches directly to Council.

Resolution

Cr Yildiz moved, Cr Davidson seconded -

That:

1. **Council notes the provisions of the Governance Rules in relation to candidate or political party coreflutes on Council owned property.**
2. **Whenever Council staff become aware of a candidate or political party coreflute on Council owned property, staff contact the candidate or party in writing and request the immediate removal of any such material from public property.**
3. **Council notes penalties applicable under the General Local Law should the candidate ignore requests.**
4. **Council contacts all candidates including their parties (if applicable) via email once nominations are received for the 2024 Moreland Council Elections, advising that any such breaches of the General Local Law may incur a fine.**
5. **Council publishes on relevant social media platforms the requirements of the Governance Rules and General Local Law to ensure the public have the opportunity to raise such breaches directly to Council.**

Carried

8.8 TREES

Motion

That Council seeks a report that considers:

1. The removal from Council's Tree Maintenance Policy the section pertaining to the "less than 3 metres high" local law and replace it with no overhanging.
2. Overhanging tree branches located on Council land and protruding onto a resident's property, must be cut by Council at the request of the resident.

Resolution

Cr Yildiz moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council seeks a report that considers:

1. **The removal from Council's Tree Maintenance Policy the section pertaining to the "less than 3 metres high" local law and replace it with no overhanging.**
2. **Overhanging tree branches located on Council land and protruding onto a resident's property, must be cut by Council at the request of the resident.**

Carried

8.9 KINGFISHER GARDENS - TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND PARKING

Motion

That Council:

1. Investigates if:
 - a) Waste vehicles and other emergency services vehicles including fire trucks can properly access Kingfisher Gardens.
 - b) Bike access to the road can be slowed
 - c) Indented car parking can feasibly be designed within the street, including costs
2. Presents a report back to Council on these findings.

Motion

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council:

1. Investigates if:
 - a) Waste vehicles and other emergency services vehicles including fire trucks can properly access Kingfisher Gardens.
 - b) Bike access to the road can be slowed
 - c) Indented car parking can feasibly be designed within the street, including costs
2. Presents a report back to Council on these findings.

Amendment

Cr Conlan moved, Cr Bolton seconded –

That point 1b of the motion be deleted.

Resolution

That Council:

1. Investigates if:
 - a) Waste vehicles and other emergency services vehicles including fire trucks can properly access Kingfisher Gardens.
 - b) Bike access to the road can be slowed
 - c) Indented car parking can feasibly be designed within the street, including costs
2. Presents a report back to Council on these findings.

Carried

8.10 IMPROVING COMMUNITY OUTCOMES AT DOUGLAS RESERVE

Motion

That Council:

1. Halts works at Douglas Reserve, including the installation of the playground and associated works, remove the existing fence, make the park safe and useable in the short term, and include clear signage indicating that the current state of the park is temporary.
2. Conducts one further meeting with the community representatives involved in the 15 March 2021 meeting, allowing interested parties a say over the choice of playground equipment at Douglas Reserve. Any design changes should stay largely within the existing playground budget and footprint and retain all existing trees.
3. Presents the revised playground design for Douglas Reserve, including a revised budget, for consideration at to the May 2021 Council meeting.

Withdrawn

Cr Conlan withdrew this Notice of Motion.

NOTICE OF RESCISSION

Nil

10.17 pm - Standing Orders Suspension

Motion

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council suspend standing orders.

Carried

Cr Bolton made a statement about the passing of George Zangalis, the founder of 3ZZZ radio station.

10.18 pm - Standing Orders Resumption

Motion

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Riley seconded -
That Council resume standing orders.

Carried

FORESHADOWED ITEMS

Cr Riley

Foreshadowed an item on Supporting for Dementia Australia's 'Roadmap for Quality Dementia Care in Australia' that will be coming to the next meeting.

URGENT BUSINESS REPORTS

Nil

CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

In accordance with section 66(1) and section 3(1) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, this Council meeting be closed to the public to consider this/these report(s):

- **12.1 Chief Executive Officer Employment Matters because it relates to personal information, being information which if released would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs.**

Carried

The Council meeting closed to the public at 10.19 pm.

The meeting closed at 10.34 pm.

Confirmed

Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan
MAYOR