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DATE OF MEETING: 9 August 1994

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******* END OF MAYORAL MINUTES *******

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Section 2

Notices of Motion

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No Notices of Motion Were Submitted

******* END OF NOTICES OF MOTION *******

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No Recision Notices Were Submitted

******* END OF NOTICES OF MOTION OF RECISION *******

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Section 3

Report of the General Purpose Committee

Report of the Meeting of the General Purpose Committee held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on 26 July 1994, commencing at 9.30am.

PRESENT: Councillor W J Sledge, Mayor and Councillors H J M Books, R G Calvert, B N Keegan, P J Minturn, C A Paine, P E Rogers, L C Sheather, R P Stubbs, and H Williams.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors W J Mackay and M G Parsons.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine and seconded by Councillor Rogers that the apologies be accepted.

Councillor Calvert arrived at 11.10am and left at 2.55 pm. Councillor Books arrived at 12.08pm. Councillor Keegan left the meeting at 2.40pm. Councillor Stubbs left the meeting at 2.47pm.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheather and seconded by Councillor Keegan that the Minutes of the General Purpose Committee Meeting held on the 28 June 1994, be confirmed.

The following recommendations were passed as resolutions of the Committee:

SECTION 1 - ENVIRONMENT

21: POULTRY FARM EXTENSIONS - LOT 6 DP215575 NO. 53 WALLACE ROAD, VINEYARD - J XUEREB (DA117/94/EVD)

Owner:	J Xuereb
Stat. Provisions:	Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1989
Area:	3.265ha
Zone:	Rural 1(c)
Advertising:	Adjoining owners notified with 5 submissions received
Date Received:	11 May 1994

Key Issues:

Ë	Odour
Ë	Noise
Ë	Amenity

Action:

Approval with conditions

Mrs P Schembri and Mrs S Hogarth, objectors, addressed the Committee.

A SITE INSPECTION be carried out.

The Committee inspected the site at 4.20 p.m. Councillors present at the inspection were Councillors Sledge, Books, Paine, Rogers and Sheather.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

As there was not a quorum a recommendation was not made.

22: TYRE LANDFILL - HENDRENS ROAD, EBENEZER (DA347/92/GMA)

Mr B Porter, the applicant, addressed the Council.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT COUNCIL APPROVE this application subject to a personal undertaking from Mr Porter and an undertaking from his Company that all dumping will cease within 2 years from the General Meeting, in accordance with his public statements reported in the press, and that there is a resolution of this Council that from now on no further applications for tyre dumping will be approved. In the meantime the tyres be shredded.

23: HOLLANDS PADDOCK CAR PARK - COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT (P1408/95 PT2/GMA)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE WINDSOR and District Chamber of Commerce be advised that previous advice to the Council has been that rezoning for large scale commercial development was unlikely and the current position with this will be ascertained. Further, that redevelopment of the properties fronting George Street, including some of the Hollands Paddock area would be supported subject to consideration of appropriate access and other development considerations.

24: DEMOLITION OF WEATHERBOARD COTTAGE - 339 WINDSOR STREET, RICHMOND (DA281/93 PT1/GMA)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT COUNCIL DOES not consent to demolition.

25: URBAN LAND RELEASES (GT190/002 PT2/GMA)**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

THE MINISTER FOR Planning be advised of the critical problem of land for the Defence Housing Authority to provide housing for defence families associated with the Royal Australian Air Force Base at Richmond and the current action of relocating them some distance from their work place. Further, that the support of the Member for Hawkesbury and the Member for Londonderry be sought in this matter.

26: TREE REMOVAL - PROSPECT ELECTRICITY (GE010/004PT02/EVD)**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

- A. PROSPECT ELECTRICITY be advised that there would be no objection to the re-introduction of a tree removal or replacement program as requested subject to the following conditions:-
1. Prior to any tree removal being undertaken, an application be submitted and approved by this office, removal costs to be borne by applicant.
 2. A minimum of 1 (one) replacement tree is to be provided for each tree removed subject to the discretion of the inspecting officer, replacement trees to be provided and planted at cost of applicant.
 3. Where it is found that it is impractical to undertake complete removal, the offending tree or trees be ground lined and the resulting residue stump growth be treated with the weedicide "Round Up" as a deterrent to regrowth.
- B. That Prospect Electricity be invited to have discussions with Council concerning the merits and workings of a Community Environmental Liaison Committee with regard to tree management issues in respect of Prospect Electricity's undertakings.

27: RE-STATEMENT OF AFTER HOURS COURTESY KENNELS (GE020/002/EVD)**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

THAT THE INFORMATION be received.

28: WEATHERBOARD COTTAGE - NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEMOLISH - 80 LENNOX STREET, RICHMOND - V & P TCHADOVITCH (P515/135/EVD)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE REPORT be received.

29: THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979 - AMENDMENTS (GC070/006 PT2/EVD)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE INFORMATION relating to recent amendments to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 be received.

30: ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT REGULATION 1980 - CHANGES TO SCHEDULE 3 - DESIGNATED DEVELOPMENT (GT090/001 PT2, LEP8/91 PT1/EVD)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE INFORMATION be received.

31: SHOPPING CENTRE PROPOSAL - PAGET, WINDSOR AND EAST MARKET STREETS, RICHMOND (P1343.212/10 PT1/EVD)

Clr Rogers declared an interest in this matter.

Mr R Tolson addressed the Committee

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT AN APPROPRIATE curtilage around the Richmond Railway Station be determined by Council's Heritage Adviser.
2. That the architects of the proposed development be advised that Council considers that the proposal has some merit and as such further discussions with the State Rail Authority should be undertaken. This advice however does not necessarily mean that Council support for the preparation of a draft local environmental plan over the site will be forthcoming.

3. That the architects attention be directed to the shortfall in off street carparking and Council's desire to ensure that the parking provision complies with its DCP as well as providing for the current and projected demand for commuter parking.

32: MUSHROOM COMPOSTERS PTY LTD - POST OFFICE ROAD, EBENEZER (P1609.110 PT8/EVD)

Mr B. Daley - Chairman Mushroom Composters, Ms M. Lawson, Ms J. Davis - Australian Mushroom Growers Association, on behalf of the applicant, addressed the Committee.

Mrs F Peters, Mr N Byrnes, Mr N. Diamond - President Tinda Creek Progress Association, objectors, addressed the Committee.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THERE BE no action taken until such time that all these problems are addressed so that they can move to their new site and that an independent odour assessment be undertaken urgently and that the matter be further reported to the next General Purpose Committee meeting.

THAT A SITE inspection of the Tinda Park premises of the applicant be undertaken and that all interested parties be invited to attend.

33: INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN (DCP1/93/EVD)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE ITEM be withdrawn until the next General Purpose Committee Meeting.

34: TYRE LANDFILL - HENDRENS ROAD, EBENEZER (DA347/92/GMA)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE INFORMATION be received.

35: BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT - OBJECTION TO ENGINEERING CONDITIONS - LOT 22 DP622668, LOT 379 DP210302 AND LOT 383 DP210303 BELLBIRD CRESCENT AND GUNBOWER ROAD, BOWEN MOUNTAIN - MR J ROCHE (SA174/93/EVD)

Mr J Roche, applicant, addressed the Committee.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT CONDITIONS 7, 8 and 9 be deleted.

36: TWO LOT SUBDIVISION - LOT 1 DP 815222 NO. 29 CHAPEL STREET, RICHMOND - FALSON & ASSOCIATES (SA0071/94/EVD)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THIS MATTER be deferred to the Ordinary Meeting at which time a letter should be tendered from the Hawkesbury Village giving their advice to this proposal.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Advice from the Hawkesbury Village has now been provided and is as follows:-

"In reference to our letter of 26 July and your correspondence of 29 July may we thank you for the disclosure of information and the copy of the subdivision plan.

Having been granted time by Council and after due consideration of this proposal our Chairman of the Board has advised that there will be no objections lodged by us."

37: PROPOSED COMMUNITY TITLE SUBDIVISION - STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY NO. 1 - GROSE VALE ROAD AND BELLS ROAD, GROSE VALE - MCKINLAY MORGAN AND ASSOCIATES PTY LTD (SA25/94/EVD)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT THE APPLICATION be referred to the Department of Planning for the Director's concurrence under State Environmental Planning Policy No. 1.
2. That the application be determined under delegated authority following receipt of the Director's concurrence.

SECTION 2 - INFRASTRUCTURE

10: THE TERRACE WINDSOR (2019/R/GMA)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE CLOSURE of the Terrace at Bridge Street incorporate a lay-by immediately adjacent to Bridge Street suitable for parking of break down vehicles and that a paved area be established incorporating bollards and an appropriate horizontal component sufficient to prohibit the traversing by vehicles.

11: CYCLEWAY/FOOTPATH - REDBANK CREEK TO COLO HIGH SCHOOL (423/R PT5/ENG)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT SUBJECT TO Roads & Traffic Authority approval, the cycleway/footpath between Redbank Creek Bridge and Colo High School be named "*Colo Way*" and the Geographical Names Board be advised of the proposal.

12: PROPOSED ROAD WIDENING - STANNIX PARK ROAD, WILBERFORCE (1911/R PT2/ENG)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT ACTION BE taken to widen Stannix Park Road, Wilberforce in the three locations within Lot 12 DP817345 as indicated on Plan m 1911-4 with the extent of widening to be as fenced and Council to bear reasonable legal and survey costs.

13: PARK IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 1994/5 (GP010/017 PT1/ENG)

COMMITTEES RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE PARK Improvement Program for 1994/5 be adopted.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

An amount of \$14,600 has been proposed for a cycleway, play equipment and seating in the Reserve between Woods Road and Loder Crescent (Salmon Road closure), South Windsor. This proposal was in accordance with a resolution of Council to close this area of road and develop it as a Reserve. It will also be noted that the area has been identified as having potential for development in the report on property development strategies in this Business Paper.

Further consideration has been given to the location of reserves within this area and it is noted that there is a large Reserve at the end of Lamont Place which would, if upgraded, better serve the needs of this community. As such, it is proposed that the \$14,600 previously allocated to the Reserve between Woods Road and Loder Crescent be utilised in carrying out similar upgrading work in the Reserve at the end of Lamont Place.

It will also be noted that the application has been made to the Department of Sport, Recreation and Racing, under the 1994/95 Capital Assistance Program for a playground at South Windsor and if successful, these funds would also be used to provide improved playground facilities at the Bradley Road Reserve.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Park Improvement Program for 1994/95 be adopted with the alteration of Item 4, Reserve between Woods Road and Loder Crescent (Salmon Road closure), South Windsor, to Reserve - Lamont Place.

14: 1994/95 ROAD, DRAINAGE AND KERB & GUTTER PROGRAM (GR120/011 PT2/ENG)**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

See Item 16.

15: ARGYLE/MACQUARIE STREETS INTERSECTION - PEDESTRIAN FATALITY - SPECIAL MEETING OF LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE - 22 JUNE 94 (0119/R PT02/ENG)**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

THAT THE ROADS & Traffic Authority be requested to provide unbroken parking lane lines for the full length of Macquarie Street between Richmond Road and George Street, where appropriate, including left turn lanes, merging lanes at intersections, and 5 (five) locations for right hand turns at intersections.

16: 1994/95 ROAD, DRAINAGE AND KERB & GUTTER PROGRAM (GR120/011 PT02/ENG)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE ROAD, Drainage and Kerb & Gutter Program for 1994/95 be adopted with the inclusion of the Comleroy Road/McMahons Road intersection reconstruction at an estimated cost of \$45,000 (forty five thousand) and Windsor Street, Richmond, reconstruction of bituminous footpath south side between Bosworth and West Market Street in brick pavers, Stage 1 at an estimated cost of \$17,600 (seventeen thousand six hundred) in lieu of the original Windsor Street footpath proposal.

SECTION 3 - ORGANISATION AND RESOURCES

6: MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (GF011/004/FNC)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE INFORMATION be received.

7: COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL - FUNCTIONS & OBJECTIVES (GC280/003 PT2/GMA)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT COMMITTEES OF the Council only deal with those matters directly identified in their establishment or those as referred by the Council. Further, that the various Committees be requested to provide comment and the basis of their objectives for consideration in September.

8: BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS (GC030/012 PT3, PK/203 PT9, PK/205 PT3/GMA)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT COUNCIL AGREE to the Bicentennial Committee's arrangements for exclusive catering rights for McQuade Park on Saturday the 1st of October and Governor Phillip Park on Sunday the 2nd of October.
2. That Council also agree to the granting of an appropriate Liquor Licence for those occasions.
3. That approval be given for a band to play in McQuade Park on Saturday evening the 1st of October and the Committee be requested to advise all surrounding landowners and ensure that appropriate steps are taken in relation to noise and finishing times.

9: EMERGENCY SERVICES BUILDING - COMMUNITY FACILITIES (GC305/009 PT1/GMA)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

1. That SES relocate to McKinnons Road, vacating current Local Headquarters with a sub-local at the CWA Hall, Windsor, under their approval.

2. That the Bush Fire Control remain at the present location and be partially funded by the Bush Fire Council.
3. That SES supply plans and approximate costs of improvement/extensions to the Local Headquarters by the General Purpose Committee.
4. That Bush Fire Control supply plans of alterations to existing building by the General Purpose Committee.
5. That the funding of SES extensions be provided by the sale of 325 George Street, Windsor.
6. That the Community Centre be located at Bush Fire Control.
7. The helipad be located at the Local Headquarters.

10: PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES (GC285/002/CSV)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE INFORMATION be received and that support in principle be given by the Council to enable the strategies defined in the report to be implemented accordingly.

11: WINDSOR PENINSULA - LEASE OF VACANT LAND (GC283/084 PT2/CSV)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

1. THE LEASE OF Lots X and Y DP162477 Pitt Street, Windsor be granted to Mr K Kennedy for a initial term of 6 (six) months.
2. Tenancy beyond the initial term shall be on a month by month basis.
3. The lessee will pay to Council rental in the amount of \$190 (one hundred and ninety) per calendar month.
4. Rental shall be reviewed at each annual anniversary of the commencement of the lease, reviews to reflect movement in the Sydney Consumer Price Index.
5. The lessee shall pay all services used or separately consumed/metered on the site.
6. The lease shall rest on correspondence.

12: MACQUARIE PARK HOUSE - LEASE (GC283/064 PT6/CSV)**COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION**

1. COUNCIL LEASE MACQUARIE Park House to Mr Noel Greentree for a period of 3 (three) x 3 (three) years at a commencing annual rental of \$5,000 (five thousand).
2. The lessee shall, after 12 (twelve) months operation and at a subsequent 12 (twelve) month periods provide audited financial statements for the purposes of enabling assessment of appropriate rental.
3. The lessee shall be responsible for:-
 - a. the operation of the restaurant/kiosk facility in Macquarie Park House.
 - b. act as caretaker (or appoint a suitable persons) for the whole of the property. As such the caretaker will be responsible for opening and closing on a daily basis of gates which may be installed at the entrance of Macquarie Park.
 - c. the payment of outgoings on the premises including electricity, gas, telephone, water consumption charges and any costs associated with the provision of services or utilities separately provided or metered to the premises.
 - d. the cleaning of toilet blocks, showers, change rooms and any other facilities available for public use in Macquarie Park with the supply of materials to achieve these tasks being at the sole expense of the lessee.
 - e. the collection of rubbish within the immediate vicinity of the premises and placing the rubbish in a single collection point for removal by Council staff.
 - f. the maintenance of the immediate surrounds of Macquarie Park House including the maintenance of gardens - nurturing of trees, operation of any irrigation system etc and minor repairs to fences, signs, light fittings etc and mowing of lawns with the lessee to supply all equipment necessary to achieve these tasks at the lessees sole expense.
 - g. the payment of various insurances including:-
 - i. a minimum of \$5,000,000 (five million) indemnity for Public Risk Insurance;
 - ii. Worker's Compensation Insurance as appropriate;
 - iii. Personal Accident Insurance;
 - iv. Contents Insurance for Macquarie Park House; and
 - v. Plate Glass Insurance.
 - h. to comply with provisions of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1983 and the Liquor Act, 1981.
 - i. subject to an appropriate agreement, the lessee shall manage all water based activities within the property with due regard to safety and environmental concerns.

4. The lessor will be responsible for:-
 - a. all rates and taxes charged to Macquarie Park House.
 - b. major maintenance, that is structural repairs to Macquarie Park House, picnic areas and toilet - shower facilities.
 - c. Industrial Special Risks Insurance for all structures in Macquarie Park.
 - d. payment of water rates and electricity for the non leased area of Macquarie Park.
 - e. collection of rubbish from the nominated collection point.
 - f. the broad acre maintenance of the remainder of Macquarie Park.
5. All necessary documents be completed under Seal of Council.

13: INSURANCE QUOTATIONS 1994 - 1995 (GI001/004 PT5/CSV)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

COUNCIL RENEW THE specific categories of insurance as detailed in this report for the term 20 August 1994 to 20 August 1995.

14: 20 FITZGERALD STREET, WINDSOR - LEASE (GC283/042 PT4/CSV)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

1. COUNCIL LEASE 20 Fitzgerald Street, Windsor to Colbell Investments Pty Ltd on the following terms:-
 - a. A 3 x 3 year Lease to commence on 1 October 1994.
 - b. In recognition of various works to be under taken to the building, rental for the first year of the term shall be \$12,000.
 - c. Rental in the second year shall be set at \$30,000 with rental in the third year to be adjusted by the Sydney CPI factor.
 - d. Rental for the first year of the new term shall be reviewed to market.
 - e. The lessee to pay outgoings including oil, gas, water consumption, electricity, telephone and any other charges separately metered or utilised on the site.
 - f. The lessor to pay rates and taxes.

- g. The lessee shall liaise closely with Council staff to ensure all buildings works are to Council's satisfaction. The lessee shall lodge a "Works as Executed" plan on completion of the works.

2. All necessary documents be completed under Seal of Council.

15: RICHMOND MALL RE-DEVELOPMENT (LEP19/93/CSV)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE INFORMATION be received and that by the next Ordinary Meeting Council obtain legal advice in relation to the Deed of Understanding and Agreement proposed by the applicant and that a deed be settled as agreed between the parties evidencing those matters discussed in debate and that the Richmond Chamber of Commerce be advised of Council's intentions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Following the decision at the General Purpose Committee concerning this matter, the draft Deed of Understanding and Agreement as submitted by the applicant has been redrafted by Council's Solicitors taking into consideration those issues raised and the Richmond Chamber of Commerce have been advised in terms of the proposal.

16: DRAFT ACCESS POLICY (GC150/015/CPL)

Mr K Ferris addressed the Committee.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE DRAFT Access Policy be advertised for a period of 28 (twenty eight) days, with the following amendments :

DEFINITIONS

ACCESS : Line 2 Add the words "and accessibility" after "Access" to now read : "Access and accessibility is intended to permit the general...."

OBJECTIVES

1. Line 1 To be amended to read "Provide access to appropriate buildings/developments and facilities."

2. Line 1 To be amended to read "To ensure appropriate existing buildings and facilities (parks, streets,....."
- 2.3 Line 1 To be amended to read "Existing buildings which are subject to a change in use which significantly increases....."
- 4.2 To be deleted.
5. To be amended to read "Council shall, where possible, assist in community education and the integration of persons with disabilities into all aspects of life in the community".
6. By the Ordinary Meeting there be a definition of the Hawkesbury Access Forum ensuring that there are delegates on the Forum from Council both by elected and senior staff.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

At the meeting of Council on September 28, 1993, it was resolved that :

"A Hawkesbury Disabled Access Forum be established with membership as proposed, to include 1(one) member from the Chambers of Commerce, but with the staff representation being "staff from the Community Services, Development and Engineering areas as appropriate". The Committee being able to vary membership by addition of the forum as required and as necessary. That the Forum be a "Sunset Committee" and report back to Council within 6 (six) months. Also that Councillor Sledge be appointed as Council's representative on the Forum."

SECTION 4 - QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

1. Councillor Rogers stated that the removal of the clothing bins from the CBD areas has caused a problem for the need of an alternative collection site and asked what has been proposed in this regard.

The Divisional Manager Environment and Development undertook to look into the matter and advise Councillor Rogers.

2. Councillor Rogers asked if a note had been sent to the local branch of the Gideon's Society thanking them for the provision of bibles.

The Mayor advised that this would be done.

3. Councillor Sheather asked if Gunbower Road could be looked at to see if it can be programmed within the Works Program.

4. Councillor Sheather advised that Baker Street between George and Macquarie Streets on the eastern side is overgrown with vegetation and one cannot walk down the pathway. He asked if this could be cleaned up as part of the Mall.

5. Councillor Sheather stated that where the traffic lights are as one enters East Richmond there is a white Ford Falcon which stops there permanently on the left hand side at about two places down where the S lane is located, and asked if a "No Parking" sign could be installed where it indicates a parking place for vehicles turning left into Bourke Street, or the matter addressed by the Local Traffic Committee.

6. Councillor Paine referred to the condition of the Windsor Railway Station carparking area.

The Divisional Manager Engineering Operations advised that Council is currently responsible for it. Council has a lease from CityRail. CityRail gave Council the use of the land if it maintained it for carparking services.

The meeting then adjourned for a site inspection.

The meeting terminated at 5.00 p.m.

ORDINARY

Section 4

Reports for Determination

ITEM 24: STAFF - MS J BROWN

FILE NUMBER: CP/JB/GMA

REPORT:

The Union has made representations as a result of the termination of the former Chief Librarian, Ms Julia Brown, representations are as follows:-

"Since being appointed Senior Officer in 1979 Ms Brown has been active in corporate and strategic planning for the organisation as a whole and particularly for the Library and its Community Service Division. Council's Library Service has operated as one of the most cost efficient and effective Library Services in New South Wales and these statements can be verified through annual statistics provided by the Public Libraries Branch of the Library Council of New South Wales.

Ms Brown has co-operated fully in the restructuring process of Council going back to the amalgamation days and sought to promote the Library Service both internally and externally.

In the most recent restructure of Council, including the restructuring of the Library Branch Manager position, Ms Brown has elected to seek other avenues for her future thereby giving Council the opportunity to bring in new blood and ideas which may continue the advancement of the Library Service.

The Union believes that with the restructure of her position and the provisions of the new legislation within the Local Government Act, that Ms Brown is entitled to the redundancy provisions of the Act.

The Union would ask Council's favourable consideration of this request based on legal requirements and in recognition of the devotion given to the Library Service by Ms Brown.

Your advice as to this request in due course would be appreciated."

The Act provides that those persons who are identified as Senior Staff by the Council and are then not appointed to Senior Staff positions are automatically redundant and the redundancy provisions apply. To the Council this means payment of up to twenty six weeks salary.

As pointed out by the Union, Ms Brown was Senior Staff and headed a full department from the period 1979 to 1991. At that stage the Library was combined with the expanding community relations area, and five Divisions established. Considering the representations made, the co-operative manner in which Ms Brown always acted and to alleviate any possible action (although this is not indicated at this stage), it is suggested that half of the redundancy provisions be applied and a payment of thirteen weeks be made.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Ms J Brown be made formally redundant under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993, and there be a payment of 13 (thirteen) weeks.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NAX.G08

****** END OF ITEM 24 ******

ITEM 25: DEVELOPMENT OF SCHOOLS - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE

FILE NUMBER: GL040/005 PT03/GMA

REPORT:

The experiences that the Council has had with the Department of School Education as a result of the development of Freemans Reach and Comleroy Road Primary and Hawkesbury High School are such that the Department's view as a community service provider not requiring compliance with reasonable conditions should be taken up as a matter of State Policy.

In all cases the Department was advised by both the Local Traffic Committee and the Council of essential requirements, with the most recent needing the immediate reallocation of road funds to upgrade a previous rural road intersection to cater for vehicles accessing the School.

It is considered the position where the Department acquires land without consultation with the Council, then submits a development application and appeals decisions on necessary roadworks is both flawed and irresponsible. The case is then not helped when conditions are imposed there is an appeal to the Department of Planning and the appeal upheld, thus requiring Local Government to subsidise the development of State Schools while at the same time it has reduced funding for roadworks.

It is recommended that the Council place an appropriate motion before this year's Annual Conference, seeking a statewide approach to the State Government accepting its responsible role as a developer in establishing schools.

RECOMMENDATION:

That an appropriate motion be placed before the Local Government Association Conference seeking that the Department of School Education act responsibly and accept those conditions that would normally pertain to development of the nature and scale of schools, including external roadworks when such facilities are established.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NAX.G09

**** END OF ITEM 25 ****

ITEM 26: INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CULTURE AND STUDY TOUR

FILE NUMBER: GP090/019 PT2/GMA

REPORT:

Mrs Anne Rogers of Kurrajong will be visiting Taiwan, Republic of China, on an International Youth Culture and Study Tour from 17th to 26th August, 1994 and is seeking Council's support by issuing the appropriate certificates of greetings to take to Taiwan.

Mrs.Rogers has been selected as one of five Australians to attend and the only person from New South Wales. Approximately 190 people will be attending from 50 countries worldwide. Mrs.Rogers is the Infants Co-Ordinator and Year 1 teacher at St.Paul's Grammar School and Co-Ordinator of the Chinese Cultural Program known as Magnet, at that school. She has been an active member of the Scout Association of Australia for over 20 years as a warranted leader, and has, for the past 10 years, held the warrant of Cub Scout Leader at North Richmond.

The goal of the cultural exchange is :

1. To promote understanding of the history and culture of the Republic of China; to introduce the political, economic, and social situation of the Republic of China.
2. To exchange ideas and experiences related to youth activities in different countries and thus strengthen international friendship and co-operation among youth.

The sponsor is the China Youth Corps, which is an independent, non government, non-profit youth organisation, the largest of its kind in the Republic of China.

Mrs Rogers will be calling upon the Ministry of Education, Taipei City Government, the Government Information Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and other Government dignitaries, including the Taiwan Provincial Government and the Kaohsiung City Government.

RECOMMENDATION:

That appropriate certificates of greetings be prepared under the Seal of Council.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NAX.G13

****** END OF ITEM 26 ******

ITEM 27: CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

FILE NUMBER: GN005/027 PT01/GMA

REPORT:

Council has been advised previously that the Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Management Trust was establishing management committees under the Catchment Management Act of 1989.

The Hawkesbury Local Government area is involved in the Trust's proposed committees for South Creek, Cattai Creek, MacDonald River, Blue Mountains, Central Area and Colo River. At this stage, committees have been established for South Creek, Cattai Creek and the Central Area. A Blue Mountains Committee exists and has done so prior to the Trust being established and the basis of their continuation is the subject of current consultation. Committees are not being established at this stage for the MacDonald and Colo areas.

Councils involved in the other areas have been requested to provide representatives. There are two Local Government representatives for the committees and these are to be provided from the Local Government areas involved. In the Cattai Creek area Local Government involvement is Blacktown, Baulkham Hills, Hawkesbury. In the Central Area it is Hawkesbury with a small part of Penrith. For South Creek there are a number of Local Government areas which include Hawkesbury.

It is suggested that for the Cattai Creek, considering the significant development of the North West Sector, that Baulkham Hills and Blacktown and that a large part of the Hawkesbury frontage to the Creek is a National Park, that the two Local Government representatives should come one each from Baulkham Hills and Blacktown. Representatives should be nominated however for the Central Area Committee and South Creek. At this stage, due to the very small area involved, it is not known if Penrith intends to nominate a representative for the Central Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

That representatives (one (1) for each area) be nominated for the Management Committees of the Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Management Trust for the South Creek Central areas.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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****** END OF ITEM 27 ******

ORDINARY MEETING

Meeting Date: **9 August 1994**

Item: **28**

ITEM 28: CONTRACTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR EXECUTION UNDER SEAL
OF COUNCIL

FILE NUMBER: SA0091/90 PT2, GC283/037 PT2, GC283/012 PT2/CSV

REPORT:

Transfer Transfer of Lot 1137 DP834695 at no cost to Council from Windsor Downs Development Pty Ltd. The lot will contain a sewer pumping station.

Lease Option Option to renew lease for a one year period by the Commonwealth of Australia at Toxana House, Richmond. Premises will continue to be occupied by Electoral Office. Rental for the term is \$25,310 with the Lessee to meet outgoings, including power; water; gas; garbage and rates.

Assignment of Lease Assignment of Lease by Mr E Patrias to Mr W A Brew in respect of Shop 8 Hobartville Shopping Centre. Use is for an auto spares outlet.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Seal of Council be affixed to the above documents.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NAX.C04

****** END OF ITEM 28 ******

ITEM 29: ELECTED MEMBERS - PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND PROVISION OF FACILITIES

FILE NUMBER: GA030/001 PT02, GA030/012 PT02/CSV

REPORT:

Distributed separately with this Business Paper is a draft policy prepared in accordance with Section 252 of the Local Government Act 1993, in relation to the payment of expenses and provision of facilities for the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors.

Section 253 of the Act requires that prior to formal adoption by Council, the draft policy be publicly advertised for a period of 28 days.

The draft document is submitted for Council's consideration in the first instance, and following endorsement, the policy will be advertised.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the draft policy for payment of expenses and provision of facilities to Elected Members under the provisions of Section 252 of the Local Government Act 1993, be endorsed and publicly advertised in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 Policy Regarding Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities, Section 252 Local Government Act 1993

FN:OR809NBX.C30

****** END OF ITEM 29 ******

ITEM 30: CARE, CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF NORTH RICHMOND PARK

FILE NUMBER: PK/009 PT3/FNC

REPORT:

The continuation of delegation of care, control and management under Section 377 of the Local Government Act, for the North Richmond Park in recent months, has been under consideration. The Hawkesbury Sports Council Inc., has recently advised that it has accepted the offer of the North Richmond Parks Committee to assume the management role of the North Richmond Park, subject to the powers being delegated by Council.

The Sports Council has requested Council to delegate the care, control and management and has offered to repay the loan commitments of the previous Parks Committee. The loan commitments amounted to annual payments of \$2,950.

An audit of the North Richmond Parks Committee was carried out in May this year and funds of \$2,237.78 were transferred to the Sports Council.

It is considered that the delegation under Section 377 of the Local Government Act of the management of the North Richmond Park to the Hawkesbury Sports Council continues the policy for managing sporting facilities and the most suitable method of management of this important sporting facility in North Richmond.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:-

1. The delegation of care, control and management to the North Richmond Park Committee under Section 377 of the Local Government Act be withdrawn.
2. Care, control and management of the North Richmond Park be delegated under Section 377 of the Local Government Act to Hawkesbury Sports Council Inc., in accordance with its Constitution as approved.
3. The offer of the Hawkesbury Sports Council Inc., to repay the loan commitments of the former North Richmond Parks Committee be accepted and appreciation extended to the Sports Council for their offer.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NBX.F01

****** END OF ITEM 30 ******

ORDINARY MEETINGMeeting Date: **9 August 1994**Item: **31**

ITEM 31: CAPITAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 1994/1995 - DEPARTMENT OF SPORT, RECREATION AND RACING

FILE NUMBER: GG021/172 PT2/ENG

REPORT:

Thirty nine applications were received for the 1994/1995 Capital Assistance Program. In response to the 'International Year of the Family', the Department allocated a separate budget for the development of playgroups, consequently 19 of the 39 applications received are for playground equipment. The playground applications have been prioritised separately to the other 'general' applications as requested by the Department.

After a meeting of the Recreation Planning Committee the applications were prioritised as shown in the 1994/95 Capital Assistance Grant Applications table attachment.

The applications listed below requested a Council contribution. The Recreation Planning Committee considered options for funding these projects and the following table indicates the possible sources if the projects were to be successful.

GENERAL APPLICATIONS

APPLICANT	PRIORITY RATING	AMOUNT REQUESTED	POSSIBLE SOURCE
Hawkesbury City Council Bligh Park Outdoor Multi Purpose Court	2	13,350	95/96 Park Improvement Program
Rich Little Athletics Long jump pit and discus safety cage	5	1,500	95/96 Park Improvement Program
Glossodia Soccer Club Safety fencing	7	2,500	95/96 Park Improvement Program
Pitt Town & Districts Sports Club Develop sports fields & amenities	8	50,000 loan	This is requested as a loan
Colo Heights Hall & Reserve Comm Water supply dam	10	10,000	

PLAYGROUND APPLICATIONS

APPLICANT	PRIORITY RATING	AMOUNT REQUESTED	POSSIBLE SOURCE
Colo Wilderness Resource Unit	1	2,231	95/96 Park Improvement Program
Hawkesbury City Council Playground Sth Windsor	2	6,500	95/96 Park Improvement Program
Glossodia Community and Information Centre	10	5,000	95/96 Park Improvement Program
Blaxland Ridge Community Centre	11	9,057	
Agnes Banks Park Committee	16	Option 12,250 Option 2 17,500 Option 3 17,500	
North Richmond Comm Centre	17	7,030.00	
McDonald Valley Sport & Rec Committee	19	4,500.00	
Richmond Community Services	20	4,671.00	

RECOMMENDATION:

That applications as listed in priority order be supported.

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 Table - Capital Assistance Program Grant General Applications

AT-2 Table - Capital Assistance Program Grant Playground Applications

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****** END OF ITEM 31 ******

ITEM 32: WIZARD WETSUITS AND RACE SKIS - GOVERNOR PHILLIP RESERVE - EXCLUSIVE USE

FILE NUMBER: PK/205/ENG

REPORT:

Requesting exclusive use of Governor Phillip Reserve on Saturday 27 - Sunday 28 August 1994 to conduct the proposed Hawkesbury Aquatic Festival as part of 1994 Bicentennial Celebrations.

Proposed activities include circuit racing, barefoot ski drags, jet ski demonstrations, free-style riding, demonstration of Drag Hydros. The premier function is a Windsor - Sackville Ski Race to be held on the Saturday.

Requesting approval to charge an entry fee, unspecified at this stage, and requesting Council assistance in provision of portable toilets.

Council Policy

Council policy precludes exclusive use by organisations/clubs on two consecutive days of a week end, however, as this is a Bicentennial event it is considered an exception should be made in this case.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the application of Wizard Wet Suits and Race Skis for exclusive use of Governor Phillip Reserve, Windsor on Saturday 27 - Sunday 28 August 1994 to conduct the Hawkesbury Aquatic Festival be granted and the organising body be responsible for the provision of portable toilets where necessary.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NBX.E27

****** END OF ITEM 32 ******

ORDINARY MEETING

Meeting Date: 9 August 1994

Item: 33

ITEM 33: ATTACHED DUAL OCCUPANCY - LOT 101 DP838711 m17
LONGLEAT LANE, KURMOND - P WESLEY-SMITH

FILE NUMBER: DA146/94/EVD

REPORT:

The application proposes the construction of an attached dual occupancy comprising a main dwelling house with smaller two-bedroom flat located under the main roof. The proposed building is single storey consisting of face brick with a tiled roof. Car parking is to be provided within two single garages, also located under the main roof.

The site is to be excavated slightly thus reducing height and overall impact.

Submission

One submission was received in relation to the application objecting on the following grounds:-

- Removal of privacy currently enjoyed by single owner.
- Removal of only vista available from dwelling
- Adversely affect house value.
- Proposed house will suffer from dust kicked up from owner's horse arena situation approximately 12 feet from boundary in question.

Planning Comments

The concerns raised by the objector have been taken into consideration and the applicant has agreed to relocate the building to overcome the concerns. Further relocation would jeopardise existing established trees and reduce the manoeuvring area of the garages due to the location of an existing dam.

It is considered that the proposed dual occupancy has a satisfactory appearance and will not adversely affect the amenity of the locality given that proposed setbacks are increased.

RECOMMENDATION:

A: That the application be approved subject to the following conditions:

1. A contribution of \$1,885.29 (one thousand eight hundred and eighty five dollars twenty nine cents) being a contribution for recreational buildings, park improvements and community facilities as a consequence of medium density development (residential flats, villas, townhouses, dual occupancy etc). This contribution shall remain fixed for a period of 3 (three) months after which time it will be recalculated at the rate applicable at the time of payment. Payment shall be made prior to the release of the building approval.

2. Submission of a building application, plans and specifications complying with the Building Code of Australia.
3. Provision of a clothes drying area which is to be effectively screened from adjoining properties. Details of screen design and material to be submitted with the building application.
4. The building shall be located a minimum of 7.7m (seven point seven) from the eastern boundary and 3m (three) from the adjacent southern boundary of the subject property.
5. The existing building on the property shall be demolished prior to occupation of the new dual occupancy dwelling.

B. The objector be advised of Council's decision.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NBX.V18

****** END OF ITEM 33 ******

ITEM 34: POLLUTION CONTROL IN NEW SOUTH WALES

FILE NUMBER: GR060/011 PT4/EVD

REPORT:

The regulatory control of environmental pollution in New South Wales is the responsibility of the Environment Protection Authority which issues Pollution Control Licences, specifying the volume of material to be discharged and the maximum concentration of pollutants.

The Environment Protection Authority considers that the cost effectiveness of regulation as a way to further improve water quality is on the wane and that further gains from specific point sources are becoming more expensive to achieve.

Earlier this year the Environment Protection Authority held a public forum in Windsor to discuss the use of Economic Tools to Control Phosphorus in the Hawkesbury-Nepean river. A discussion paper has now been issued for comment.

The proposal to use economic tools is still conceptual, however would basically involve the issue or sale of permits termed tradeable permits or tradeable rights to discharge set quantities of phosphorus. As a company's technology improves and the discharge of phosphorus is reduced, the company can sell its surplus quantity. It is also envisaged that the financial value of permits on the commercial market will encourage industry to reduce phosphorus discharge.

There are several alternatives to reduce the total phosphorus discharge over time, which include the forfeit of a percentage at each sale and periodic recall of a percentage of permits.

The Australian Bureau of Industry Economics has published a Research Report on the use of tradeable permits which found that "there is a prima facie case in favour of tradeable rights over other regulatory tools". It went further to conclude that "the information base on which the decisions are to be made as to what is appropriate regulation for a particular region is deficient". "The size of the permit market and the extent of expected trading activity are important determinants of its success".

In the case of the Hawkesbury River, the choice of the most effective method of improving water quality is complicated by

- The Environment Protection Authority has not established its ultimate water quality criteria, based on the community's expected uses of the river. The current and future reduction programs are operating without any destination.
- The major source of phosphorus is the Water Board, which could be expected to monopolise any tradeable rights system.
- The internal transfer of permits within the Water Board could result in much higher phosphorus loads from some waste water treatment plants.

- The river is subject to low flows and poor flushing characteristics.
- Urban runoff will not be included in any tradeable scheme.
- The impact on water quality from diffuse sources (e.g. rural areas).

The next stage in the consideration of the most appropriate methods to reduce phosphorus should include:

- establishment of ultimate water quality criteria
- impact of the New South Wales Local Government Phosphorus Action Plan
- identification of the distribution of phosphorus inflows along the river
- specification of the market for the permits and the overlapping influences of regulatory bodies
- identification of the relevant parameters for pricing of permits
- identification of the impact of introducing permits as opposed to the status quo
- assessment of the relative advantages of using permits as opposed to taxes, subsidies or direct regulation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Environment Protection Authority be advised in accordance with this report.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NBX.V25

****** END OF ITEM 34 ******

ORDINARY

Section 5

Reports for Information

ORDINARY MEETINGMeeting Date: **9 August 1994**Item: **35****ITEM 35:** REPORTS REQUESTED BY COUNCIL - STATUS AS AT 9 AUGUST 1994**FILE NUMBER:** C50/1/GMA**REPORT:**

File Rep Date	Referred To	Subject	Comment
12 Nov 91	Wetlands Management DMED	Review and Amendment of HLEP 1989	Awaiting review of REP20 by DPO
13 Apr 93	Amendment of Industrial DCP - Urban Consolidation and "Greenstreet" DMED	Report on detailed aspects and implications of amendments	Report September GPC
8 Feb 94	Macquarie Park DMEO	Cost and feasibility of fencing and establishment of a set of gates, relevant posts and beautification of entrance	Report September GPC
8 Mar 94	Rezoning Vineyard DMED	Consideration of rezoning part of Vineyard for industrial purposes	Report September GPC
8 Mar 94	Richmond Swimming Complex DMEO	Outline plan for improvement together with available funds and what opportunities are available for car parking and a housing development as part of existing complex	Report August GPC
12 Apr 94	Richmond Traffic and Parking Study DMEO	Costings on very high and high priority recommendations	Report August GPC

14 Jun 94	Policy and Plan of Action DMED	Provision of de- centralised used motor vehicle oil recycling service	Report August GPC
12 Jul 94	Stimulus DME0	Maintenance on building	Report August GPC
12 Jul 94	Clean Up DME0	Entrances to Richmond	Report September GPC

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NCX.G05

****** END OF ITEM 35 ******

ITEM 36: RATES - RICHMOND LITERARY INSTITUTE

FILE NUMBER: F008/008 PT2/GMA

REPORT:

Advising that correspondence was received from the Richmond Literary Institute in appreciation of the donation of rates.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NCX.G14

****** END OF ITEM 36 ******

ITEM 37: LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECYCLING AWARDS 1993/1994 -
 MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

FILE NUMBER: L30/007 PT2/GMA

REPORT:

Advising that Hawkesbury City Council, for the third consecutive year has won the award for Best Recycling Performance in the Outer Metro West.

The award is to be presented at a waste management seminar on Friday 22 July at the Sebel Town House.

Congratulations are extended to Council and its residents for their demonstrated commitment to waste minimisation and recycling. Regionalisation of waste management under the Government's recently announced policy statement will provide the context for the continuation of this support via a more flexible performance based scheme to be developed in consultation with local government. The intention is to develop an integrated regional approach to waste management and to maximise community participation in waste minimisation practices.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NCX.G15

****** END OF ITEM 37 ******

ITEM 38: BASE DATE 1 JULY 1993 LAND VALUES - MINISTER FOR LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION

FILE NUMBER: R10/27/GMA

REPORT:

Referring to Council's letter concerning suspension of the use of the Base Date 1 July 1993 land values for the rating period commencing 1 July 1994.

It is advised the Valuer-General recently wrote to this office in response to a similar approach direct to him, and his officers have consulted with Council.

It is pointed out that if the use of the new Base Date 1 July 1993 land values was suspended, the old Base Date 1 July 1983 land values would continue to be used and these values do not take account of the new flood levels.

The Valuer-General indicated that he will undertake Section 19 action where either the development of vacant land cannot proceed or where a clear value effect can be demonstrated by market evidence.

It has been requested that the Valuer-General brief Council as assistance is unavailable from the Minister for Land and Water Conservation office.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NCX.G16

****** END OF ITEM 38 ******

ITEM 39: LATE REPORTS TO COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FILE NUMBER: GC280/003 PT02/GMA

REPORT:

There have been comments from Members regarding late/supplementary reports to meetings of Committee and the Council. These reports are generally of either a supplementary nature to the business already on the agenda, of a minor matter where it is considered persons waiting an additional month for a decision is not warranted, where Elected Members have had representations to them and requested that on the basis of those representations matters should be brought forward or there is some matter of urgency.

The particular report to the Committee Meeting that brought comments was one where an existing lot with an existing residence was the subject of a 2 lot subdivision. The development on the resultant lot could only, without Council approval, entail a residence. On the same land a year ago, the Council had supported rezoning for medium density housing. That application had been in hand for some time and accordingly, it was considered that the proposal for a 2 lot subdivision, considering the Council's support for medium density housing was of a particularly minor nature.

Reports for the Business Paper are prepared on a continuous basis and close on the Tuesday prior to the Committee or Council Meeting. The Wednesday is then used for collation and the Thursday for printing in order that the paper is delivered to Members on the Thursday evening. In those circumstances there will obviously be matters where there are supplementary reports, or other information that is received in that intervening week. This is more so the case for Ordinary Council Meetings, particularly where reports are asked for as a result of the Committee. While there is two weeks between the Committee and Ordinary Meetings, there are actually only 5 working days to obtain information, hold appropriate meetings, forward and receive correspondence and then have the report prepared for the Business Paper. In those circumstances it is more than likely that the additional information will be received toward the end of the second week and be part of a supplementary report.

It is not desirable to forward supplementary reports on an ad-hoc basis but to ensure they are collated in one document and then forwarded as soon as possible. In terms of the last Committee Meeting, additional advice was awaited from the Environmental Protection Authority which was received only on the morning of the meeting. Expecting that the advice would be received earlier, the supplementary reports were held as late as possible on the Monday prior so that all information could be forwarded in one document.

As the business of the Council is ongoing and of a dynamic nature, there will always be supplementary details as part of the process, particularly where applicants or persons making submissions are not in agreement with recommendations and wish to put forward a further position which they consider will improve their chances of a result in their favour.

When the last management review of Council was undertaken, the Inspectors involved expressed the view that the supplementary and late reports to the Council were minimal when compared to others they had reviewed and considered the position to be very acceptable. The policy for supplementary/late reports is that they are of a minor nature and there was no reason for withholding processing, are a matter of urgency or supplementary to the business already on the Business Paper.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

FN:OR809NCX.G20

****** END OF ITEM 39 ******

ITEM 40: DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING - LEGAL COSTS

FILE NUMBER: GL001/008PT02/GMA

REPORT:

Advising that the Council's requests for costs in defending the cases of Schaffer Quarry and Pitt Town Sands court cases are not supported. The summary of their letter is as follow:

"While both cases have implications for state and regional issues, the Pitt Town Sands and Schaffer Quarry cases were essentially decided on local issues. Consequently, the Department considers that there is no basis for making ex-gratia payment to pay part of the costs related to these court cases."

A further position will be put to the Department that while the cases may have been decided on local issues, they were originally the result of regional and state matters and accordingly there should be payment to the Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the correspondence be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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****** END OF ITEM 40 ******

ITEM 41: COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY - VODAPHONE

FILE NUMBER: P613/309 PT02/GMA

REPORT:

Since the Council's consideration of the proposal by Vodaphone to establish a facility, including a tower in Francis Street, Richmond there have been ongoing negotiations. Planning consultants for the company sought concurrence to the company's co-location on the Optus tower at Richmond. This will involve a small building approximately 3 metres x 2.4 metres, gantry connecting the building to the tower for the placement of cables and aerials on the tower.

Consultants were advised that the company's proposal was in accordance with the Council's position and that no objection would be raised to the works proceeding. The company's co-operation in the matter was also acknowledged.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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****** END OF ITEM 41 ******

ITEM 42: CORRUPT CONDUCT - CODE OF REPORTING

FILE NUMBER: GC070/005 PT07/GMA

REPORT:

A report has been requested on a system appropriate to the Council for the reporting of corrupt conduct.

The Independent Commission Against Corruption has developed guidelines for the reporting of corrupt conduct which include obligations under its Act for reporting, definition of corrupt conduct, obligations (duty to report, reasonable grounds, timeliness, confidentiality and protection from defamation) and the significance of matters to be reported and the method of reporting.

This system has been adopted as a staff practice. A copy of the guidelines is attached for Councillors information.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 Copy of the ICAC Guidelines for the Reporting of Corrupt Conduct

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****** END OF ITEM 42 ******

ITEM 43: AUSTRALIAN PIONEER VILLAGE RECREATION AND ANIMAL PARK

FILE NUMBER: GA050/004 PT3/CSV

REPORT:

Set out below are the financial details relating to the operation of the Australian Pioneer Village Recreation and Animal Park for the 2nd quarter ending 30 June 1994.

<u>Income</u>	\$
Gate Takings	36,686.50
Other (including rental)	<u>4,247.80</u>
	40,934.30
Less costs providing income	<u>8,965.54</u>
Net Income	31,968.76
<u>Overheads</u>	
Grounds Maintenance (including wages)	13,026.64
Attendants Wages	10,997.24
Animal Feed	4,052.96
Services & Administration Costs	4,713.10
Promotion	17,182.20
Printing & Stationery	293.96
Train Maintenance	<u>554.34</u>
	50,820.44
Net Loss	(18,851.68)

Attendances for the period were:-

Adults	1,539
Children	3,933
Pensioners	1,242
Family (2 Adults & 2 Children)	<u>941</u>
	10,478

Not included in this total are 784 free ratepayer passes which were included in the 1993/94 Community Report distributed to all rate payers.

Income and expenditure levels were in line with projections for the quarter and the loss incurred being in line with the budgeted loss for the operating period.

A number of no cost demonstrations, including saddler Coopersmith blacksmith and re-enactments were added to the Village entertainment program in May. These activities are conducted by volunteers on a regular basis.

The Village church and grounds were utilised for two weddings during May. The Holden Special Vehicles group also utilised the grounds as a backdrop for their publication and Singapore Airlines filmed for 36 hours in the Village for their new commercial which will be shown worldwide.

Special events and groups have been in attendance on the holidays, including Easter, Anzac Day and Queen's Birthday. The Antique Engine Club has expanded their membership and regularly holds shows at the Village, which are popular with those attending. The Club also assists in presenting the Village, as do the Friends of the Village, by holding regular working bees.

Radio promotion is continuing, with particular emphasis being placed on holiday periods. The monitoring of attendances during these periods and informal surveys conducted indicate that visitors are attending the Village after hearing of the radio ads.

Advertising in the print media continues with the senior citizens and school markets being targeted. There has been a slight increase in school visitations as a result.

Promotion and marketing of the Village for the ensuing financial year has commenced, social clubs are being targeted for Christmas bookings with promotion to seniors groups and school groups continuing.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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****** END OF ITEM 43 ******

ITEM 44: ABORIGINAL RECONCILIATION STUDY CIRCLE GROUP

FILE NUMBER: GL020/050 PT1/CSV

REPORT:

On Wednesday, 20 July, a meeting was held at Windsor Central Library to gauge interest in forming an Aboriginal Reconciliation Study Group as defined by the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation. Study Circles are discussion groups of people interested in bridging the gap between non-Aboriginal and indigenous Australians.

The aim of these groups is:

"To improve relations between indigenous Australians and other Australians through increasing understanding in our community of the culture, history, past disposessions and present disadvantages of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island community."

Mary Farrell-Hooker, an indigenous Australian and teacher of Aboriginal Studies, addressed the meeting at which over twenty people attended. From this first informal meeting, a study group was formed. Mary will lead the study group through 8 x 2 hour sessions of discussions on key issues, seeking the community's views on reconciliation issues and developing partnerships between the wider community and indigenous Australians.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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****** END OF ITEM 44 ******

ITEM 45: 1994 TAX HELP PROGRAM

FILE NUMBER: GL020/045 PT2/CSV

REPORT:

Following negotiations with the Australian Taxation Office, a Taxation Information Access Centre was established at Windsor Central Library in July. A number of publications, including the Tax Legislation and publications on capital gains tax, sales tax and fringe benefits tax, have been donated by the Taxation Office and have been included in the LIAC (Legal Information Access Centre) collection.

As part of this program, John Kelly, an Australian Taxation Office trained and certified community volunteer, was based in the Green Hills Room at Windsor Central Library between 18 - 22 July to assist people in completing their tax returns. This service was free to clients who fit the criteria set by the Taxation Office which included the following:-

- ! people receiving a government pension, benefit or allowance
- ! people experiencing financial hardship
- ! people who are disabled
- ! people who have literacy or language problems
- ! people who are of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Island descent.

The program proved so successful, with back-to-back appointments every day, that the Australian Taxation Office has organised for it to be held twice more at Windsor Central Library. The dates will be from 5 - 9 September and 24 - 28 October.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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**** END OF ITEM 45 ****

ITEM 46: DRAFT LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN - ROYERDALE PLACE,
EAST KURRAJONG

FILE NUMBER: LEP5/93 PT4/EVD

REPORT:

At its meeting of 13 July 1993, Council resolved to support a rezoning proposal over land in Royerdale Place, East Kurrajong, to enable its subdivision into 51 lots (50 x minimum 6,000m² lots and a residue lot zoned Environmental Protection 7(d) (Scenic)). A submission was subsequently forwarded to the Department of Planning requesting the issue of a Section 65 Certificate to enable the draft local environmental plan to be exhibited. The Department's response was as follows:

"The Director has considered the information supplied by you and is unwilling to issue a certificate at this time. The reason for this decision is the inappropriateness of locating rural residential allotments of the size proposed in a rural zoning. In addition insufficient consideration has been given to the potential adverse impacts on the flora, fauna, aboriginal sites, the ephemeral wetland and nearby Hawkesbury River."

To clarify the reasons for not issuing a Section 65 Certificate a meeting between Council and Departmental officers was held, and a further letter sent to the Department. The Department has now advised as follows:

"As discussed at the meeting between Council and the Department on 30 May 1994, the section 65 certificate was refused for a number of reasons set out in the Department's letter of 4 May 1994. At that meeting Mr Falson was advised that the Department considers rural-residential development is not appropriate for such a location. The rezoning proposal involves environmentally sensitive land and is inconsistent with the objectives of both the rural zone and of SREP m 20 Hawkesbury-Nepean River. Rezoning to allow rural-residential development in this location would also create a community isolated from existing human services.

At the meeting Council also asked whether the Department would reconsider its position if the rural settlement strategy in "Our City - Our Future" indicated that the location was appropriate for rural-residential development. In response Council officers were advised that, should the strategy support and adequately justify rural-residential development in this location, and if it could be shown to be consistent with the Department's state and regional planning objectives, the Department may be prepared to give further consideration to a draft plan."

The applicant and other interested parties, who became aware of the proposal when the matter was first reported to Council, have been advised accordingly.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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****** END OF ITEM 46 ******

ITEM 47: WESTERN SYDNEY AREA ASSISTANCE SCHEME 1994

FILE NUMBER: GC021/005/CPL

REPORT:

Following the community consultations held in March and April, Council has received fifty five applications for projects under the Department of Planning's WSAAS Funding Scheme, this being a 14.5% increase in the number of applications received in 1993.

In total, forty one organisations submitted applications for 55 projects, for a total sum of \$925,862.95. The Local Ranking Committee, comprising four elected representatives and four community representatives (elected at the community consultations) will meet in August. The Committee will rank each project as a High, Medium or Low priority and this ranking is then forwarded to the Department of Planning. It is expected that announcements of successful projects will be in December 1994.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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