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Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purpose Committee held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on Tuesday, 1 June 2004, commencing at 9:04am.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Councillor R Stubbs, Mayor and Councillors B Bassett, T Books, B Calvert, K Conolly, T Devine, D Finch, B Porter, P Rasmussen, N Wearne and L Williams

APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor C Paine

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wearne and seconded by Councillor Books that the apology be accepted.

Councillor Porter arrived at the meeting at 9:08am
Councillor Rasmussen arrived at the meeting at 9:09am
Councillor Finch arrived at the meeting at 11:05am

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wearne and seconded by Councillor Books that the Minutes of the General Purpose Committee Meeting held on the 27 April 2004 be confirmed with a change in Question Without Notice 16 of correspondence received from Mr Tolson, not Mr Fulson.

SECTION 1 - ENVIRONMENT

Item: 27 **ENV A - Mixed Use Commercial and Multi-Unit Housing Development and the Demolition of Existing Dwelling on Lots 3, 4, 5 and 6 of DP 738003 and Lots 1 and 2 of DP258388, 8-14 Bosworth Street, Richmond**

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Conolly seconded by Councillor Bassett.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be referred to a Councillor Workshop.

**Item: 28 ENV A - 6 (six) Unit Development - DA0946/03, Lots 56 & 57 DP242486,
5 & 6 Yvonne Place, North Richmond NSW 2754 (24525)**

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Conolly seconded by Councillor Bassett.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

A. A Deferred Commencement consent be issued for a 6 (six) unit development.

Upon compliance with the conditions appearing in Schedule 1, and with the issue of confirmation to that effect in writing from Council, this “Deferred Commencement” consent shall commence to operate as a development consent inclusive of all conditions appearing in Schedule 2 pursuant to Section 80(3) of the Act.

This “Deferred Commencement” consent will lapse in 6 (six) months from the date of this Notice unless all conditions appearing Schedule 1 have been complied with.

Schedule 1

Submission of a report from a qualified Hydraulic engineer showing that the finished floor level as shown on the approved plans for Units 1 and 2 have a minimum freeboard of 100mm above the level of the surcharge flowpath for the 1% (one per cent) AEP storm event.

Submission of a NatHERs assessment and Energy Performance Statement for the proposed dwellings. The NatHERs assessment and Energy Performance Statement shall comply with the Part C Chapter 6 Energy Efficiency Chapter of Hawkesbury Development Control Plan.

Details of the proposed garbage collection service for the development.

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Schedule 2

General

1. To confirm and clarify the terms of this approval, the development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved stamped plans (Drawing 183A, 8 sheets revised February 2004) and any supportive documentation, except as otherwise provided by the conditions of this consent.
2. The development shall be completed in accordance with the approved colours and finishes and shall not be altered.
3. Compliance with the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment (Amendment) Act 1979, and the Building Code of Australia.
4. Prior to construction of the approved development it is necessary to obtain a Construction Certificate.
5. All part 4 certificates issued under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 are to be submitted to Council within 7 (seven) days of the date of issue. Fees apply.
6. An occupation certificate is to be obtained on completion of all works and prior to commencement of the approved use. The occupation certificate will not be issued if any conditions of this consent are outstanding.

Prior to Issue of Construction Certificate

7. Construction of civil works including road, drainage, access works are not to commence until 3 (three) copies of the plans and specifications of the proposed works are submitted to and approved by the Director Environment and Development or an accredited certifier.
8. Payment of a design checking fee of \$327.50 (three hundred and twenty seven dollars and fifty cents) and inspection fee of \$260.20 (two hundred and sixty dollars and twenty cents) when submitting Engineering plans for approval. This amount is valid until 30 June 2004. Fees required if an accredited certifier is used will be provided upon request.
9. The submission of engineering designs and calculations covering all works required by this consent.
10. The submission of a satisfactory Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) prepared in accordance with the State Government guidelines titled "Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction (1988)".
11. Submission of proof of the payment of the Building Industry Long Service Levy where the value of civil works exceeds \$25,000.00 (twenty five thousand dollars).

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12. An engineering construction certificate is required for onsite stormwater detention system, fee for Council to issue this certificate is \$200.00 (two hundred dollars), valid until June 2004.
13. A surcharge path sufficient to carry the 1 in 100 year storm flow to be provided across the site and a drainage easement of adequate width to be created over the surcharge path. Details to be submitted for approval concurrently with the construction certificate.
14. Details of the proposed hot water system demonstrating that the appliance has a minimum energy rating of 3.5 stars is to be submitted to the principal certifying authority for approval.
15. Separate practising Structural Engineer's details of all structural concrete and steelwork shall be lodged prior to issue of construction certificate.
16. A monetary contribution is to be paid to Council, pursuant to Section 94 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, towards the provision of the following public facilities in the locality:
 - (a) Open Space and Recreation (\$8555.00)
 - (b) Community Facilities (\$12,097.00)

The above contributions have been determined in accordance with Hawkesbury Section 94 Contribution Plan. A copy of the Contributions Plan may be inspected at Council's Offices, George Street, Windsor.

Contributions are to be paid prior to issue of the construction certificate.

The amount of contribution payable under this condition has been calculated on the basis of costs as at the date of consent. In accordance with the provisions of the Contributions Plan, this amount shall be INDEXED at the time of actual payment in accordance with movement in the Consumer Price Index as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. In this respect the attached fee schedule is valid for 3 (three) months.

Prior to Commencement of Works

17. Erosion and sediment control devices are to be installed and maintained until the site is fully stabilised in accordance with the approved ESCP or SWMP. In the absence of any approved plan the work is to be in accordance with Council's Development Control Plan 1/94 - Soil Erosion and Sedimentation.
18. The applicant or person having the benefit of this development consent must give at least two days notice prior to commencement of works to Council of the intention to commence works. This notice is to be given in accordance with form 7 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 1998.
19. The applicant shall advise Council of the name, address and contact number of the principal certifier, in accordance with Section 81A 4(b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1997.

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20. Sanitary accommodation shall be provided for workmen throughout the course of the building operations in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.

During Construction

21. All work must be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Hawkesbury's Development Control Plan, Appendix E Civil Works Specification Part 1 Design Specification and Part 2 Construction Specification.
22. The developer is responsible for full costs associated with any alteration, relocation or enlargement to public utilities whether caused directly or indirectly by this proposed development. Such utilities include, but are not limited to, water, sewerage, drainage, power, communication, footways, kerb and gutter.
23. The provision of conduit/ducts under new driveways to the requirements of Integral Energy, in accordance with Integral Energy drawing 049759H dated 14/7/1987. Conduit and ducting material is available from Integral Energy.
24. All demolition, construction and associated work necessary for the carrying out of the development being restricted to between the hours of 7.00am and 6.00pm on Mondays to Fridays and between 8.00am and 4.00pm on Saturdays.
25. The site shall be kept clean and tidy during the construction period and all rubbish shall be removed from the site upon completion of the project to the satisfaction of this office.
26. Inspections shall be carried out and compliance certificates issued by Council or an appropriately accredited person for the following components of construction:
 - (a) erosion controls, site works and site set out;
 - (b) piers;
 - (c) foundations;
 - (d) steel reinforcement;
 - (e) framework, after the installation of all plumbing, drainage and electrical fixtures, and after the external cladding and roof covering has been fixed prior to fixing of internal linings and insulation;
 - (f) wet area flashing, after the installation of any bath and shower fixtures;
 - (g) internal drainage lines prior to covering;
 - (h) external drainage lines, prior to backfilling; and
 - (i) on completion of the structure.

Prior to Issue of Occupation Certificate

27. A Section 73 Compliance Certificate under the Sydney Water Act 1994 must be obtained.

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28. Submission of a Certificate from Integral Energy that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the provision of electricity to each of the resultant Units in the development.
29. Submission of a Certificate from an approved telecommunications provider that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the provision of cables for telephones through the development.
30. The construction of Council's standard layback and footway vehicular crossing to the development in accordance with Council's standard plan.
31. Removal of the existing redundant layback crossing and replacement with concrete kerb and gutter and the restoration of the footway area.
32. The submission of a Surveyor's Certificate stating that all buildings on the lots comply with the Building Code of Australia in relation to boundary setbacks.
33. The completion of the development including all civil works in accordance with Council approval covered by this consent.
34. Design and construction of site drainage shall be carried out in accordance with Council's Hawkesbury Development Control Plan, Appendix E Civil Works Specification Part 1 Design Specification and Part 2 Construction Specification. Full details of works shall be submitted for approval with the building application. On-site detention shall be provided to maintain all stormwater discharges from the 1 : 1 year storm up to the 1 : 100 year storm at predevelopment levels.
35. The driveway shall be constructed of pavers/earth toned coloured concrete or the like.
36. The finished floor level shall be a minimum 225mm above the surrounding finished ground level and the ground around the perimeter of the building shall be graded and drained to the satisfaction of Council's Health and Building Surveyor to ensure the free flow of surface water away from the building.
37. Parking spaces, accessways and aisles to conform to Council's Development Control Plan and to be constructed, drained, and sealed. Full details of works shall be submitted for approval.
38. A report by the Design Engineer and a works-as-executed (WAE) drawing by either a suitably qualified Engineer or Registered Surveyor of the stormwater detention basin(s) and stormwater drainage system are to be submitted to and approved by Council prior to the release of the occupation certificate. The report from the Design Engineer is to state the conformance or otherwise of the as constructed basins in relation to the approved design.
The WAE drawing shall indicate the following as applicable:
 - (a) invert levels of tanks, pits, pipes and orifice plates;
 - (b) surface levels of pits and surrounding ground levels;
 - (c) levels of spillways and surrounding kerb;

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- (d) floor levels of buildings, including garages;
- (e) top of kerb levels at the front of the lot;
- (f) dimensions of stormwater basins and extent of inundation; and
- (g) calculation of actual detention storage volume provided.

39. In order to enhance the amenity of the area, all fencing fronting the street shall be a feature fence incorporating masonry piers with decorative infill panels.

The Use of the Site

40. All landscaping shall be permanently maintained in a good condition and in accordance with the intent of the landscaping plan.
- B. The applicant shall ensure that a private contractor be engaged to remove garbage from 5 & 6 Yvonne Place, North Richmond.

Item: 29 ENV B - Proposed amendments to Hawkesbury Development Control Plan (79347)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Williams seconded by Councillor Bassett.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be referred to a Councillor Workshop.

Item: 30 ENV B - Management of Salvinia Weed after Removal From the River System (79348)

Mr John Klem, Chairman Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Management Authority, addressed the Committee

Ms Rebecca Coventry and Mr Archer, NSW Agriculture, addressed the Committee

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MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. Council give "in principle support" for the use of private and public land along the river, for the depositing of Salvinia weed awaiting further processing and/or removal, after negotiation with the relevant property owners.
2. Council provides "in kind support" in the form of Council staff, to be part of the team that identifies suitable sites along the river where Salvinia weed can be deposited awaiting further treatment.
3. Consideration will be given to "in kind support" in the form of Council staff assisting with boom management to contain the weed, on an as needed basis, and the General Manager has delegation to provide such assistance if considered necessary.
4. Representations be made to the Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Management Authority (H/N CMA) and NSW Agriculture, that a representative of Hawkesbury River County Council (HRCC), should be part of the team assessing suitable sites for the placement of the weed along the river.
5. That Council approve the trial for a period of 2 (two) months, up until the end of July 2004, and that after this period, the General Manager has the delegated authority of Council, to cease receiving the material at the waste facility, or to extend the period of receipt to meet the requirements of the weed removal program.
6. An amount of \$6,500 (six thousand and five hundred dollars) be allocated from the waste budget to receive and give primary treatment to the Salvinia weed between 29 May 2004 and 9 June 2004.
7. Council write to the NSW and Federal Government requesting that both levels of Government help address the ongoing nutrient problems associated with the Hawkesbury River, arising from effluent discharge from the Greater Western Sydney and Blue Mountains area, in the knowledge that the solution is beyond the financial capacity of Local Government.

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SECTION 2 - INFRASTRUCTURE

Item: 20 **INF B - Cultural Infrastructure (79338, 107)**

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Calvert.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The information regarding the Cultural Infrastructure Project including the current status and the revised estimates and funding implications be received.
2. The offer by Catholic Health Care Services Ltd to lease the old kitchen wing at the rear of the old hospital building on the same terms and conditions as that already agreed for the main building be accepted and the original lease varied accordingly.
3. The restoration and fit out of the old kitchen building be undertaken.
4. A further report be prepared in relation to Council's Property Development Strategy for consideration of future sales and revenue strategies.

Item: 21 **INF B - North Street Drainage (79346, 73947, 79647)**

Previous Item: 17, GPC (3 June 2003)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. Acquisition of easement and compensation be undertaken to properties as listed.

House No	Property	Valuation
39	Lot 182, DP593791	\$2,500
35	Lot 181, DP593791	\$2,200
33	Lot 19, DP745851	\$3,000
29	Lot 200, DP593790	\$2,800
23	Lot 22, DP742267	\$8,700
21	Lot 23, DP743781	\$2,600
19	Lot 1, DP197134	\$2,600
17	Lot 25, DP742749	\$600
Total		\$25,000

2. The funding shortfall of \$147,000 (one hundred and forty seven thousand dollars) for the completion of the drainage works in North Street, Windsor be provided from the Drainage Loan Reserve.

Item: 22 INF B - Street Lighting Request, Kurmond (19566, 79346)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Calvert seconded by Councillor Bassett.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. Street lighting not be provided in Erica Street, Jacqueline Place and Elizabeth Avenue, Kurmond.
2. Lighting along the pathway within the Public Reserve (15A Jacqueline Place) be installed.
3. Funding for lighting be provided from the street lighting budget.

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Item: 23 **INF B - Laneway at 20 Harradine Crescent, Bligh Park (5489, 5490, 12290, 12291, 12292, 80096)**

Mr Norm Short, proponent, addressed the Committee

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Conolly seconded by Councillor Bassett.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. Consultation take place with residents with a view to installing lighting.
2. A Safety Audit be undertaken by the Police for the entire laneway network in Bligh Park.

Item: 24 **INF B - Electricity Tender Purchase - State Contract, Energy Australia (79557)**

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The State Contract 777 agreement with Energy Australia for supply of electricity to Council's 5 (five) large sites be renewed from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2006.

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2. A new agreement to supply electricity to Council's 133 (one hundred and thirty three) small sites be entered into with State Contract 777, Energy Australia from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005.

Item: 25 **INF B - Unauthorised clearing 38 Stewarts Lane, Wilberforce (87011, 107)**

Previous Item: 72, Ordinary (4 November 2003)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Conolly seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. An extension be granted for the completion of the plan of management for a further 2 (two) month period.
2. The bond be retained for a further 6 (six) month period after the completion and acceptance of the plan of management.

Item: 26 **INF B - Road Naming Proposal - Forest Place, South Windsor (3560, 79346)**

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Conolly.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the public road created in DP1065214 and designated as "Forest Place" be named "Forest Place".

Item: 27 **INF B - Un-named Road, Mulgrave - Naming Proposal (79338)**

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Calvert.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That subject to the developer paying to Council a sum of \$750.00 (seven hundred and fifty dollars) to cover advertising/administrative costs, that public comment be sought regarding naming of the proposed public road commencing at Park Road, Mulgrave between Lots 108 and 110, DP1066062 and extending in a north-westerly direction for a distance of approximately 230 (two hundred and thirty) metres, as "Precision Place".

Item: 28 **INF B - Un-named Laneway, Richmond - Proposed Naming (79346)**

Previous Item: 14, Ordinary 10 June 2003

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Calvert.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the presently un-named public road bounded by Faithfull, Bowman, Pitt and Hobart Streets, Richmond, be named "Gavin Lane".

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Item: 29 **INF B - Un-named Laneway, South Windsor - Naming Proposal (7233, 79346)**

Previous Item: 41, Ordinary 4 November 2003

Ms Wanda Deacon, respondent, addressed the Committee

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Conolly.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the presently un-named lane bounded by Bell, Ham, Mileham and Macquarie Streets, South Windsor be named "Eather Lane".

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SECTION 3 - ORGANISATION AND RESOURCES

Item: 21 ORG A - Monthly Financial Report - April 2004 (79349)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Books.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received

Item: 22 ORG A - Application for Exemption from Rating (79349)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Conolly seconded by Councillor Rasmussen.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the application for rate exemption on the properties known as 884 Kurmond Road, North Richmond. (Lot 1 DP 595209, - Property Number 15708) be approved.

Item: 23 ORG A - Association of Independent Retirees (AIR) Limited (89834)

Previous Item: Mayoral Minute, Ordinary (11 May 2004)

Ms Marie Campbell from the Association of Independent Retirees, addressed the Committee

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MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

Item: 24 **ORG B - Future Operation of the Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct - (80228)**

Previous Item: 56, Ordinary (11 May 2004)

Professor Ian Jack from the Hawkesbury Historical Society, Ms Ellen Manning, Ms Enid Calquhoun, respondents, addressed the Committee

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor Conolly seconded Councillor Wearne.

1. The Draft Memorandum of Understanding for the Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct be received.
2. The Draft Memorandum of Understanding for the Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct be released for public comment and consultation for a period of 28 days.
3. A further report be prepared for Council summarising the outcome of submissions and consultations for consideration by Council prior to a decision to formally adopt and execute the Memorandum of Understanding. This report to be prepared for the General Purpose Committee Meeting of Council to be held in July, 2004.
4. Council receive and release the *Hawkesbury Gallery Operations and Management Strategic Plan*.
5. Council to consider the request of the Penrith Regional Gallery and The Lewers Bequest for a Councillor representative to sit on its Board of Management.

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The amendment was lost.

The motion was put and carried

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The Draft Memorandum of Understanding for the Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct be received.
2. The Draft Memorandum of Understanding for the Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct be released for public comment and consultation for a period of 28 days.
3. A further report be prepared for Council summarising the outcome of submissions and consultations for consideration by Council prior to a decision to formally adopt and execute the Memorandum of Understanding. This report to be prepared for the General Purpose Committee Meeting of Council to be held in July, 2004.
4. Council receive and release the *Hawkesbury Gallery Operations and Management Strategic Plan*.
5. Council to consider the request of the Penrith Regional Gallery and The Lewers Bequest for a Councillor representative to sit on its Board of Management.
6. Inclusion in Part 5 of the Memorandum of Understanding that 2 (two) members from the Historical Society Inc. and 2 (two) member from FOHACRAG be appointed as members on the Advisory Committee
7. Wherever the Hawkesbury Gallery is mentioned, change it to the Hawkesbury Regional Gallery.
8. The Hawkesbury Historical Society and FOHACRAG retain ownership of their collections and that the collections respectively be relocated to the Hawkesbury Regional Museum and Hawkesbury Regional Art Gallery.
9. The Hawkesbury Historical Society retain the intellectual ownership of its collection.

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Item: 25 **ORG B - Policy for Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to Councillors (79341)**

Previous Item: 57, Ordinary (13 September 1994)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Conolly seconded by Councillor Bassett.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The revised Policy for Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to the Councillors be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 (twenty eight) days.
2. Point 'iii. a suitable name badge' also be included for Section c. Councillors under point ii.

Item: 26 **ORG C - Public Artwork Proposal - Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct (79341)**

Mr Brian Jones, respondent, addressed the Committee

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Williams seconded by Councillor Rasmussen.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The information be received
2. This matter be further reported to the Ordinary Meeting.

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Item: 27 **ORG C - Use of Library Meeting Rooms by Community Groups (73941)**

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Bassett.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That a draft policy be developed by November 2004 and reported to Council for public consultation and comment prior to its formal adoption by Council.

Item: 28 **ORG C - Richmond School of Arts - Funding Application, NSW
Ministry of the Arts, Metropolitan Capital Works Program (79341)**

Previous Item: 147, Ordinary (9 September 2003)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Conolly.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The Richmond Literary Institute Inc. be offered an interest free loan of \$32,018 (thirty two thousand and eighteen dollars) repayable over 6 (six) years for the purpose of funding half the costs of installing air-conditioning to the main auditorium of the Richmond School of Arts.
2. A written agreement be executed between Council and the Richmond Literary Institute Inc. covering the terms and repayment schedule of the loan.

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Item: 29 ORG C - Western Sydney Area Assistance Scheme (WSAAS) (79341)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

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1. Councillor Bassett referred to the new KFC sign at Richmond and advised that it was still there.

The Acting Director Environment and Development advised that a reply had been forwarded to Councillor Bassett advising that staff had measured the sign and the sign was in compliance with the development consents, it is six metres high in total and that is the size in the development application and the consent. It also complies with Council's Development Control Plan for signs.

Councillor Bassett referred to the information and advised that he was under the impression that the applicant had stated that it was going to be more of a banner than a fixed sign to the size of which it is.

The Acting Director Environment and Development advised that the existing sign could be described as a banner in as much as the sign has horizontal posts at the top and the bottom, which is like a banner, but it is not an illuminated light box and that was the critical thing that it is not a modern fluorescent sign, it is externally illuminated, not internally and that was what was approved by Council.

2. Councillor Bassett referred to the Lennox Street leading up to the market place, following on from where works have already been done, do we have a plan in place to continue the re-surfacing of that road including Paget Street, the entrance into the Woolworths Carpark because it is in a deplorable state.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that it is proposed to include that section as part of the next Roads to Recovery Program when advised.

3. Councillor Bassett made reference to the operator of the Paddle Wheeler and asked if Council had any information we can provide to him as he does not have access to the wharf at the moment where he can pump out and how long he is going to be stopped from accessing the wharf area for that reason.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that he was unaware that he was being stopped from accessing the wharf, but the matter will be investigated.

4. Councillor Bassett referred to the ongoing situation of concern from residents about the access at North Richmond approaching the bridge from Richmond from that section where there is no pathway. Are there any plans at the moment to rectify that situation or have discussions with the RTA in providing a footpath from Kurrajong Road, Bells Line of Road intersection and leading down to the bridge heading in a westerly direction.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that it would be investigated.

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5. Councillor Bassett asked if Council was in a position to write to the State Government about the change in the timetable for trains and that it be a temporary measure rather than a permanent one. It was discussed at the last WSROC meeting, who are writing to the State Government to ensure that it is a temporary change.

The General Manager advised that this could be done.

6. Councillor Finch tabled correspondence regarding the state of the road at Pitt Town.
7. Councillor Finch asked if it would be possible to have regular welcoming functions of some kind for new residents to the area so people moving into the Hawkesbury District could be made welcome and made aware of all the facilities.

The General Manager advised that this matter was on the agenda for the Commercial Response Unit whereby we look at entertaining networking opportunities with new people coming to the area.

Councillor Finch asked if a report could be provided back on what could be done.

The General Manager advised that this would be done.

8. Councillor Williams referred to a resident who missed the recent collection date for toxic substances at the tip. Councillor Williams asked if it would be possible for Council to have a safe holding area for toxic chemicals so that residents could in fact deposit any toxic chemicals there at any time and Council could periodically have them removed.

The Acting Director Environment and Development advised that he would report back on this matter.

9. Councillor Williams referred to a call he received from a resident of Old East Kurrajong Road (maybe not be a resident) who advised that in the drain opposite 49 Old East Kurrajong Road, Glossodia, the drain allegedly contains polluted water that is coming off another property nearby. Could Council investigate this drain.

The Mayor advised that this matter would be investigated.

10. Councillor Books referred to residents of Wells Street, Pitt Town have complained about the dust problem and asked if Council could look into it.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that Council was being inundated with complaints about dust and advised that there was very little that could be done about it. A water cart will only provide temporary relief.

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11. Councillor Rasmussen made reference to water cartage and delivery of water to residents on tanks and asked for an update on where that was at, particularly in relationship to the new water restrictions that have come in force today.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that all Council's facilities that Council provide to allow water caters to gain water are operational. The water restrictions are imposed by Sydney Water. Sydney Water will be contacted and a report will be provided to Councillor Rasmussen.

12. Councillor Rasmussen tabled correspondence that had been received in relation to DA1340/03 in relation to the commercial bore up at Kurrajong Heights.
13. Councillor Rasmussen referred tabled a letter received from Ms Helen Webster, who says that she hand delivered an objection to DA1340/03 to Council, but she has since been informed that it has gone missing, did we find the missing objection as she is concerned that it will not be considered.

The Acting Director Environment and Development advised that he was not aware of the specifics of it and asked Councillor Rasmussen for more details.

14. Councillor Rasmussen asked if a meeting date had been set up in relation to DA1340/03.

The Acting Director Environment and Development advised that Council was waiting for a representative of DIPNR to contact Council to organise a meeting with some representatives of the residents.

15. Councillor Rasmussen asked where DA1340/03 was at and if it had much longer to run before it comes back to Council.

The Acting Director Environment and Development advised that there were a few issues associated with that development application. One issue was the concern about the impact on ground water that a commercial bore may have and that is the reason for involving DIPNR at this point in time. The other issues are traffic impacts and the suitability of the site for entrance for trucks. The information that Council has at this point in time is not sufficient to know exactly the number of movements, etc. The application at this point in time is effectively on hold awaiting the meeting with DIPNR and further information from the applicant.

16. Councillor Devine referred to Council having set aside funding to provide a foot-bridge between Howe Park and Deerubbun Park across Rickaby Creek. What is the opportunity of that foot-bridge being constructed.

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The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that it was Section 94 funding that was identified for that purpose and the amount of funding currently available is way short of what is required to provide the foot-bridge.

Councillor Devine asked which section of the Section 94 funding would come from.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that he would investigate and advise Councillor Devine.

17. Councillor Wearne referred to the question he asked at the Ordinary meeting to the Director Community and Corporate Services in relation to the break-up on the \$110K for the Cultural Centre opening function, he asked if he could have a dollar assigned for those particular items.

The Director Community and Corporate Services advised that this would be done.

18. Councillor Wearne asked on the progress and direction of the Wilberforce out of School Hours, what was happening with the yard and so on.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised the this had been answered and advised that an inspection had been undertaken with the General Manager. A DA that was lodged has now been approved and the work was going to go to be undertaken over time.

Councillor Wearne asked if they were self-funding or if Council was going to support.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that they were self-funding it.

19. Councillor Wearne asked if there was any progress on the upgrade of the emergency generator plant at fire control with the auto cut-over.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that Council was waiting for advice from the Fire Control Officer as to the size of the unit required and then it will be installed.

The meeting terminated at 3:10pm

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Mayor