



Hawkesbury City Council

ordinary meeting minutes

date of meeting: 13 December 2005

location: council chambers

time: 5:00 p.m.

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on Tuesday, 13 December 2005, commencing at 5:01pm.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Councillor B Bassett, Mayor, Councillor D Finch, Deputy Mayor and Councillors T Books, K Conolly, T Devine, C Paine, B Porter, P Rasmussen, R Stubbs and L Williams.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N Wearne and B Calvert.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly and seconded by Councillor Rasmussen that the apologies be accepted.

Councillor Williams arrived at the meeting at 5:05pm
Councillor Williams left the meeting at 6:45pm.
Councillor Williams returned to the meeting at 8:52pm.

SECTION 1: Confirmation of Minutes

550 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen and seconded by Councillor Finch that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 29 November 2005, be confirmed.

551 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Stubbs that standing orders be suspended.

For the purposes of Councillor Finch introducing Carlie Ryan and Michael Finn from Western Sydney Academy of Sport who were representing swimming.

552 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Devine that standing orders be resumed.

SECTION 4 - Reports for Determination

GENERAL MANAGER

Item: 385 **GM - Rural Fire Service - Service Level Agreement - (79351, 79016)**

Previous Item: 134, Special (9 May 2005)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to RESOLUTION

553 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Finch

That the termination date of the current Service Level Agreement between the NSW Rural Fire Service and Council be extended from 31 December 2005 to 31 March 2006 and the NSW Rural Fire Service be advised accordingly.

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CITY PLANNING

Item: 386 **CP - Hawkesbury Community Plan 2005 - (96737, 95498)**

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Stubbs.

Refer to RESOLUTION

554 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Stubbs

That:

1. Council receive the Hawkesbury Community Plan 2005.
2. Council display the Hawkesbury Community Plan 2005 on Council's website from December 2005 to February 2006 for public comment.

Item: 387 **CP - Waste Management Position Paper - Final Consultant's Report - (95249, 95498)**

Mr Frank Scharfe, Respondent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

Refer to RESOLUTION

555 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Conolly

That Council:

1. Adopt Option Two " Improve Current Systems", which will increase the expected landfill life to 14-17 years.
2. Provide future information dissemination on Council's Waste Strategy through the most popular sources of information such as newspaper, rates notice and information on the website as identified within the community consultation.
3. Continue with the proposed Drop off Facility and Education Centre to facilitate improved sorting of materials by residents and further reduce the amount of recyclable materials currently landfilled.

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4. Engage the services of a suitably qualified person to research and develop an "Operational Strategy", that identifies future market opportunities for materials received, reprocessed or recycled at the waste management facility.
5. Engage the services of a suitably qualified person to develop and implement an ongoing community waste education program targeted towards the mature area of the community. As the younger generation receives adequate education through the school curriculum. A key area of focus on reducing recyclables sent to landfill within the "Kerbside Domestic" waste stream.
6. Ensure the tip face is contained within a small daily area (25mx25m) to reduce the amount of cover material (soil) and increase compaction rates.
7. Canvass and implement appropriate alternative cover material options.
8. Notify the strategic planning committee that the task "*Selection of preferred technology for alternative waste disposal*" be deferred until 2010.
9. Negotiate Lease extension opportunities with the University of Western Sydney Hawkesbury Campus.
10. Update the waste and recycling audit data annually.
11. Utilise the existing Waste Advisory Committee to implement recommendations and maintain a forum to review waste service management options. It is recommended that this committee convene six monthly.

Item: 388 **CP - Proposed Foreshore Building Line - Flinders Place and Shortland Close, North Richmond - (27884, 95498)**

Mr William McGlasson, proponent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen.

Refer to RESOLUTION

556 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen

That:

1. Council propose a draft foreshore building line (FBL) which is based on a straight line measured 30m to the west of the rear boundaries of 5 - 11 Shortland Close and 13 – 37 Flinders Place, North Richmond and that this FBL be applicable to the erection of all buildings, other than Building Code of Australia Class 10 structures, between the FBL and the Hawkesbury River.
2. The draft foreshore building line be publicly exhibited for a period of not less than 42 days and the matter be reported back to Council after the exhibition period.

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Item: 389 **CP - Amendments to Hawkesbury Development Control Plan, Tree Preservation Order and Revenue Pricing Policy - (95498)**

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to RESOLUTION

557 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Finch

That:

1. The Contaminated Land DCP be repealed.
2. Part A Chapter 2 -General Information be amended as attached to reflect recent changes to Government Agencies and removal/updating of various SEPP's.
3. Part C Chapter 5-Bushfire of the Hawkesbury Development Control Plan be removed.
4. Part C -Exempt and Complying Development be updated to reflect Amendment 139 and the changes to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (as amended).
5. Part C-Exempt and Complying Development be made effective in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations.
6. The amendments to Council's Revenue Pricing Policy as they relate to the deletion of the Tree Preservation Order Inspection fee and the addition of a Development Application Tree Removal fee be adopted.
7. The Tree Preservation Order attached to this report be adopted and notification of the Order be published in the Government Gazette and a newspaper circulating in the Hawkesbury Local Government Area.

Item: 390 **CP - Draft Windsor Masterplan - (95498)**

Mr Frank Scharfe, Respondent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Finch

That:

1. A concept plan be prepared for each project areas identified in the Windsor Master Plan.
2. A team of Council staff including design/construction and planning staff prepare the concept plans and cost estimates.

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3. A further report be prepared to Council and the Strategic Planning Committee with detailed plan and cost estimates, an analysis of relative merit and priority of each project areas; and funding options

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor Books, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

Refer to RESOLUTION

The amendment was carried.

The amendment then became the motion, which was put and carried.

558 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on an Amendment moved by Councillor Books, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

That the matter be referred to a Council workshop in the New Year.

Item: 391 **CP - Hawkesbury Development Control Plan- Part E Chapter 6 - Bligh Park Neighbourhood Business Precinct - (95498)**

Previous Item: 298, Ordinary (11 October 2005)
 34, Ordinary (13 July 2004)

Mr Stan Keevers and Mr Walter Kullen, respondents, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Porter

That Council proceed to prepare a draft Local Environmental Plan with a view to rezoning the site to comprise of approximately 600 - 800m² of land zoned Commercial 3(a) with the remainder of the site being zoned Residential 2(a).

The MOTION was lost on the casting vote of the Mayor.

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Paine.

That:

1. The draft Part E Chapter 6-Bligh Park Neighbourhood Business Precinct be amended to provide pedestrian access from Porpoise Crescent.
2. The draft Part E Chapter 6-Bligh Park Neighbourhood Business Precinct be amended to reduce floor space of the commercial area to a maximum area of 1500m².
3. The unnamed laneway adjoining the south-western boundary of the subject land not be closed pending the outcome of the exhibition of the draft Part E Chapter 6-Bligh Park Neighbourhood Business Precinct.
4. The amended draft DCP be reported to a Councillor workshop.

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The motion was lost.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to RESOLUTION

559 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Finch.

That the matter be deferred to the first workshop in the New Year.

**Item: 392 CP - Draft Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1989 - Amendment 115 and
Draft Hawkesbury Development Control Plan - Part E, Chapter 5 - Macquarie and
Bridge Streets - (95498)**

Mr Christopher Kersten, respondent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to RESOLUTION

560 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Finch

That subject to 6 Anschau Crescent, Windsor being deferred from both plans:

1. The draft Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1989 - Amendment 115 as attached to this report, be advanced by referring the matter to Parliamentary Counsel for legal opinion and then to the Minister of Planning for gazettal.
2. The draft Hawkesbury Development Control Plan, Part E - Specific Areas, Chapter 5 - Macquarie and Bridge Streets as attached to this report, be amended by the addition of the words "to the satisfaction of the SES" after the words "flood management plan" of Clause 5.8.2(a) and be adopted and made effective upon the gazettal of Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1989 - Amendment 115.

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COMMERCIAL STRATEGY

Item: 393 **CS - The Botanist's Way Project - (95497)**

Mr Frank Scharfe, proponent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Paine.

Refer to RESOLUTION

561 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Paine

That:

1. In-principle support is given for the installation of interpretive signage in Ham Common as part of The Botanist Way project, which is to be undertaken by Tourism Hawkesbury Inc. In order to facilitate progress on this initiative, authority is delegated to the General Manager to assess and give consent to such installation, subject to the project meeting with the required development considerations and parts 2 and 3 of this directive as set out below.
2. A suitable Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) be negotiated between the parties to provide for:
 - (a) the joint-use and/or ownership of any associated marketing collateral,
 - (b) supervision of the installation of the interpretive signage in Ham Common,
 - (c) matters relating to maintenance and/or ownership requirements arising from the placement of interpretive signage at Ham Common,
 - (d) the possibility of incorporating an arboretum in Ham Common as an adjunct activity of The Botanist's Way project, and;
 - (e) any other matters deemed necessary for the ongoing success of this initiative.
3. Authority is given to prepare and execute all necessary documents (including the use of common seal of Council as required), subject to satisfaction of the General Manager, with all associated parties being advised that Council is not and will not be bound by the terms of this resolution until such time that all appropriate legal documentation required to give effect to this resolution has been agreed and executed by all parties.

EXTERNAL SERVICES

Item: 394 **ES - Proposed Changes to Contestable Building Control Fees - (96594, 96329)**

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Previous Item: 323, Ordinary (1 November 2005)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Porter.

Refer to RESOLUTION

562 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Porter

That Council adopt the following schedule of fees effective from 15 December 2005.

Service	Fee
<i>Building Construction Certificate</i>	
• dwelling	\$1,000
• dwelling additions	\$800
• dual occupancy	\$2,000
• residential flat building	\$1,000 + \$345 per unit
• commercial/industrial	\$1,000 per 500m2 or \$500 per unit, whichever amount is greater
• pools	\$480
• class 10 (sheds garages etc)	\$3 per m2, min \$200
<i>Compliance Certificate (inspections)</i>	
• dwelling package	\$840
• dwelling additions	\$840
• residential flat building	\$840 per unit
• commercial /industrial	\$840 per unit or per 500m2, whichever amount is greater
• in-ground pools	\$260
• above-ground pools	\$130
• class 10 structures	\$260
• single inspection	\$130
• re-inspection where failed or not ready	\$130
<i>Complying Development Certificate</i>	
• dwelling	\$800
• dwelling additions	\$665
• pools	\$400
• decks, pergolas, etc	\$3 per m2, min \$200
• Carports, garages, class 10	\$3 per m2, min \$200
• Boundary adjustments	\$400
• Advertising signs	\$330
• Shop fitouts	\$400
• Industrial buildings & additions	\$800 per 500m2 or \$400 per unit, whichever amount is greater
Additional Fee for retrospective approval	Fee as above plus additional 40%

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Item: 395 **ES - Subdivision - Torrens Title - 2 Lot Subdivision, Lot B DP 416222 Vol 10354 Fol 243, 1027 Grose Vale Road, KURRAJONG NSW 2758 - (95494, 96329, 18850, DA0048/05)**

Mr Donald Shaddick, proponent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to RESOLUTION

563 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Finch

That:

1. Council seek concurrence of the Director General for Planning.
2. Subject to concurrence of the Director General being received a further report be submitted to Council providing "without prejudice" conditions for Council's consideration for approval of the application.

Item: 396 **ES - Proposed Commercial/Residential Development at Lot B DP 383474, Lot 1 DP 128701 and Lot X DP 374639, 510 - 512 George Street Windsor - (DA1001/04, 96329, 91001, 21984, 17510, 92715)**

Councillor Stubbs declared an interest in this matter as his surgery is located at 489 George Street, Windsor, which is in the vicinity of this development. He left the meeting and did not take part in voting or discussion on the matter.

Mr Damien Briggs, proponent, addressed the Committee.

Mr Douglas Bathersby and Ms Megan Edgar, respondents addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Paine.

Refer to RESOLUTION

564 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Paine

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That the development application proposing the construction of a mixed commercial/ residential development at Lot B DP 383474, Lot 1 DP 128701 and Lot X DP 374639, 510 - 512 George Street Windsor be refused for the reasons outlined as follows:

1. The proposal does not satisfy the zone objectives contained in Clause 9A of Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1989 in that minimal commercial floor space is provided in conjunction with the proposal and that the design does not provide for the ready adaptability of the first floor level of the building to provide for the expansion of commercial uses on the site.
2. Dickson Lane is too narrow to support the impacts of the proposed development.
3. The proposal is contrary to Council's resolution made on 26 July 2005 in relation to Shop Top Housing Development in that:
 - (a) the height of the building is excessive resulting in significant shadow impact on adjacent residential land between the hours of 9.00am and 3.00pm.
 - (b) barrier-free access has not been provided to all residential components of the building.
 - (c) the proposal has not provided increased ceiling height in conjunction with the first floor level of the building to enable adaptability for commercial use.
4. the proposal is considered inconsistent with the Design Quality Principles contained in State Environmental Planning Policy No. 65 – Design Quality of Residential Flat Development having regard to:
 - (a) Principle 1: Context

The building has not responded to the characteristics of the area in that it exhibits an inappropriate scale and results in an unacceptable shadow impact upon adjoining residential properties.
 - (b) Principle 2: Scale

The building has a bulk and scale that significantly exceeds the predominant scale of existing development situated in the immediate area resulting in an undesirable visual impact upon the village character of the commercial and surrounding area.
 - (c) Principle 3: Built Form

The building is not considered to have an appropriate built form for the subject site given that the proposed building does not achieve a compatible and complimentary bulk and scale with surrounding development resulting in a detrimental impact upon the village character of the commercial centre.
 - (d) Principle 4: Density

It is considered that the proposed density is excessive for the site in that the design does not respond to the identified constraints associated with the site and the context of the area.
5. The proposal is considered inconsistent with the Design Principles contained in State Environmental Planning Policy No. 65 – Design Quality of Residential Flat Development having regard to:
 - (a) Building Envelopes and Height

The proposal does not satisfy the building height plane provisions contained in Hawkesbury Development Control Plan 2002 and does not respond to the desired scale of development in the area and results in an unreasonable shadow impact to adjoining residential properties.

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(b) Safety

The proposal has not made satisfactory provision to ensure adequate levels of safety and security to the basement car area having particular regard to resident parking areas.

(c) Visual Privacy

The proposal has not made adequate provision to ensure reasonable levels of privacy from the windows and balconies situated at first and second floor levels associated with "Block B" adjoining Dickson Lane to adjoining residential properties immediately to the east of the site.

6. The proposed development will set an undesirable precedent for development of a similar nature in the South Windsor commercial centre.
7. The proposal is not considered to be in the public interest having considered the matters raised by objectors in response to Council's notification of the application.

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INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Item: 397 **IS - Cultural Precinct - (95495, 83276, 75323, 80333, 107, 74272, 74141)**

Previous Item: 338, Ordinary (1 November 2005)

Dr Ian Jack, proponent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen.

Refer to RESOLUTION

565 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen

That further consideration of funding for the Cultural Precinct be deferred until the grant application to GROW has been determined.

Item: 398 **IS - Grant from Crown Lands for a Carpark at Yarramundi Reserve - (95495, 84719)**

Councillor Rasmussen declared an interest in this matter as he owns property adjacent to Yarramundi Reserve, he left the meeting and did not take part in voting or discussion on the matter.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Porter.

Refer to RESOLUTION

566 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Porter

That the offer of \$20,000 grant funding and \$5,000 loan be accepted.

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SUPPORT SERVICES

Item: 399 **SS - Application for Closure and Purchase of Roadway Adjoining 46 George Street, Windsor - (95496, 97239)**

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Devine.

Refer to RESOLUTION

567 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Devine

That:

1. Council not proceed with the proposal from Dr Ganeshalingham for the closure and purchase of the unformed road reserve which adjoins 46 George Street, Windsor and that all objectors be advised of the resolution.
2. Dr Ganeshalingham be advised of Council's decision and the balance of the bond be refunded.

Item: 400 **SS - Hawkesbury Heritage Farm (Former Australiana Pioneer Village) Lot 22 DP 829589 18 Rose Street, Wilberforce - (95496)**

Previous Item: 16, General Purpose Committee (24 February 2004)

Mr Christopher McLachlan, proponent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen

That Council pursue Option 1 as detailed in the business paper.

The motion was lost.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Porter, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

Refer to RESOLUTION

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568 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Porter, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

That a Draft Plan to reclassify the following parcel from community land to operational land proceed and be forwarded to the Department of Planning for finalisation and gazettal.

1. Hawkesbury Heritage Farm (former Australiana Pioneer Village), Lot 22, DP 829589, 18 Rose Street, Wilberforce.

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SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS

Item: 404 **CP - Hawkesbury Local Heritage Assistance Fund - "Bronte" 248 Castlereagh Road, Richmond - (95498)**

Previous Item: 123, Ordinary (26 April 2005)

Miss Margaret Betts, proponent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Paine.

Refer to RESOLUTION

569 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Paine

That a note be placed on Council's website reading that "no damage had been done to the skirting boards of heritage property "Bronte" House by its owner".

Item: 405 **CP - Draft Section 94 Contributions Plan Review - November 2005 - (95498)**

Mr Paul Hedge, respondent, addressed the Committee.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to RESOLUTION

570 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Williams

That the matter be deferred until early next year, however, should the Draft LEP for Pitt Town be gazetted before the next Ordinary Meeting a Special Meeting of Council be called as soon as possible.

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CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

571 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Porter.

That:

1. The Council meeting be closed to deal with confidential matters and in accordance with Section 10A of the Local Government Act, 1993, members of the Press and the public be excluded from the Council Chamber during consideration of the following items:

Item: 401 - IS - St Albans Road Maintenance Tenders - (79344, 87041, 81207)

Item: 402 - SS - Laundry (Exhibition) Pty Limited - Documents for Execution Under the Common Seal of Council - (95496, 74324, 98339)

Item: 403 - IS - Vegetation Mapping of the Hawkesbury LGA - Tender Evaluation Report - (95495, 96331)

Item: 406 - GM - Code of Conduct Matter (79351)

*This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: -*

- (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business*
 - (e) information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law*
2. In accordance with the relevant provisions of the Act, the reports, correspondence and other relevant documentation associated with this matter be withheld from the Press and the public.
 3. The Mayor asked for representation from members of the public as to why Council should not go into closed Council to deal with this confidential matter.

There was no response, therefore, the public left the gallery.

572 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Porter that open meeting be resumed.

Item: 401 IS - St Albans Road Maintenance Tenders - (79344, 87041, 81207)
CONFIDENTIAL

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Stubbs.

Refer to RESOLUTION

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573 RESOLUTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in Closed Council, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Stubbs.

That:

1. The tender submitted by J & M Landfill Pty Ltd for the maintenance of gravel roads in the St Albans district be accepted.
2. The seal of Council be affixed to any contract documentation.

Item: 402 SS - Laundry (Exhibition) Pty Limited - Documents for Execution Under the Common Seal of Council - (95496, 74324, 98339) CONFIDENTIAL

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Stubbs.

Refer to RESOLUTION

574 RESOLUTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in Closed Council, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Stubbs.

That:

1. Council agree to the assignment of all terms and conditions contained in the current lease of Shop 3 Wilberforce Shopping Centre from Laundry (Exhibition) Pty Limited to Laundry (Balmoral) Pty Limited subject to the proposed lessees being responsible for costs relating to the assignment of the lease in accordance with the Retail Leases Act.
2. Authority be given for any documentation in association with the matter to be executed under the common seal of Council.
3. Details of Council's resolution be conveyed to the proposed lessees together with the advice that Council is not and will not be bound by the terms of its resolution until such time as appropriate legal documentation to put such resolution into effect has been agreed to and executed by all parties.

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Item: 403 **IS - Vegetation Mapping of the Hawkesbury LGA - Tender Evaluation Report - (95495, 96331)**

Previous Item: 382, Ordinary (29 November 2005)
 294, Ordinary (27 September 2005)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to RESOLUTION

575 RESOLUTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in Closed Council, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Williams.

That:

1. The tender submitted by Eco Logical Australia to provide vegetation field surveys as outlined in their tender, in the amount of \$257,550 by accepted.
2. The Common Seal of Council be affixed to any necessary contract documentation.
3. \$100,000 be allocated from unexpended funds within the Environmental/Stormwater Levy Reserve Funds to the Vegetation Mapping Project.
4. That an incentives program to assist landowners be investigated.
5. As suggested in the staff report that free access to the database for land owners be investigated.

576 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Williams.

That the meeting continue past 11.00pm to complete the business paper.

LATE SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS

Item: 406 GM - Code of Conduct Matter - (79351)

Councillor Paine declared an interest in this matter.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Porter.

Refer to RESOLUTION

577 RESOLUTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in Closed Council, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Porter.

That the information be received.

SECTION 5 - Reports of Committees

ROC - Hawkesbury Civic and Citizenship Committee - 13 July 2005 - (96972)

578 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Finch.

That the minutes of the Hawkesbury Civic Committee held on 13 July 2005 as recorded on pages 129 to 132 of the Ordinary Business Paper be received.

ROC - Community Planning Advisory Committee - 15 September 2005 - (96737, 95498)

579 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen.

That the minutes of the Community Planning Advisory Committee held on 15 September 2005 as recorded on pages 133 to 136 of the Ordinary Business Paper be received.

ROC - Waste Management Advisory Committee - 5 October 2005 - (95249, 95498)

580 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Porter.

That the minutes of the Waste Management Committee held on 5 October 2005 as recorded on pages 137 to 140 of the Ordinary Business Paper be received.

ROC - Strategic Planning Advisory Committee - 17 November 2005 - (91368, 95498)

581 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Finch.

That the minutes of the Strategic Planning Advisory Committee held on 17 November 2005 as recorded on pages 141 to 150 of the Ordinary Business Paper be received.

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ROC - Floodplain Risk Management Committee - 21 November 2005 - (86589, 95498)

582 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Porter.

That the minutes of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee held on 21 November 2005 as recorded on pages 150 to 151 of the Ordinary Business Paper be received.

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QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

1. Councillor Paine referred to an article in the paper regarding the matter of potential amalgamations and that Hawkesbury may be a Council that would be amalgamated unless action was taken now. She asked if this was a real issue.

The Mayor advised that Councillor Calvert was quoted in an article as having commented that amalgamation was possible in the future and could take place. The Mayor advised that anything was possible, but advised that the State Government has a policy of no forced amalgamations.

2. Councillor Finch referred to the 'Welcome Pack' for new residents and asked if the idea had been followed through.

The Mayor advised that the program was launched around two months ago at Glossodia with a brand new pack that is distributed to new residents of the Hawkesbury.

3. Councillor Rasmussen referred to the Mayor's comments of getting the 'house in order' and asked if our house was out of order because Council will be doing some trimming of finances. Councillor Rasmussen then asked if it was reasonable to use the term 'out of order'.

The Mayor advised that he absolutely thought it was the right terminology to use as Council had been told for years that it needed to address issues of revenue and this Council is happy to do so.

4. Councillor Devine referred to a letter from Mr Peter Nichols who is a resident of Dargan Street, South Windsor, who points out the condition of grounds that form the property owned by the Bligh Park Tavern and fitness centre. He advised that he drove past the grounds and they are not as they were in the landscape plan when the premises were developed. He advised that he also drove past Council's indoor sports centre and commented that he thought it would be unfair to forward correspondence to the owner of the Bligh Park land and fitness centre about the condition of their grounds whilst our grounds are in poor condition also. He asked that whoever is responsible for the cleaning up of the indoor sports stadium to bring it in line as a matter of urgency and approach the owners of the Bligh Park Tavern to clean up their land.

The Director Infrastructure Services advised the area was cleaned up by a person on probational parole. He advised that he would be contacting the Parole Office to find out if this would be continuing as the person who was doing it may have finished their time.

5. Councillor Devine referred to four letters he had been sent in relation to problems occurring in McLeod Park, South Windsor. He commented that he was aware that there was a Plan of Management for McLeod Park, but he didn't think it would assist those who are currently dominating the Park. He commented that residents have advised that drunken disorderly behaviour and syringes being found is common. Councillor Devine asked if action could be taken to make the park a safe place for mothers to take their children.

The Director Infrastructure Services advised that the matter would be investigated.

6. Councillor Porter asked if, in consultation with local newspapers, Council could comment about the speed limit that is being imposed on river and the lack of consultation that has taken place. He advised that not many people know what is going on and that it will be imposed in January

The Director Infrastructure Services advised a Press Release would be the best way to go about it and would be investigated.

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7. Councillor Books referred to Lennox Street, Richmond, and the bump in the road that was filled in after road works had been completed. He advised the bump was acting as unofficial speed hump without signage and could cause an accident and asked if something could be done about this.

The Director Infrastructure Services advised the matter would be investigated.

The meeting terminated at 11.20pm.

Submitted to and confirmed at the Ordinary meeting held on 31 January 2006.

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Mayor