

# Council Meeting Minutes

Monday 25 August 2025

Realm - Council Chamber  
Level 2, 179 Maroondah Highway  
Ringwood

Minutes of the Council Meeting held in the Council Chamber on Monday 25 August 2025 at 7:30 PM.

## PRESENT

Cr Kylie Spears (Mayor)	Wombolano Ward
Cr Linda Hancock (Deputy Mayor)	Wonga Ward
Cr Catherine Gordon	Bungalook Ward
Cr Claire Rex	Jubilee Ward
Cr Nathaniel Henderson	McAlpin Ward
Cr Paul Macdonald	Tarralla Ward
Cr Daniella Heatherich	Wicklow Ward
Cr Rob Steane OAM	Yarrunga Ward
Steve Kozlowski	Chief Executive Officer
Tony Rocca	Chief Financial Officer
Adam Todorov	Director Assets & Leisure
Marianne Di Giallonardo	Director People & Places
Andrew Fuaux	Director Strategy & Development
Emma Hills	Governance Officer
Dan Glass	Multimedia Officer

The Mayor, Cr Spears welcomed all to the August Council meeting.

The Chief Executive Officer read the following Statement of Recording -

*"Please note that this meeting is being recorded and streamed live on the internet. All care is taken to maintain your privacy; however, as a visitor in the public gallery, your presence may be recorded."*

A prayer was read by Pastor Kaye Reid from Ringwood Church of Christ.

The Councillor Pledge was read by the Mayor.

The Acknowledgement of Country was read by the Mayor.

## APOLOGIES

Cr Chris Jones	Barneong Ward
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*Cr Jones was granted a Leave of Absence at the 21 July 2025 Council Meeting*

## DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Nil

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED CR REX, SECONDED CR MACDONALD

88/25

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 21 JULY 2025 BE CONFIRMED.**

**CARRIED**

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**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Tim McCure

*"In the Maroondah annual budget - Page 27 - In the section of Service Area: Strategic planning and Sustainability budget 25/26 says expenditure is \$2,848,000 and deficit appears to be \$1,964,000, therefore can you please advise Maroondah rate payers, what is the actual expenditure on the following services in dollar terms and the outcomes for the rate payer of such activities: Carbon reduction strategic planning, Climate change strategic planning, Sustainability strategic planning, Carbon Neutral certification reporting.*

*\*Please note that Carbon reduction strategic planning appears to be mentioned twice in the report, was this an error or intentional?"*

Director Strategy & Development

*"The four areas identified are only a portion of the expenditure and work of this area, representing approximately 35% or \$687,400k of the budget. Broken into the four areas this represents approximately: \$196,400 to carbon reduction strategic planning, \$196,400 to climate change strategic planning, \$196,400 to sustainability & strategic planning, and \$98,200 to carbon neutral certification reporting. The wide-ranging strategic planning and environmental outcomes of this budget are reported in Council's Annual Report. Some highlights include all of Council's strategic environmental priorities and actions which are spelt out in both the Council Plan and the Sustainability Strategy 2022-2031; along with an array of city planning work which includes the development of the Maroondah Planning Scheme, Structure Plans for activity centres, delivery of Maroondah's Housing Strategy, facilitation of local neighbourhood planning, development of transport strategies, and implementation of heritage and ecological studies across the city, all of which is designed to ensure the social and economic prosperity of Maroondah. Lastly, I can confirm that 'carbon reduction strategic planning' appearing twice on page 27 of the budget is a drafting error."*

Tim McCure

*"In the Maroondah annual budget page 31, section of Arts and Culture, on the 6th and 9th dot points: what specific culture(s) are being developed or planned for and what are the tangible benefits and dollar costs of these services to Maroondah rate payers?"*

Director People & Places

*"The sixth dot point relates to community cultural development. This service relates to the Maroondah Arts and Cultural Grants program (Budget 2025/26: \$26,728) which supports local community groups deliver arts projects that engage with a wide variety of residents to achieve broad community outcomes. Funded projects must meet broad community benefits or support residents that may have barriers to participation. An example of a recently funded project being an Older Adults Dementia Music Program that benefited Maroondah residents living in residential care and their families. A link to the funded projects in 2024/25 is available for your interest on Council's homepage: [Arts & Cultural Grant Program recipients | Maroondah City Council](#)*

*The ninth dot point is the cultural planning, strategies, and policy aspect of the Arts and Cultural portfolio. This refers to the Arts & Cultural Development Strategy 2020-2025 that is Council's adopted framework for delivering creative services and arts venue programs within Maroondah and is developed in-house by staff at no direct cost to residents. The types of services delivered as part of this strategy are varied with costs reflective of the total Arts and Culture allocations as noted within the Council budget. More information similarly is available on Council's homepage: [Arts and Cultural Development Strategy | Maroondah City Council](#)"*

Resident

*"Who selects the recipients of grants and what is the specific criteria for being endowed a grant."*

Director Strategy & Development

*"Council decides on the recipients of all of its annual community grants program at a formal Council Meeting. An officer's report is provided that addresses the criteria that recommendations for funding are based on. The criteria for the grants can be found on Council's website by searching the words 'Community Grants Policy'"*

Resident

*"Who financially audits the council to ensure that rate funds are spent on services that benefit the whole residential cohort"*

Chief Financial Officer

*"Maroondah's financial audit is undertaken annually and is undertaken by an external audit contractor. The external auditor is engaged by the Victorian Auditor General's Office."*

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

### **CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

ATTENDANCE REPORT

ITEM 1

MOVED CR HENDERSON, SECONDED CR STEANE

89/25

### **THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES AND NOTES THE REPORTS AS PRESENTED BY COUNCILLORS**

### **CARRIED**

Councillors who spoke to their reports - Crs Spears, Hancock, Gordon, Rex, Henderson, Macdonald, Heatherich and Steane

### **Cr Spears (Mayor)**

22/07	Former Councillor Letter under Seal Presentation
22/07	Your Library Special Board Meeting: Strategy Adoption
23/07	The Wonderful World of Music - Ringwood and District Historical Society Meeting
24/07	Women for Election and Australian Local Government Women's Association - Mentoring Program and Logistics
24/07	Municipal Association of Victoria Regional Meeting – Metro East
24/07	Hungry 4 Success Training Retail Graduation Event
24/07	Art Exhibition Launch "The Psychology of Sound & An Alternative History"
25/07	Meeting with resident
29/07	Local Blue Light Youth Program - Heathmont Secondary College
30/07	Community Grants Recognition Event 2025
31/07	Dattner Group and Australian Local Government Women's Association Meeting
31/07	Interview with Deakin Student Elena
31/07	Art Exhibition Opening "Future Foundations - Troppo Studio"
01/08	Sandra Hoskings Memorial Service - Norwood Football Club
02/08	Croydon North MLOC Football Netball Club Presidents Event
05/08	Australian Local Government Women's Association Executive Meeting
08/08	Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Labor MPs

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09/08	Ringwood Men's Shed 10th Anniversary and Christmas in July Event
12/08	Australian Local Government Women's Association National Executive Team Meeting
12/08	Young Women's Program 10th Anniversary Event
12/08	Maroondah Business Group - "The Maroondah Report" Event
15/08	Your Library Audit and Risk Advisory Committee Meeting
15/08	Eastern Region Group of Councils Meeting
16/08	Chin Community Victoria Elderly Group (CCEG Inc.) 10th Anniversary Event
18/08	Meeting with Ringwood Basketball Association
18/08	Australian National University Research project presentation - Gender parity in Regional Local Government Areas
19/08	Maroondah Access, Inclusion and Equity Final Meeting
19/08	Book Week Storytime Event at Realm
19/08	Australian Local Government Women's Association Executive Team meeting
20/08	Maroondah Business Advisory Committee Meeting
20/08	Book Week Photos - Realm
20/08	Maroondah Neighbourhood Policing Forum Meeting
20/08	Australian Local Government Women's Association 2026 Conference planning meeting
21/08	Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Liberal MPs
21/08	Australian Local Government Women's Association National Board Meeting
21/08	Municipal Association of Victoria Advocacy briefing - Make Good Happen campaign
22/08	Eastern Football Netball League Women's Grand Final breakfast
22/08	Eastern Football Netball League Women's Netball Grand Finals
23/08	Pathways to Politics - Making the decision to run Panel and Workshop Seminar
25/08	Australian Local Government Women's Association Executive Team meeting
25/08	The Maroondah Foundation Annual General Meeting

**Cr Hancock (Deputy Mayor)**

22/07	Former Councillor Letter under Seal Presentation
22/07	Your Library Special Board Meeting: Strategy Adoption
23/07	Maroondah Community Health and Wellbeing Advisory Committee Meeting
23/07	Metropolitan Traffic Education Centre Inc Meeting
24/07	Hungry 4 Success Training Retail Graduation Event
24/07	Art Exhibition Launch "The Psychology of Sound & An Alternative History"
29/07	Karralyka Event
30/07	Community Grants Recognition Event 2025
31/07	Art Exhibition Opening "Future Foundations - Troppo Studio"
05/08	Homeward Bound - A Walk to End Homelessness Event
06/08	Ringwood East Senior Citizens Annual General Meeting
06/08	Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
07/08	Regional Local Government Homelessness and Social Housing Group Charter "More than shelter" Seminar
08/08	Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Labor MPs
08/08	Your Library CEO Remuneration Committee Meeting
10/08	Karralyka Event
11/08	Dattner Group Meeting
12/08	Young Women's Program 10th Anniversary Event
12/08	Maroondah Business Group - "The Maroondah Report" Event
13/08	Heatherdale Action Group Meeting
14/08	Your Library CEO Remuneration Meeting

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14/08	Australian Local Government Women's Association Online Masterclass "How to Communicate in the Chamber"
15/08	Meeting with Ringwood Cricket Club
15/08	Eastern Region Group of Councils Meeting
18/08	Meeting with Ringwood Basketball Association
20/08	Metropolitan Traffic Education Centre Inc Board Meeting
21/08	Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Liberal MPs
21/08	2025 Women in Business - Connect and Inspire Event
21/08	Victorian Local Government Grants Commission Statewide Information Session
25/08	The Maroondah Foundation Annual General Meeting

**Cr Jones**

22/07	Former Councillor Letter under Seal Presentation
24/07	Hungry 4 Success Training Retail Graduation Event
24/07	Art Exhibition Launch "The Psychology of Sound & An Alternative History"
27/07	National Tree Planting Day Event
30/07	Community Grants Recognition Event 2025
02/08	Croydon North MLOC Football Netball Club Presidents Event
05/08	Homeward Bound - A Walk to End Homelessness Event
05/08	Maroondah Environment Advisory Committee Meeting
06/08	Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
07/08	Regional Local Government Homelessness and Social Housing Group Charter "More than shelter" Seminar
08/08	Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Labor MPs
12/08	Maroondah Business Group - "The Maroondah Report" Event
13/08	1st Mooroolbark Scouts Group Annual Report and Presentation Event
19/08	Maroondah Access, Inclusion and Equity Advisory Committee Meeting
20/08	Maroondah Neighbourhood Policing Forum Meeting
21/08	Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Liberal MPs

**Cr Gordon**

22/07	Former Councillor Letter under Seal Presentation
23/07	Maroondah Community Health and Wellbeing Advisory Committee Meeting
30/07	Community Grants Recognition Event 2025
01/08	The Australian Women's Leadership Symposium Seminar
06/08	East Ringwood Tennis Club Annual General Meeting
08/08	Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Labor MPs
12/08	Young Women's Program 10th Anniversary Event
12/08	Maroondah Business Group - "The Maroondah Report" Event
13/08	1st Mooroolbark Scouts Group Annual Report and Presentation Event
14/08	Australian Local Government Women's Association Online Masterclass "How to Communicate in the Chamber"
19/08	Maroondah Access, Inclusion and Equity Advisory Committee Meeting
20/08	Volleyball Victoria Board Meeting
21/08	Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Liberal MPs
21/08	2025 Women in Business - Connect and Inspire Event
21/08	Victorian Local Government Grants Commission Statewide Information Session
25/08	The Maroondah Foundation Annual General Meeting

**Cr Rex**

24/07 Art Exhibition Launch "The Psychology of Sound & An Alternative History"  
26/07 Victorian Council Forum - New Emergency Services Tax Seminar  
27/07 National Tree Planting Day Event  
06/08 Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony  
07/08 Regional Local Government Homelessness and Social Housing Group Charter  
"More than shelter" Seminar  
08/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting with Labor MPs  
12/08 Maroondah Business Group - "The Maroondah Report" Event  
13/08 Maroondah Liveability, Safety and Amenity Advisory Committee Meeting  
13/08 Heatherdale Community Action Group Meeting  
14/08 Australian Local Government Women's Association Online Masterclass "How to  
Communicate in the Chamber"  
20/08 Maroondah Neighbourhood Policing Forum Meeting  
21/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Liberal MPs  
21/08 2025 Women in Business - Connect and Inspire Event  
21/08 Meeting with Biala  
21/08 Victorian Local Government Grants Commission Statewide Information Session

**Cr Henderson**

22/07 Former Councillor Letter under Seal Presentation  
24/07 Art Exhibition Launch "The Psychology of Sound & An Alternative History"  
30/07 Community Grants Recognition Event 2025  
31/07 Art Exhibition opening "Future Foundations - Troppo Studio"  
05/08 Meeting with Ringwood Golf Club  
06/08 Communities of Wellbeing August event "Discover Hygge: A celebration of  
togetherness" Event  
06/08 Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony  
08/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Labor MPs  
12/08 Maroondah Business Group - "The Maroondah Report" Event  
19/08 Maroondah Access, Inclusion and Equity Advisory Committee Meeting  
20/08 Maroondah Business Advisory Committee Meeting  
20/08 Maroondah Neighbourhood Policing Forum Meeting  
21/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Liberal MPs  
25/08 The Maroondah Foundation Annual General Meeting

**Cr Macdonald**

22/07 Former Councillor Letter under Seal Presentation  
06/08 Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony  
08/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Labor MPs  
12/08 Meeting with Central Avenue Resident  
12/08 Young Women's Program 10th Anniversary Event  
12/08 Maroondah Business Group - "The Maroondah Report" Event  
20/08 Maroondah Neighbourhood Policing Forum Meeting  
21/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Liberal MPs  
21/08 2025 Women in Business - Connect and Inspire Event  
24/08 Eastern Football Netball League South Croydon v Vermont (under 15 grand  
final)  
25/08 The Maroondah Foundation Annual General Meeting

**Cr Heatherich**

23/07 Maroondah Community Health and Wellbeing Advisory Committee Meeting  
24/07 Hungry 4 Success Training Retail Graduation Event  
26/07 Emergency Services Council Forum  
26/07 Victorian Council Forum - New Emergency Services Tax Seminar  
27/07 National Tree Planting Day Event  
30/07 Community Grants Recognition Event 2025  
31/07 Art Exhibition Opening "Future Foundations - Troppo Studio"  
06/08 Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony  
07/08 Regional Local Government Homelessness and Social Housing Group Charter  
"More than shelter" Seminar  
07/08 Meeting with Life Activities Club Croydon  
08/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Labor MPs  
12/08 Young Women's Program 10th Anniversary Event  
12/08 Meeting with Croydon Senior Citizens Centre Committee  
12/08 Maroondah Business Group - "The Maroondah Report" Event  
13/08 Maroondah Liveability, Safety and Amenity Advisory Committee Meeting  
21/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Liberal MPs  
25/08 The Maroondah Foundation Annual General Meeting

**Cr Steane**

22/07 Former Councillor Letter under Seal Presentation  
24/07 Art Exhibition Launch "The Psychology of Sound & An Alternative History"  
30/07 Community Grants Recognition Event 2025  
31/07 Art Exhibition Opening "Future Foundations - Troppo Studio"  
06/08 Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony  
07/08 Eastern FM Broadcast  
08/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Labor MPs  
10/08 Karralyka Event  
12/08 Maroondah Business Group - "The Maroondah Report" Event  
13/08 Maroondah Liveability, Safety and Amenity Advisory Committee Meeting  
20/08 Maroondah Business Advisory Committee Meeting  
21/08 Advocacy Briefing Meeting - Liberal MPs  
25/08 The Maroondah Foundation Annual General Meeting

REPORTS OF COUNCILLOR BRIEFINGS

ITEM 2

MOVED CR GORDON, SECONDED CR REX

90/25

**THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES AND NOTES THE PUBLIC RECORD OF THE COUNCILLOR  
BRIEFINGS HELD ON 21 JULY 2025 AND 11 AUGUST 2025**

**CARRIED**



## COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION REPORTS

ITEM 3

MOVED CR MACDONALD, SECONDED CR HEATHERICH

91/25

**THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES AND NOTES MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING BODIES**

- 1. MAROONDAH ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 5 AUGUST 2025**
- 2. MAROONDAH LIVEABILITY, SAFETY AND AMENITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 13 AUGUST 2025**

**CARRIED**

PROPOSED MOTION FOR MAV STATE COUNCIL MEETING -  
10 OCTOBER 2025

ITEM 4

MOVED CR STEANE, SECONDED CR HENDERSON

92/25

**THAT COUNCIL ENDORSE SUBMITTING THE FOLLOWING MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA OCTOBER 2025 STATE COUNCIL MEETING:**

**MOTION: *REINSTATING A CONSISTENT, INCLUSIVE, TRANSPARENT APPROACH TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMUNITY SATISFACTION SURVEY***

**THAT THE MAV ADVOCATES TO THE VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT AND LGV TO ENSURE CONSISTENCY IN THE METHODOLOGY USED FOR THE COMMUNITY SATISFACTION SURVEY ACROSS ALL VICTORIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AND THAT THE SUBSEQUENT REPORTING INCLUDES THE RESULTS OF ALL COUNCILS, REGARDLESS OF THE ENTITY THAT CONDUCTED THE SURVEY, BY:**

- DEVELOPING AND COORDINATING A STATEWIDE MODEL THAT ENABLES, ENCOURAGES AND MOTIVATES THE PARTICIPATION OF ALL COUNCILS**
- ENSURING COUNCILS THAT UNDERTAKE INDEPENDENT SURVEYS USE THE APPROVED METHODOLOGY AND ARE INCLUDED IN CONSOLIDATED STATEWIDE REPORTING**
- STANDARDISING THE METHODOLOGY, TIMING AND REPORTING TO ENABLE MEANINGFUL COMPARISON ACROSS COUNCILS OVER TIME**
- SUPPORTING COUNCIL PARTICIPATION THROUGH A COORDINATED PROCUREMENT PROCESS OR TARGETED FUNDING; AND**
- RESTORING THE CREDIBILITY AND VALUE OF THE SURVEY AS A TOOL FOR BENCHMARKING, STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY, ACROSS THE SECTOR**

**CARRIED**

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Crs Steane, Rex and Spears

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COUNCIL PLAN 2021-2025 (YEAR 4: 2024/25) PRIORITY ACTION  
PROGRESS REPORT - QUARTER 4, 2024/25

ITEM 5

MOVED CR MACDONALD, SECONDED CR HEATHERICH

93/25

**THAT COUNCIL NOTES PROGRESS MADE TOWARDS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PRIORITY ACTIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE COUNCIL PLAN 2021-2025, AS AT 30 JUNE 2025**

**CARRIED**

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Crs Spears, Henderson and Macdonald

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE REPORTING FRAMEWORK -  
SERVICE PERFORMANCE INDICATOR REPORT - 2024/25 FINANCIAL  
YEAR

ITEM 6

MOVED CR GORDON, SECONDED CR HENDERSON

94/25

**THAT COUNCIL NOTES THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE REPORTING FRAMEWORK SERVICE PERFORMANCE RESULTS FOR THE 2024/25 FINANCIAL YEAR AS AT 30 JUNE 2025**

**CARRIED**

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Crs Gordon, Henderson and Spears

APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE OF 2024/25 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND  
ANNUAL PERFORMANCE STATEMENT

ITEM 7

MOVED CR STEANE, SECONDED CR HANCOCK

95/25

**THAT COUNCIL**

- 1. APPROVES IN PRINCIPLE THE 2024/25 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND ANNUAL PERFORMANCE STATEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 99 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2020**
- 2. AUTHORISES THE MAYOR COUNCILLOR SPEARS AND COUNCILLOR JONES AS AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEMBERS, TO SIGN THE CERTIFICATION OF THE 2024/25 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE STATEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 99 OF THE ACT**
- 3. AUTHORISES THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SEND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE AUDITOR GENERAL AS WELL AS CERTIFY THE FINAL VERSION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
- 4. AUTHORISES THE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING OFFICER TO MAKE, WITHOUT FURTHER FORMAL NOTIFICATION TO COUNCIL, AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED BY COUNCIL'S AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE, AS WELL AS ANY NON-MATERIAL CHANGES TO THE 2024/25 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND ANNUAL PERFORMANCE STATEMENT**

**CARRIED**

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Crs Steane, Hancock and Spears

**DIRECTOR ASSETS & LEISURE**

MAROONDAH GOLF - ANNUAL STATE OF PLAY REPORT ITEM 1

MOVED CR GORDON, SECONDED CR MACDONALD 96/25

**THAT COUNCIL NOTES THE MAROONDAH GOLF ANNUAL STATE OF PLAY FOR THE 2024/25 FINANCIAL YEAR**

**CARRIED**

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Crs Henderson, Macdonald, Steane and Spears

CAPITAL WORKS REPORT: FOURTH QUARTER 2024/25 FINANCIAL YEAR ITEM 2

MOVED CR REX, SECONDED CR HEATHERICH 97/25

**THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES AND NOTES THE REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER FOR 2024/25**

**CARRIED**

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Cr Spears

**DIRECTOR STRATEGY & DEVELOPMENT**

PETITION - TRAFFIC LIGHT INSTALLATION - NORWOOD PARK - 125A WARRANDYTE ROAD, RINGWOOD NORTH ITEM 1

MOVED CR HANCOCK, SECONDED CR REX 98/25

**THAT COUNCIL**

1. **RECEIVES AND NOTES THE PETITION RECEIVED ON 31 JULY 2025 REQUESTING THE INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT THE ACCESS TO NORWOOD PARK RESERVE ON WARRANDYTE ROAD, RINGWOOD NORTH**
2. **REFERS THE PREPARATION OF A TRAFFIC STUDY TO THE 2026/27 TRAFFIC ENGINEERING CONSULTANCY PROGRAM TO EVALUATE THE NEED FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS**
3. **DIRECTS OFFICERS TO ADVISE THE LEAD PETITIONER OF THE DECISION TO UNDERTAKE THE TRAFFIC STUDY, AND THE OUTCOME OF THE TRAFFIC STUDY WHEN COMPLETED**

**CARRIED**

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Cr Hancock

**DIRECTOR PEOPLE & PLACES**

DRAFT COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

ITEM 1

MOVED CR STEANE, SECONDED CR MACDONALD

99/25

**THAT COUNCIL ENDORSES THE *COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY 2025-2029*****CARRIED**

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Crs Steane, Macdonald, Hancock and Spears

**DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING**

Nil

**MOTIONS TO REVIEW**

Nil

**LATE ITEMS**

Nil

**REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE - CR NATHANIEL HENDERSON

MOVED CR HANCOCK, SECONDED CR REX

100/25

**THAT CR HENDERSON BE GRANTED A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR THE 22 SEPTEMBER 2025 COUNCIL MEETING****CARRIED**

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**IN CAMERA**

MOVED CR HENDERSON, SECONDED CR MACDONALD

101/25

**THAT THE FOLLOWING MATTERS BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA PURSUANT TO S66(1) AND S66(2)(A) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2020, BECAUSE THE REPORTS CONTAIN INFORMATION THAT IS CONFIDENTIAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH S3(1) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2020.**

**DIRECTOR ASSETS & LEISURE**

ITEM 1 TENDER EVALUATION REPORT - CONTRACT 2025007 PROVISION  
OF HORTICULTURAL CHEMICALS & FERTILISERS  
(COLLABORATION WITH MONASH CITY COUNCIL)

*Reason: This report contains Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released. This information is confidential in accordance with s3(1)(a) of the Act. This ground is applied because the information, if publicly released at the time, is likely to be inappropriately detrimental to the Council or any person.*

**CARRIED**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS BE REFLECTED IN THE MINUTES OF THE OPEN FORUM.*

**DIRECTOR ASSETS & LEISURE**

TENDER EVALUATION REPORT - CONTRACT 2025007 PROVISION OF  
HORTICULTURAL CHEMICALS & FERTILISERS (COLLABORATION WITH  
MONASH CITY COUNCIL)

ITEM 1

THIS REPORT AND ALL DISCUSSIONS IN RELATION TO IT REMAINS CONFIDENTIAL INDEFINITELY AND THIS RESOLUTION REMAINS CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL THE EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT AT WHICH TIME THE RESOLUTION BE MADE PUBLIC

The open forum closed at 8:45pm.

Confirmed .....

Date .....