

Meeting Date: Tuesday 27 August 2024
Location: Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and Online
Time: 6.04pm

Councillors Present in Chambers: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li, Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Yedelian OAM.

Leave of Absence: Councillor Song.

Note: Councillor Purcell left the meeting at 7:34pm and did not return. He was not present for voting on Item 4, Item 6, Item 7 and the Matter of Urgency.

Staff Present: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager – Business and Operations, General Manager – City Shaping, Acting General Counsel, Acting Chief Financial Officer, Executive Manager – City Development, Executive Manager – City Infrastructure, Executive Manager – City Life, Executive Manager – People and Business, Manager – Business Assurance and Governance, Manager – Traffic Services, Manager – Engineering and Project Delivery, Manager – Parks and Open Spaces, Manager – Property Management, Executive Officer – City Fabric, Executive Officer – City Spaces, Chief Property Officer, City Architect, Senior Governance Officer, Governance Specialist, Media and Communications Officer, Executive Assistant to the Mayor and Councillors, IT Support Officer, Civic Services Manager, Civic Support Officer.

PRAYER

The Mayor, Councillor Brown was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was sung prior to the commencement of the meeting.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Mayor, Councillor Brown advised the meeting that Councillor Song had requested a Leave of Absence for tonight's Council meeting, Tuesday 27 August 2024.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Purcell and O'Reilly)

That Councillor Song's Leave of Absence for tonight's meeting, Tuesday 27 August 2024 be approved.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The Mayor, Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Mayoral Minute 33/24 – TG Millner Rezoning Proposal for the reason that he is a social member of the North Ryde RSL.

Councillor Purcell disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Mayoral Minute 33/24 – TG Millner Rezoning Proposal for the reason that he is a social member of the North Ryde RSL.

TABLING OF PETITIONS

Councillor Li tabled a petition with 21 signatures in relation to Heavy Traffic and Speeding Vehicles along Donovan Street, Eastwood and a copy is ON FILE.

Councillor Li tabled a petition with 104 signatures in relation to Unpaved Footpaths on Vimiera Road, Marsfield and a copy is ON FILE.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The following persons provided a written submission to Council:-

Name	Topic
Tobias Lord	Mayoral Minute 33/24 – TG Millner Rezoning Proposal
Jeanette Friend	Mayoral Minute 33/24 – TG Millner Rezoning Proposal

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The following person provided a written submission to Council:-

Name	Topic
Carmen Kong (representing Brush Farm Dog Training Club Inc)	Inclusion of Brush Farm Dog Training Club in the Brush Farm Park Masterplan.

PRESENTATION TO CURRENT SERVING COUNCILLORS OF THE CITY OF RYDE

The Chief Executive Officer, Mr Wayne Rylands thanked and congratulated the current serving Councillors for their contribution and dedication to their role during their tenure with the City of Ryde and presented each Councillor with a Certificate in Recognition of their Service.

PRESENTATION TO COUNCILLOR YEDELIAN OAM BY THE MAYOR

The Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown thanked and congratulated Councillor Yedelian OAM on his 20 years of service as both a Councillor and a Mayor at the City of Ryde.

COUNCIL REPORTS

1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Li and Maggio)

That Council adopt Mayoral Minute 29/24, Mayoral Minute 32/24, Item 2, Item 5, Item 8, Notice of Motion 1, Notice of Motion 2 and Item 10 listed on the Council Agenda as per the Recommendations in the Reports.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MAYORAL MINUTES

MM29/24 MAYOR FOR A DAY – EDUCATION WEEK EVENT – Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

RESOLUTION:

That staff:

- (a) Provide a report to Council investigating the feasibility, including the financial implications of carrying out any of the proposals put forward by the students as detailed in this Mayoral Minute.
- (b) Liaise with each of the schools to provide appropriate advice on the respective ideas tabled at the Mayor for a Day event.

MM32/24 PARKING MATTER – RYDEDALE ROAD – Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

- (a) Organise lines for car parking to provide drivers with clear guidance on the spots for parking opposite the train station on Ryedale Road.

- (b) Work with the Traffic Committee to come back with a report within three months on the feasibility of restricting parking to 30 minutes all day rather than the current limit of 30 minutes which only applies to the hours of 8.30am to 3.30pm.

COUNCIL REPORTS

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – Council Meeting held on 23 July 2024

RESOLUTION:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 10/24, held on 23 July 2024 be confirmed.

5 PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN – TREE PRESERVATION

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council endorse the amended draft Ryde Development Control Plan, 2024 - Part 9.5 Tree Preservation as provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**, and that the document be placed on public exhibition in accordance with the provisions of the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.
- (b) That the Public Exhibition occur for an extended period of a total of 42 days.
- (c) That a further report come back to Council following the exhibition period, outlining the feedback received and any amendments proposed for the document.

8 COUNCILLOR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS – VIMIERA ROAD FOOTPATH

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council approves the allocation of \$49,000 excluding GST from the Councillor Discretionary Fund to the 2024/25 Footpath Expansion Capital Works Program for the construction of the Vimiera Road footpath extension subject to recommendation part (b).
- (b) That the project proceeds only if no additional costs (in excess of the discretionary funding limit) for service relocation or protection are required. Should such costs arise, the project feasibility will need to be reassessed and Councillors will be informed accordingly through the Councillor Information Bulletin.

NOTICES OF MOTION

1 DISABILITY PARKING AT CHURCH – CUTLER PARADE – NORTH RYDE – Councillor Pedersen

RESOLUTION:

That City of Ryde explore making the current weddings and funerals parking spot a permanent disability parking space.

2 CONSERVATION OF THE SYDNEY TURPENTINE IRONBARK FOREST: AND COASTAL ENRICHED SANDSTONE MOIST FOREST AT THE FORMER IVANHOE ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT SITE – Councillor Pedersen

RESOLUTION:

That staff conduct a workshop for Councillors before the Ordinary Council meeting in November 2024 to discuss the preparation of an independent ecology expert report on the current state of (and any damage to) the natural area's at the State Significant Development Site of the former Ivanhoe Estate, detailing the health of the Sydney Turpentine Ironbark Forest; and the Coastal Enriched Sandstone Moist Forest, the state of the natural areas and progression of Council's request to extend the E2 (now C2) conservation zone into the site.

COUNCIL REPORT

10 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT 2023-2025

RESOLUTION:

That Council notes the Chief Executive Officer Performance Agreement 2023 - 2025.

MAYORAL MINUTES

MM28/24 MRS EDNA WILDE OAM - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

RESOLUTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

That Council observe a one minute silence and note the passing of Mrs Edna Wilde, OAM and her contribution to the City of Ryde's Council and community.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Council then observed a one minute silence.

MM29/24 MAYOR FOR A DAY - EDUCATION WEEK EVENT - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

MM30/24 PLANTING OF 2,000 NEW TREES TO INCREASE URBAN COVERAGE IN THE CITY OF RYDE - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

RESOLUTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillor Deshpande)

- (a) That Council approve the planting of 2,000 new trees and plants within the City of Ryde over the next 12 months to significantly increase urban tree coverage and address the reduction observed since 2017.
- (b) That Council staff develop and implement a detailed planting strategy, including the selection of suitable species, planting locations, and a maintenance plan to ensure the long-term health of the newly planted trees.
- (c) That Council engage the community through workshops, education campaigns, and volunteer planting days to foster a sense of ownership and participation in the greening of our city.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MM31/24 INTRODUCING CITY OF RYDE'S COMMUNITY TREE DAY - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

RESOLUTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillor Deshpande)

That Council:

- (a) Designate an additional City of Ryde Tree Day, to be celebrated bi-annually.
- (b) Collaborate with local small businesses interested in partnering with the City of Ryde to reduce costs for ratepayers.
- (c) Develop a strategy for promoting City of Ryde's Community Tree Day within the calendar year, utilising regular online and media channels to engage the community.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MM32/24 PARKING MATTERS - RYEDALE ROAD - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

MM33/24 TG MILLNER REZONING PROPOSAL - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a social member of North Ryde RSL.

Note: Councillor Purcell disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a social member of North Ryde RSL.

Note: Tobias Lord and Jeanette Friend made a written submission on this Item and copies are ON FILE.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

- (a) That Council develop and lodge a Planning Proposal to the NSW State Government for protection of critical public recreation space at TG Millner Field site through an amendment to the *Ryde Local Environmental Plan (RLEP) 2014* to classify the site as an RE1 – Public Recreation zone.
- (b) That Council write to NSROC and its member Councils to enlist their support for the preservation of TG Millner fields, recognising the strategic imperative for all Northern Sydney Councils to maintain open green space of significant size such as Westleigh Park and TG Millner fields.

On being put to the meeting, Councillors O'Reilly, Pedersen and Purcell abstained from voting and accordingly their votes were recorded Against the Motion.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen and Purcell

MM34/24 CONTROL OF SPANISH MOSS - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

RESOLUTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

That:

- (a) Council investigate the removal of Spanish Moss from key locations in civic spaces including local parks, the Field of Mars and in streetscapes where its presence is reported, and report back to Council on the cost and resources that would be required to undertake this within the next 3 months.
- (b) Bush care groups be encouraged to manually remove Spanish Moss where it is identified in local areas that they maintain.
- (c) Council undertake an education program through the design and distribution of a flyer outlining why Spanish Moss is a problem. The flyer to be distributed to areas where the plant has been reported and/or recently removed.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MM35/24 HOUSING FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

RESOLUTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

- (a) That Council continue to advocate strongly to relevant State and Federal Ministers for them to provide additional housing options and services to support women and children experiencing domestic and family violence.
- (b) That Council conduct a review of its own housing policies with a view to developing a housing category which supports victims of domestic and family violence.
- (c) That a report be brought back to Council for consideration following this review.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COUNCIL REPORTS

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 23 July 2024

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

3 JUNE QUARTERLY REVIEW REPORT (UNAUDITED) INCLUDING 2023/24 CARRYOVERS - FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN 2022-2026 AND 2023/2024 OPERATIONAL PLAN

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That the proposed variations, FY23/24 carryover funds and proposed movements in reserves as detailed in **ATTACHMENTS 1 and 2**, be adopted by Council.
- (b) That the June 2024 Quarterly Review report (Four Year Delivery Plan 2022 - 2026 and One Year 2023/24 Operational Plan) for Quarter Four, *April – June 2024*, be received and adopted by Council. **ATTACHMENT 3 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER.**

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

4 PUTNEY PARK DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT (UPDATE) AND PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Note: Councillor Purcell left the meeting at 7.34pm during discussion on this Item and was not present for voting on this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Deshpande)

- (a) That Council refers the draft Putney Park Plan of Management (update June 2024) to the Minister for Lands and Property seeking approval to place on public exhibition as required by the *Crown Lands Management Act 2016*.
- (b) That following approval from the Minister, the Plan be placed on public exhibition for 42 days and a report be brought back to Council following this process.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

5 PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN - TREE PRESERVATION

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

6 SAFETY FOR CHILDREN PLAYING AT HEATLEY RESERVE IN EAST RYDE

Note: Councillor Purcell was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Han left the meeting at 7.38pm and was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Lara-Watson)

That Council endorses Option 1 to retain and maintain the existing planting along the frontage of Moncrieff Drive, this can be accommodated in the existing Parks Maintenance Base Budget.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

7 INSTALLATION OF SHADE SAILS AT DENISTONE PARK

Note: Councillor Purcell was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Han returned to the meeting at 7.41pm.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Lane)

- (a) That Council supports the use of trees to achieve shade at Denistone Park in accordance with the adopted Play Implementation Plan policy.
- (b) That Denistone Park Playground continues to operate in its current arrangement.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

8 COUNCILLOR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS - VIMIERA ROAD FOOTPATH

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

INFORMATION REPORT

9 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2024

Note: An Information Report was presented to Council.

NOTICES OF MOTION

1 DISABILITY PARKING AT CHURCH - CUTLER PARADE, NORTH RYDE - Councillor Penny Pedersen

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

2 CONSERVATION OF THE SYDNEY TURPENTINE IRONBARK FOREST; AND COASTAL ENRICHED SANDSTONE MOIST FOREST AT THE FORMER IVANHOE ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT SITE - Councillor Penny Pedersen

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

COUNCIL REPORT

10 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT 2023-2025

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

MATTER OF URGENCY

Councillor Maggio advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding Traffic Control Devices at Charles Street, Ryde, the time being 7.45pm.

The Mayor, Councillor Brown accepted this matter as an Urgent Item.

Note: Councillor Purcell was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillor Maggio and the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency, raised by Councillor Maggio, regarding Traffic Control Devices at Charles Street, Ryde.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY – TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AT CHARLES STREET, RYDE

Note: Councillor Purcell was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillor Maggio and the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

- (a) That the traffic devices at the intersection of Charles and Kenneth Streets, Ryde be removed immediately with the traffic island to remain.
- (b) The cost of removal to be funded from Councillor Maggio's Councillor discretionary fund.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

The meeting closed at 8:00pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 22ND DAY OF OCTOBER 2024

Chairperson