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MINUTES

NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL MEETING

held at the Civic Centre, Dee Why on

TUESDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2026

Minutes of the Northern Beaches Council Meeting

held on Tuesday 17 February 2026

at the Civic Centre, Dee Why

Commencing at 6:03pm

ATTENDANCE:

Councillors

Sue Heins (Mayor)
Candy Bingham (Deputy Mayor)
Mandeep Singh JP
Vincent De Luca OAM
Bob Giltinan OAM JP
Ruth Robins
Rowie Dillon
Miranda Korzy
Nicholas Beaugeard
Bonnie Harvey
Ethan Hrnjak
Jody Williams
Kristyn Glanville - *remote*
Sarah Grattan

Officers

Scott Phillips	Chief Executive Officer
Kelly Loveridge	Chief Operating Officer
David Kerr	Director Community & Recreation
Todd Dickinson	Director Environment & Open Space
James Farrington	Director Planning & Place
Kristie Debney	Acting Director Transport & Assets
Caroline Foley	Chief Financial Officer
Eskil Julliard	General Counsel
Kylie Walshe	Executive Manager Community, Arts & Culture
Jeremy Smith	Executive Manager Parks & Open Space
Jacqueline Grove	Acting Executive Manager Environment & Resilience
Mal McDonald	Executive Manager Strategic & Place Planning
Stephen Venter	Acting Executive Manager Property, Buildings & Beach Services
Michael McDermid	Manager Corporate Strategy
Sarah Dunstan	Executive Manager Governance & Risk
Lesley Milbourne	Principal Governance Officer
Lauren Reti	Senior Advisor - Governance
Gavin Mascarenhas	Service Desk Analyst
Aamir Keshvani	Service Delivery Analyst

Notes

The meeting commenced at 6.03pm, adjourned at 7.59pm, resumed at 8.12pm and concluded at 11.43pm

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1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

NOTE: The Mayor acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which the meeting gathered, and paid respect to Elders past, present and emerging

2.0 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE AND REMOTE ATTENDANCE

PROCEDURAL MOTION - LEAVE OF ABSENCE

001/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Bingham / Cr Robins

That Council accept the application for a leave of absence from Councillor Hackman for the February Ordinary Council meeting.

CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION - REQUEST FOR REMOTE ATTENDANCE

002/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Robins / Cr Bingham

That in accordance with clause 6.26 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Councillor Glanville be granted remote attendance to the February Ordinary Council meeting.

CARRIED

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 16 DECEMBER 2025

003/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Beugeard / Cr Korzy

That the minutes of the Ordinary Northern Beaches Council Meeting held on 16 December 2025, copies of which were previously circulated, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

CARRIED

4.0 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

NOTE: Designated person returns were tabled in accordance with sections 4.25 and 4.26 of the Code of Conduct

- Councillor Bingham declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I have supported the Northern Beaches Women's Shelter since it began and make regular donations, as I do with many local charities.”
- Councillor De Luca declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I have made donations to that organisation and I am also a volunteer fundraiser for numerous other women’s shelters, safe houses, emergency centres and refuges across the state.”
- Councillor Grattan declared a significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will leave the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I am the CEO of a charity that works closely with NBWS and other charities in the social services sector. There may be a perceived conflict of interest in relation to my relationships with those charities.”
- Councillor Heins declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“In my role as Mayor and beforehand, I have been involved in fundraising and donating to many charities on the Northern Beaches.”
- Councillor Williams declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I have also donated to the Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter.”
- Councillor Glanville declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I have attended various fundraising events for the Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter and donated money to them and have previously met with their organisers.”
- Councillor Dillon declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I have attended various functions for the Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter and assisted in fundraising.”
- Councillor Robins declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I’ve been involved with going to fundraising events over the years and also been involved in the community sector working with the organisation over a long term as staff of Council and Councillor.”

- Councillor Korzy declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I have attended various functions and made donations to multiple different welfare organisations, including women and domestic violence on the Northern Beaches over the years.”

- Councillor Giltinan declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I have been to the Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter functions and donated to them in the past.”

- Councillor Hrnjak declared a not significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 9.1, Financial Assistance – Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, and will remain in the meeting for the discussion and voting on the item. The reason provided was:

“I have attended fundraising events for the Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter.”

5.0 ITEMS RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

004/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Hrnjak / Cr Grattan

That items 6.1, 6.2, 11.3, 13.1, 13.2 and 13.4 are dealt with by exception with the recommendations being adopted.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

6.1 MAYORAL MINUTE NO 1/2026 - RECOGNITION OF 2026 AUSTRALIA DAY HONOURS RECIPIENTS

005/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Hrnjak / Cr Grattan

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the Northern Beaches recipients of the 2026 Australia Day Honours.
2. Write to congratulate them on their recognition and thank them for their contribution to our community.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

6.2 MAYORAL MINUTE NO 2/2026 - ADVOCACY FOR WAR WIDOW/WIDOWER'S ELIGIBILITY TO ACCESS PENSIONER CONCESSION ON COUNCIL RATES UNDER CLAUSE 134 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GENERAL) REGULATION 2021

006/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Hrnjak / Cr Grattan

That Council submit a motion at the 2026 NSW Local Government Conference to seek amendments to clause 134 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 in relation to the eligibility criteria to remove income testing for pensioner concessions on NSW council rates for war widows/widowers.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

11.3 NORTHERN BEACHES BUSINESS INDUSTRY AND STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE CONFIRMED MINUTES - 12 NOVEMBER 2025

007/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Hrnjak / Cr Grattan

That Council note the confirmed minutes of the Northern Beaches Business Industry and Stakeholder Committee meeting held on 12 November 2025.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

13.1 NOTICE OF MOTION NO 51/2025 - BY THE PUBLIC, FOR THE PUBLIC! PARTICIPATORY MARKET PLACE(MAKING)

NOTE: Councillor Harvey submitted this notice of motion

008/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Hrnjak / Cr Grattan

That Council:

1. Emphasise creative and participatory placemaking in planning for Market Place (in accordance with the actions under Council's adopted Manly Place Plan 2024), by evaluating opportunities to use colourful materials and unique finishes in furniture, paving and lighting, and to incorporate greenery and public art into the design.
2. Undertake 'pop-up' engagement stalls to inform Market Place design concepts, presenting the community with defined options for furniture, paving, lighting, greenery, colours and public art, and providing opportunities to give feedback on the placement of infrastructure.
3. Undertake further consultation with First Nations stakeholders, local artists, businesses and heritage groups.
4. Consider opportunities for community participation in delivery, such as a public planting day or a facilitated community mural.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

13.2 NOTICE OF MOTION NO 1/2026 - INVESTIGATE OPTIONS FOR PROTECTION OF INGLESIDE WILDLIFE CORRIDOR

NOTE: Councillor Korzy submitted this notice of motion

009/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Hrnjak / Cr Grattan

That Council:

1. Engage with relevant State agencies, including the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI), Transport for NSW and the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW), to identify potential options for protecting and maintaining State-owned land parcels forming the wildlife corridor between Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park, Katandra Bushland Sanctuary and Ingleside Chase Reserve.
2. Write to the Member for Pittwater, Jacqui Scruby MP, to request her advocacy and support for this initiative.
3. Receive a further report on the potential options following responses from the relevant State agencies.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

13.4 NOTICE OF MOTION NO 3/2026 - MOTION FOR THE AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (ALGA) CONFERENCE 2026 – SHARK SAFETY

NOTE: Councillors Hrnjak, Glanville, Korzy and Harvey submitted this notice of motion

010/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Hrnjak / Cr Grattan

That Council submit the following motion to the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) for consideration at the 2026 National General Assembly of Local Government:

This National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to significantly increase the investment in and implementation of modern, effective measures to reduce the risk of shark bite and phase out obsolete, ineffective measures.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

8.0 CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION REPORTS

8.1 REVOCATION OF COMMUNICATIONS POLICY

011/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Korzy / Cr Harvey

That Council:

1. Review and update its Communications Policy to include:
 - a. Removing of outdated references - eg 'Community Strategic Plan – 2028'.
 - b. Adding a new principle to the effect that: 'Communications involve an exchange of information between Council, the Mayor, Councillors and the community.'
 - c. Giving first priority to 'openness and transparency' in its principles.
 - d. Removing reference to Council 'protecting its reputation'.
 - e. Adding a statement to the effect that: 'Council communications should not be used for political purposes.'
 - f. Including a statement to the effect that: 'Council's communications will inform residents in a timely fashion about Council services, decisions, policies, projects (including infrastructure works), events and any other relevant issue.'
 - g. Ensuring not-for-profit community groups have a way of publicising their events and programs via Council, and that Council promotes this avenue to the wider community.
 - h. Streamlining the existing policy to remove operational matters.
2. Place the draft policy on public exhibition before returning to Council for ratification.

VOTING

FOR: Cr Bingham, Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Korzy, Cr Harvey, Cr Hrnjak, Cr Glanville, Cr Grattan and Cr Heins

AGAINST: Cr Beaugeard and Cr Williams

CARRIED

8.2 AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE CONFIRMED MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 2025

012/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Glanville / Cr Grattan

That Council note the confirmed minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meetings held on 9 September 2025.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

8.3 QUARTERLY REVIEW - DECEMBER 2025

013/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Beugeard / Cr Robins

That Council:

1. Note the Quarterly Report on Service Performance for the period ended December 2025.
2. Note the December 2025 Quarterly Budget Review Statement.
3. Approve the changes to the Current Forecast in the December 2025 Quarterly Budget Review Statement, including:
 - a. an increase in the forecast surplus from continuing operations, which includes capital grants and contributions, of \$5.227 million to \$43.171 million.
 - b. a decrease in capital expenditure of \$7.392 million to \$104.189 million.
4. Note the Quarterly Report on expenditure of funds from the Stronger Communities Fund for the period ended December 2025.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

8.4 MONTHLY INVESTMENT AND FINANCE REPORT - NOVEMBER 2025

014/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Korzy / Cr Beugeard

That Council note the Investment and Finance Report as at 30 November 2025, including the certification by the Responsible Accounting Officer.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

8.5 MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT - DECEMBER 2025

015/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Korzy / Cr Grattan

That Council note the Investment Report as at 31 December 2025, including the certification by the Responsible Accounting Officer.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

8.6 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - RECRUITMENT

016/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Grattan / Cr Robins

That:

1. Council endorse a recruitment panel to assess and evaluate the expressions of interest for an independent chairperson of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee, and provide recommendations to Council.
2. The recruitment panel is to comprise the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate), the Chair of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee and Councillor Grattan.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

9.0 COMMUNITY AND RECREATION DIVISION REPORTS

9.1 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - NORTHERN BEACHES WOMEN'S SHELTER

NOTE: Councillor Grattan left the chambers for debate and voting due to a disclosure of interest

Cr Bingham / Cr Giltinan

That:

1. Council thank Northern Beaches Women's Shelter for its work responding to domestic violence.
2. Council extend the existing funding for Northern Beaches Women's Shelter, LocalKind and Beaches Youth Hub for one further financial year until 30 June 2027 (subject to annual indexation by CPI).
3. Council establish a new grant program to support not-for-profit organisations operating and delivering services on the Northern Beaches, under the Council's Better Together Strategy and Community Safety Plan.
4. The working title for the fund is Better Together Delivery Grants.
5. Successful applicants will receive up to \$100,000 every year, for up to 3 years, from an annual pool of \$300,000; the grant program runs every 3 years.
6. A panel of experts be responsible for selecting the successful applicants, every 3 years, based on the areas of greatest need; for the first round under the grant program, the areas of greatest need are: family and domestic violence services, homelessness services and youth services.
7. Staff prepare a framework to establish a new fund, including selection criteria, KPIs and promotion of the grant and bring this to a future Council meeting for consideration.
8. Successful applicants will not be eligible for any other Council Community Development Grants during this period.

AMENDMENT

Cr Glanville / Cr Hrnjak

That:

1. Council thank Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter for its work responding to domestic violence.
2. Council extend the existing funding for Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, LocalKind and Beaches Youth Hub for 2 further financial years at a value of \$95,000 each per year until 30 June 2028 (subject to annual indexation by CPI).
3. Council establish a new grant program to support not-for-profit organisations operating and delivering services on the Northern Beaches, under the Council’s Better Together Strategy and Community Safety Plan.
4. The working title for the fund is Better Together Delivery Grants.
5. Successful applicants will receive up to \$100,000 every year, for up to 3 years, from an annual pool of \$300,000; the grant program runs every 3 years (subject to annual indexation by CPI).
6. A panel of experts be responsible for selecting the successful applicants, every 3 years, based on the areas of greatest need; for the first round under the grant program, the areas of greatest need are: family and domestic violence services, homelessness services, youth services and mental health services.
7. Staff prepare a framework to establish a new fund, including selection criteria, KPIs and promotion of the grant and bring this to a future Council meeting for consideration.
8. Successful applicants will not be eligible for any other Council Community Development Grants for the same activity during this period.
9. A report be provided to Council on the recommended recipients of the grant funding.

VOTING

FOR: Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Korzy, Cr Harvey, Cr Hrnjak and Cr Glanville

AGAINST: Cr Bingham, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Beaugeard, Cr Williams and Cr Heins

ABSENT: Cr Grattan

LOST

THE AMENDMENT WAS LOST AND DEBATE RESUMED ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION

017/26 RESOLVED

Cr Bingham / Cr Giltinan

That:

1. Council thank Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter for its work responding to domestic violence.
2. Council extend the existing funding for Northern Beaches Women’s Shelter, LocalKind and Beaches Youth Hub for one further financial year until 30 June 2027 (subject to annual indexation by CPI).
3. Council establish a new grant program to support not-for-profit organisations operating and delivering services on the Northern Beaches, under the Council’s Better Together Strategy and Community Safety Plan.

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5. Successful applicants will receive up to \$100,000 every year (subject to annual indexation by CPI), for up to 3 years, from an annual pool of \$300,000; the grant program runs every 3 years.
6. A panel of experts be responsible for selecting the successful applicants, every 3 years, based on the areas of greatest need; for the first round under the grant program, the areas of greatest need are: family and domestic violence services, homelessness services, youth services and mental health services.
7. Staff prepare a framework to establish a new fund, including selection criteria, KPIs and promotion of the grant and bring this to a future Council meeting for consideration.
8. Successful applicants will not be eligible for any other Council Community Development Grants for the same activity during this period.
9. A report be provided to Council on the recommended recipients of the grant funding.

VOTING

FOR: Cr Bingham, Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Korzy, Cr Beaugeard, Cr Harvey, Cr Hrnjak, Cr Williams, Cr Glanville and Cr Heins

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Grattan

CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ADJOURN THE MEETING

018/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Williams / Cr Hrnjak

That in accordance with clause 19.1 of the Code of Meeting Practice the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes.

CARRIED

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND OPEN SPACE DIVISION REPORTS

10.1 UPDATE ON NOTICE OF MOTION NO 38/2021 - MASTERPLAN FOR MANLY TO SHELLY BEACH WALK

Cr Harvey / Cr Bingham

That Council note the report.

019/26 RESOLVED - CHANGE TO ORDER OF BUSINESS AND MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Cr De Luca / Cr Heins

That:

1. The order of business be changed so item 10.1 be moved to closed session and dealt with after item 14.1.
2. In accordance with the requirements of Section 10A(2)(g) of the *Local Government Act 1993* and Council's Code of Meeting Practice, item 10.1 be considered in closed session on the basis that it involves the receipt and discussion of advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

CARRIED

10.2 RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION NO 34/2025 - HUMANE ALTERNATIVES TO 1080 POISON FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF FERAL ANIMALS

020/26 RESOLVED

Cr Hrnjak / Cr Giltinan

That Council cease the use of Sodium Fluoroacetate poison (1080) in its operational activities.

VOTING

FOR: Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Korzy, Cr Harvey, Cr Hrnjak, Cr Williams, Cr Glanville and Cr Heins

AGAINST: Cr Bingham, Cr Beaugeard and Cr Grattan

CARRIED

11.0 PLANNING AND PLACE DIVISION REPORTS

11.1 PLANNING PROPOSAL - 1-9 WILSON AVENUE, 7-14 WILGA STREET AND 212-222 POWDERWORKS ROAD, INGLESIDE (PEX2025/0001)

Cr Robins / Cr De Luca

That:

1. Council not support the planning proposal progressing to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for Gateway Determination as it has not demonstrated strategic or site specific merit, is inconsistent with state and local strategic plans and relevant local planning directions.
2. Council officers write to the applicant notifying them that Council does not support the planning proposal.
3. Submitters be advised of Council's resolution and that Council will keep them informed of any further developments.

021/26 **RESOLVED - MOTION BE PUT**

Cr Bingham / Cr Heins

That the motion be now put.

CARRIED

022/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Robins / Cr De Luca

That:

1. Council not support the planning proposal progressing to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for Gateway Determination as it has not demonstrated strategic or site specific merit, is inconsistent with state and local strategic plans and relevant local planning directions.
2. Council officers write to the applicant notifying them that Council does not support the planning proposal.
3. Submitters be advised of Council's resolution and that Council will keep them informed of any further developments.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

11.2 PLANNING PROPOSAL - 2 ABBOTT STREET, BALGOWLAH HEIGHTS

023/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Grattan / Cr Bingham

That:

1. Council not support the planning proposal progressing to the Department of Planning Housing and Infrastructure for Gateway Determination as it is not in the public interest and would:
 - a. result in the loss of a long-established area of open space valued by the local community
 - b. facilitate development requiring the removal of significant canopy trees that contribute to the landscape and scenic quality of the local area
 - c. impact on local traffic safety as access to future residential development would impact sightlines on a busy corner, bus route and primary school student pedestrian connections
 - d. result in an insignificant increase in residential development outside an area identified under Council's Housing Strategy.
2. Council write to the applicant notifying that Council does not support the planning proposal and request the land be transferred to Council ownership to be managed as public open space.
3. Should Council be able to negotiate for the land to be transferred for public open space, consideration be given to opportunity and priority to provide playground equipment, seating and a community garden as suggested in community submissions.
4. Submitters be advised of Council's resolution and that Council will keep them informed of any further developments.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

11.4 FIRE AND RESCUE NSW INSPECTION REPORT - PITTWATER ROAD BROOKVALE

024/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Beaugeard / Cr Hrnjak

That Council:

1. Not issue a Fire Safety Order under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* as the non-compliances have been addressed at the property.
2. Provide notice of this determination to Fire and Rescue NSW.

VOTING

FOR: Cr Bingham, Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Beaugeard, Cr Harvey, Cr Hrnjak, Cr Williams, Cr Glanville and Cr Heins

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Korzy and Cr Grattan

CARRIED

12.0 TRANSPORT AND ASSETS DIVISION REPORTS

12.1 REVOCATION OF TENNIS LIAISON COMMITTEE POLICY AND MANAGEMENT OF TENNIS FACILITIES POLICY

025/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Giltinan / Cr Robins

That Council revoke the:

1. Tennis Liaison Committee Policy (former Pittwater)
2. Management of Tennis Facilities Policy (former Warringah)

VOTING

FOR: Cr Bingham, Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Beaugeard, Cr Harvey, Cr Hrnjak, Cr Williams, Cr Glanville and Cr Heins

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Korzy and Cr Grattan

CARRIED

12.2 RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION NO 10/2025 - USE OF FORMER RESTAURANT SPACE AT GLEN STREET THEATRE

026/26 **RESOLVED**

Cr Hrnjak / Cr Williams

That Council:

1. Consider allocating funding in future budget processes for minor refurbishments of the former restaurant space at Glen Street Theatre to increase community demand.
2. Note that community amenity of the space could be further maximised by:
 - a. removing the existing kitchen and converting it into a changing room
 - b. creating staff access to the cool-room storage via the wall of the bathroom storage room for change room privacy
 - c. removing the old bar to expand the usable hire space
 - d. undertaking a bathroom upgrade compliant with the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992*
 - e. any other items deemed necessary by staff.
3. Investigate community demand for alternative uses through consultation with the Business and Industry Stakeholder committee.
4. Conduct community consultation in relation to alternative uses for this space.
5. Staff report any viable suggestions back to Council within 4 months.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ADJOURN THE MEETING

Cr Beugeard / Cr Hrnjak

That in accordance with clause 19.1 of the Code of Meeting Practice the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes.

LOST

12.3 PROPOSED SALE OF COUNCIL PROPERTY - UNIT 9, 5 VUKO PLACE, WARRIEWOOD (LOT 9 SP 36126)

Cr Korzy / Cr Harvey

That Council defer this item until the following reviews can be carried out and reported to Councillors:

1. A review of all Council properties, occupied and unoccupied, suitable for community activities detailing how many bookings were made for each community centre each week and the length of the bookings for each week last year.
2. Create and maintain a list of all requests for use of indoor Council spaces, both met and unmet, particularly for long-term use by community groups and single operator businesses.
3. Note that Attachment 1 is confidential in accordance with section 11(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act), as it relates to matters specified in section 10A(2) of the Act relating to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, result in the release of commercial in confidence information.

VOTING

FOR: Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Korzy, Cr Harvey, Cr Hrnjak and Cr Glanville

AGAINST: Cr Bingham, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Beaugeard, Cr Williams, Cr Grattan and Cr Heins

LOST

027/26 RESOLVED - MOTION

Cr Bingham / Cr Beaugeard

That Council:

1. Authorise the sale of Unit 9, 5 Vuko Place, Warriewood (Lot 9 SP 36126).
2. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - a. set an appropriate reserve price based on independent qualified valuation advice
 - b. appoint a suitable agent to market and sell the property by the most appropriate method (e.g. public auction, expression of interest, tender or private treaty)
 - c. negotiate a sale price in accordance with the Land Dealings Guidelines if the property fails to sell at auction
 - d. take any necessary action to give effect to this resolution.
3. Note that Attachment 1 is confidential in accordance with section 11(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act), as it relates to matters specified in section 10A(2) of the Act relating to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, result in the release of commercial in confidence information.

VOTING

FOR: Cr Bingham, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Beaugeard, Cr Harvey, Cr Hrnjak, Cr Williams, Cr Grattan and Cr Heins

AGAINST: Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Korzy and Cr Glanville

CARRIED

13.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

13.3 NOTICE OF MOTION NO 2/2026 - ERECTION OF PLAQUE HONOURING THE SAVE LITTLE MANLY FORESHORE GROUP

028/26 RESOLVED

Cr Bingham / Cr Harvey

That Council erect a commemorative plaque at Little Manly Reserve to honour the Save Little Manly Foreshore Group for its tireless work, over many decades, to preserve the foreshore at Little Manly Beach.

VOTING

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION - EXTENSION OF MEETING

029/26 RESOLVED

Cr De Luca / Cr Bingham

That in accordance with clause 19.3 of the Code of Meeting Practice the meeting time be extended by 30 minutes.

CARRIED

13.5 NOTICE OF MOTION NO 4/2026 - NEED FOR BETTER REGULATION OF E-BIKES

Cr De Luca / Cr Singh

That Council:

1. Note:
 - a. with sadness and serious concern, recent and past accidents on the Northern Beaches, involving e-bike riders and collisions with members of the community
 - b. the continual safety concerns raised by the Northern Beaches community, particularly following these serious accidents and injuries
 - c. that while the NSW Government announced on 9 February 2026 that illegal e-bikes can be seized and crushed to stop the use of high-powered and doctored bikes, this will not be introduced until August 2026 and only 3 'dyno units' have been ordered to use across NSW to test e-bikes
 - d. that the NSW Government continues to fail to appropriately address and legislate better regulation and penalties to protect the community from e-bikes and illegal e-scooters and e-skateboards.
2. Write to the Premier, Leader of the Opposition, Ministers and Shadow Ministers for Transport and Roads and all local State Members of Parliament requesting the NSW Government consider prohibiting the use of e-bikes on footpaths and calling for the introduction of stronger legislation on:

- a. speeding of e-bikes on roads, and their presence on footpaths and shared paths
 - b. the need for better State-funded education, the introduction of a licensing and registration system and mandatory third party insurance system for all riders of e-bikes
 - c. establishing a minimum age limit for riders to carry more than one passenger on e-bikes and fines, and other penalties be introduced for a contravention of this requirement
 - d. more significant fines and penalties for altering e-bike systems to prevent speed controls being tampered with
 - e. setting an appropriate maximum size and weight of an e-bike to reduce risks to pedestrians; and
 - f. that Council reaffirm its support for the private member's bill of Jacqui Scruby MP, Member for Pittwater to implement a licensing, registration, and insurance scheme that is proposed in this motion.
3. Write to the Minister for Transport to request a meeting to discuss the Northern Beaches community's concerns.

AMENDMENT

Cr Harvey / Cr Hrnjak

That Council:

1. Note with concern recent and past incidents involving collisions between e-vehicle users and pedestrians on the Northern Beaches and across the wider Sydney region.
2. Acknowledge and thank Council staff for their ongoing commitment to advocating for the safe use of e-bikes, including:
 - a. collaboration with Northern Beaches Police Area Command since 2023
 - b. repeated advocacy to the NSW Government to review NSW Road Rules to improve safety for riders, pedestrians and motorists
 - c. engagement of a behavioural science agency to inform research, an e-bike safety education campaign, and further submissions to the NSW Government
 - d. delivery of Australia's first e-bike behavioural change campaign, the well-regarded '*Know the Code*' campaign.
3. Write to the Premier, Leader of the Opposition, Minister and Shadow Minister for Transport and Roads, and all local State Members of Parliament, requesting dedicated funding for separated cycling infrastructure to improve pedestrian safety outcomes and reaffirm its support for the private member's bill of Jacqui Scruby MP, Member for Pittwater to implement a licensing, registration, and insurance scheme.

VOTING

FOR: Cr Bingham, Cr Beaugeard, Cr Harvey, Cr Hrnjak, Cr Williams and Cr Grattan

AGAINST: Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Korzy and Cr Heins

ABSENT: Cr Glanville

LOST

THE AMENDMENT WAS LOST AND DEBATE RESUMED ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION

030/26 RESOLVED**Cr De Luca / Cr Singh**

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VOTING

FOR: Cr Bingham, Cr Singh, Cr De Luca, Cr Giltinan, Cr Robins, Cr Dillon, Cr Korzy, Cr Beaugeard, Cr Williams, Cr Grattan and Cr Heins

AGAINST: Cr Harvey and Cr Hrnjak

ABSENT: Cr Glanville

CARRIED

NOTE: In accordance with clause 19.3 of the Code of Meeting Practice the meeting concluded at 11.43pm

NOTE: The following items were deferred to the ordinary Council meeting of 17 March 2026 in accordance with clause 19.4(a) of the Code of Meeting Practice:

14.1 Notice of Rescission 4/2025 - Item 9.2 - Outcome of Public Exhibition - Draft Code of Meeting Practice

10.1 Update on Notice of Motion No 38/2021 - Masterplan for Manly to Shelly Beach Walk

The meeting concluded at 11:43pm

This is the final page of the minutes comprising 24 pages numbered 1 to 24 of the Northern Beaches Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17 February 2026 and confirmed on Tuesday 17 March 2026

Mayor

Chief Executive Officer