

CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN
MINUTES OF THE
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON 13 SEPTEMBER 2022

PRESENT: Mayor, Councillor Asfour
Councillors Abouraad, Akter, Cahill, Coorey, Downey, El-Hayek, Harika, Ishac,
Saleh, Raffan, Waiba, Walsh and Zakhia.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Nguyen

**HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR DECLARED THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OPEN
AT 6.33 PM.**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

THE MAYOR, ACKNOWLEDGED THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF THE LAND WHERE WE ARE MEETING TODAY THE DARUG (DARAG, DHARUG, DARUK AND DHARUK) AND THE EORA PEOPLES, AND PAID RESPECT TO THEIR ANCIENT CULTURE AND THEIR ELDERS PAST AND PRESENT.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

(200)

CLR. ZAKHIA:/CLR. ISHAC

RESOLVED that Leave of Absence be granted to Clr Nguyen due to personal reasons.

- CARRIED

**DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR NON-PECUNIARY CONFLICT OF
INTEREST**

Nil

SECTION 1: MAYORAL MINUTES

ITEM 1.1 HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II

(201) CLR. ASFOUR

RESOLVED that

1. Council broadcast the National Memorial Service at 11am on Thursday 22 September 2022 on our social and digital media platforms.
2. Council set aside an area at the Bankstown Knowledge Centre with photos and headlines of her visit, including the official visitors book she signed all those years ago.
3. Council write to King Charles III on behalf of our City congratulating him and offering our condolences and thank his late mother for her interest in our City.

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4. Council extend an invitation for King Charles III to follow in his late mother's footsteps and visit our City, an opportune time would be in 2024 if he accepts an invitation to attend the 200-year anniversary of the NSW Legislative Council.

- CARRIED

Council observed a minutes silence in memory of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

SECTION 2: GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

ITEM 2.1 CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE - AMENDMENT TO 2022 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS
(202) CLR. EL-HAYEK:/CLR. HARIKA

RESOLVED that

1. The 2022 Schedule of Council Meetings be amended – whereby the September 2022 Ordinary Meeting of Council be rescheduled from Tuesday, 27 September 2022 to Thursday, 29 September 2022.
2. Council agrees to the temporary administrative changes, as outlined in the report.

- CARRIED

ITEM 2.2 BUSINESS CASE FOR THE DE-AMALGAMATION OF THE CITY OF CANTERBURY
BANKSTOWN

CLR WAIBA TEMPORARILY VACATED THE CHAMBER AT 7.04 PM AND RETURNED TO THE CHAMBER AT 7.05 PM.

(203) CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. ABOURAAD

RESOLVED that

1. Council note the Draft Business Case for the De-amalgamation of the City of Canterbury Bankstown as printed in the Business Paper.
2. Having regard to recent stakeholder feedback as outlined in the Draft Business Case, and the recent decision to de-amalgamate the Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council, Council undertake a phone survey to identify ratepayers sentiments towards a de-amalgamation and their willingness to pay for the ongoing costs if a de-amalgamation were to proceed.

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3. A councillor workshop be conducted prior to the results of the phone survey being reported back to Council for its consideration prior to finalising and submitting the Business Case to the Minister for Local Government.
4. The Chief Executive Officer investigate consultation methods with staff on their attitudes towards de-amalgamation.
5. The required funding to complete the phone survey be considered as part of the forthcoming quarterly budget review process.

- CARRIED

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.12 PM.

Minutes confirmed 29 SEPTEMBER 2022

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Mayor