

**CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN**  
**MINUTES OF THE**  
**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**ON 23 JULY 2024**

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**PRESENT:** Mayor, Councillor El-Hayek  
Councillors Abouraad, Asfour, Cahill, Coorey, Downey, Harika, Ishac, Nguyen,  
Raffan, Saleh OAM, Waiba and Walsh

**APOLOGIES** Councillors Akter and Zakhia

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**HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING OPEN AT 6.30 PM.**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

THE MAYOR ACKNOWLEDGED THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THE LAND, WATER AND SKIES OF WHERE WE ARE MEETING TODAY THE DARUG (DARAG, DHARUG, DARUK AND DHARUK) PEOPLE AND PAID RESPECT TO DARUG CULTURAL HERITAGE, BELIEFS AND RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LAND. THE MAYOR ALSO ACKNOWLEDGED FIRST PEOPLES' CONTINUING IMPORTANCE TO OUR COMMUNITY.

**SECTION 1:** **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**  
**(819)** **CLR. ASFOUR:/CLR. CAHILL**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 June 2024 be adopted.

- CARRIED

**SECTION 2:** **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**  
**(820)** **CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. COOREY**

RESOLVED that Leave of Absence be granted to Councillors Akter and Zakhia due to personal reasons.

- CARRIED

**SECTION 3:** **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR NON-PECUNIARY CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

In respect to Item 7.4 - 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Councillor Asfour declared a significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to his association with a number of the applicants for community grants and as such will vacate the chamber, taking no part in debate or the decision on the matter.

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In respect to Item 7.4 – 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Councillor Harika declared non-significant, non-pecuniary conflict of interest given that she is a patron of Bahayra Youth Association who are an applicant for the Community Grants. Cllr Harika advised it will not affect her consideration of the matter and she will remain in the Chamber.

In respect of Item 7.4 – 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Councillor Waiba declared a pecuniary conflict of interest given that Riverwood Community Centre of which she is a board member is an applicant of the Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program and as such she will vacate the chamber, taking no part in the debate or the decision on the matter.

In respect of item 7.4 – 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Councillor Saleh OAM declared a pecuniary conflict of interest given that Riverwood Community Centre of which he is a board member is an applicant of the Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program and as such he will vacate the chamber, taking no part in the debate or the decision on the matter.

In respect of item 7.4 – 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Mayor El-Hayek declared significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to his association and community work with a number of the applicants for community grants and as such he will vacate the chamber and taking no part in debate or the decision on the matter.

**SECTION 4: MAYORAL MINUTES**

**ITEM 4.1 ROADS FUNDING**  
**(821) CLR. EL-HAYEK**

RESOLVED that Council write to the NSW Premier Chris Minns to consider another round of grant funding, and to develop a NSW roads funding strategy to assist all councils in dealing with these weather-related events.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 4.2 LOCAL COMMUNITY BASED DONATIONS**  
**(822) CLR. EL-HAYEK**  
RESOLVED that

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1. Council support a fee waiver of \$451 towards hire of Bankstown North Soccer Club Facilities and \$38 towards waste bins by Metro Assist, as outlined in the report.
2. Council support a fee waiver of \$750 for the hire of the Bryan Brown Theatre for the Al-Awada International Film Festival, as outlined in the report.
3. Council support a fee waiver of \$536 for the hire of the Bryan Brown Theatre by the Arab Council Australia, as outlined in the report.
4. These funds be made available from the Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program Budget.

- CARRIED

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**(823)**

**CLR. WALSH:/CLR. DOWNEY**

RESOLVED that

1. Standing Orders be suspended and Item 10.10 be dealt with now.
2. Standing Orders then be resumed.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.10**

**BDS (BOYCOTT, DIVESTMENT AND SANCTIONS) INVESTMENTS REVIEW**

AT THIS STAGE OF THE MEETING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CLAUSE 15.4 OF THE CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE, HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR ISSUED A FIRST WARNING AT 7.11 PM TO COUNCILLOR COOREY FOR AN ACT OF DISORDER.

CLR COOREY TEMPORARILY VACATED THE CHAMBER AT 7.24 PM AND RETURNED AT 7.27 PM.

CLR WAIBA TEMPORARILY VACATED THE CHAMBER AT 7.33 PM AND RETURNED AT 7.34 PM.

**MOTION**

**CLR. CAHILL:/CLR. WALSH**

That

1. The CEO undertakes a review of Council's investments and links to companies, if any, that are complicit in human rights violations on the Palestinian people, including the illegal settlements in occupied Palestinian Territories and the supply of weapons.

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2. This review should include both suppliers used by Council and the City's investment and contractual obligations.

**AMENDMENT**

**CLR. ABOURAAD:/CLR. COOREY**

That Council

1. Write to the Foreign Minister and Attorney General seeking their advice on any legislative and or legal considerations that may affect Council's ability to implement restrictions of this nature and on any issues of discrimination from targeting particular organisations with the intent of inflicting economic harm on them.
2. On receipt of these responses, the CEO undertakes a review of Council's investments and links to companies, if any, that are complicit in human rights violations.
3. The CEO also consider the financial implications and potential costs to our rate payers of implementing such a policy, including but not limited to legal and or ancillary costs as a result of the sanctions policy.

- LOST

CLRS ABOURAAD AND ISHAC STOOD FOR A DIVISION.

**For:-**

Clrs Abouraad, Ishac, Coorey and Nguyen

**Against:-**

Mayor El-Hayek and Clrs Cahill, Harika, Downey, Walsh, Asfour, Waiba, Saleh OAM and Raffan

**(824)**

**CLR. CAHILL:/CLR. WALSH**

RESOLVED that

1. The CEO undertakes a review of Council's investments and links to companies, if any, that are complicit in human rights violations on the Palestinian people, including the illegal settlements in occupied Palestinian Territories and the supply of weapons.
2. This review should include both suppliers used by Council and the City's investment and contractual obligations.

- CARRIED

CLRS ABOURAAD AND ASFOUR STOOD FOR A DIVISION ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION.

**For:-**

Clrs Cahill, Harika, Downey, Walsh, Asfour, Waiba, Saleh OAM, Raffan and Mayor El-Hayek

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**Against:-** Clrs Abouraad, Ishac, Coorey and Nguyen

**HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 7.40 PM.**  
**STANDING ORDERS WERE RESUMED AT 7.49 PM.**

**SECTION 5: PLANNING MATTERS**

**ITEM 5.1 PLANNING PROPOSAL FOR 913-925 PUNCHBOWL ROAD AND 21-23 CANTERBURY ROAD, PUNCHBOWL (RZ-1/2023)**

CLRS RAFFAN AND SALEH OAM TEMPORARILY VACATED THE CHAMBER AT 7.49 PM.

CLR RAFFAN RETURNED TO THE CHAMBER AT 7.50 PM.

In respect of Item 5.1 - Planning Proposal for 913-925 Punchbowl Road and 21-23 Canterbury Road, Punchbowl (RZ-1/2023) Clr Asfour declared a conflict of interest given he may have been a member of a planning panel in relation to this matter and as such he would vacate the chamber taking no part in debate or the decision in this matter.

CLR ASFOUR TEMPORARILY VACATED THE CHAMBER AT 7.51 PM.

**(825) CLR. WALSH:/CLR. CAHILL**

RESOLVED that

1. Council resolves to amend the *Canterbury-Bankstown Local Environmental Plan 2023* and proceed to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for a Gateway determination, subject to the following matters being addressed prior to exhibition (after Gateway determination):
  - a. Council prepare and exhibit a draft site specific DCP amendment as outlined in this report. In addition to typical DCP controls, the DCP is to include the following site-specific objectives and controls for:
    - i. Flooding to appropriately manage flooding impacts;
    - ii. Setbacks to the boundary and interface with adjoining land;
    - iii. Replacement tree planting and tree canopy coverage;
    - iv. Public and private/communal open space (and ensure they are differentiated);
    - v. Road and intersection upgrades on Punchbowl Road and Canterbury Road in consultation with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) as required; and
    - vi. An Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment will also be required in accordance with the Government Architect NSW 'Connecting with Country Framework' to inform the preparation of the site specific DCP controls.

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- b. A draft Planning Agreement be prepared and exhibited subject to the following:
  - i. Council undertakes further negotiations with the developer to confirm the total value of each works and monetary contribution item in the Letter of Offer. This may include further analysis and an independent peer review being undertaken by Council prior to exhibition.
- 2. Council exhibits the planning proposal subject to favourable Gateway determination, in conjunction with the draft site specific DCP and draft Planning Agreement, and the matter be reported to Council following the public exhibition period.
- 3. Council seek authority from the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure to exercise the delegation in relation to the plan making functions under Section 3.36(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act).

- CARRIED

**For:-** Clrs Abouraad, Cahill, Downey, El-Hayek, Harika, Ishac, Nguyen, Raffan, Waiba and Walsh

**Against:-** Clr Coorey

CLRS ASFOUR AND SALEH OAM RETURNED TO THE CHAMBER AT 7.51 PM.

**ITEM 5.2**                           **DRAFT PLANNING AGREEMENT – 44 KITCHENER PARADE, BANKSTOWN**  
**(826)**                               **CLR. WALSH:/CLR. WAIBA**

RESOLVED that

- 1. Council enter into the planning agreement for 44 Kitchener Parade, Bankstown, as provided in Attachment A.
- 2. The Chief Executive Officer be given delegated authority to sign the planning agreement on Council's behalf, and to make minor wording changes to amend its draft status provided these changes do not affect the intent of the planning agreement.

- CARRIED

**For:-** Clrs Abouraad, Asfour, Cahill, Downey, El-Hayek, Harika, Ishac, Nguyen, Raffan, Waiba and Walsh

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**Against:-** Clrs Coorey and Saleh OAM

**ITEM 5.3**                    **HERITAGE GRANT FUND**  
**(827)**                        **CLR. DOWNEY:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that

1. Council endorse the recommendations as provided in Attachment A and grants be allocated in accordance with Council's Heritage Incentives Policy.
2. Council notify its decision to owners who submitted applications.

- CARRIED

**For:-** Clrs Abouraad, Asfour, Cahill, Downey, El-Hayek, Harika, Ishac, Nguyen and Raffan

**Against:-** Clr Saleh OAM, Walsh, Coorey and Waiba

**ITEM 5.4**                    **DRAFT HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENTS TO CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN DCP 2023**  
**(828)**                        **AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION PLAN**  
**CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that

1. Council adopt the amendments to the Canterbury-Bankstown Development Control Plan 2023, as provided in Attachment A.
2. Council adopt the amendments to the Community Participation Plan, as provided in Attachment B.
3. The draft amendments to the Canterbury-Bankstown Development Control Plan 2023 and Community Participation Plan will apply to development applications lodged on or after the date that the draft amendments come into effect.

- CARRIED

**For:-** Clrs Abouraad, Asfour, Cahill, Downey, El-Hayek, Harika, Ishac, Nguyen, Raffan, Waiba and Walsh

**Against:-** Clrs Coorey and Saleh OAM

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**SECTION 6: POLICY MATTERS**

Nil

**SECTION 7: GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION MATTERS**

**(829) CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. NGUYEN**

RESOLVED that in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council adopts all the recommendations of the Governance and Administration Matters with the exception of Item 7.4.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 7.1 PROPERTY MATTER - THE ICE SKATING CLUB OF NEW SOUTH WALES CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED LOCATED AT 17A PHILLIPS AVENUE, CANTERBURY**

**(830) CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. NGUYEN**

RESOLVED that

1. Council agrees to grant a new three-year Agreement for Lease and a further eighteen-year Lease to The Ice Skating Club of New South Wales Co-operative Limited for 17A Phillips Avenue, Canterbury.
2. The Chief Executive Officer to be delegated authority to sign all documentation, as required.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 7.2 PROPERTY MATTER - EBP SPORTS (PREVIOUSLY EARLWOOD BARDWELL PARK RSL CLUB LIMITED) - 134 WOOLCOTT STREET, EARLWOOD**

**(831) CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. NGUYEN**

RESOLVED that

1. Council note the Minister's determination and agree to granting a new five-year lease with a five-year option to EBP Sports.
2. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to sign all documentation, as required.

- CARRIED



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**ITEM 7.3**                      **PROPERTY MATTER - 82 BRIGHTON AVENUE, CROYDON PARK (FORMER CROYDON PARK BOWLING CLUB)**

**(832)**                              **CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. NGUYEN**

RESOLVED that

1. Council note the Minister's determination and agree to granting a new five year lease, with a five year option, to the Australian Korean Association of Sydney and NSW as outlined in this report.
2. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to sign all documentation, as required.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 7.4**                      **2024/25 COMMUNITY GRANTS AND EVENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM**

In respect to Item 7.4 - 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Councillor Asfour declared a significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to his association with a number of the applicants for community grants and as such he would vacate the chamber, taking no part in debate or the decision on the matter.

In respect to Item 7.4 – 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Councillor Harika declared non-significant, non-pecuniary conflict of interest given that she is a patron of Bahayra Youth Association who are an applicant for the Community Grants. Clr Harika advised it will not affect her consideration of the matter and she would remain in the Chamber.

In respect of Item 7.4 – 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Councillor Waiba declared a pecuniary conflict of interest given that Riverwood Community Centre of which she is a board member is an applicant of the Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program and as such she would vacate the chamber, taking no part in the debate or the decision on the matter.

In respect of item 7.4 – 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Councillor Saleh OAM declared a pecuniary conflict of interest given that Riverwood Community Centre of which he is a board member is an applicant of the Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program and as such he would vacate the chamber, taking no part in the debate or the decision on the matter.

In respect of item 7.4 – 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program, Mayor El-Hayek declared significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to his association and community work with a number of the applicants for community

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grants and as such he would vacate the chamber and taking no part in debate or the decision on the matter.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR CLR EL-HAYEK AND CLRS ASFOUR, SALEH OAM AND WAIBA TEMPORARILY VACATED THE CHAMBER AT 7.54 PM.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR CLR HARIKA ASSUMED THE CHAIR.

**(833)**

**CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. CAHILL**

RESOLVED that

1. Council approve the allocation of the 2024/25 Community Grants and Event Sponsorship Program as outlined in Attachment A.
2. Council allocate \$10,000 to Annual Islamic Eid Show Incorporated in the Community Grants and Events Sponsorship through the Annual Fee Waiver/Subsidy Category for a three-year period commencing this year.
3. Council allocate \$5,255 to The Lebanese Muslim Association in the Community Grants and Events Sponsorship through the Annual Fee Waiver/Subsidy Category for overflow parking at Parry Park, Punchbowl during the month of Ramadan and one day for Eid for a three-year period commencing this year.
4. The release of funding for the Automated Electronic Defibrillator (AED) applications be deferred until an overall AED Plan for CBCity is developed in the next 12 months and these funds be quarantined for this purpose.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 7.5**

**2024/25 EVENTS PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING**

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR CLR EL-HAYEK RETURNED TO THE CHAMBER AT 7.57 PM AND RESUMED THE CHAIR.

CLRS ASFOUR, SALEH OAM AND WAIBA RETURNED TO THE CHAMBER AT 7.57 PM.

**(834)**

**CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. NGUYEN**

RESOLVED that Council approves the cash and in-kind support for the LFF and for the Padstow Carols by Candlelight from the Events Partnerships Program as set out in this report.

- CARRIED

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**ITEM 7.6**                      **LGNSW 2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE - COUNCIL MOTIONS**

**(835)**                              **CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. NGUYEN**

RESOLVED that

1.        The information be noted.
2.        Council endorse the draft motions as detailed in the report.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 7.7**                      **CASH AND INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2024**

**(836)**                              **CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. NGUYEN**

RESOLVED that

1.        The Cash and Investment Report as at 30 June 2024 be received and noted.
2.        The Certification by the Responsible Accounting Officer incorporated in this report, be adopted.

- CARRIED

**SECTION 8:**                      **SERVICE AND OPERATIONAL MATTERS**

**ITEM 8.1**                      **ADOPTION OF THE FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STUDY AND PLAN FOR PROSPECT CREEK SUB-CATCHMENTS**

**(837)**                              **CLR. DOWNEY:/CLR. WALSH**

RESOLVED that Council adopt the Flood Risk Management Study and Plan for the Prospect Creek Sub-Catchments.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 8.2**                      **LATE NIGHT TRADING IN CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN**

**(838)**                              **CLR. SALEH OAM:/CLR. WAIBA**

RESOLVED that Council note the findings from the community consultation and incorporate this information when implementing future actions identified in the

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Night Time Economy Action Plan 2021-26 (e.g., locations identified as areas to develop, factors identified as making a good late-night trading, barriers to late night trading).

- CARRIED

**ITEM 8.3**                      **ADDRESSING ILLEGAL DUMPING IN CBCITY**  
**(839)**                              **CLR. DOWNEY:/CLR. WALSH**

RESOLVED that -

1. Council continue to implement the proactive anti-dumping strategies already in place and continue to further implement improvements as outlined in this report.
2. Council lobby and advocate for the State Government to support anti-dumping efforts, both through improved funding structures, changes to the Waste Levy, local and state-wide research and support of regional approaches.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 8.4**                      **EAST LONDON STUDY TOUR**

CLR RAFFAN TEMPORARILY VACATED THE CHAMBER AT 8.06 PM AND RETURNED AT 8.08 PM

**(840)**                              **CLR. DOWNEY:/CLR. ISHAC**

RESOLVED that

1. The information be noted.
2. Council write to the Premier to highlight the methods of urban renewal and incentives used in London to deliver affordable housing, suggesting these as potential policy levers for implementation in NSW.
3. Council write to the Minister for Roads highlighting the transformative benefits of pedestrian and cyclist infrastructure within urban centres, and specifically advocate for the inclusion of a pedestrian overpass at Milperra as part of the Henry Lawson Drive improvement project, based on the following rationale:

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- a) **Transformative Benefits:** Pedestrian and cyclist infrastructure significantly enhances urban mobility, safety, and connectivity. Improved infrastructure promotes healthier lifestyles, reduces traffic congestion, and fosters community integration.
  - b) **Case Study – Aberfeldy, East London:** The installation of a signalised pedestrian crossing in Aberfeldy, East London, serves as a compelling example. This crossing provided previously inaccessible access to transport links across Greater London, transforming the community's connectivity and access to essential services.
  - c) **Opportunity at Milperra:** A pedestrian overpass at Milperra would offer similar benefits by providing a safe and efficient crossing over Henry Lawson Drive, thereby enhancing local residents' access to transport links and promoting a more connected community.
4. This report satisfies the provisions of Council's Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy.

- CARRIED

**SECTION 9: COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**(841) CLR. HARIKA:/CLR. DOWNEY**

RESOLVED that in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council adopts all the recommendations of the Committee Reports.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 9.1 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 2 JULY 2024**

**(842) CLR. HARIKA:/CLR. DOWNEY**

RESOLVED that the recommendations contained within the minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 2 July 2024, be adopted.

- CARRIED

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**ITEM 9.2**                      **MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9 JULY 2024**  
**(843)**                              **CLR. HARIKA:/CLR. DOWNEY**

RESOLVED that the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Canterbury-Bankstown Council Traffic Committee meeting held on 9 July 2024, be adopted.

- CARRIED

**SECTION 10:**                      **NOTICE OF MOTIONS & QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

**(844)**                              **CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council adopts all the recommendations of the Notice of Motions and Questions with Notice with the exception of Items 10.1, 10.2, 10.6, 10.7, 10.10, 10.14 and 10.17.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.1**                      **STATUS OF PREVIOUS NOTICES OF MOTION - JULY 2024**  
**(845)**                              **CLR. ISHAC:/CLR. ASFOUR**

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.2**                      **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS TABLE**  
**(846)**                              **CLR. DOWNEY:/CLR. COOREY**

RESOLVED that Council writes to NSW Planning Minister Paul Scully to urgently review, or scrap, his so-called 'league table of shame', outing Councils over response times to approve Development Applications.

- CARRIED

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**ITEM 10.3**  
**(847)**

**DRAINAGE AT NEPTUNE PARK REVESBY**  
**CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council investigate the feasibility of installing drainage at Neptune Park, Revesby, as part of a future works program.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.4**  
**(848)**

**VIRGINIUS RESERVE DOG PARK**  
**CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council investigate the cost, feasibility and community implications to installing lights at Virginius Reserve Dog Park, Padstow and that this be provided to Councillors as part of their consideration of future Capital Works Program.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.5**  
**(849)**

**GRANT FUNDING ASSISTANCE**  
**CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council:

1. Continues to identify State and Federal Government grant funding opportunities for our sporting organisations, cultural and arts groups, charitable associations, and others which will assist them in sourcing much needed new funding; and
2. Maintains its commitment to supporting the grant applications where practicable and in line with Council's priorities.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.6**  
**(850)**

**BENNETT STREET IMPROVEMENTS**  
**CLR. HARIKA:/CLR. CAHILL**

RESOLVED that Council prioritises a meeting with residents of Bennett Street, Bass Hill to discuss and investigate their concerns in relation to:

1. Poor street lighting which some residents believe should be improved; and
2. Installation of speed humps, or calming devices, as a deterrent to 'high-speed' joyriders.

- CARRIED

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**ITEM 10.7**  
**(851)**

**MARION STREET SAFETY**  
**CLR. HARIKA:/CLR. CAHILL**

RESOLVED that Council investigates all options to improve pedestrian safety along Marion Street, between Edgar Street and Bankstown Airport, following another near-fatal accident.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.8**  
**(852)**

**GRANT FUNDING REQUEST**  
**CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council writes to NSW Premier Chris Minns acknowledging his Government's even-handed approach in distributing grants and to ensure our Council receives its fair share of funding, unlike what occurred under the previous Coalition Government.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.9**  
**(853)**

**RENEWING CREST SPORTING FACILITIES**  
**CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council meets with user groups at our Crest Athletic Facilities to develop priority list of works (inclusive of scope and cost) required to bring the facility up to a modern and renewed standard; and that this be provided to Councillors as part of their consideration of the 2025/26 financial year budget and Capital Works Program.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.10**

**BDS (BOYCOTT, DIVESTMENT AND SANCTIONS) INVESTMENTS REVIEW**

THIS MATTER WAS DEALT WITH PREVIOUSLY. SEE RESOLUTION NO. 824 ON PAGE FOUR OF THESE MINUTES.



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**ITEM 10.11**                      **COOKS RIVER ALLIANCE FUNDING**  
**(854)**                              **CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council:

1. Acknowledge the NSW Government's commitment to the Cooks River, with the confirmation of funding of \$1 million over four years, and
2. Commends all those involved in making this funding a reality including the Cooks River Alliance, the State and Local Federal Members located along the River, the Minister for Environment, Penny Sharp, and local community organisations.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.12**                      **SPORTS COVERAGE BILL**  
**(855)**                              **CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council:

1. Writes to the Federal Minister for Communications, The Hon. Michelle Rowland MP, to urgently review and amend the Prominence and Anti-Siphoning Bill, which currently favours streaming giants, to include laws to stop paid streamers from buying up the digital rights to major sporting events and putting them behind a paid firewall, and;
2. The Minister ensures that these iconic sporting events, like the AFL and NRL grand finals, cricket, soccer and other events are not out of reach of those who cannot afford to pay for multiple streaming subscriptions.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.13**                      **BANKSTOWN TO PARRAMATTA SERVICE**  
**(856)**                              **CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council write to the NSW Minister for Transport seeking to reinstate the direct rail service from Bankstown to Parramatta.

- CARRIED

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**ITEM 10.14**                      **NSW GOVERNMENT HOUSING REFORMS**  
**(857)**                              **CLR. ISHAC:/CLR. ABOURAAD**

RESOLVED that Council writes to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces seeking genuine engagement with Councillors on housing reforms and clarity on the implementation of the low to mid rise controls.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.15**                      **FAIRMOUNT STREET RESERVE**  
**(858)**                              **CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council staff be thanked for their work investigating and preparing the Capital Works Program that has seen Fairmount Street Reserve voted into the current Capital Works Program (2024/25).

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.16**                      **MCCALLUMS HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
**(859)**                              **CLR. WALSH:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that Council investigate appropriate funding opportunities to accelerate the pedestrian fencing and lighting around McCallums Hill Public School and install pedestrian fencing along the school frontage and improved street lighting for the pedestrian crossing in McCallum Street and Remly Street.

- CARRIED

**ITEM 10.17**                      **EARLWOOD HPA TREE REMOVAL**

That Council immediately cease all plans to remove the trees in Clarke Street, Earlwood and surrounding streets until the following:

- a) Council releases and explains the project scope of the works to the community and local ward councillors, all alternative options that have or have not been investigated, new tree species, maturity of trees and replanting timeline.
- b) Council releases all the reports it has relied upon for the project including infrastructure works etcetera.

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- c) That council hold a public information session at a time that interested persons can attend (i.e., weekends or week nights) in a local hall in Earlwood re the project.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR DETERMINED THE MOTION IS OUT OF ORDER AND THEREFORE CANNOT BE MOVED.

CLR COOREY RETIRED FROM THE MEETING AT 8.37 PM.

**SECTION 11: CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

**(860) CLR. ISHAC:/CLR. DOWNEY**

RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, the Public and the Press be excluded from the meeting to enable Council to determine Items 11.1 and 11.2 in confidential session for the reasons indicated:

Item 11.1 Rescission of DA 1512/2023

*This report is considered to be confidential in accordance with Section 10A(2)(e) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as it relates to information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law.*

Item 11.2 Chief Executive Officer Performance Review

*This report is considered to be confidential in accordance with Section 10A(2)(f) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as it relates to matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property.*

- CARRIED

**COUNCIL RESOLVED INTO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION AT 8.37 PM AND REVERTED BACK TO OPEN COUNCIL AT 8.48 PM.**

**ITEM 11.1 RESCISSION OF DA 1512/2023**

**(861) CLR. RAFFAN:/CLR. WALSH**

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

- CARRIED

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**ITEM 11.2**                      **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PERFORMANCE REVIEW**  
**(862)**                              **CLR. ABOURAAD:/CLR. RAFFAN**

RESOLVED that

1. Council receive and note the Confidential CEO Performance Review Panel's Report prepared by the Facilitator SINC Solutions Pty Ltd, for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.
2. Council notes the Chief Executive Officer's performance for the review period as determined by the panel was 'highly effective' in each of the four (4) Strategic Outcome/Topic areas and the five (5) Value Alignment criteria.
3. Given the 'more than satisfactory' performance criteria has been met, the Total Remuneration Package of the Chief Executive Officer increase for the duration of the contract by 1.75 percent being half of the salary percentage increase (3.5 percent) applied on 1 July 2024 to all NSW Local Government employees.
4. The Mayor and Chief Executive Officer complete the Performance Agreement for 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 with a focus on the items detailed in the 'Looking Ahead – Performance Agreement 2024/2025' section of the Report.
5. The Mayor be delegated the authority to finalise and sign all documentation as required.

- CARRIED

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.49 PM.**

Minutes confirmed 27 AUGUST 2024

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Mayor