

MINUTES:

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Sander
 Seconded: Councillor Dunn

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RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 16 August 2023, and the

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES:

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Sander
 Seconded: Councillor Hill

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RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting held on 30 August 2023, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
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DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST NO. DI8/2023

SUBJECT: DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

RECOMMENDATION

That Councillors now disclose any interests and reasons for declaring such interest in the matters under consideration by Council at this meeting.

BN15/2023 - Heddon Greta Road Rehabilitation Additional Scope

Councillor Hill declared a Non Pecuniary Interest Less than Significant Conflict for the reason that his residential address is located along the road where proposed future works may occur. Councillor Hill advised that he will remain in the Chamber and participate in discussion and voting as the conflict has not influenced him in carrying out his public duty because the impact of possible works will not advantage him or hinder his ability to subjectively vote on this matter.

PE31/2023 2023 Cessnock Stomp Festival - In Kind Support

Councillor Burke declared a Pecuniary Interest for the reason that he is the organiser of the event. Councillor Burke advised that he would leave the Chamber and take no part in discussion and voting.

PETITIONS

Nil

ADDRESS BY INVITED SPEAKERS

The following person has been invited to address the meeting of Council:

Speakers	For / Against	Report	Page No.	Duration
Mr Anthony Frew	Against	PE30/2023 - DA 8/2021/22220/1 - Demolition of Existing Buildings, Tree Removal and Construction of a Centre-based Child Care Facility	39	3 mins

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT NO. PE30/2023

SUBJECT: DA 8/2021/22220/1 - DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BUILDINGS, TREE REMOVAL AND CONSTRUCTION OF A CENTRE-BASED CHILD CARE FACILITY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Paynter **Seconded:** Councillor Hill
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RESOLVED

1. That:

- (i) Development Application No. 8/2021/22220/1 proposing the demolition of existing buildings, tree removal and the construction of a centre-based child care facility at Lots 1, 2 and 3, Section 35, DP 758590, 132 – 136 Rawson Street Kurri Kurri, be approved pursuant to Sections 4.16 and 4.17 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, subject to the conditions contained in Enclosure 2.
- (ii) The reasons for the decision (having regard to any statutory requirements applying to the decision) and consideration of community views are as follows:
 - The proposed development, subject to the recommended conditions, is consistent with the objectives of the applicable environmental planning instrument(s), being the *Cessnock Local Environmental Plan 2011 (CLEP)*, *State Environmental Plan (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021* and *State Environmental Plan (Resilience and Hazards) 2021*.
 - The proposed development is, subject to the recommended conditions, consistent with the objectives of the *Cessnock Development Control Plan 2010 (DCP)*.
 - Subject to the recommended conditions, the proposed development will be provided with adequate essential services required under the *Cessnock Local Environmental Plan 2011 (CLEP)*.

- The proposed development is considered to be of an appropriate scale and form for the site, and is consistent with the character of the locality.
 - The proposed development, subject to the recommended conditions, will not result in unacceptable adverse impacts upon the natural or built environments.
 - The proposed development is a suitable and planned use of the site and its approval is consistent with the public interest.
 - Any issues raised in submission/s have been taken into account in the assessment report and where appropriate, conditions of consent have been imposed on the determination. Council has given due consideration to community views when making the decision to determine the application.
- (ii) The details contained above be publicly notified pursuant to Section 2.22 and Clause 20(2) of Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*
2. That Council notify in writing the persons who made a submission with regard to the proposed development, of Council's decision.
 3. That Council requests the Traffic Committee consider safety improvements as a result of the development.

SCHEDULE 1

CONDITIONS OF CONSENT

TERMS OF CONSENT

1. Approved Plans and Documents

Development must be carried out strictly in accordance with DA No. 8/2021/22220/1 and the following plans and supplementary documentation, except where amended by the conditions of this consent.

Plan Reference	Drawn By	Dated
Title Page Project No. 1070-32 Revision G Drawing No A-DA-00.01	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Existing Site Plan Project No. 1070-32 Revision F Drawing No A-DA-01.01	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Proposed Site Plan Project No. 1070-32	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023

Revision F Drawing No A-DA-01.02		
Ground Floor Plan Project No. 1070-32 Revision H Drawing No. A-DA-03.01	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Roof Plan Project No. 1070-32 Revision F Drawing No A-DA-04.01	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Elevations (Sheet 01) Project No. 1070-32 Revision G Drawing No A-DA-09.01	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Elevations (Sheet 02) Project No. 1070-32 Revision G Drawing No A-DA-09.02	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Elevations (Sheet 03) Project No. 1070-32 Revision G Drawing No A-DA-09.03	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023

Elevations (Sheet 04) Project No. 1070-32 Revision G Drawing No A-DA-09.04	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Sections (Sheet 01) Project No. 1070-32 Revision G Drawing No A-DA-10.01	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Sections (Sheet 02) Project No. 1070-32 Revision G Drawing No A-DA-10.02	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Renders (Sheet 01) Project No. 1070-32 Revision E Drawing No A-DA-22.01	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Renders (Sheet 02) Project No. 1070-32 Revision E Drawing No A-DA-22.02	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2023
Shadow Diagram (Sheet 01) Project No. 1070-32	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2022

Issue C Drawing No A-DA-01.03		
Shadow Diagram (Sheet 02) Project No. 1070-32 Issue C Drawing No A-DA-01.04	Elevation Architecture	23 August 2022
Landscape Plans Revision A Sheets 1 - 11 Project Ref -L21148	Zone Landscape Architecture	23 August 2022

Document Title	Prepared By	Dated
Remediation Action Plan (RAP)	Qualtest Laboratory (NSW) Pty Ltd	28 July 2023
Noise Level Impact Assessment	Craig Hill Acoustics	15 August 2023
Waste Management Plan N21035	Zone Planning Group	November 2021

In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans and supplementary documentation, the plans will prevail.

2. CC, PC & Notice Required

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.6 & 6.7 of the *EP&A Act 1979*, construction works approved by this consent must not commence until:

- a) A *CC* has been issued by a Certifier (being Council or a registered certifier); and
- b) A *PC* has been appointed by the person having benefit of the development consent; and
- c) If Council is not the *PC*, notify Council no later than two (2) days before building work commences as to who is the appointed *PC*; and
- d) At least two (2) days before commencement of building work, the person having benefit of the development consent is to notify Council as to the intention to commence building work.

PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

The following conditions are to be complied with, to the satisfaction of the Certifying Authority prior to issue of a Construction Certificate.

3. Remediation Validation Report

Prior to the issue of a CC, the following documentation is to be submitted to the Certifier and Cessnock City Council:

- a validation report prepared by a duly qualified consultant, prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Remedial Action Plan (RAP) prepared by Qualtest Laboratory (NSW) Pty Ltd, dated 28 July 2023, and State Government legislation and endorsed contaminated land guidelines.

4. Long Service Levy

In accordance with Section 34 of the *Building and Construction Industry Long Service Payments Act 1986*, the applicant must pay a long service levy at the prescribed rate to either the Long Service Payments Corporation or Council for any work costing \$250,000 or more. The Long Service Levy is payable prior to the issue of a CC.

5. Car Parking – Commercial/Industrial

The design of the vehicular access and off street parking facilities must comply with, but not be limited to *AS 2890.1-2004 Parking Facilities – Off-Street Car Parking*, *AS 2890.2-2002 Parking Facilities – Off-Street commercial vehicles facilities*, and *AS 2890.3-1993 Parking Facilities – Bicycle parking facilities*. Details demonstrating compliance with these Standards are to be included on the plans submitted in association with a CC application.

A design certificate satisfying these requirements is to be issued by a suitably qualified professional engineer and submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of a CC.

6. Parking – Minimum Requirement

Onsite car parking shall be provided for a minimum of forty-five (45) vehicles and such being set out generally in accordance with Council's Development Control Plan.

The plans submitted in association with the CC application are to demonstrate compliance with this requirement. The plans are to be approved by the Certifier as satisfying this requirement prior to the issue of a CC.

7. Disabled Car Parking Spaces

A total of one (1) car parking space for use by persons with a disability must be provided as part of the total car parking requirements.

Plans demonstrating compliance with this requirement and the following Australian Standards are to be submitted to, and approved by, the Certifier prior to the issue of a CC.

- * *AS/NZS 2890.1:2004 Parking Facilities – Off street car parking*
- * *AS/NZS 1428.1:2009 Design for access and mobility – General requirements for access – New building work*
- * *AS/NZS 1428.4.1:2009 Design for access and mobility – Means to assist the orientation of people with vision impairment – Tactile ground surface indicators.*

8. Road – Fees

The applicant shall lodge payment of fees as follows:-

- a) Road fees – engineering plan checking
- b) Road fees – PC certification of works

Final fee amounts will be levied on accurate dimensions contained within the engineering plans.

The fees shall be payable prior to the issue of a *CC / Section 138* for the Construction Works and shall be in accordance with Council's adopted fees and charges current at the time of payment.

9. Road – Construction Works – Allworth Street

The person having the benefit of the Development Consent shall construct the following for the full frontage of Allworth Street for a distance of approximately 55 metres in accordance with Council's 'Engineering Requirements for Development' and set out on a set of plans, which are to be submitted to, and approved by, Council prior to the release of the S138 Roads Act Approval.

- (a) Construct kerb and gutter
- (b) Construct and gravel road shoulders
- (c) Place two (2) coat hot bitumen seal on road shoulders
- (d) Top-dress and turf footpath
- (e) Construct concrete footpath 1.2 metres wide and 75mm thick
- (f) Construct drainage works.

10. Road – Pedestrian Footpath Construction – Rawson Street

The person having the benefit of the Development Consent shall construct the following for the full frontage of Rawson Street for a distance of approximately 60 metres in accordance with Council's 'Engineering Requirements for Development' and set out on a set of plans, which are to be submitted to, and approved by, Council prior to the release of the S138 Roads Act Approval.

- (a) Construct concrete footpath 1.2 metres wide and 75mm thick;
- (b) Top-dress and turf footpath

11. Stormwater – Detailed Design Requirements

A detailed drainage design shall be prepared for the disposal of roof and surface water from the site, including any natural runoff currently entering the property, and connection to the existing drainage system in accordance with Council's 'Engineering Requirements for Development' (available at Council's offices). Such layout shall include existing and proposed surface levels, sub-catchments and conduit sizing appropriate for the development.

The plans submitted in association with the CC application are to demonstrate compliance with this requirement. The plans are to be approved by the Certifier as satisfying this requirement prior to the issue of a CC.

12. Stormwater – Detention Requirement

The person having the benefit of the Development Consent is to provide a stormwater detention facility within the boundaries of the site to reduce the peak stormwater discharge from the developed lot to that of the peak stormwater discharged from the undeveloped lot for all storm events from the 1 in 1 year to the 1 in 100 year Average Recurrence Interval (ARI) storm event. A detailed drainage design shall be prepared for the disposal of roof and surface water from the site, including any natural runoff currently entering the property. Details shall include onsite storage, the method of controlled release from the site, and connection to an approved drainage system in accordance with Council's 'Engineering Requirements for Development'.

Detailed plans, specifications and copies of the calculations, including existing and proposed surface levels, sub-catchments and conduit sizing appropriate for the development, shall be prepared by an engineer suitably qualified and experienced in the field of hydrology and hydraulics. The plans submitted in association with the CC application are to demonstrate compliance with this requirement. The plans are to be approved by the Certifier as satisfying this requirement prior to the issue of a CC.

13. Stormwater – Discharge (General)

The applicant shall collect all roof and stormwater runoff from the impervious areas on site, and any other drainage entering the site, and discharge it to Council's satisfaction in accordance with Council's 'Engineering Requirements for Development'.

The plans submitted in association with the CC application are to demonstrate compliance with this requirement. The plans are to be approved by the Certifier as satisfying this requirement prior to the issue of the CC.

14. Plan of Management

Prior to issue of a CC, a Plan of Management (PoM) is to be prepared and lodged with Council for approval. The Plan of Management is to cover (but is not limited to) the following issues:

- a) The program is to be made publicly available to parents and neighbours.
- b) A contact phone number for the centre's Director is to be made available to neighbours to facilitate communication and to resolve any neighbourhood issues that may arise due to operation of the centre.
- c) Crying children are to be taken inside the centre and comforted.
- d) The behaviour of children is to be monitored and modified as required by adequately trained child care workers.
- e) Parents and guardians are to be informed of the importance of noise minimisation when entering the site, dropping off or picking up children.
- f) The behaviour of children is to be monitored and modified as required by adequately trained childcare workers.

- g) Carers are to be informed to control the level of their voice while outside and limit the use of amplified music to avoid exceeding noise criteria.
- h) Should continued and substantiated complaints be received that noise criteria are being exceeded, the child care centre operator is to reconsider the management plan, including a review of its onsite operations.
- i) A further noise level impact assessment may be required to inform this revised management plan.
- j) The outdoor bins and bin storage area is to be cleaned weekly to ensure odour emissions do not adversely impact neighbouring properties.
- k) A register for the documenting of complaints received, details of investigation and corrective actions undertaken.
- l) Protocol for ongoing communication and complaint handling with residents and neighbours.
- m) Approved hours of operation are not to be exceeded at any time.
- n) Delivery vehicle and garbage collection drivers are to be made aware of noise management procedures.
- o) Staff to manage lighting in accordance with approved lighting plan.

15. Street Trees

A street tree planting plan shall be submitted and approved by Council, prior to the issue of a CC.

The street plan shall include:

- a) Proposed location of street trees
- b) Detailed species list including botanical and common names, quantities, pot sizes and estimated size at maturity
- c) Species selection consistent with surround street scape where applicable
- d) Detailed design drawings consistent with Cessnock City Council's engineering requirements for development
- e) A landscape maintenance schedule to administer over the determined time frame

16. Lighting Plan

Prior to issue of a CC, a lighting plan is to be lodged and approved by the CA. All outdoor lighting must not detrimentally impact upon the amenity of other premises and adjacent dwellings and road reserves, and must comply with, where relevant, *AS 1158.3:2005 Lighting for roads and public spaces – Pedestrian Area (Category P) lighting – Performance* and design requirements and *AS 4282:1997 Control of the obtrusive effects of outdoor lighting*.

17. Cessnock Section 7.12 Levy Development Contributions Plan

A total monetary contribution of **\$28,600.00** is to be paid to Council, pursuant to Section 7.12 of the *EP&A Act 1979*, such contribution is to be paid prior to the issue of any CC.

- i) This condition is imposed in accordance with the provisions of *Cessnock Section 7.12 Levy Contributions Plan 2017 (as amended)*. A copy of the document is available on Council's website at www.cessnock.nsw.gov.au or may be inspected at Councils' Customer Services Section, Administration Building, Vincent Street Cessnock.
- ii) The amount of contribution payable under this condition has been calculated at the date of consent. In accordance with the provisions of the Contributions Plan, this amount shall be indexed at time of actual payment in accordance with the Consumer Price Index. Indexation of contributions for payment occurs quarterly.

Any party intending to act on this consent should contact Council prior to the date of payment to determine the indexed amount payable.

18. Section 50 – Hunter Water Act 1991

Evidence shall be submitted to Council that the registered proprietors of the land on whose behalf the application was made have complied with the requirements of Section 50 of the *Hunter Water Act 1991*. Such evidence shall be submitted to Council prior to the issue of the CC.

PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS

The following conditions are to be complied with prior to the commencement of works on the subject sites.

19. Public Liability Insurance

Any person or contractor undertaking works on public property must take out Public Risk insurance with a minimum cover of twenty (20) million dollars in relation to the occupation of, and approved works within, public property. The Policy is to note, and provide protection for Cessnock City Council as an interested party, and a copy of the Policy must be submitted to Council prior to commencement of the works. The Policy must be valid for the entire period that the works are being undertaken on public property. The insurance shall also note the location and the risk.

20. Erection of Signs

Prior to the commencement of building works, subdivision work or demolition work, a sign must be erected in a prominent position on the site on which the work is being carried out. The sign must state:

- a) the name, address and telephone number of the principal certifier for the work;
- b) the name of the principal contractor, if any, for the building work and a telephone number on which the principal contractor may be contacted outside of working hours; and
- c) state that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited.

The sign must be maintained while the work is being carried out, but must be removed when the work has been completed.

21. Site To Be Secured

The site must be secured and fenced prior to works commencing. If necessary, an awning is to be erected, sufficient to prevent any substance from, or in connection with, the work falling onto public property. The work site must be kept lit between sunset and sunrise if it is likely to be hazardous to persons on public property.

If the work involves the erection or demolition of a building and is likely to cause pedestrian or vehicular traffic on public property to be obstructed or rendered inconvenient, or building involves the enclosure of public property, a hoarding or fence must be erected between the work site and the public property.

Separate approval is required to erect a hoarding or temporary fence on public property. Approvals for hoardings, scaffolding on public land must be obtained and clearly displayed on site for the duration of the works.

Any hoarding, fence or awning is to be removed when the work is completed.

22. Toilet Facilities

Toilet facilities are to be provided prior to works commencing, at or in the vicinity of the work site on which work involved in the erection or demolition of a building is being carried out, at the rate of one toilet for every 20 persons or part of 20 persons employed at the site.

Each toilet provided must be a sewage management facility approved by the NSW Department of Health and/or Council, and operate in an environmentally responsible manner, free of nuisance or offence, and be appropriately serviced.

23. S138 Roads Act Approvals

Under Section 138 of the *Roads Act 1993*, should any work on the verge, footpath, or public road reserve be required, a S138 Roads Act Approval will need to be obtained from Council. In this regard, the applicant is to make a formal application to Council. The S138 application is to be submitted to, and approved by, Council prior to works commencing.

24. Relocation of Services

The registered proprietor of the land shall be responsible for all costs incurred in the necessary relocation of any services affected by the required construction works. Council and other service authorities should be contacted for specific requirements prior to commencement of any works.

25. Road – Bonds

The applicant shall pay a performance and maintenance bond of a minimum of \$1000 or 5% of the contract construction costs, whichever is greater. To be held by council for a period of 12 months.

It will be necessary for the applicant to submit evidence of the contract price of all construction works in order for Council to assess accurate bond amounts.

The bond shall be payable prior to the issue of a *Section 138* approval.

The bond may be used to meet any costs referred to above, and on application being made to the Council by the person who provided the bond, any balance remaining is to be refunded to, or at the direction of, that person.

A fee in accordance with Council's current fees and charges is to be paid prior to the final inspection of works and subsequent bond return.

If no application is made to the Council for a refund of any balance remaining of the bond within six (6) years of the date of issue of a compliance certificate for the development, the Council may pay the balance to the Chief Commissioner of State Revenue under the *Unclaimed Money Act 1995*.

26. Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP)

Prior to construction works commencing, the proponent is to prepare and submit to the PC and Council a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) for construction works on the site, which is to be kept on site and made available to authorised Council officers upon request. The CEMP is to include but not be limited to:

- a) An asbestos removal control plan to safely manage and remove any asbestos identified during works.
- b) A site management strategy, identifying and addressing issues such as environmental health and safety, site security, and traffic management.
- c) A water management strategy, detailing erosion and sediment control, management of soil stockpiles, control and management of surface water, groundwater and process water.
- d) A dust management strategy, detailing procedures to minimise dust generation, with reference to control techniques and operational limits under adverse meteorological conditions. This strategy should be cross-referenced with the water management strategy.
- e) A road management strategy, detailing procedures to ensure that all roads adjacent to and within the proposed application area are kept free and clear from mud and sediment.
- f) A soil management strategy, detailing measures to be implemented to manage the identification and control and disposal of any acid sulphate soils or soil contamination identified during site works. The soil management strategy must include an unexpected finds protocol/contingency plan in relation to potential contamination.
- g) A community relations plan, which aims to inform residents and other local stakeholders of the proposed nature and timeframes for demolition and construction activities together with contact details for site management.

DURING WORKS

The following conditions are to be complied with during works.

27. Location of Council Pipes

During all phases of demolition, excavation and construction, it is the full responsibility of the applicant and their contractors to:

- a) Ascertain the exact location of the Council stormwater drainage pipeline and associated pits traversing the site in the vicinity of the works;
- b) Take measures to protect the in-ground Council stormwater drainage pipeline and associated pits;
- c) Ensure dedicated overland flow paths are satisfactorily maintained through the site.

Stormwater drainage pipes can be damaged through applying excessive loading (such as construction machinery, material storage, and the like). All proposed structures and construction activities must be sited fully clear of Council's stormwater drainage pipes, pits, easements, watercourses and overland flow paths on the site.

If the Council pipeline is uncovered during construction, all work must cease, and the PC and Council must be contacted immediately for advice. Any damage caused to the Council stormwater drainage system must be immediately repaired in full as directed, and at no cost to Council.

28. Erosion and Sediment Controls

The control of erosion, and the prevention of silt discharge into drainage systems and waterways, will be necessary in accordance with Council's "Engineering Requirements for Development", and Landcom's Soils and Construction Manual - April 2004. Erosion control measures are to be implemented prior to the commencement of any earthworks, and shall be maintained until satisfactory completion and restoration of site earthworks, including revegetation of all exposed areas.

29. Demolition

All demolition works are to be carried out in accordance with AS 2601-2001 "*Demolition of structures*", with all waste being removed from the site. Hazardous waste such as asbestos cement sheeting etc, should be handled, conveyed and disposed of in accordance with guidelines and requirements from SafeWork NSW. Disposal of asbestos material at Council's Waste Depot requires prior arrangement for immediate landfilling.

30. Stormwater Runoff

Alterations to the natural surface contours must not impede or divert natural surface water runoff, so as to cause a nuisance to adjoining property owners.

31. Site is Securely Fenced

The site must be appropriately secured and fenced at all times during works.

32. Construction Hours

Excavation, building or subdivision work must be restricted to the hours of 7.00am and 5.00pm on Monday to Saturday inclusive. Work is not to be carried out on Sundays and public holidays.

33. Construction Noise

Noise arising from the works must be controlled in accordance with the requirements of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* and guidelines contained in the New South Wales Environment Protection Authority document *Noise Guide for Local Government*.

34. Building Materials On Site

All building materials, plant and equipment are to be placed on the building site. Building materials, plant and equipment (including water closets), are not to be placed on footpaths, roadways, public reserves, etc.

35. Remediation Action Plan Compliance

During site remediation works, the works are to be carried out in accordance with the requirements set out in the submitted Remedial Action Plan (RAP) prepared by Qualtest Laboratory (NSW) Pty Ltd, dated 28 July 2023

36. Limitations on Type of Filling Material Permitted

Filling material must be limited to the following:

- a) Virgin excavated natural material (VENM)
- b) Excavated natural material (ENM) certified as such in accordance with the Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulations 2014.
- c) Material subject to a Waste exemption under Sections 91 and 92 Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulations 2014 and recognised by the NSW Environment Protection Authority as being “fit for purpose” with respect to the development subject of this application.
- d) Any waste-derived material that is the subject of a resource recovery exemption received at the development site must be accompanied by documentation as to the material’s compliance with the exemption conditions and must be provided to the PC and the Council on request.

PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF AN OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

The following conditions are to be complied with, to the satisfaction of the Certifying Authority, prior to issue of either an Occupation Certificate.

37. Consolidation of Lots

Prior to issue of an *OC*, evidence is to be provided to the Certifier that the land subject of this development consent (being Lots 1, 2 and 3, Section 35, DP 758590) has been consolidated into one (1) allotment of land.

38. Implementation of Noise Level Impact Assessment Recommendations

Appropriate acoustic treatment is to be implemented in accordance with the recommendations set out in the report prepared by Craig Hill Acoustics, dated 15 August 2023. Written final certification confirming the recommended acoustic treatment has been implemented in accordance with the requirements of the above report is to be submitted to the *PC* and Council prior to the issue of an *OC*.

39. Roads – Concrete Crossing

The registered proprietors shall construct and maintain a 6 metre wide concrete access crossing from the kerb and gutter in Allworth Street to the property boundary, in accordance with Council's "Engineering Requirements for Development" and *AS 2890.1*. A S138 Roads Act Approval is required from Council prior to any construction commencing within the road reserve. The access crossing is required to be constructed prior to the issue of an *OC* for the whole of the building.

Construction of the crossing will require inspections to be undertaken by Council. The applicant shall pay Council engineering site supervision fees in accordance with Council's current Fees & Charges, prior to the inspections being undertaken.

The initial fee will facilitate approval of the application and one (1) construction inspection (steel and formwork inspection).

A final inspection will be required upon completion of the driveway and restoration of all disturbed footway areas. (A separate fee will be required to be paid when the final inspection is booked.) Should further inspections become necessary as a result of unsatisfactory or defective works, additional inspection fees will be charged in accordance with Council's current Fees & Charges.

The applicant is to advise Council at least 48 hours prior to inspection of works within the footpath and/or road reserve.

40. Parking – Completion

Car parking areas must be completed prior to the issue of an *OC* for development.

41. Disabled Access/Parking

The proposed development shall be provided with vehicular access and parking for the disabled in accordance with *AS 1428.1* and *AS 2890.6*. The access shall be provided prior to issue of an *OC*.

42. Road – Removal of Redundant Infrastructure

All redundant vehicular accesses shall be removed, and the footpath, road shoulders and kerb and gutter, where applicable, restored to match existing conditions at no cost to Council, prior to use of the building or issue of an *OC*.

43. Positive Covenant – OSD

Prior to the issue of an *OC*, a positive covenant must be created under Section 88E of the *Conveyancing Act 1919*, burdening the owner(s) with the requirement to maintain

the on-site detention and on-site retention/re-use facilities on the property, and registered on title.

The terms of the 88E instrument with positive covenant shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- a) The proprietor of the property shall be responsible for maintaining and keeping clear all pits, pipelines, trench barriers and other structures associated with the on-site stormwater detention facilities ("OSD").
- b) The proprietor shall have the OSD inspected annually by a competent person.
- c) The Council shall have the right to enter upon the land referred to above, at all reasonable times, to inspect, construct, install, clean, repair and maintain in good working order all pits, pipelines, trench barriers and other structures which comprise the OSD, or which convey stormwater from the said land, and recover the costs of any such works from the proprietor.
- d) The registered proprietor shall indemnify the Council and any adjoining land owners against damage to their land arising from the failure of any component of the OSD, or failure to clean, maintain and repair the OSD.

The proprietor, or successor, must bear all costs associated with the preparation of the subject 88E instrument.

The 88E instrument shall be submitted to and approved by the *PC* prior to lodgement at NSW Land Registry Services.

Proof of registration with the NSW Land Registry Services shall be submitted to the *PC* prior to the issue of an *OC*.

The approved 88E Instrument must be registered on title.

44. Drainage Works

All drainage works required to be undertaken in accordance with this consent shall be completed prior to issue of an *OC* for the development.

45. Food Premises

Prior to the issue of an *OC* for a food premise, an inspection of the completed premises is to be conducted by the Certifier certifying that the food premises has been constructed in accordance with the approved plans.

46. Completion of Landscape Works

Prior to the issue of an *OC* all landscaping is to be undertaken in accordance with the approved landscape plan.

47. Stormwater – Discharge to Street

All roof water shall be conducted to the street gutter by means of a sealed pipeline having a minimum diameter of 90mm prior to issue of an *OC*.

ONGOING USE

The following conditions are to be complied with as part of the ongoing use of the premises.

48. Hours of Operation

The child care centre is to operate within the following hours:

- Monday to Friday - 7.00am – 6.30pm

The centre is not to operate on weekends and public holidays.

All external maintenance activities involving machinery (mowing, pressure cleaning, blower vacuuming etc) is to only take place between the approved hours of operation.

49. Cleaning – Bin Storage Area

The bins and the bins storage area are to be cleaned weekly to prevent odour emissions onto adjoining land and are to be maintained in a tidy manner.

50. Submission of Annual Fire Safety Statement

An annual Fire Safety Statement must be given to Council and the New South Wales Fire Brigade commencing within twelve (12) months after the date on which the initial Interim / Final Fire Safety Certificate is issued.

51. Outdoor Lighting

All outdoor lighting must not detrimentally impact upon the amenity of other premises and adjacent dwellings and road reserve, and must comply with, where relevant, *AS 1158.3:2005 Lighting for roads and public spaces – Pedestrian Area (Category P) lighting – Performance* and design requirements and *AS 4282:1997 Control of the obtrusive effects of outdoor lighting*.

52. Compliance with Plan of Management

The Plan of Management is to be kept at the premises and adhered to at all times.

53. Graffiti and Vandalism

Graffiti is to be removed and vandalism fixed or replaced within 24 hours of its appearance.

54. Carpark

The carpark gate is to be locked at all times outside of operating hours.

55. Maintenance of Landscaping and Fencing

Landscaping and fencing shall be maintained in accordance with the approved plan in good condition, and in perpetuity, by the existing or future owners and occupiers of the development.

If any of the vegetation comprising the landscaping dies or is removed, it is to be replaced with vegetation of the same species and similar maturity as the vegetation which has died or was removed.

56. Parking Areas to be Kept Clear

At all times, the loading area, car parking spaces, driveways and footpaths must be kept clear of goods and must not be used for storage purposes.

ADVISORY NOTES

A. Disability Discrimination Act

This application has been assessed in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. No guarantee is given that the proposal complies with the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992*. The applicant/owner is responsible for ensuring compliance with this, and other, anti-discrimination legislation. The *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* covers disabilities not catered for in the minimum standards called up in the Building Code of Australia which references *AS 1428.1 - Design for Access and Mobility*. *AS1428 Parts 2, 3 & 4* provide the most comprehensive technical guidance under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* currently available in Australia.

B. Other Approval and Permits

The applicant shall apply to Council for all necessary permits including crane permits, road opening permits, hoarding or scaffolding permits, footpath occupation permits, and/or any other approvals under *Section 68 (Approvals)* of the *Local Government Act 1993* or *Section 138* of the *Roads Act 1993*.

C. Responsibility for Other Consents/Agreements

The applicant is solely responsible for ensuring that all additional consents and

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ALL REPORTS BY ENGLOBO
OR INDIVIDUALLY WITH NOMINATED EXCEPTIONS**

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
563

RESOLVED

That having read and considered the reports in the agenda related to items

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Council adopt the recommendations as printed for those items.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MAYORAL MINUTES

MAYORAL MINUTES NO. MM6/2023

SUBJECT: POOL FAMILY FREE DAYS AND ENTRY VOUCHERS

MOTION *Moved:* Councillor Suvaal

564

RESOLVED

1. That Council issue a free family pass entry voucher to all children completing the NSW Department of Education intensive Learn to Swim program at Cessnock, Branxton Pools and Kurri Kurri Aquatic Fitness Centre, at a potential lost revenue of \$4,912.
2. That a free entry day and community celebrations take place early in the season and for Australia Day (26 January 2024) at Cessnock, Branxton and Kurri Kurri Pools at a cost of \$22,390.
3. That Council notes the total potential loss of pool entry revenue and other costs from these activities is an estimated total \$27,302.
4. Future funding to cover free entry days and community celebrations to be costed and included in the remaining Operational Plans in the current Delivery Program 2022-2026.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS OF URGENCY

MOTIONS OF URGENCY NO. MOU8/2023

SUBJECT: MOTIONS OF URGENCY

Nil

GENERAL MANAGER'S UNIT

GENERAL MANAGER'S UNIT NO. GMU6/2023

SUBJECT: CESSNOCK CITY COUNCIL UNION PICNIC DAY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
565

RESOLVED

That the report be received and noted with the Union Picnic Day to be held on Friday, 27 October 2023.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

GENERAL MANAGER'S UNIT NO. GMU7/2023

SUBJECT: PROPOSAL TO CLOSE COUNCIL OFFICES BETWEEN CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
566

RESOLVED

1. That Council notes its offices, including Libraries will close from 12 noon Friday, 22 December 2023 and reopen on Tuesday, 2 January 2024.
2. That Council notes that the Performance Arts Culture Cessnock will close from 12 noon Friday, 22 December 2023 and re-open on Monday, 8 January 2024.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT NO. PE31/2023

SUBJECT: 2023 CESSNOCK STOMP FESTIVAL - IN KIND SUPPORT

Councillor Burke declared a Pecuniary Interest for the reason that he is the organiser of the event. Councillor Burke left the Chamber and took no part in discussion and voting.

Councillor Burke left the meeting, the time being 6.45pm

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Grine **Seconded:** Councillor Moores
567

RESOLVED

- 1. That Council supports the 2023 Stomp Festival by providing in-kind and financial support to the value of \$17,470 for waste management, traffic management, event fees and the suspension of the Alcohol-Free Zone (AFZ); and**
- 2. That Council fund the waste management and traffic management support of \$8,510 from the Tourism Related Activities reserve and use existing recurrent operating budgets to waive Council fees; and**
- 3. That Council suspends the operation of the Alcohol-Free Zone in Vincent, Hall, Cooper and Charlton Streets, Cessnock between the hours of 6.00am and 6.00pm on Sunday, 29 October 2023.**

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (11)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Burke returned to the meeting, the time being 6.47pm

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT NO. PE32/2023

**SUBJECT: CESSNOCK DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN 2010 - REGROWTH
KURRI KURRI (FORMERLY HYDRO) - POST EXHIBITION**

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Hill **Seconded:** Councillor Grine
568

RESOLVED

1. **That Council adopt the amended Chapter – Regrowth Kurri Kurri of the Cessnock Development Control Plan 2010.**

2. **That Council notify in writing the persons who made a submission of Council's decision.**

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	Councillor Jurd
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (11)	Total (1)

CARRIED

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT NO. PE33/2023

SUBJECT: DRAFT HUNTER POWER PROJECT (KURRI KURRI POWER STATION) PLANNING AGREEMENT

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Hill **Seconded:** Councillor Burke
569

RESOLVED

1. **That Council publicly notify the Draft Hunter Power Project (Kurri Kurri Power Station) Planning Agreement for a minimum period of 28 days in accordance with the provisions of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.**
2. **That Council delegate authority to the General Manager to execute the Planning Agreement unless unresolved written objections are received during the exhibition period.**

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	Councillor Olsen
Councillor Dunn	Councillor Jurd
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (10)	Total (2)

CARRIED

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC53/2023

SUBJECT: ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR - 2023/2024

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Burke **Seconded:** Councillor Paynter
570
RESOLVED

That the election of Deputy Mayor be held and determined by open ballot with the term of office to be from 21 September 2023 until the day prior to the next local government election.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The General Manager advised the meeting that 2 nominations had been received those being Councillors Watton and Hawkins.

Voting was conducted between Councillors Watton and Hawkins by way of a show of hands.

The result of the vote is as follows:

For Councillor Watton – Councillors Moores, Watton, Paynter, Olsen and Jurd.

For Councillor Hawkins – Councillors Suvaal, Dunn, Burke, Grine, Sander, Hill, Hawkins

The General Manager advised that Councillor Hawkins was the successful candidate and elected to the position of Deputy Mayor from 21 September 2023 until the September 2024 Council elections.

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC54/2023

SUBJECT: DISPLAY OF COMMUNITY NOTICES, COMMUNITY DISPLAYS & EXHIBITIONS AND HOSTING OF PETITIONS IN COUNCIL LIBRARIES POLICY - RECOMMENDATION FOR REVOCATION

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Burke **Seconded:** Councillor Hill
571
RESOLVED

1. That Council revoke the Display of Community Notices, Community Displays & Exhibitions and Hosting of Petitions in Council Libraries Policy (Policy 26.1).
2. That petitions cannot be left at any Cessnock City Library branch nor taken around inside the libraries seeking signatures unless approved by resolution of Council.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Dunn	Councillor Moores
Councillor Burke	Councillor Jurd
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (10)	Total (2)

CARRIED

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC55/2023

SUBJECT: REVISED PUBLIC ART POLICY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
572

RESOLVED

1. That Council places the revised Public Art Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 calendar days.
2. That Council adopts the revised Public Art Policy the day after the public exhibition period concludes, if no unresolved submissions are received.
3. That Council rescinds the Public Art Policy 2020 from the date the revised Public Art Policy is adopted.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC56/2023

SUBJECT: CLASSIFICATION OF BLACK CREEK CHANNEL LAND ACQUISITIONS

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Hill **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
573
RESOLVED

That Council classify the following land as operational land:

- 0 Wollombi Road Cessnock - Lot E DP 384895;
- 47- 49 Vincent Street Cessnock - Lot F DP 354733;
- 47- 49 Vincent Street Cessnock - Lot G DP 347929;
- 47- 49 Vincent Street Cessnock - Lot H DP 384894.

Councillor Jurd left the meeting, the time being 7.23pm

Councillor Jurd returned to the meeting, the time being 7.26pm

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	Councillor Olsen
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (11)	Total (1)

CARRIED

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC57/2023

SUBJECT: BI-ANNUAL COMPLAINT HANDLING REPORT - JANUARY TO JUNE 2023

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Hill **Seconded:** Councillor Burke
574
RESOLVED

That Council notes the Bi-annual Complaint Handling Report for the period 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC58/2023

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF STRATEGIC PROPERTY & COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 9 AUGUST 2023

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Paynter
575
RESOLVED

1. That the Minutes of the Strategic Property & Community Facilities Committee meeting held on 9 August 2023 be adopted as a resolution of the Ordinary Council.
2. That the General Manager undertake a feasibility design process to develop the Dover Street, Cessnock and Cessnock Street, Aberdare properties to be funded out of the Property Investment Fund.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC59/2023

SUBJECT: RELATED PARTIES DISCLOSURE POLICY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
576
RESOLVED

That the Council adopt the updated Related Parties Disclosure Policy.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC60/2023

**SUBJECT: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2023 -
REFERRAL FOR AUDIT AND COUNCIL CERTIFICATION**

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Hill **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
577

RESOLVED

1. That Council receive the draft Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2023 and formally refer them to Council's external auditor, the Audit Office of NSW, to provide an opinion and report to Council.
2. That Council authorise the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, General Manager and Responsible Accounting Officer to sign the Statement by Councillors and Management for the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2023.
3. That Council fix the date of 15 November 2023 as the date for the public meeting to present the audited Financial Statements and the Audit Reports for the year ended 30 June 2023, and that Council's external auditor be requested to present to answer questions.
4. That the General Manager be delegated authority to seek an extension of time for lodgment of the Financial Statements to the Office of Local Government should the need arise during finalisation of the audit.
5. That Council requests the General Manager source additional advice on Council's responsibilities and potential liabilities for past waste sites throughout the Local Government Area.

Councillor Hawkins left the meeting, the time being 7.28pm

Councillor Hawkins returned to the meeting, the time being 7.32pm

Councillor Moores left the meeting, the time being 7.38pm

Councillor Moores returned to the meeting, the time being 7.41pm

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	Councillor Olsen
Councillor Dunn	Councillor Jurd
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (10)	Total (2)

CARRIED

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC61/2023

SUBJECT: INVESTMENT REPORT - AUGUST 2023

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
578
RESOLVED

That Council receives the Investment Report for August 2023 and notes that:

- **Investments are held in accordance with Council's Investment Policy, which is in accordance with the Ministerial Investment Order.**
- **Council's month end cash and investments balance was \$80,182,605.**

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY NO. CC62/2023

SUBJECT: RESOLUTIONS TRACKING REPORT

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
579
RESOLVED

That Council receives the report and notes the information in the Resolutions Tracking Report.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI29/2023

SUBJECT: NAMING OF COUNCIL ASSETS POLICY

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Dunn **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
580

RESOLVED

1. That Council place the revised Naming of Council Assets Policy on public exhibition for a period of twenty eight (28) days and invite public submissions.
2. If there are no significant public submissions received, that the Policy be automatically adopted at the end of the exhibition period.

FOR	AGAINST
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Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	

	Total (0)
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI30/2023

SUBJECT: 2022/23 OUTDOOR POOL SEASON REVIEW

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Sander **Seconded:** Councillor Grine
581

RESOLVED

That Council notes the information in the report.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI31/2023

**SUBJECT: 2022/23 KURRI KURRI AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTRE
PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Sander **Seconded:** Councillor Grine
582

RESOLVED

1. That Council notes the performance of Belgravia Health & Leisure Group Pty Ltd in respect to Year 4 of the contract for the management of the Kurri Kurri Aquatic & Fitness Centre.
2. That Council engage an independent consultant to provide a more detailed KPI performance review of the centre prior to the tendering process.
3. That a report come back to Council with the outcomes of this review.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE NO. WI32/2023

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 21 AUGUST 2023

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Hawkins **Seconded:** Councillor Sander

That the Minutes of the Cessnock Local Traffic Committee Meeting of 15 May 2023 be adopted as a resolution of the Ordinary Council.

- **TC39/2023** - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises the installation of regulatory parking signage and line marking on Cumberland Street and Cooper Street, Cessnock in accordance with the Cumberland Street Cessnock _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.
- **TC40/2023** - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises the installation of regulatory signage and line marking on Charles Street, Abermain in accordance with the Charles Street Abermain _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram
- **TC41/2023** - That Council note the advice of the Local Traffic Committee regarding the Technical Review of proposed temporary regulation of traffic on various roads within Wollombi, in accordance with the Various Roads Wollombi _ Wollombi Wild Ride Traffic Control Plans.
- **TC42/2023** - That Council authorises the temporary regulation of traffic on Broke Road, McDonalds Road, Palmers Lane and Wine Country Drive, Pokolbin for A Day on the Green in accordance with Various Roads Pokolbin _ A Day on the Green TGS.
- **TC43/2023** - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises installation of regulatory controls on various roads within Huntlee, in accordance with Various Roads North Rothbury _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.
- **TC44/2023** - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises the installation of regulatory signage and line marking on Abbottsford Street and Balangara Way, Bellbird, in accordance with the Abbottsford Street Bellbird _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.
- **TC45/2023** - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises the installation of a pedestrian refuge, Bus Zone and associated signage and line marking on Millfield Road, Millfield in accordance with the Millfield Road Millfield _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.
- **TC46/2023** - That Council note the advice of the Local Traffic Committee regarding the Technical Review of proposed installation of regulatory signage and line marking on Snape Street, Cessnock, in accordance with the Snape Street Cessnock _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.

Councillor Grine left the meeting, the time being 8.10pm

AMENDMENT Moved: Councillor Olsen **Seconded:** Councillor Jurd

That the Minutes of the Cessnock Local Traffic Committee Meeting of 15 May 2023 be adopted as a resolution of the Ordinary Council with the exception of Item TC46/2023 which is to be deferred for a month to speak with the Hotel owners in regard to parking on the side road.

Councillor Grine returned to the meeting, the time being 8.12pm

Councillor Burke

FORESHADOWED AMENDMENT

That Council provide courtesy notification to the Hotel owners advising of the changes and options for contacting TfNSW.

Councillor Hill left the meeting, the time being 8.29pm

Councillor Hill returned to the meeting, the time being 8.31pm

AMENDMENT Moved: Councillor Olsen **Seconded:** Councillor Jurd

That the Minute of the Cessnock Local Traffic Committee Meeting of 15 May 2023 be adopted as a resolution of the Ordinary Council with the exception of Item TC46/2023 which is to be deferred for a month to speak with the Hotel owners in regard to parking on the side road.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Paynter	Councillor Moores
Councillor Watton	Councillor Dunn
Councillor Olsen	Councillor Burke
Councillor Jurd	Councillor Grine
	Councillor Sander
	Councillor Hill
	Councillor Hawkins
	Councillor Suvaal
Total (4)	Total (8)

The Amendment was **PUT** and **LOST**.

MOTION

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Moved: Councillor Hawkins **Seconded:** Councillor Sander

RESOLVED

1. That the Minutes of the Cessnock Local Traffic Committee Meeting of 15 May 2023 be adopted as a resolution of the Ordinary Council.
 - TC39/2023 - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises the installation of regulatory parking signage and line marking on Cumberland Street and Cooper Street, Cessnock in accordance with the Cumberland Street Cessnock _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.
 - TC40/2023 - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises the installation of regulatory signage and line marking on Charles Street, Abermain in accordance with the Charles Street Abermain _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram
 - TC41/2023 - That Council note the advice of the Local Traffic Committee regarding the Technical Review of proposed temporary regulation of traffic on various roads within Wollombi, in accordance with the Various Roads Wollombi _ Wollombi Wild Ride Traffic Control Plans.
 - TC42/2023 - That Council authorises the temporary regulation of traffic on Broke Road, McDonalds Road, Palmers Lane and Wine Country Drive, Pokolbin for A Day on the Green in accordance with Various Roads Pokolbin _ A Day on the Green TGS.
 - TC43/2023 - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises installation of regulatory controls on various roads within Huntlee, in accordance with Various Roads North Rothbury _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.
 - TC44/2023 - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises the installation of regulatory signage and line marking on Abbottsford Street and Balangara Way, Bellbird, in accordance with the Abbottsford Street Bellbird _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.
 - TC45/2023 - That Council note that the General Manager, under sub-delegation from Council, authorises the installation of a pedestrian refuge, Bus Zone and associated signage and line marking on Millfield Road, Millfield in accordance with the Millfield Road Millfield _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.
 - TC46/2023 - That Council note the advice of the Local Traffic Committee regarding the Technical Review of proposed installation of regulatory signage and line marking on Snape Street, Cessnock, in accordance with the Snape Street Cessnock _ Signage & Line Marking Diagram.
2. That courtesy notification be provided by Council advising the Hotel Owners of the changes and options for contacting TfNSW to discuss any changes they may wish to put through in regards to TC46/2023.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	Councillor Watton
Councillor Dunn	Councillor Olsen
Councillor Burke	Councillor Jurd
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (9)	Total (3)

CARRIED

BUSINESS OF WHICH WRITTEN NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

BUSINESS WITH NOTICE NO. BN13/2023

SUBJECT: INVESTIGATE SENSOR LIGHTING OPTIONS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Grine **Seconded:** Councillor Sander
584
RESOLVED

1. That Council requests the General Manager investigate sensor lighting options, including solar powered, to improve safety at Bridges Hill Park and other parks across the Local Government Area.
2. That Council investigate grant programs or funding opportunities to allow for these upgrades to be included into the delivery program.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS WITH NOTICE NO. BN14/2023

SUBJECT: OLD BUTTAI ROAD PRIORITISATION

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Hill **Seconded:** Councillor Grine
585
RESOLVED

That Council requests the traffic committee review the prioritisation of Old Buttai Road to focus on the primary route of travel to and from the Buttai Quarry, taking on board the feedback from the recent Buttai Quarry Community Consultative Committee meeting.

Councillor Jurd left the meeting, the time being 8.46pm

Councillor Jurd returned to the meeting, the time being 8.47pm

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	
Councillor Dunn	
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Olsen	
Councillor Jurd	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (12)	Total (0)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS WITH NOTICE NO. BN15/2023

SUBJECT: HEDDON GRETA ROAD REHABILITATION ADDITIONAL SCOPE

Councillor Hill declared a Non Pecuniary Interest Less than Significant Conflict for the reason that his residential address is located along the road where proposed future works may occur. Councillor Hill remained in the Chamber and participated in discussion and voting.

MOTION **Moved:** Councillor Grine **Seconded:** Councillor Burke
586

RESOLVED

That Council expand the investigation and design scope for RRL-2024-017 (Road Rehabilitation Investigation and Design - Adams Street, Heddon Greta) to include the section of Adams Street between Earp Street and Stanford Street as well as the section of Young Street between Main Road and Adams Street.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Moores	Councillor Olsen
Councillor Dunn	Councillor Jurd
Councillor Burke	
Councillor Grine	
Councillor Sander	
Councillor Hill	
Councillor Hawkins	
Councillor Paynter	
Councillor Watton	
Councillor Suvaal	
Total (10)	Total (2)

CARRIED

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Dunn tabled the following reports on behalf of Councillor Jackson.

HVWT Alliance

Monday 14 August 2023

The meeting was held at Brokenwood Wines on McDonald Road.

Hunter Water - Customer and Community Advisory Group (CCAG)

Tuesday 15 August 2023

The meeting was held at the Hunter Boardroom in Newcastle. I attended via Zoom.

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### **HVWT Alliance**

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### **Destination and Marketing Update**

- Regional NSW grant funding for Destination Marketing activity concluded on 30 June. The Autumn/Winter campaign will run in the market to 31 August.
- Launched Business Events website – a dedicated hub for the corporate market.
- Working on Corporate site – a dedicated hub for industry, trade, and media
- Itinerary development - focused on key target markets identified in DMP. Possible audio itinerary solution.

### **Upcoming activity**

Consumer events:

- Uncorked Balmoral – 22 October. Tickets to go live end of this month. Supported by a media campaign in Sydney.
- D'Vine – presented by Around Hermitage, October Long Weekend; End2End – September
- Taste of the Hunter Valley (Newcastle)
- Planned Media activity:
- Tourism Australia –filming with Hong Kong media
- DNSW - Sunrise cross to Wollombi (3 September)
- Content partnerships with Australian Traveller (December) and Country Style (September)
- Travel Guides (ch 9) – Hunter Valley and Newcastle (December)

### **Funding Update / Grant Opportunity Update**

- At the State Level there is nothing open in terms of funding.
- Federal Government funding opportunities can be accessed via Dan Repacholi's regular updates.
- CCC Visitor Economy Grants and Sponsorships Program open for applications until 31 Aug 2023. \$50,000 available for event and conference attraction.
- Singleton Council, Community and Economic Development Fund (CEDF) will open again in Oct 2023, from \$10,000 available. For projects that delivery economic growth and promote health and well-being for Singleton communities.

- Regional Drought Resilience Planning Program: Cessnock/Singleton are in Year 3 applications – due in June 2023. Growing the self-reliance and drought resilience of regional communities including the agricultural sector.
- \$10 million grant application – Shiraz to Shore project, still waiting for announcement.

### **Planning Update**

- HVWTA had a meeting with the Cessnock City Council planning department. Discussion around LEP, Vineyards District Character Statement and Hunter Regional Plan.
- HVWTA conveyed the importance of knowing project timelines, to have sufficient time to comment.
- A question was raised around public consultation and how do we best voice members' concerns to Council.
- It was added that for anything specific to a particular area or business that we contact the local councillor for that area. It was also confirmed that anything submitted through exhibition period is delivered as a report to councillors. It was noted councillors can be invited to attend any presentation or town hall meeting.

A community forum will be commencing in September and will be held on a quarterly basis. The HVWTA would be able to talk to councillors in this forum.

### **Funding**

State Budget to be announced – September / October

Outstanding applications include:

- Nature Based Tourism product program.
- Regional Conferencing.
- Regional Event Funding.

Success in receiving Austrade Funding in partnership with Newcastle Airport - \$90,000 over 2 years for the Export Market Development Grant. This will be spent on:

- Attendance at Inbound Trade Shows
- New routes to target.

Success in receiving funding for the Connectivity Project through Regional NSW. \$330k funding which will cover all DSSN regions (apart from Newcastle). Project will consider all aspects of digital connectivity (NBN and mobile) with the objective of completing a business case to assist with grant funding applications. The project will undertake a gap analysis and will address specific visitor economy considerations.

HVWTA Report

HVWTA Membership

- Renewals underway. Higher number of resignations than same time last year; difficult trading conditions and broader financial considerations cited as reasons.

### **Industry and Trade/Media Engagement**

- Legends Industry Awards – highest attendance and positive feedback on venue, MC, and format of awards. Held media famil, post-event, to showcase winners with 8 media from wine and lifestyle publications across 3 days.
- Wine Show Luncheon – 1 September. New naming rights sponsor – PKF. Show planning underway with over 500 entries. Will run trade engagement (sommeliers, wine retailers) as part of the event.

- RFS Andrew Thomas and Jennie have met with RFS representatives at Local Hunter and Hunter Valley stations. Discussed Pokolbin Mountain Burn, which is planned for August and agreed protocols for communication between RFS and HVWTA and via us, onto industry for this year's fire season.

### **Industry Development Program**

- Regional Industry Engagement Program (RIEP); working with NSW Wine and TAFE on pilot program for local school students (w/c 7 September).
- HVWTA Mentoring Program – first cohort will finish soon. Plan to continue with this program as positive feedback received.
- Funding industry workshops - working with councils on areas as identified within DMP and as area of business need – Cyber Security, Accessible Tourism and Cruise Development Product workshop (with DSSN).
- Moving Induction Program online - development of video modules.

### **Business Events / Inbound Tourism**

- Similar to leisure, market has slowed, and number of leads has slowed. Budgeted and plan to attend 3 trade fairs for Business Events market in FY23/24 and 3 for Inbound Tourism/leisure market.
- Successful in application for EMDG (Export Market Development Grant) to allow us to continue to invest in the inbound tourism market (considering attendance at UK/European trade fair; development of materials for trade and video content).
- Supported Events10 content development. Will undertake industry engagement to share resources.

### **Advocacy**

- NBN and digital connectivity. Held roundtable with Regional NSW NBN team for industry to discuss planned upgrades. Working with Ian Napier and Guy Fens on digital connectivity issues. Guy will be part of the DSSN Working Group also looking at this issue from a Hunter region perspective.
- Heritage Vineyards - Planned engagement with owners re Heritage Vineyards seeking financial support to progress with the National Heritage listing to fund the study be undertaken to prove the Heritage value of our vineyard areas against the rest of Australia. 200 Yr. Bicentenary

Several ideas have been discussed, the working group/committee will consider which ideas to prioritise. Also working on a plan for engagement with industry stakeholders to secure funding. Consideration for projects will focus on cultural (indigenous acknowledgment, Landscape – World Heritage); early history; wine; legends vineyard; lifestyle (outdoor events, sporting event, Shiraz to Shore); community; food.

### **Cessnock City Council Report**

#### **Jobs Shuttle Program**

- Project at risk – The company approached for the program, Northern Coalfields Community Care Association (NCCCA) currently receives funding from Transport for NSW to provide Social Transport and this funding may be at risk if they take on the funding from Cessnock City Council to provide Jobs Transport. Still trying to make this program work.
- Transport into the region is still an issue. More options will be explored.

### **Hunter Valley Monopoly**

- The Hunter Valley Monopoly project is aimed to disperse visitors throughout the Hunter Valley.
- The games arrived at the VIC today and will be sold online via <https://shophuntervalley.com.au/> and at the Singleton VIC and Hunter Valley VIC. \$59.95 retail price, 463 pre-sold.

### **Hot Air Balloon**

- CCC have received \$341k in grant funding to build an all-abilities hot air balloon.
- Balloon Aloft will operate the balloon and have commenced training.
- The council will own it for 5 years.
- Launch date is scheduled for September 27th.
- The balloon has been test inflated and will be ready for collection at the end of this week.

### **VIC Park**

- CCC have received \$602k in grant funding to build the outdoor cinema and amphitheatre.
- Awning and Amphitheatre Complete. Turf, labyrinth, art, and tables yet to be completed.
- Opening event planned for 9 December.

### **Shiraz to Shore**

- TRC and DMS were selected as consultants to work with Hunter JO. Consultation started with stakeholder meetings.
- Initial route developed for discussion.
- Further meetings are scheduled this week.

### **Stomp Festival**

- Progressing well. Working with Parish of Pokolbin as the naming rights sponsor.
- Great to link Cessnock township with the local vineyards.

### **Roads**

- Following the bushfires, Wollombi Valley Region are trying to update names of some roads as some are named very similarly and created confusion during the bushfire period.
- Wollombi Road to Millfield is currently receiving some road improvements.
- Public Works are currently dealing with a landslip on the other side of Laguna.

Mayor Suvaal offered his thanks to the DSSN for offering their support to council and industry after the recent bus accident. The Chair commended both Mayor Suvaal and Mayor Moore for their work during trying circumstances.

### **Singleton Council Report**

#### **On Exhibition**

- Footpath and cycling plan. Encourage feedback from the HVWTA.
- Shiraz to Shore
- Want to make sure the Hunter JO includes Broke and Hermitage Road and linking in Branxton.

#### **Broke**

- Broke Road, works have started on the repair job.
- The Broke pathway has started to go up as far as Adams Peake Road.
- BFWTA are doing some work around tracks and trails in the area.

#### **Tourism**

- Tourism is booming out at Lake St Clair.

- Amenities received a recent upgrade.

### **\$45m Capital Works Program**

This is the largest ever Cap Ex program with a strong focus on key aspects of community life and how that links to tourism offering.

### **Renewable Energy**

- Jason Linnane and Councilor Sue Moore have recently joined the Coalition of Renewable

### **Energy**

Mayors.

- Jason reported of the challenges and delays with renewable energy projects and timelines.

### **Hunter Transmission Project (HTP)**

The HTP has been identified by both the Commonwealth and State governments as a priority project critical for ensuring ongoing energy security in NSW.

The HTP involves:

- up to 2 x 500 kV double circuit transmission lines between Bayswater and Eraring power stations, using as much as State land as possible.
- upgrades to existing substations at Bayswater and Eraring Power Stations
- ancillary infrastructure (mostly for constructions).
- Project is in planning stage and expecting to start detailed community engagement reference groups in the next few months.

### **Funding**

- HVWTA encouraged to start thinking about upcoming Marketing / Advertising Campaigns.
- Budget details start around Dec / Jan / Feb.
- Submit Business Plans to support any proposals.
- Community Development Funding – Expressions of Interest
- Opens 1st August and closes 31st October.
- 4 information sessions – must attend at least 1 session if you wish to apply. Need to register to attend.
- 2 streams of funding. \$10k minimum, one pool for one-off projects and another pool for projects over 3 years.
- Need to understand the full project application process.
- Details on Singleton Council website

### **Local Government Awards**

- Singleton Council took top place in Planning for its proactive 'Building Capacity Program' and received the Leo Kelly OAM Arts and Culture Award for the delivery of an Arts and Cultural Project. The Council was also a finalist for the Best Local Program for NSW Youth Week and the RH Dougherty Award for Innovation in Special Events for the Singleton Firelight Festival.

### **General Business**

Oakey Creek Road has re-opened.

Update on bike trails, and a Hermitage Road Loop.

It was confirmed the National Parks and Wildlife Services maintain Great Northern Walking Trail

**Hunter Water - Customer and Community Advisory Group (CCAG)**

Tuesday 15 August 2023

The meeting was held at the Hunter Boardroom in Newcastle. I attended via Zoom.

As a matter of interest, I thought you would like to know the purpose of this group. Consistent with its Charter, The Customer and Community Advisory Group (CCAG) provides advice on the interests of customers and consumers of Hunter Water, the Customer Contract, and other key issues related to Hunter Water’s planning and operations.

**Operational Update:**

Darren Cleary, Managing Director provided a Hunter Water operational update and Water storage update.

**Strategic presentations /Hunter Water Focus areas:**

**Dam Safety Review - Chichester Dam**

Hunter Water completed its five yearly risk assessment to inform the 15 yearly safety review for Chichester Dam. This presentation provides members with detailed briefings on the findings of the risk assessment, which was finalised August 2023.

The construction for Chichester Dam started in 1915 and was completed in 1926. The dam has had extensive upgrades. It is constantly being assessed against modern standards.

Dams of the Hunter Valley are inspected daily which picks up minor problems which can be addressed immediately. They also receive an extensive inspection annually and every 5 years. A risk assessment is conducted every 5 years. In addition, Every 3rd, 5 year review is done in conjunction with the 15 year reviews. Vulnerabilities have been identified. They have been there from the beginning. Modern technology helped identify and correct these problems.

Risk assessment is freely available on Hunter Water website. It is very technical but the summary is more in layman’s terms. The CCAG engagement has helped the community have trust in Hunter Water’s management of the dams.

**Sustainability Strategy Update**

A brief report was provided by David Derkenne who is the Group Manager of Sustainability Waterways and James Willing, Team Leader Sustainability and Climate Change.

**Regulatory and Pricing Proposal Update**

Emma Turner, Senior Economist presented a QR code which was available for a Customer Centric Journey, asking customers what is the most important and least important between now and 2030. That particular survey is not available at the submission of this report so I do not include it. However, Hunter Water regularly conducts customer surveys.

<https://www.hunterwater.com.au/community/community-engagement/customer-surveys>

*The Meeting Was Declared Closed at 9.03....pm*

**CONFIRMED AND SIGNED** at the meeting held on 18 October 2023

.....CHAIRPERSON

.....GENERAL MANAGER