

10.1. Matters Outstanding to 9 December 2024

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to update Council regarding the status of resolutions arising from Mayoral Minutes, Notices of Motion, and Questions Without Notice.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- Each month, a report is presented to Council on the status of resolutions arising from Mayoral Minutes, Notices of Motion, and Questions Without Notice.
- The attached table has been updated to include resolutions up to the 9 December 2024 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. THAT** the report be received.

Background

The previous report to Council on this matter was on 25 November 2024.

Report

Attached is the updated table of outstanding resolutions for the information of Council.

Consultation requirements

Community engagement is not required.

Financial/Resource Implications

There are no financial implications to this report.

Legislation

It is a requirement under the Local Government Act that lawful decisions of the Council are implemented without undue delay.

Meeting date	Item Reference	Resolved Action	CPE	Target Date	OPEN	Current Status (24 February 2025)
10/10/2022	11.4. Notice of Motion 59/22 - Counting of voting in Council community consultations and submissions - Cr Santer	<p>1. THAT in its consultative process with the community, including consideration of submissions from Precincts, on Council policy proposals, Council ensure, when voting from the community is requested, Council recognises the number of individual votes for and against the proposal, rather than consider that an individual organisation's majority vote be counted as a block of one vote for or against the proposal.</p> <p>2. THAT at community group meetings where a consultation is requested by Council, it is made explicitly clear, through a prepared standard statement (agreed to by Council) read in the meeting, the individual vote numbers will be recorded in the consultation report to Council.</p> <p>3. THAT for the purpose of transparency and to ensure the absence of 'branch stacking', the names and addresses of individual voters will be included in the report to Council on the voting outcome of the consultation.</p> <p>4. THAT when voting is counted at Council, any individual person's vote is only counted once, whether it be as an individual or part of a group.</p> <p>5. THAT the principle of "One person, one value, one vote" is included in the review of the Community Engagement Protocol.</p>	CEO	Apr-25	OPEN	Work has recommenced on the review of the Community Engagement Protocol to ensure best practice and compliance with the new legislative requirements for councils to have a Community Engagement Strategy. The process and method of reporting of feedback (or votes) as part of consultation processes will be part of this review.
11/12/2023	MM03: Ban on gas appliances and connections in new homes - Doctors for the Environment	<p>1. THAT a report on amending Council's planning controls to require all new residential developments to be all electric be prepared, a Councillor Briefing be held, and a report come to the next meeting of Council.</p> <p>2. THAT Council write to the Premier of NSW, The Hon. Chris Minns and The Hon Penny Sharpe, MLC, Minister for Climate Change, Energy, Environment, and Heritage urging the State Government to:</p> <p>(a) adopt the ACT and Victorian policy approach and develop a plan, supported by incentives or rebates, to transition homes and businesses from gas to renewable energy; and</p> <p>(b) not expand the state's gas industry.</p>	CPE	Jun-25	OPEN	<p>1. Research is continuing into the amendments required within the DCP.</p> <p>2. Letters to the Premier of NSW, The Hon. Chris Minns and The Hon. Penny Sharpe were sent in February 2024.</p>
25/03/2024	8.1 MM01: Noise Pollution	<p>1. THAT Council strongly advocate for the State Government to address increasing noise pollution through a review of the EPA Noise Guidelines, adoption of electric vehicles, provisions in relation to the use of electric power tools in urban areas, noise, and CCTV monitoring in areas experiencing a rise in "hoon" cars.</p> <p>2. THAT Council undertake a review of standard noise conditions of consent for both construction period and general operation</p>	CPE	Mar-25	OPEN	2. External noise consultants have been appointed to undertake a final review of the conditions. This is currently underway and is expected to be completed by mid-February 2025. Conditions are being uploaded into standard templates for use.
25/03/2024	8.3 MM03: 70th Anniversary – Greenway, Milsons Point	<p>1. THAT Council provide support to the Greenway Tenants' Association 70th Anniversary event by paying for a person to provide a Welcome to Country on 28 March 2024 (estimated cost \$550) and the funds be provided from the existing Subsidies and Grants allocation.</p> <p>2. THAT Council commission an artist to work with Greenway tenants and the local community to produce a public artwork celebrating Greenway to be located on the Ennis Road retaining wall, Broughton Street, Kirribilli between Greenway Drive and the stairs to Ennis Road and that the public artwork be funded from existing the Public Art budget allocation.</p>	COS	Mar-25	OPEN	<p>The Tree Veneration society have been engaged to run workshops with the Greenway residents to determine an appropriate public artwork. Given the heritage item status of the site, any artwork will require a Development Application.</p> <p>The Arts team have been working with artist, Chris Ireland, to repurpose some of the images from his Greenway exhibition for this project and are working with the planning team on an appropriate location for this. A temporary installation may be necessary given the heritage restrictions.</p>
13/05/2024	11.1. Notice of Motion 06/24 - May Gibbs Lookout	<p>1. THAT Council produce a report looking into the feasibility of creating a lookout over the city, in Phillips Street Neutral Bay.</p> <p>2. THAT the report also consider the feasibility of creating a May Gibbs theme in the Phillips Street playground.</p>	OSI	Mar-25	OPEN	A report is being prepared. Staff seeking advice on OEH listing information. Report to be brought to the Council meeting on 24 Mar 2025.
27/05/2024	11.1. Notice of Motion 07/24 - Accessibility and Inclusion budgetary allowance	<p>1. THAT, as part of Council's financial strategy going forward, Council quarantine an agreed annual budget amount sufficient to fund initiatives, infrastructure, and services that will advance accessibility and inclusion within our Local Government Area and ensure that Council meets its obligations in accordance with the requirements of the Disability Inclusion Act 2014.</p> <p>2. THAT, once the agreed annual budget has been determined, Council include a progress update in its annual report for this important area.</p> <p>3. THAT Council adopt the recommendation from the recent meeting, and agree to rename the Committee as the "Access and Inclusion Committee".</p>	COS	May-25	OPEN	This is being investigated in line with the 2025 budget.

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18/06/2024	6.1 Notice of Motion 09/24: Neutral Bay Village - Low to Mid-Rise Housing Reform	<p>1. THAT Council notes the invalid response provided by Council staff to the Department of Planning, Housing, and Infrastructure (DPHI) on 15 May 2024 in response to the Station and Town Centre Selection Form and the failure to implement a lawful resolution of Council made on 12 February 2024.</p> <p>2. THAT Council notes the response fails to positively implement Council's resolved position and serves to undermine Council's resolved position.</p> <p>3. THAT Council writes to the DPHI to formally rescind its earlier response to the Station and Town Centre Selection Form, requesting acknowledgement of the recission from the DPHI.</p> <p>4. THAT Council resolves to submit a transparent and authorised response to the Station and Town Centre Selection Form, that represents the Council resolution dated 12 February 2024, including justifications to demonstrate that Neutral Bay is unsuitable for inclusion, including addressing the DPHI criteria as well as the assessment of the town centre including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •transport capacity including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o lack of train service o the quality and capacity of bus service •the extended linear nature of the Village and resulting difficulty in access •Council's existing and further commitment to high quality place-based planning <p>5. THAT the CEO facilitates an urgent industry-appropriate review of the internal process that resulted in a submission on the Station and Town Centre Selection Form that was contrary to Council's resolved position.</p> <p>6. THAT the CEO urgently reports back to Council on all appropriate measures to rectify the relevant contravention and documents actions and improvements to strengthen Council processes.</p> <p>7. THAT North Sydney Council strongly write to apply for the same relief as other Councils seeking exemption from mid-rise housing in the R3 zone to avoid jarring transitions between the lower and mid-rise zones.</p> <p>8. THAT Council provide an urgent supplementary submission to the DPHI seeking that they abandon low to mid-rise housing reforms in circumstances in which housing targets were issued on 29 May 2024, and task Council to work with communities to plan to meet those targets.</p> <p>9. THAT Council publish on its website all current and future correspondence between Council and the DPHI on housing reforms.</p>	CPE	Apr-25	OPEN	<p>1. Noted</p> <p>2. Noted</p> <p>3 & 4. Letter and revised submission sent to DPHI sent June 2024</p> <p>5 & 6. Resolution points 5 & 6 are for the consideration of the CEO, the remainder of the resolution has been completed.</p>
24/06/2024	8.2 MM02: Diverse and Affordable Housing - Memorandum of Understanding with Homes NSW	<p>1. THAT Council seek to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Homes NSW to expedite the delivery of new and refurbished social and affordable housing within the North Sydney LGA.</p> <p>2. THAT a report on funding options for the Parraween Street park / community centre / affordable housing project be provided to Council.</p> <p>3. THAT Council urgently seek from the NSW State Government its response to Council's request of 11 December 2023, for the Government to amend the Voluntary Planning Agreement offer on the Metro site at 52 McLaren Street, North Sydney, to provide affordable housing, at a minimum of 30% and ideally 100%, and appropriate community spaces in perpetuity as part of the Gateway Determination.</p>	CPE	Mar-25	OPEN	<p>1. Initial representations made. Meeting held with Homes NSW 18 September 2024 to commence discussions. Initial advice suggests assistance can be provided but only in relation to developments that are ready to proceed to construction. Further advice to be contained in future Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme. Anticipated reporting mid-2025.</p> <p>2. A report on the Parraween Street Carpark redevelopment is anticipated for March 2025.</p>
22/07/2024	11.1. Notice of Motion 10/24: Report on LGNSW Conference - Destination and Visitor Economy - Cr Santer	<p>1. THAT Council notes the report below on the outcomes of the Conference - Destination and Visitor Economy - held in Wagga Wagga in June 2024.</p> <p>2. THAT in view of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •the potential for identifiable visitor tourism sites in the North Sydney Local Government Area; •the opportunity for the establishment of a viable tourism industry here; and •the potential revenue increases for existing businesses and Council; <p>3. THAT Council undertake a program of identifying potential tourism destinations and local business opportunities, in consultation with the State and Federal Governments, inbound tour operators, domestic wholesalers, and accommodation providers, with a view to establishing a tourism industry in North Sydney.</p> <p>4. THAT Council approach Destination NSW in particular to obtain a briefing on the initial process to establish the industry here.</p> <p>5. THAT this report be included in Council's overall economic strategy.</p>	CEO	Jun-25	OPEN	<p>The Mayor and all councillors were invited to the Destination NSW briefing about the breadth and impact of the visitor economy on 4/12/24. The recording of the Town Hall, presentation and supplementary notes have been made available to all the elected representatives. Destination NSW representatives will reach out this year once the revised NSW Visitor Economy Strategy is released. Council representatives will continue attending the Visitor Economy Local Government Working Group for Greater Sydney East on 28 March and 27 June. Council's Engagement Specialist will also be meeting with Destination NSW's Product Development Team to determine how they can assist with operators.</p>
12/08/2024	11.1. Notice of Motion 12/24: Art installation honouring local women	<p>1. THAT Council staff prepare a report, considering the creation of an art installation in the North Sydney Local Government Area to celebrate the contributions of notable and inspiring local women, both past and present.</p> <p>2. THAT the report investigate and highlight the achievements and significance of influential women.</p>	COS	Mar-25	OPEN	<p>Research is underway and a report will be provided to Council in early 2025 recommending an appropriate art installation recognising local women.</p>

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12/08/2024	11.2. Notice of Motion 13/24: Alcohol-related domestic violence	<p>1. THAT Council, noting the report referred to below on the link between domestic violence, alcohol, and wealth and the relatively higher rate of alcohol-related domestic violence in our LGA, explore appropriate measures for Council to take, to counter such violence.</p> <p>2. THAT, in view of the fact that Council alone cannot address the problem, Council organise a Roundtable Conference in Council Chambers, involving representatives from the NSW State Government, the NSW Police, and appropriate social organisations to discuss the adoption of effective policies to overcome the problem.</p>	CPE	Jun-25	OPEN	2. The Roundtable Conference has been scheduled for 28 March 2025. Research has been undertaken to inform the Agenda and invitation list, which is currently being finalised.
28/10/2024	11.3. Notice of Motion 18/24: Establishment and promotion of a Visitor Economy in North Sydney	<p>1. THAT Council note the following report on the outcomes for North Sydney of a recent NSW Visitor Economy Forum conducted by Destination NSW (DNSW);</p> <p>2. THAT Council staff liaise with DNSW to organise a Councillor briefing session.</p> <p>3. THAT Council seek to establish with DNSW and other relevant public and private tourism industry bodies, appropriate tourism destination experiences, including tour guide and hospitality products, in the North Sydney and North Shore region.</p> <p>4. THAT Council develop a visitor economic plan to inform the North Sydney Economic Development Strategy.</p>	CEO	Apr-25	OPEN	Thae Mayor and all councillors were invited to the Destination NSW briefing about the breadth and impact of the visitor economy on 4/12/24. The recording of the Town Hall presentation and supplementary notes have been made available to all the leected representatives. Destination NSW representatives will reach out this year ince the revised NSW Visitor Economy Strategy is released.
25/11/2024	11.1. Notice of Motion 19/24 - Safety Concerns Relating to New Ausgrid Critical Staffing Levels - Cr Hoy	<p>1. THAT Council write to Ausgrid:</p> <p>a. expressing its concern at the community safety implications of the reduction of critical staffing levels in Sydney's North;</p> <p>b. requesting a reversal of the decision; and</p> <p>c. seeking an urgent briefing regarding the justification and impact for the decision to reduce critical staffing levels.</p> <p>2. THAT Council write to SafeWork, requesting an urgent and formal investigation into the actions taken by Ausgrid, to ensure that no member of the public is being placed at undue risk.</p> <p>3. THAT Council write to the Minister for Energy, the Minister for Work Health and Safety, and the Minister for Emergency Services, to express their concern at the community safety implications of this decision by Ausgrid.</p> <p>4. THAT the CEO prepare a report to Council on the risks of an inadequate incident response to blackouts, natural disasters, electrical or fire hazards, or accidents involving electrical infrastructure in the LGA.</p>	OSI	Mar-25	OPEN	Letters for resolutions 1-3 to be sent prior to next Council meeting. Further discussion on resolution 4 required.
25/11/2024	11.2. Notice of Motion 20/24 - The Sydney Marathon 31 August 2025 - Crs Beregi and Santer	<p>1. THAT Council write to Pont 3, the organisers of the Sydney Marathon congratulating them on the announcement that Sydney is to hold the 7th Abbott World Marathon Major (AbbottWMM);</p> <p>2. THAT the Chief Executive Officer seek a meeting with Pont 3 to discuss collaboration opportunities for Council and local business ahead of the 2025 event;</p> <p>3. THAT the Chief Executive Officer seek a meeting with Destination NSW to explore opportunities to enhance the experience for the 2025 Sydney Marathon participants and visitors, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • opportunities to promote the Olympic history of the start line in Miller Street, North Sydney; • funding opportunities for infrastructure upgrades to facilities at North Sydney Oval to support an event of this size and prestige; • opportunities for North Sydney to be promoted as a place to visit, dine, recreate, and explore in Destination NSW promotional activities. <p>4. THAT, following these meetings, Council engages with Events NSW, the Office of the 24-Hour Economy Commissioner, local community running groups, schools, and businesses, to explore all opportunities for the marathon in North Sydney.</p>	COS	Apr-25	OPEN	A meeting was held with Pont 3 the organisers of the Sydney Marathon on December 12 to discuss collaboration opportunities and from that meeting a community working group will be convened. An operations meeting is planned for mid February to discuss North Sydney Ovals role and necessary infrastructure improvements. Following the community working group and approach will be discussed with the relevant stakeholders.

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9/12/2024	MM01: Invitation to non-rateable educational institutions to voluntarily pay rates, and preparation of a policy to guide and regulate intensive "operational"/timetabled use of Council parks by private schools	<p>1. THAT Council notes:</p> <p>a)the North Sydney Local Government Area is one of the densest education precincts in the country, with 21 primary and secondary schools and two universities within the 10.5km2 boundary;</p> <p>b)the ever-increasing demand for public open space within our local government area for use by residents, students, workers, and visitors, and that demand for public spaces will only continue to increase with current housing targets;</p> <p>c)the intensive, "operational" or scheduled/timetabled use of St Leonards Park and Ted Mack Civic Park by Marist Catholic College during the ongoing construction period on its campus as an alternative "playground" for recess and lunchtime recreation by students;</p> <p>d)there was no notice to, nor any agreement with, Council for the use of St Leonards and Ted Mack Parks in this regular, scheduled manner by Marist Catholic College;</p> <p>e)the imminent opening of the 1,500 student Reddam House North Shore Campus on McLaren Street North Sydney in January/February 2025, and that the campus has a lack of playground spaces and will likely rely on local parks for student recreation; and</p> <p>f)schools and other educational institutions are exempt from paying rates.</p> <p>2. THAT Council invite private schools and the Australian Catholic University to voluntarily pay rates (or an equivalent in-kind contribution) on their property holdings within the North Sydney local government area to contribute to maintenance of Council assets including roads, footpaths, and open space.</p> <p>3. THAT Council publish a "Roll of Honour" on Council's website and social media platforms recording those educational institutions that voluntarily contribute.</p> <p>4. THAT Council urgently prepare a policy to guide "operational" use of Council parks by private schools as extended playgrounds including consideration of Council's public liability risk, costs of maintenance and repair, and the cumulative impacts of such use on Council parks including wear and tear and clashes with other users (residents, workers, visitors ,and other schools who do not use parks for scheduled playground activities), by the start of the 2025 school year.</p> <p>5. THAT Council work with Marist Catholic College to manage their use of public open space.</p>	COS	May-25	OPEN	<p>Letter sent to private schools inviting schools to pay rates and Australian Catholic University. Complete. Policy still to be prepared.</p> <p>As responses are received, a 'Roll of Honour' will be published on Council's website recognising those that voluntarily contribute. Policy still to be developed.</p>
9/12/2024	MM02: Crows Nest Accelerated TOD Precinct – gazettal of State Environmental Planning Policy Amendment (Crows Nest Transport Oriented Development Precincts) 2024 (the TOD SEPP)	<p>1. THAT Council seek an urgent meeting with the Minister for Planning and the Departmental Secretary seeking the provision of funding for the delivery of Stage 2 and 3 of Hume Street Park, Holterman Street Park, and any other planned public open space.</p> <p>2. THAT a Councillor Briefing and a report providing detailed analysis of the impacts of the TOD Precinct changes as gazetted be provided to Council as soon as practicable.</p>	CPE	Mar-25	OPEN	<p>1. Meeting between the Mayor, Director Planning & Environment and Minister for Planning has been scheduled for 5 February 2025.</p> <p>2. A 3D model has recently been obtained from the Department of Planning, Housing & Infrastructure and analysis commenced. A councillor briefing will be scheduled upon completion of analysis and progression of report.</p>