

8.3. Amendments to 2021 Meeting Schedule

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Amended Meeting Schedule 23 August 2021 [**8.3.1** - 5 pages]

PURPOSE:

This report seeks Council approval to amend the meeting schedule due to the postponement of the Local Government Elections.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On 23 July 2021 Council amended the Council Meeting schedule in response to the postponement of the Local Government elections. This report recommends that the previously cancelled August meeting of the Traffic Committee be scheduled for 3 September 2021. This report also recommends that the Sustainable Transport and Environment Reference Groups currently scheduled for 15 November 2021 and the Sport and Recreation Reference Group currently scheduled for 9 November 2021 be cancelled to avoid being held during the caretaker period.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no direct financial implications that arise from this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** a meeting of the Traffic Committee be rescheduled for 3 September 2021.
2. **THAT** the Sport and Recreation Meeting currently scheduled for 9 November 2021 be cancelled.
3. **THAT** the Sustainable Transport and Environment Reference Groups currently scheduled for 15 November 2021 be cancelled.

LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

5. Our Civic Leadership

5.2 Council is well governed and customer focused

BACKGROUND

On 24 July 2021, the NSW Local Government Elections were postponed to 4 December 2021. As a result it is necessary to consider amending the meeting schedule for the remainder of the calendar year.

At its meeting on 26 July 2021, Council resolved:

- 1. THAT the 9 August 2021 meeting be cancelled and a full Ordinary Meeting be reinstated on 23 August 2021;*
- 2. THAT the 22 November Ordinary Meeting be brought forward to 8 November 2021;*
- 3. THAT the agenda for the 8 November 2021 meeting, which will be in the revised Caretaker period, be limited to the End of Term Report and emergent matters of urgency.*

CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS

Community engagement is not required.

DETAIL

The caretaker period, which restricts the matters that can be considered by Council prior to an election, will commence on Friday 5 November 2021.

The Traffic Committee had originally been scheduled for 3 September 2021 and was subsequently brought forward to 20 August 2021, due to its proximity to the original election date of 4 September.

The 20 August 2021 Traffic Committee meeting was cancelled as there was not sufficient time between this and the previous meeting on 23 July for there to be a suitable number of items on the agenda. The change of the election date enables the meeting to be rescheduled to the original date and keep a consistent 6 weeks between meetings.

The Sustainable Transport and Environment Reference Groups are currently scheduled to be in the middle of the caretaker period on 15 November 2021. The Sport and Recreation Reference Group currently was scheduled to meet three times this year (compared to the other references groups which meet twice). The recommendation for cancellation of the 9

November meeting arises from the date being in the caretaker period and that there being insufficient time for there to be significant changes on which to update the group if the meeting was held earlier.

It is noted that there is currently a meeting of the Traffic Committee scheduled for 26 November. As this is not a committee of Council but one where Council is a member, any changes will be considered by the Traffic Committee and recommendations made to Council at that point.

A report on the 2022 Council meeting schedule will be submitted to Council in October.

Proposed 2021 North Sydney Council Meeting Schedule – Proposed Changes Highlighted Yellow

August 2021						
◀ Jul 2021						Sep 2021 ▶
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
						1
2	3	4 2pm - NSLPP	5	6	7	8
9 6.30pm – PUBLIC FORUM/7.30pm – COUNCIL Amended by Council Resolution on 23 July 2021	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 6pm - Sport and Recreation Reference Group	17	18	19	20 10am – Traffic Ctte	21	22
23 6.30pm - PUBLIC FORUM/COUNCIL	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

September 2021						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1 2pm - NSLPP	2	3 10am – Traffic Ctte	4 COUNCIL ELECTIONS Postponed to 4 December due to COVID-19 Delta Outbreak in Sydney	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 5.30pm - Neutral Bay Streetscape Ctte	15	16	17 <i>Term 3 ends</i>	18	19
20	21 5.30pm – Crows Nest Streetscape Ctte	22	23	24	25	26
27 6.30pm - PUBLIC FORUM/COUNCIL	28	29	30			

More Calendars: [2021](#), [Word Calendar](#), [PDF Calendar](#)

October 2021						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3
4 Labour Day	5 Term 4 begins	6 2pm - NSLPP	7	8	9	10
11 6pm – Legal & Planning Ctte 7pm – Cr Briefings	12 5.30pm – Cremorne Streetscape Ctte	13	14	15 10am – Traffic Ctte	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 6.30pm - PUBLIC FORUM/COUNCIL	26	27	28	29	30	31

November 2021						
◀ Oct 2021						Dec 2021 ▶
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3 2pm - NSLPP	4	5	6	7
8 6pm – Governance & Finance Ctte 7pm – Cr Briefings 7.30pm - PUBLIC FORUM/COUNCIL Amended by Council Resolution on 23 July 2021	9 6pm – Sport and Recreation Reference Group	10	11	12	13	14
15 1. 6pm – Sustainable Transport Reference Group 2. 7.15pm – Environment Reference Group	16 Local Government NSW Annual Conference	17 Local Government NSW Annual Conference	18 Local Government NSW Annual Conference	19	20	21
22 7.30pm – PUBLIC FORUM/COUNCIL Amended by Council Resolution on 23 July 2021	23	24	25	26 10am – Traffic Ctte	27	28
29	30					

December 2021						
◀ Nov 2021						Jan 2022 ▶
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1 2pm - NSLPP	2	3	4 COUNCIL ELECTIONS	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 <i>Term 4 ends</i>	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	26 <i>Boxing Day</i>
27	28	29	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>		