

10.3. Land Negotiations

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ATTACHMENTS: Nil

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to inform Council on the progress of land negotiations and seek Council's support of a proposed framework and principles to advance negotiation to the point of acquisition with concurrence of the other party.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Council officers have been progressing negotiations for Council to acquire key parcels of land for public purposes. The associated Confidential report provides detail on the status of these negotiations and seeks Council's support on the proposed framework and principles to advance the negotiation to acquisition.

The report is confidential in accordance with Section 10A (2) of the Local Government Act for the reasons listed below:

- (d) Commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or*
 - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council, or*
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret**

- (g) Advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege*

Consideration of this matter in open Council would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest at it would affect Council's ability to manage legal matters effectively and to deliver an outcome which is in the best interests of the North Sydney community.

RECOMMENDATION:

1.THAT the meeting be closed to the public to consider a Confidential matter in accordance with Section 10A (2) of the Local Government Act for the reasons listed below:

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2.THAT the report be treated as confidential and remain confidential until Council determines otherwise.

LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

1. Our Living Environment
- 1.3 Quality urban greenspaces

BACKGROUND

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