

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council



Held on the 24 February 2020

Olympia, Hawdon & Ibbott Rooms
Level 4, 1 Flintoff Street, Greensborough

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MINUTES

The Meeting opened at 7.00pm.

Acknowledgement of the Traditional Custodians

The Mayor read an acknowledgement of the traditional custodians, the Wurundjeri Wo-wurrung people.

Present

Mayor Cr Alison Champion, Cr Peter Castaldo, Cr Mark Di Pasquale, Cr Rick Garotti, Cr Craig Langdon, Cr Tom Melican, Cr Wayne Phillips

Apologies

Nil

Leave of Absence

Nil

Confirmation of Minutes

That the following Minutes be confirmed:

*Ordinary Meeting of Council held 3 February 2020 and;
Special Meeting of Council held 10 February 2020.*

Moved: Cr Tom Melican

Seconded: Cr Mark Di Pasquale

CARRIED

Disclosure of Interests

Nil

Presentation

The Mayor advised Banyule Council was recognised for its ground-breaking work in local job creation and support of young people at the 2020 LGPro Awards for Excellence on Thursday 20 February 2020 by winning three out of the 10 award categories on the night.

1. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

2. PETITIONS

Nil

3. PEOPLE – COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING AND SUPPORT

3.1 HIMILO COMMUNITY CONNECT - REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

David Mulholland spoke to the item.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Himilo Community Connect (Himilo) was established in 2016 and is based at Shop 48 The Harmony Centre (Shop 48) in Heidelberg West. Himilo currently pays Council an annual tenancy fee of \$20,000 plus GST.

Over 900 Banyule residents attend Himilo's six activity based programs each month, delivered by nine Himilo staff. Shop 48 has been instrumental in the success of Himilo and the Council staff's support and partnership enabled Himilo to provide services and supports to the some of Banyule's most vulnerable members in the community.

Heidelberg Training and Resource Centre Incorporated (trading as E-Focus) were appointed as the auspice agency. On the 22nd November, 2019, E-Focus went into voluntary administration. PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC) were appointed as administrators. E-Focus' insolvency has had significant impact on Himilo's ability to maintain both the current staff levels and programs. Himilo funds, totalling \$410,000 for 2019/20, provided by various Victorian government departments and a philanthropic trust have been frozen. PWC has advised that Himilo is not in the "creditors" list and therefore it will be more difficult to recover any of these funds.

On the 23rd December, 2019, Banyule Community Health became the new auspice agency. Whilst Himilo has received funding from the Department of Premier and Cabinet for staff wages for 7 months to the end of June 2020 it requires additional funding for programs and operations to maintain some of the programs currently active.

Himilo is seeking financial support from Council to help the group maintain services for the remainder of this financial year. Specifically, Himilo is seeking a total of \$70,000 as follows:

- \$35,000 to maintain current programs and activities to July 2020;
- \$10,000 to cover 6 months' rental charges at Shop 48 to the end of June 2020;
- \$25,000 to pay the balance payment of the Latrobe University Research project into unemployment of Somali Australian Young People.

Ongoing funding provided by various Victorian government departments will continue in the next financial year in order to continue to provide services.

Resolution (CO2020/23)

That Council approve a one off payment of \$70,000 to Banyule Community Health as financial support for Himilo Community Connect to cover costs for programs and operations to July 2020. These funds will be allocated from cash savings identified in the current operational budget forecast.

Moved: Cr Craig Langdon
Seconded: Cr Tom Melican

CARRIED

4. PLANET – ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Nil

5. PLACE – SUSTAINABLE AMENITY AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT**5.1 BELLFIELD COMMUNITY HUB CONCEPT PLAN**

Glenise Michaelson, Emma Samuel spoke to the item.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has committed to the design and construction of Bellfield Community Hub on the site of the former Banksia La Trobe Secondary College site.

The proposed Bellfield Community Hub will provide the Banyule community with key council services and community spaces in one integrated location to facilitate social interaction, community presence and convenience for residents. It will include children's rooms, social support, maternal and child health suites, consulting suites, community meeting rooms, an adult education space, a community garden, outdoor spaces, landscaping and car parking. In September 2019 Council appointed K20 Architecture to design the Bellfield Community Hub.

From September to December 2019 consultation was carried out with internal user groups, the Project Reference Group and local community, via Shaping Banyule, direct mail outs, drop in session and internal meetings.

Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) components of the project will be designed to a 6 Star Green Star Design Assessment (not certified) with solar panels and solar hot water, sub-metering, water harvesting, grey water use, building sealing, energy efficient lighting, natural day light, recycled materials, thermal control, acoustic control and natural ventilation among other initiatives being investigated.

There are opportunities with the delivery of this new hub to create local job and training outcomes. This includes a social enterprise café, and sustainable procurement of building maintenance, cleaning, landscaping and other required services.

A Draft Concept Plan has been developed.

It is anticipated that the project construction will commence in September 2020.

Resolution (CO2020/24)

That Council:

1. Notes the progress on the concept design and plan for the Bellfield Community Hub and endorses the inclusion of the following council services and provisions in the new hub:
 - a. Kindergarten and children's services
 - b. Maternal and Child Health
 - c. Social Support
 - d. Community rooms including adult education room
 - e. Community garden
 - f. Café
 - g. Consulting rooms
 - h. Staff areas
 - i. Car Parking

2. Commence exploration of:
 - a. building maintenance, cleaning, landscaping and other procurement opportunities within the Bellfield Community Hub that also positively contribute to social, economic and/or environmental outcomes.
 - b. leasing the Bellfield Kiosk to a social enterprise for the purposes of operating a new social enterprise café to provide training and employment outcomes for local residents.

Moved: Cr Craig Langdon

Seconded: Cr Peter Castaldo

CARRIED

5.2 HURSTBRIDGE LINE DUPLICATION - STAGE 2 - UPDATE

Kevin Biaggini spoke to the item.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In May 2019 the Level Crossing Removal Project (LXRP) announced the upgrade of the Hurstbridge Railway line between Greensborough and Eltham. In Banyule the project will include:

- A new Station at Greensborough.
- An upgrade of Montmorency Station.
- 3km of track duplication Greensborough to Montmorency.
- Additional commuter parking at both Greensborough (100 spaces) and Montmorency (30 spaces) Stations.
- increased frequency of train services

Construction is scheduled to commence in late 2020 and be completed by the end of 2022.

Advice was provided in early January 2020 that a planning scheme amendment was being prepared and that consultation with both Council and the Banyule community would inform this process. The month long consultation is currently underway and will run until 28 February 2020.

Unexpectedly, Amendment VC170 was gazetted and came in to effect on 31 January 2020. It has introduced Clause 52.03 - Level Crossing Removal Project across all planning schemes in Victoria. This has removed the need for each LXRP project to go through a separate planning scheme amendment process and places the authority for planning approvals for all future LXRP projects with the Minister of Planning.

LXRP has confirmed that the consultation will continue as planned but now the report containing feedback will be provided to the Minister as set out in Amendment VC170 rather than be input into a planning scheme amendment process. This is considered to be a reduced opportunity for community and Council input in to the project.

In December 2019, Council adopted a list of urban design principles for the HB2 Project (Resolution CO2019/268). These were developed following a review of the relevant Council strategies to create a set of urban design and environmental principles to assist in responding to draft Urban Design Guidelines (version C) which were prepared by LXRP for this project.

A comprehensive response was provided to LXRP in late December 2019, titled "Banyule City Council - Hurstbridge 2 - Urban Design Response - December 2019" as attached.

The response highlighted, at a strategic level, how misaligned Government policy and actual delivery has become in this instance. The State is choosing to ignore critically important precinct-wide opportunities at Greensborough and Montmorency that its own policy argues for.

Instead, LXRP has adopted a narrow, single-purpose, outcome focused on service frequency. However, new stations have a significant role in place making and urban renewal and require considered design to be undertaken in partnership with Council and other stakeholders. The State's current approach will likely see many unrealised opportunities under the proposed design guidelines and leave an enduring legacy that will fail to correct many of the existing connectivity issues that will bring about whole-of-transport system improvements.

Advocacy should continue for the inclusion of a bus interchange at Greensborough Station, a shared path from Greensborough to Eltham and the urban design and environmental principles being implemented in the project.

Involvement will be maintained in the various stages of planning, design and construction of the project.

Resolution (CO2020/25)

That Council:

1. Advocates for optimal urban design outcomes as set out in the Banyule City Council – Urban Design Response – December 2019 including:
 - a. A multi-modal transport interchange at Greensborough Station paired with a bus services review.
 - b. The inclusion of a shared use path within the rail corridor connecting existing local paths and access to the stations.
 - c. High quality station precincts with civic appeal and enhanced public realm.
 - d. Montmorency Station Forecourt extended to include the intersection of Station, Binns and Were Street to enhance Were Street as a destination for events and create a multi-functional space that can be used by the community.
 - e. Minimised loss of vegetation and mitigate the impacts of screening removal from the heavily treed interface to the rail corridor.
 - f. Increase the provision of commuter parking on the Hurstbridge Railway Line at the most appropriate park and ride facility at Watsonia Railway Station.
 - g. Permeability and enhanced access between affected stations and their residential, commercial and education precincts.
2. Writes to the Minister for Planning, Minister for Transport Infrastructure and local members of parliament to:
 - a. Request meetings to discuss the importance of including the projects and elements as set out in point 1 above.
 - b. Express Council's disappointment in:
 - i. Not being informed of the development of Amendment VC170 prior to its gazettal.
 - ii. Losing the opportunity for Council and the Banyule community to provide submissions to the planning scheme amendment process for Hurstbridge Rail Duplication Stage 2.
 - c. Seek assurance that feedback from the Banyule community and Council consultation as required in Amendment VC170 will be incorporated into the project design.
3. Write to LXRP requesting a meeting as soon as practical to discuss the potential impacts and interruptions to the existing rail service.

Moved: Cr Mark Di Pasquale
Seconded: Cr Tom Melican

CARRIED

5.3 21 – 25 BELLEVUE AVENUE, ROSANNA – PROPOSED CHILD CARE CENTRE – P954/2019

Bruce Keen, Joseph Giardina, John Crawford, Kevin Biaggini, and Helen Crawford spoke to the item.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposal is for the use and development of a child care centre, reduction in standard parking requirements and display of advertising signage on land at 21 – 25 Bellevue Avenue, Rosanna.

The Child Care Centre is proposed to accommodate 126 children with the hours of operation proposed as 6:30am – 6:30pm, Monday - Friday. The proposed double storey building is of a contemporary design with an overall height of 10.23 metres. The building includes an upper level outdoor play space area with two car parking areas providing 25 spaces in total. The number of car parks proposed is two spaces short of the standard car parking rates of the Banyule Planning Scheme.

Public notification of the application was undertaken and 13 objections have been received. A community consultation meeting was held on 31 January 2020. Concerns regarding traffic, noise and parking have been raised.

The Child Care Centre is supported due to the previous non-residential use of the site, its location in an accessible area near the Rosanna Activity Centre and with good access to services and transport which are key consideration under Clause 22.04 – Non Residential Use and Development in Residential Zones Policy.

It is suggested that the reduction to the standard car rate can be supported subject to the installation of car parking restrictions along the Bellevue Avenue frontage of the subject site. The parking restrictions would provide for drop off parking for the childcare centre during peak times and also improve parking opportunities for residents and visitors during the day. Alternatively, a condition could be included which reduces the capacity of the child care centre by eight children so that the car standard parking rate is complied with.

The proposal provides an appropriately located childcare facility for the Rosanna community and should be supported, subject to conditions.

Resolution (CO2020/26)

That Council having complied with Section 52, 58, 60, 61 and 62 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 resolve to issue Refusal to Grant a Planning Permit in respect of Application No. P954/2019 for Use and Develop the land for a Child Care Centre, reduction in standard parking requirements and display of Advertising Signage at 21 – 25 Bellevue Avenue, ROSANNA on the following grounds:

Strategic context

1. The site is not considered appropriate for the use and development of a child care centre as it fails to comply with the Primary and Specific Location, Siting and Design, Traffic and Car-parking Criteria of Clause 22.04 - Non-Residential Use and Development in Residential Zones Policy and is contrary to Clause 32.08 – General Residential Zone of the Banyule Planning Scheme.

Residential Amenity

2. The use would have an adverse impact upon local residential amenity by reason of noise and disturbance contrary to Clauses 21.04 – Land Use, 22.04 - Non-Residential Use and Development in Residential Zone Policy and Clause 32.08 – General Residential Zone of the Banyule Planning Scheme.

Open space/landscaping

3. Inadequate space has been provided throughout the development to provide canopy tree planting and landscaping to adequately soften views of the development from the street and neighbouring land and assist with noise attenuation contrary to Clauses 21.04 – Land Use, 21.06 – Built Environment, 22.02 – Residential Neighbourhood Character Policy and 22.04 - Non-Residential Use and Development in Residential Zone Policy.

Car parking

4. Inadequate car parking space has been provided to serve the development contrary to Clause 52.06 – Car Parking of the Banyule Planning Scheme.

Advertising Signage

5. The impact of internally illuminated signage on the amenity of nearby residents and the area contrary to Clause 52.05 – Signs.

Moved: Cr Tom Melican

Seconded: Cr Peter Castaldo

CARRIED

6. PARTICIPATION – COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITY LIFE

Nil

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8.25pm to allow members of the public to leave the Chamber.

The meeting resumed at 8.30pm.

7. PERFORMANCE - USE OUR RESOURCES WISELY**7.1 CONTRACT AWARD 1022-2020 CONSTRUCTION OF OLYMPIC PARK STAGE 2
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report is to consider the awarding of Contract No 1022-2020 for "Construction of Olympic Park Redevelopment - Stage 2".

Banyule City Council is proposing to construct Stage 2 of the Olympic Park Precinct Master Plan. Stage 2 consists of a synthetic warm up pitch, car parks, play space, Olympic Memorial Garden, lighting upgrades including car park lighting, path lighting and Main Pitch lighting.

Tenders were advertised in The Age and on Council's website. During this period thirty eight (38) companies downloaded the tender documents and five (5) submissions were received by the closing time.

Following an extensive tender and evaluation process, the Tender Evaluation Panel has recommended awarding the contract to Turf One Pty Ltd in accordance with the tender and conditions as determined by Council.

Resolution (CO2020/27)

That:

1. Contract No. '1022-2020' for 'Construction of Olympic Park Stage 2' be awarded to Turf One Ltd Pty for \$4,029,055.70 (ex. G.S.T).
2. The Director of Assets and City Services be authorised to sign the contract and any other associated documents.

Moved: Cr Craig Langdon
Seconded: Cr Rick Garotti

CARRIED

7.2 QUARTERLY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT - FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

Kevan Hill and Katie George spoke to the item.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Quarterly Financial Management Report for December 2019 is presented in accordance with section 138 of the *Local Government Act 1989* which requires reporting to Council on the budgeted revenue and expenditure for the financial year with the actual revenue and expenditure to date.

Operating Surplus – As at 31 December 2019

Year to date (YTD) operating surplus is **\$3.715m** favourable to budget (77% of this favourable variance has been generated from income).

Banyule City Council has forecast to deliver an operating surplus of **\$8.350m** for the year ended 2019/2020. This is \$2.362m favourable to the adopted budget of \$5.988m. The significant components of this variance are:

- Unanticipated continuation of operating grants funding for the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) – \$0.893m.
- Higher user fees and charges income resulting from the higher usage volume and pricing of commercial activities from the services of Transfer Station, Ivanhoe Aquatic Centre, and Parking Meter Services etc. (\$1.375m in total).
- Other capital grants funding and contributions income, \$1.489m in total, associated with the council's 4 year capital program.

partly offset by:

- A reduction in interest income, \$0.594m, as a result of unfavourable market conditions expected for the remaining financial year contributing to lower RBA interest rates.
- Last year's carried forward expenditure associated with both initiative projects and unexpended grants, \$0.832m in total, is committed to be spent within this financial year as confirmed by business areas.
- Additional agency costs of \$0.178m will be committed to support the Banyule Service Promise initiative, which aims to reduce customer wait time.

The 2019/20 underlying operating result is forecast to be **\$0.296m** in deficit against a budgeted underlying operating deficit of **\$1.194m**. This underlying result is determined after adjusting for non-recurrent capital grants and capital contributions of \$8.636m.

Capital Works Performance

As at 31 December 2019 a total of **\$21.323m** has been spent on capital works. The forecast for capital works expenditure is forecast to be **\$76.179m** including \$10.880m of carry forwards projects from previous financial year. The adopted 2019/20 capital budget is **\$64.345m**.

Resolution (CO2020/28)

That Council note:

1. The Quarterly Financial Management Report for the period 31 December 2019.
2. The forecast to deliver an operating surplus of \$8.350m against the adopted budget of \$5.988m for the year ended 30 June 2020.
3. The identified deferred / not required projects for the 2019/20 Capital Works Programs:

Deferred

- Lower Plenty Road Catchment - Main Road (Project)
- St Helena Catchment - Hydraulic Analysis
- Lower Plenty drain catchment - Main Road Construction Stage 2
- Bonds Road, Lower Plenty - Installation of Seven Sets of Road Cushions
- De Winton Reserve - Cricket Nets Renewal - Construction
- Rosanna Tennis Club Upgrade - Design
- De Winton Park - Irrigation & Drainage

Not Required

- Bellfield Community Centre - air conditioning replacement
- Greenhills Pre School - air conditioning replacement
- Binnak Park Pavilion Upgrade - Design

Moved: Cr Rick Garotti

Seconded: Cr Tom Melican

CARRIED

7.3 ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Under the Local Government Act 1989 an Assembly of Councillors is defined as:

*A meeting of an advisory committee of the Council, if at least one Councillor is present or;
A planned or scheduled meeting of at least half of the Councillors and one member of Council staff which considers matters that are intended or likely to be:*

- a) *the subject of a decision of the Council or;*
- b) *subject to the exercise of a function, duty or power of the Council that has been delegated to a person or committee.*

In accordance with Section 80A of the Local Government Act 1989 Council is required to report as soon as possible to an Ordinary Meeting of Council a record of any assemblies of Councillors held. Below is the latest listing of notified assemblies of Councillors held at Banyule City Council.

RECORD OF ASSEMBLIES

1	Date of Assembly:	28 January 2020, 6.00pm
	Type of Meeting:	Councillor Briefing
	Matters Considered:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yarra Plenty Regional Library - Opening Hours • Economic Development • Bellfield Community Hub • Finance & Capital Works Update (Budget) • North East Link Project 	
Councillors Present:		
Peter Castaldo Alison Champion Mark Di Pasquale Rick Garotti Craig Langdon Tom Melican Wayne Philips		
Staff Present:		
Allison Beckwith - <i>Chief Executive Officer</i> Geoff Glynn – <i>Director Assets & City Services</i> Marc Giglio – <i>Director Corporate Services</i> Scott Walker – <i>Director City Development</i> Lisa Raywood – <i>Acting Director Community Programs</i> Kerryn Woods – <i>Executive & Councillors Team Leader</i> Darren Bennett – <i>Manager Environment & Place</i> Tania O'Reilly – <i>Manager Finance & Procurement</i> James Kelly – <i>Manager Delivery & Assets</i> Erica Hardie – <i>Economic Development Coordinator</i> Michelle Isherwood - <i>Economic Development Officer</i> Daniela Ahimastos - <i>Economic Development Officer</i> Jacqui Stephenson – <i>Senior Project Manager</i>		

Others Present:	
Jane Cowell – Chief Executive Officer, Yarra Plenty Regional Library	
Conflict of Interest:	NIL

2	Date of Assembly:	3 February 2020, 5.25pm
	Type of Meeting:	Councillor Briefing
Matters Considered:		
Items on the Council Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of 3 February 2020 (excluding confidential items) as listed below:		
2.1 11 Macorna Street Watsonia North - Objection to Proposed Development		
2.2 Request for Installation of a Skate Park in Heidelberg		
5.1 North East Link - Minister for Planning Assessment of Environmental Effects		
5.2 240 Southern Road, HEIDELBERG WEST - Olympic Park Redevelopment (P956/2019)		
5.3 17 - 19 Ester Street, GREENSBOROUGH - Additions to an Existing Preschool and Maternal and Child Health Centre (P1187/2019)		
5.4 Duplex (Two Dwellings Side by Side) Development Guidelines for the Postcode 3081 Area		
5.5 Development Planning Activities Report (July - December 2019)		
5.6 Planning Fees & Charges		
6.1 Advisory Committees' Report		
6.2 Nominations for Casual Vacancies on Banyule Advisory Committees		
7.1 Council Elections 2020		
7.2 Report on Property Transactions for the Six Months Ending 31 December 2019		
7.3 Assembly of Councillors		
7.4 Award of Contract No 1004-2020 "Construction of Kalparrin Gardens Shared Pathway"		
7.5 Award of Contract No 1009-2019 "Changeroom and Pavilion Upgrade at De Winton Reserve"		
7.6 Award of Contract No NR-2019-42 "Provision of Cleaning Services - Northern Region Collaboration"		
7.7 Award of Contract No PA 2103-0839 "Multi Function Devices (Hardware & Software) and Managed Services"		
7.8 Award of Contract No PA 2110-0503 "Supply of Mobile Bins"		
7.9 Audit & Risk Advisory Committee Minutes - 13 September 2019		
9.1 Review of Council Waste Services for all Rated Properties		
Councillors Present:		
Peter Castaldo		
Alison Champion		
Mark Di Pasquale – Arrived at 6:30pm		
Rick Garotti		
Craig Langdon – Arrived at 5:37pm		
Tom Melican		
Wayne Philips		

Staff Present:	
Allison Beckwith - <i>Chief Executive Officer</i> Geoff Glynn – <i>Director Assets & City Services</i> Marc Giglio – <i>Director Corporate Services</i> Scott Walker – <i>Director City Development</i> Lisa Raywood – <i>Acting Director Community Programs</i> Gina Burden – <i>Manager Governance & Communication</i> Vivien Ferlaino – <i>Governance Coordinator</i> Jonathan Risby – <i>Manager Transport</i> Joel Elbourne – <i>Manager Planning & Building</i> Luca Verduci – <i>Senior Digital Communications Officer</i> David Moon – <i>Development Planning Coordinator</i> Jonatan Atkinson – <i>Development Planner</i>	
Others Present:	
NIL	
Conflict of Interest:	NIL

3	Date of Assembly:	9 February 2020
	Type of Meeting:	Councillor Strategic Planning Session, 10am
Matters Considered:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 year term recap • Financial Sustainability and Long Term Financial Planning • Planning for our future places 		
Councillors Present:		
Peter Castaldo Alison Champion Mark Di Pasquale Rick Garotti - <i>left at 1pm</i> Craig Langdon Tom Melican Wayne Philips		
Staff Present:		
Allison Beckwith - <i>Chief Executive Officer</i> Geoff Glynn – <i>Director Assets & City Services</i> Marc Giglio – <i>Director Corporate Services</i> Scott Walker – <i>Director City Development</i> Lisa Raywood – <i>Acting Director Community Programs</i>		
Others Present:		
Ruth McGowan – Ruth McGowan Pty Ltd		
Conflict of Interest:	NIL	

4	Date of Assembly:	10 February 2020, 6.00pm
	Type of Meeting:	Confidential Councillor Briefing
	Matters Considered:	
	Items on the Council Agenda for the Special Meeting of 10 February 2020 as listed below:	
	9.1 North East Link Environment Effects Statement Report – Legal Advice	
	Councillors Present:	
Peter Castaldo Alison Champion Mark Di Pasquale Rick Garotti Tom Melican Wayne Philips		
Staff Present:		
Allison Beckwith - <i>Chief Executive Officer</i> Geoff Glynn – <i>Director Assets & City Services</i> Marc Giglio – <i>Director Corporate Services</i> Scott Walker – <i>Director City Development</i> Lisa Raywood – <i>Acting Director Community Programs</i> Gina Burden – <i>Manager Governance & Communication</i> Vivien Ferlaino – <i>Governance Coordinator</i> Jonathan Risby – <i>Manager Transport</i>		
Others Present:		
NIL		
Conflict of Interest:	NIL	

5	Date of Assembly:	10 February 2020, 7.27pm
	Type of Meeting:	Councillor Briefing
	Matters Considered:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairperson report on Audit & Risk Advisory Committee Report • Climate Action • Budget update 	
	Councillors Present:	
	Peter Castaldo Alison Champion Mark Di Pasquale Rick Garotti Craig Langdon – Arrived at 7.55pm Tom Melican Wayne Philips	

Staff Present:	
Allison Beckwith - <i>Chief Executive Officer</i> Geoff Glynn – <i>Director Assets & City Services</i> Marc Giglio – <i>Director Corporate Services</i> Scott Walker – <i>Director City Development</i> Lisa Raywood – <i>Acting Director Community Programs</i> Vivien Ferlaino – <i>Governance Coordinator</i> Kerryn Woods – <i>Executive & Councillors Team Leader</i> Darren Bennett – <i>Manager Environment & Place</i> Tania O’Reilly – <i>Manager Finance & Procurement</i> Sian Gleeson – <i>Environment Coordinator</i>	
Others Present:	
Irene Irvine (Chairperson from the Audit & Risk Advisory Committee)	
Conflict of Interest:	NIL

Resolution (CO2020/29)

That the Assembly of Councillors report be received.

Moved: Cr Craig Langdon

Seconded: Cr Mark Di Pasquale

CARRIED

7.4 AUDIT & RISK ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES - 6 DECEMBER 2019

Kevan Hill spoke to the item.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Audit & Risk Advisory Committee is an Advisory Committee whose role is determined by the *Local Government Act 1989*. The responsibilities and terms of reference of the Audit & Risk Advisory Committee are defined in the Committee's Charter.

The Minutes of the meeting of the Audit & Risk Advisory Committee are required to be reported to a Council Meeting. Consequently, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 9 December 2019 are being circulated, subject to confirmation by Council at its meeting.

Resolution (CO2020/30)

That Council consider the Minutes, subject to confirmation, of the Audit & Risk Advisory Committee meeting which was held on the 6 December 2019.

Moved: Cr Rick Garotti

Seconded: Cr Mark Di Pasquale

CARRIED

8. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS

Nil

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10. GENERAL BUSINESS**10.1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THANKS TO COUNCIL**

Cr Rick Garotti advised that he had completed and successfully graduated from the Australian Institute of Company Directors course. He extended his thanks and appreciation to Council for allowing him to complete the course. Cr Garotti highlighted key learnings from the course.

10.2 VIEWBANK VENTURERS

Cr Alison Champion acknowledged the attendance of members of the Scouts at the Council meeting and spoke of the great work undertaken and contribution the Scouts make to the community.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**Resolution (CO2020/31)**

That the Meeting be adjourned for Public Question Time.

Moved: Cr Craig Langdon

Seconded: Cr Tom Melican

CARRIED

The Meeting adjourned for the Public Question Time at 8.55pm.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

1	<p>Name & Suburb</p> <p>Chi Yeo - Ivanhoe</p>
	<p>Question:</p> <p>Is It possible to redesign and develop the intersection between Ivanhoe parade and Upper Heidelberg Road before completing of the construction of Ivanhoe library to improve the accessibility and mobility of vehicles and public transport to Ivanhoe library and car parks? Currently there is no traffic light in this intersection, is it possible for Banyule City Council to develop a proposal and contact Vicroads to discuss the feasibility of improving this intersection?</p>
	<p>Response:</p> <p><i>Scott Walker – Director City Development</i></p> <p>There were no works identified or planned at this intersection as part of the Ivanhoe Structure Plan or the library redevelopment. Council will continue to monitor and appropriately respond to any changes in traffic levels or safety issues at this intersection and if identified, advocate to the Department of Transport (VicRoads) for changes.</p>

2	<p>Name & Suburb</p> <p>Emma Samuel – Ivanhoe</p>
	<p>Question:</p> <p>What action has been undertaken by Council against the infestation of Queensland Fruit Fly in Greensborough?</p>
	<p>Response:</p> <p><i>Lisa Raywood – Acting Director Community Programs</i></p> <p>The Department of Agriculture is the lead government agency responsible for overseeing the control and management of the Queensland Fruit Fly within Victoria.</p> <p>Council has been working with Agriculture Victoria & Nillumbik Shire to come up with a response to this infestation and are aware that it is very wide spread. Council held a community workshop last week (Monday 17th) to help residents identify and control the spread of Queensland Fruit Flies.</p> <p>For residents who grow fruit within Banyule, information is available on the Department of Agriculture’s website outlining actions that can be taken to protect your fruit, in addition we now have information booklets available at service centres.</p>

3	<p>Name & Suburb</p> <p>David Mulholland – Heidelberg Heights</p>
	<p>Question:</p> <p>Will Banyule Council support a total ban on the consumption of alcohol on Council meeting nights in line with the MAV policy and as adopted by Nillumbik Shire Council?</p>
	<p>Response:</p> <p><i>Marc Giglio – Director Corporate Services</i></p> <p>Council will be required to review and adopt a number of new policies with the introduction of the new Local Government Act. This issue will be considered at this time and will take into consideration the recent reports from the Integrity agencies and model policies.</p> <p>It is noted that Nillumbik will consider a Notice of Motion at its Council meeting on Tuesday 25 February 2020, and has not adopted a policy at this point in time.</p>

4	<p>Name & Suburb</p> <p>Kevin Biaggini – Ivanhoe</p>
	<p>Question:</p> <p>Will Council categorically deny that they will not introduce a fortnightly garbage collection as has been proposed by Hobsons Bay CC and Yarra CC?</p>
	<p>Response:</p> <p><i>Geoff Glynn – Director Assets & City Services</i></p> <p>Council provides a waste and recycling service that is highly rated in importance and satisfaction by the Banyule community.</p> <p>Council is committed to continuing to provide these services that meet the requirements of the Banyule community while meeting Council's environmental objectives.</p> <p>Council has made no decisions to move from a weekly to a fortnightly garbage service</p> <p>In breaking news today, the Premier has made an announcement with massive overhaul of the state's waste and recycling system to reduce waste going to landfill by 80 per cent in ten years..</p> <p>Key components include the introduction of a container deposit scheme and providing households a new fourth bin.</p> <p>Once we have more detail from the government, we will be reporting back to council.</p>

5	<p>Name & Suburb</p> <p>Kevan Hill – Ivanhoe</p>
	<p>Question:</p> <p>A series of questions were asked relating to the property valuation service which was taken over by the State Government last year and the subsequent impact that has had on the employment of council valuers?</p>
	<p>Response:</p> <p><i>Scott Walker – Director City Development</i></p> <p>Council has a Senior Valuations Officer who is responsible for undertaking non-statutory valuation functions within Council, including valuing all non-rateable Council assets, assisting with open space contributions, completing supplementary valuations and providing general valuation advice to the Strategic Property team and wider organisation.</p> <p>This was a new position included in the 2019-2020 budget to meet Council responsibilities.</p> <p>The appointment to the position is a former employee.</p> <p>The redundancies associated with the former valuations team in 2018 were fully funded by the State Government.</p>

The Public Question Time concluded at 9.02pm.

Closure of Meeting

The Meeting was closed at 9.02pm.

DATED: DAY OF 2020

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MAYOR

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, 16 March 2020.