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BRIEFING COMMITTEE

Councillors,

In accordance with section 367 of the Local Government Act, 1993 notice is hereby given that a Briefing Committee Meeting will be held on:

DATE: Tuesday 18 October 2022

TIME: Following the Public Voice Committee

VENUE: Council Chambers
Level 1
City Administration Centre
12 Stewart Avenue
Newcastle West NSW 2302

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Chief Executive Officer

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BRIEFING COMMITTEE REPORTS

**ITEM-4 BR 18/10/22 - ORIGIN ENERGY HYDROGEN HUB PROJECT
FOR KOORAGANG ISLAND**

**REPORT BY: PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT
CONTACT: INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PLANNING &
 ENVIRONMENT/ INTERIM MANAGER PLANNING
 TRANSPORT & REGULATION**

PURPOSE

Origin Energy has requested the opportunity to present to Council on a proposed hydrogen facility on a site off Greenleaf Road on Kooragang. The Hunter Valley Hydrogen Hub will produce 'green hydrogen' from a number of large-scale electrolysis modules, supplied by grid connected renewable electricity and locally sourced recycled water.

Orica has also requested the opportunity to present to Council and will outline how its Kooragang Island facility could utilise 'green hydrogen' from the hub to manufacture ammonia. The company will also discuss how the proposed project aligns with its ambitious decarbonisation strategy and the important role its ammonia plant would play in supporting investment in the Hunter's hydrogen economy.

BACKGROUND

Further information regarding the proposed hydrogen hub is available on Origin's website at <https://www.originhydrogen.com.au/>.

RECOMMENDATION

The briefing be received.