Minutes

Briefing Committee Meeting



Council Chamber, Level 1, City Administration Centre, 12 Stewart Avenue, Newcastle West, Tuesday 16 May 2023 at 6.03 pm.

1. ATTENDANCE

The Lord Mayor (Councillor N Nelmes), Councillors E Adamczyk, J Barrie, J Church, D Clausen, C Duncan, J Mackenzie, C McCabe, C Pull, D Richardson, K Wark, P Winney-Baartz and M Wood.

J Bath (Chief Executive Officer), D Clarke (Executive Director Corporate Services), J Rigby (Executive Director City Infrastructure), M Bisson (Interim Executive Director Planning and Environment), E Kolatchew (Executive Manager Legal and Governance), S Moore (Executive Manager Finance, Property and Performance), P Emmett (Development Assessment Section Manager), D McGovern (Acting Executive Manager Community and Recreation), N Kaiser (Interim Executive Manager Media Engagement Economy & Corporate Affairs), M Brooks (Corporate Planning & Performance Manager), A Jones (Director & Interim Manager Waste Services), M Murray (Chief of Staff), L Barnao (Councillor Services/Meetings Support), Warren Haddock (AV/Information Technology Support).

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Lord Mayor read the message of acknowledgement to the Awabakal and Worimi peoples.

3. PRAYER

The Lord Mayor read a prayer and a period of silence was observed in memory of those who served and died so that Council might meet in peace.

4. APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE / REQUEST TO ATTEND BY AUDIOVISUAL LINK

Nil apologies.

MOTION

Moved by Cr Barrie, seconded by Cr McCabe.

The request to attend by audio visual link submitted on behalf of Councillor Wood be received and granted.

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5. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Nelmes declared a non-pecuniary significant interest in item 6.2 – Inland Pools Strategy 2043 stating that she has been invited to the Asset Advisory Committee meeting on Thursday 18 May where an update on the tender for the management of that process will occur. If the briefing moves into discussion about the tender for the operation of the pools, she would manage the interest by leaving the Chamber.

6. REPORTS

6.1. HUNTERNET BRIEFING - INDUSTRY CLUSTERS

Ivan Waterfield, Chief Executive Officer, HunterNet, briefed Council on its background and continued business advocacy and key industry clusters which include Defence, Energy, Manufacturing, Infrastructure, Environment, Export, Medtech and Agriculture.

6.2. INLAND POOLS STRATEGY 2043

Donna McGovern, Acting Executive Manager Community and Recreation, presented findings from community and stakeholder consultation on the draft Inland Pools Strategy 2043 – Our plan for protecting and improving Newcastle's public pools for the next 20 years.

The meeting concluded at 7.15 pm.

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