

## CITY OF NEWCASTLE

**Minutes of the Public Voice Committee Meeting held in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor City Hall, 290 King Street, Newcastle on 20 February 2018 at 5.30pm.**

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### **PRESENT**

The Lord Mayor (Councillor N Nelmes), Councillors M Byrne, J Church, D Clausen, C Duncan, J Dunn, K Elliott, B Luke, J Mackenzie, A Robinson, A Rufo, E White and P Winney-Baartz.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

J Bath (Chief Executive Officer), A Baxter (Interim Director Corporate Services), K Liddell (Director Infrastructure), P Chrystal (Director Planning and Regulatory), E Kolatchew (Interim Manager Legal and Governance), M Blackburn-Smith (Manager Development and Building), M Murray (Policy Officer), B Johnson (Media Officer), A Knowles (Council Services/Minutes) and J Redriff (Council Services/Webcast).

### **MESSAGE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

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

### **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.

### **APOLOGIES**

Nil.

### **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

The Lord Mayor called for declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests.

#### **Councillor Luke**

Councillor Luke declared a non-pecuniary, significant conflict of interest in Item 2 DA2017/00253 - 39 Scenic Drive Merewether as he was approached by an objector who was known to him and managed the conflict by removing himself from the Chamber during the presentation on the item.

#### **Councillor Rufo**

Councillor Rufo declared a non-pecuniary, significant conflict of interest in Item 2 DA2017/00253 - 39 Scenic Drive Merewether, as Councillor Rufo had close relationships with objectors to the Development Application and managed the conflict by removing himself from the Chamber during the presentation on the item.

#### **Councillor Elliott**

Councillor Elliott declared a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 3 - DA2017/00436 - 13 Andrea Close Wallsend as Councillor Elliott resided within the vicinity and remained in the Chamber for the presentation.

## **PUBLIC VOICE SESSIONS**

**ITEM-1**                    **PV 20/02/18 - DA 2017/00789 - 9 BELFORD STREET, BROADMEADOW - ALTERATIONS TO BUILDING FOR CHANGE OF USE TO DWELLING, ERECTION OF FIVE THREE STOREY ATTACHED DWELLINGS ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS AND ONE LOT INTO SIX LOT SUBDIVISION**

Mr Paul Shearston and Ms Amanda Hinds outlined their objections to the development application.

Mr Wade Morris (SNL Building Constructions P/L) and Mr Warrant Haasnoot, Architect, on behalf of the applicant addressed Council in support of the Development Application.

Councillor Luke and Councillor Rufo removed themselves from the Chamber at 6:05pm prior to the next agenda item.

**ITEM-2**                    **PV 20/02/18 - DA 2017/00253 - 39 SCENIC DRIVE MEREWETHER - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO DWELLING**

Mr George Angus and Mr Graeme Vennell addressed Council and outlined their objections to the development application.

Mr Stephen Barr (Bar Property and Planning) and Mr Andrew Doring (Doring Design) addressed Council on behalf of the applicant in support of the development application.

Councillor Luke and Councillor Rufo returned to the Chamber at 6.37pm at the conclusion of the agenda item.

**ITEM-3**                    **PV 20/02/18 - DA 2017/00436 - 13 ANDREA CLOSE WALLSEND - DEMOLITION OF DWELLING AND OUTBUILDING, ERECTION OF FIVE ATTACHED TWO-STOREY DWELLINGS AND ASSOCIATED SITE WORK**

Ms Sue Robinson and Mr John Watson both addressed Council and outlined their objections to the development application.

Mr Matthew Brown (Director Perception Planning P/L) and Mr Chris White (Kingston Properties) addressed Council on behalf of the applicant in support of the development application.

**ITEM-4**

**PV 20/02/18 - DA 2016/01401 - 21 PARNELL PLACE  
NEWCASTLE EAST - ALTERATIONS TO BUILDING FOR  
ADAPTIVE RE-USE TO RESIDENTIAL FLAT BUILDING (23  
UNITS) AND ASSOCIATED CAR PARKING**

Ms Susan Gray addressed Council and outlined her objection to the development application.

Mr Jason Harman (Land Development Solutions P/L) and Mr Barney Collins, Architect (EJE Architecture) both addressed Council in support of the application.

**The meeting concluded at 7.44pm**