

CITY OF NEWCASTLE

Minutes of the Public Voice Committee Meeting held in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor City Hall, 290 King Street, Newcastle on Tuesday 4 December 2018 at 5.35pm.

PRESENT

Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor D Clausen), Councillors M Byrne, J Church, C Duncan, K Elliott, B Luke, J Mackenzie, A Robinson (arrived 5.46pm), A Rufo, E White (arrived 5.40pm) and P Winney-Baartz.

IN ATTENDANCE

J Bath (Chief Executive Officer), D Clarke (Director Governance), K Liddell (Director Infrastructure and Property and Interim Director Strategy and Engagement), F Leatham (Interim Director People and Culture), A Murphy (Director City Wide Services), J Vescio (Executive Officer, Chief Executive Office and Acting Manager Corporate and Community Planning), E Kolatchew (Manager Legal), M Bisson (Manager Regulatory, Planning and Assessment), M Murray (Policy Officer, Lord Mayor's Office), A Knowles (Council Services/Minutes) and K Sullivan (Council Services/Webcast).

PRAYER

The Deputy 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.

MESSAGE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

APOLOGIES

MOTION

Moved by Cr Luke, seconded by Cr Duncan

The apologies submitted on behalf of the Lord Mayor, Councillor Nelmes and Councillor Dunn be received and leaves of absence granted.

Carried

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Councillor Winney-Baartz

Councillor Winney-Baartz declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant interest in Item 1 - DA2018/00948 - 25 Marshall Street, New Lambton Heights as she had from time to time worked at the adjacent property and stated that she would remain in the Chamber for discussion on the item.

Councillor Rufo

Councillor Rufo declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant conflict of interest in Item 1 - DA2018/00948 - 25 Marshall Street, New Lambton Heights stating that he knew a neighbour affected by the development application.

Councillor Elliott

Councillor Elliott declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 1 - DA2018/00948 - 25 Marshall Street, New Lambton Heights as she had been a neighbour of the applicant for a number of years.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Clausen

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Clausen declared a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 1 - DA2018/00948 - 25 Marshall Street, New Lambton Heights stating that he had previously lived across the road from the development and had no financial interest in the property. Councillor Clausen stated he would remain in the Chamber for discussion on the item.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Clausen

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Clausen declared a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 2 - DA2018/00105 - 39 Church Street Mayfield as he had previously lived across the road from the development and had no financial interest in the property. Councillor Clausen stated he would remain in the Chamber for discussion on the item.

PUBLIC VOICE SESSIONS

ITEM-1 PV 04/12/18 - DA2018/00948 - 25 MARSHALL STREET NEW LAMBTON HEIGHTS - DEMOLITION OF DWELLING ERECTION OF FIVE TWO STOREY DWELLINGS

Ms Susan McCarthy and Mr Jason Walpole addressed Council and outlined concerns and objections to the development application.

Councillors White and Robinson arrived during the presentation to Council.

Ms Emma Mason, deWitt Consulting on behalf of the DA applicant addressed Council in support of the development application.

ITEM-2 PV 04/12/18 - DA2018/00105 - 39 CHURCH STREET MAYFIELD - DEMOLITION OF CHURCH BUILDING

Dr Ann Hardy addressed Council and outlined concerns and objections to the development application.

At this stage of the meeting, Councillor Robinson declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in Item 2 - DA2018/00105 - 39 Church Street, Mayfield stating that his children attended the Church located on the site and that he knew the engineer John Burke who was representing the DA applicant.

Mr Barney Collins, EJE Heritage Architecture and Mr John Burke, Burke Engineering on behalf of the DA applicant addressed Council in support of the development application.

The meeting concluded at 6.54pm.