

Minutes

Additional Council Meeting
Monday 5 September 2022 at 4:00 pm

This meeting was held online remotely and was [livestreamed via Council's website](#).

C Lloyd
Chief Executive Officer

Administrators

Lydia Wilson	Chair of Council
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Peita Duncan	Administrator
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Chris Eddy	Administrator
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On 19 June 2020 the Acting Minister for Local Government appointed the Panel of Administrators for the City of Whittlesea and appointed Ms Lydia Wilson as Chair of the Panel. The Panel of Administrators comprises of Ms Lydia Wilson, Ms Peita Duncan and Mr Chris Eddy who will undertake the duties of the Council of the City of Whittlesea until the October 2024 Local Government Election.

Senior Officers

Craig Lloyd	Chief Executive Officer
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Kate McCaughey	Director Community Wellbeing
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Justin O'Meara	Director Planning & Development
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Sarah Renner	Director Customer & Corporate Services
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Debbie Wood	Director Infrastructure & Environment
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Frank Joyce	Executive Manager Governance & Strategy
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Janine Morgan	Executive Manager Public Affairs
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1 Opening

1.1 Meeting Opening and Introductions

The Chair of Council, Ms Lydia Wilson opened the meeting at 4:00pm and introduced the Administrators and Chief Executive Officer:

Administrator, Ms Peita Duncan;
Administrator, Mr Chris Eddy; and
Chief Executive Officer, Mr Craig Lloyd.

The Chief Executive Officer, Craig Lloyd introduced members of the Executive Leadership Team:

Director Community Wellbeing, Ms Kate McCaughey;
Director Planning and Development, Mr Justin O'Meara;
Director Corporate & Customer Services, Ms Sarah Renner;
Director Infrastructure and Environment, Ms Debbie Wood;
Executive Manager Governance and Strategy, Mr Frank Joyce; and
Executive Manager Public Affairs, Ms Janine Morgan.

Following the Introductions, the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Craig Lloyd read the following prayer:

Almighty God, we ask for your blessing upon this council to make informed and good decisions to benefit the people of the City of Whittlesea.

Our father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen

1.2 Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners Statement

The Chair of Council, Ms Lydia Wilson read the following statement:

“On behalf of the City of Whittlesea I recognise the rich Aboriginal heritage of this country and acknowledge the Wurundjeri Willum Clan as the Traditional Owners of this place.

I would also like to personally acknowledge Elders past, present and emerging.”

1.3 Attendance

Members:

Ms Lydia Wilson Chair of Council

Ms Peita Duncan Administrator

Mr Chris Eddy Administrator

Officers:

Craig Lloyd, Chief Executive Officer

Kate McCaughey, Director Community Wellbeing

Sarah Renner, Director Customer & Corporate Services

Debbie Wood, Director Infrastructure & Environment

Justin O'Meara, Director Planning & Development

Frank Joyce, Executive Manager Governance & Strategy

Janine Morgan, Executive Manager Public Affairs

Apologies:

Nil

2 Declarations of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts declared

3 Officers' Reports

3.1 Connected Communities

Nil reports

3.2 Liveable Neighborhoods

Nil reports

3.3 Strong Local Economy

Nil reports

3.4 Sustainable Environment

3.4.1 Draft Sustainable Environment Strategy suite

Responsible Officer	Director Infrastructure & Environment
Author	Danelle Ayres, Acting Unit Manager Sustainable Organisation
In Attendance	Amanda Dodd, Manager Sustainable Environment

Purpose

This report's purpose is to:

1. Endorse the draft Sustainable Environment Strategy (2022-2032) and associated two-year Sustainable Environment Action Plan (2022-2024), and the Climate Change Plan (2022-2032) for the purposes of commencing community consultation
2. Acknowledge and endorse the consultation and engagement plan for the final stage of community consultation prior to adoption

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Review and provide feedback on the draft Sustainable Environment Strategy (2022-2032), the associated Sustainable Environment Action Plan (2022-2024), and the Climate Change Plan (2022-2032)
2. Endorse the draft Sustainable Environment Strategy (2022-2032), the Sustainable Environment Action Plan (2022-2024), and the Climate Change Plan (2022-2032) for the purpose of community consultation
3. Acknowledge and endorse the consultation and engagement plan for the final stage of community consultation on the draft Sustainable Environment Strategy (2022-2032), the Sustainable Environment Action Plan (2022-2024), and the Climate Change Plan (2022-2032)

Council Resolution

Moved: *Chairperson Lydia Wilson*

Seconded: *Administrator Peita Duncan*

THAT Council

1. **Endorse the consultation and engagement plan for the final stage of community consultation on the draft Sustainable Environment Strategy (2022-2032), the Sustainable Environment Action Plan (2022-2024), and the Climate Change Plan (2022-2032)**

- 2. Endorse the draft Sustainable Environment Strategy (2022-2032), the Sustainable Environment Action Plan (2022-2024), and the Climate Change Plan (2022-2032) for the purpose of community consultation**

CARRIED

3.5 High Performing Organisation

3.5.1 Council Meeting Schedule Update

Responsible Officer Executive Manager Governance & Strategy

Author Bineet Gujral, Governance Officer

In Attendance Frank Joyce, Executive Manager Governance & Strategy

Purpose

For Council to confirm a change of location for the upcoming Scheduled Council Meeting on 19 September 2022.

Recommendation

That Council confirms the next Scheduled Council Meeting be held in-person in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, 25 Ferres Boulevard, South Morang on 19 September 2022 at 6.30pm.

Council Resolution

Moved: Administrator Chris Eddy

Seconded: Administrator Peita Duncan

THAT Council adopt the recommendation for item 3.5.1 Council Meeting Schedule Update

CARRIED

4 Confidential Business

Under section 66(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020* a meeting considering confidential information may be closed to the public. Pursuant to sections 3(1) and 66(5) of the Local Government Act 2020.

Council Resolution

Moved: Administrator Peita Duncan

Seconded: Administrator Chris Eddy

THAT the Chair of Council recommends that the meeting be closed to the public for the purpose of considering details relating to the following confidential matters in accordance with Section 66(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 2020* as detailed.

CARRIED

4.1 Confidential Connected Communities

4.1.1 Interim Activation for Mernda Town Centre

Responsible Officer	Director Community Wellbeing
Author	Nicole Wiseman, Coordinator Community Planning
In Attendance	Kate McCaughey, Director Community Wellbeing

This report has been designated as confidential by the Director Community Wellbeing, under delegation from the Chief Executive Officer, in accordance with Rule 53 of the Governance Rules 2021 and sections 66(5) and 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020 on the grounds that it contains Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released. In particular the report contains information regarding financial data that could impact property lease and Section 173 negotiations.

4.2 Confidential Liveable Neighbourhoods

Nil reports

4.3 Confidential Strong Local Economy

Nil reports

4.4 Confidential Sustainable Environment

Nil reports

4.5 Confidential High Performing Organisation

Nil reports

5 Closure

There being no further open business the Chair of Council closed the open portion of the Additional Council Meeting 5 September 2022 at 4:14 PM.

Confirmed this 19th day of September 2022.



Lydia Wilson
Chair of Council