



**MINUTES: 3559th MEETING OF THE NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2010 AT 7.00 PM.**

**PRESENT**

The Mayor, Genia McCaffery, in the Chair, and Councillors Gibson, Christie, Reymond, Marchandeanu, Raymond, Barbour, Zimmerman, Baker, Robjohns, Carland, Burke, Pearson.

At the commencement of business (7 pm) those present were:  
The Mayor, and Councillors Gibson, Christie, Reymond, Marchandeanu, Raymond, Barbour, Zimmerman, Baker, Robjohns, Carland, Burke, Pearson.

The meeting was opened by the Mayor and observed one minute's silent reflection.

**569. Minutes**

The Minutes of the previous 3538th Council (Assessments) Meeting held on Monday, 6 September 2010, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Marchandeanu and seconded by Councillor Barbour.

Voting was as follows: Unanimous

Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman	Y	
Gibson	Y		Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandeanu	Y		Burke	Y	
Raymond	Y		Pearson	Y	
Barbour	Y				

**570. Declarations of Interest**

Nil

## REPORTS

### General

#### 571. **G01: Ratepayers Incentive Draw 2010/2011.**

Report of John Towers, Revenue Services Manager, 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010

Council has for many years offered an incentive scheme for those Ratepayers who have paid their rates in full by the selected date, usually the 31<sup>st</sup> August in the year. This year 12,827 ratepayers of 36,744 paid in full by the relevant date.

**Recommending:**

**THAT** the draw be conducted by the Mayor.

It was moved by Councillor Robjohns and seconded by Councillor Baker and **carried unanimously**

**THAT** the draw for the Rate Incentive Scheme be made at this point

The Mayor thereupon made the draw and the winners were declared as follows:

**THAT** the following residents receive the incentive scheme:

- Siew Chook Dingle of Kirribilli
- Tirandaz Jehangir Kermani & Hoomayun Tirandaz Kermani of Mosman
- William Marcus Loewenthal of McMahons Point
- Anthony John Blondel Scott of East Malvern
- Girgis Nominees (WA) Pty Ltd of Ocean Reef

Voting was as follows:

Unanimous

Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman	Y	
Gibson	Y		Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandea	Y		Burke	Y	
Raymond	Y		Pearson	Y	
Barbour	Y				

#### 572. **G02: Election of Deputy Mayor**

Report of Penny Holloway, General Manager – 8 September 2010

An election to the position of Deputy Mayor is to be conducted for the year from 1 October 2010 to 30 September 2011. Nominations forms have been distributed and the following nominations have been received:

- Councillor Stephen Barbour
- Councillor Michel Reymond

**Recommending:**

**THAT** the election for the position of Deputy Mayor be held.

**RESOLVED:**

**THAT** Councillor Reymond be the Deputy Mayor for the period from 14 September 2010 to 30 September 2011.

Voting was as follows:

For/Against 7/6

Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman		N
Gibson		N	Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandeanu		N	Burke		N
Raymond	Y		Pearson		N
Barbour		N			

### 573. **G03: Appointment of Council Representatives to Committees & Trusts**

Report of Faith Woolacott, Manager Corporate Administration, 6 September 2010

The following Committees and Trusts require Council to nominate representatives:

Crows Nest Centre	3 representatives
Shorelink Committee (Library network)	1 representative & 1 alternative representative
Northern Suburbs Regional Organisation of Councils	The Mayor & 1 representative Plus 1 alternative representative
Nutcote Trust	3 representatives & 1 alternative representative
Sydney Coastal Councils Group	2 representatives
North Sydney Indoor Sports Centre	4 representatives
North Sydney Retirement Trust (James Milson Village)	3 representatives

Representatives for the 2009/2010 year are shown in the body of this report.

#### **Recommending:**

**THAT** Council appoint representatives to the bodies listed above.

#### **RESOLVED:**

**THAT** Council appoint the following representatives

Crows Nest Centre	Councillors Robjohns, Marchandeanu & Zimmerman
Shorelink Committee (Library network)	Councillors Carland & Marchandeanu (alternate)
Northern Suburbs Regional Organisation of Councils	The Mayor, Councillors Barbour & Baker (alternate)
Nutcote Trust	Councillor Robjohns & Reymond
Sydney Coastal Councils Group	Councillors Robjohns, Marchandeanu and Baker
North Sydney Indoor Sports Centre	The Mayor, Councillors Zimmerman, Pearson, & Burke
North Sydney Retirement Trust (James Milson Village)	Councillors Christie, Marchandeanu & Robjohns

**THAT** the Northern Suburbs Regional Organisation of Councils agenda be distributed to all Councillors.

**THAT** a report be submitted regarding the value and cost benefit of having representatives on the Sydney Coastal Councils Group.

**THAT** it be noted that the North Sydney Indoor Sports Centre group meet once a year.  
**THAT** legal advice be circulated to Councillors regarding representatives on Community Centre boards.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Burke and seconded by Councillor Raymond.

Voting was as follows:

Unanimous

Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman	Y	
Gibson	Y		Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandau	Y		Burke	Y	
Raymond	Y		Pearson	Y	
Barbour	Y				

#### 574. **G04: Reconstitution of Council Committees and Reference Groups**

Report of Faith Woolacott, Manager Corporate Administration - 6 September 2010  
 In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practices and Principles and the Charters of individual Committees and Reference Groups, Council is required to reconstitute all Committees and Reference Groups in September each year for the following year from 1 October. At the same time, the Chair of each Committee and Reference Group is elected.

**Recommending:**

**THAT** all existing committees be reconstituted as per the attached list.

**THAT** Council determine the Chairperson of each Committee of Council.

**THAT** Council determine the Chairperson of each Reference Group of Council.

**RESOLVED:**

**THAT** all existing committees be reconstituted as per the attached list.

**THAT** the chairperson of each Committee and Reference Group be as follows:

Committees	Normal Meeting Day	Chair 2010/2011
Legal Services	Monday, 6.00pm	Councillor Carland
Management Services	Monday, 7.00pm	Councillor Carland
Planning & Development	Monday, 6.00pm	The Mayor
Resources Allocation	Tuesday, 6.00pm (once a year)	The Mayor
Traffic	Friday, 10.00am	The Mayor (alternate Councillor Michel Reymond)
Pedestrian & Bicycle Sub-Committees	Friday, 10.00am	Councillor Raymond (Bicycle) & Marchandau (Pedestrian)

Reference Groups	Normal Meeting Day	Chair 2010/11
Access & Community Safety	Thursday, 10.00am	Councillor Marchandau & Christie (alternate)

Reference Groups	Normal Meeting Day	Chair 2010/11
Community Services	Monday, 7.00pm	Councillor Christie
Environmental Services	Monday, 6.00pm	Councillor Gibson
Library, Historical and Cultural Resources Reference Group	Thursday, 6.00pm	Councillor Barbour
North Sydney Sport & Recreation	Tuesday, 6.00pm	Councillor Robjohns

The Motion was moved by Councillor Baker and seconded by Councillor Reymond.

Voting was as follows:

Unanimous

Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman	Y	
Gibson	Y		Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandau	Y		Burke	Y	
Raymond	Y		Pearson	Y	
Barbour	Y				

#### **FURTHER RESOLVED:**

**THAT** a report be submitted to the next Management Services Committee to discuss to following possible changes:

- Councillor budget briefings be formalised into the Resources Allocation Committee which will meet three times a year (March, May & November)
- Bicycle & Pedestrian subcommittee merge with Access & Community Safety Committee
- Creation of a new Sustainability Committee

The Motion was moved by Councillor Robjohns and seconded by Councillor Zimmerman.

Voting was as follows:

Unanimous

Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman	Y	
Gibson	Y		Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandau	Y		Burke	Y	
Raymond	Y		Pearson	Y	
Barbour	Y				

## **Division of Planning & Development Services**

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## **Division of Community & Library Services**

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## Division of Engineering & Property Services

### 575. **EPS01: Council Owned/Leased Properties: Leasing Transactions**

Report of Risha Joseph, Property Officer, 7 September 2010

A report is submitted regarding the proposed leasing transactions for Council owned/leased properties, in respect of the period ending 7 September 2010.

**Recommending:**

**THAT** Council note the proposed leasing transactions, which are detailed in the first column of Attachment A of this report.

**THAT** Council hereby authorises its Official Seal to be affixed to the legal instruments necessary to implement the proposed leasing transaction, which is noted in the first Column of "Attachment A" of this report, under the signature of the Mayor and the General Manager.

**RESOLVED:**

**THAT** the report be adopted

The Motion was moved by Councillor Zimmerman and seconded by Councillor Burke.

Voting was as follows:

Unanimous

Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman	Y	
Gibson	Y		Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandeanu	Y		Burke	Y	
Raymond	Y		Pearson	Y	
Barbour	Y				

### 576. **EPS02: Light-emitting-diode lights**

Report of Albert Lo, Property Asset Manager – 7/9/2010

As requested by Council at its meeting on 19/7/10, this report is prepared to provide Council with more information on the recently developed environmentally friendly light-emitting-diode (LED) lights.

Every time when we have a lighting project (either new work or refurbishment), we will look at different options and choose a best solution in terms of meeting the lighting output requirements, and minimal life cycle costing with good environmental outcomes. North Sydney Council in fact started to use LED lights back in 2007. The first applications were LED down lights in Council Chambers meeting rooms and LED high bay lights in the vehicle shop at Central Depot.

**Recommending:**

**THAT** the report be received.

**RESOLVED:**

**THAT** Albert Lo be congratulated for his work in improving lighting efficiency.  
**THAT** energy efficiency be a primary goal when selecting LED lighting.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Barbour and seconded by Councillor Zimmerman.

Voting was as follows:

Unanimous

Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman	Y	
Gibson	Y		Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandean	Y		Burke	Y	
Raymond	Y		Pearson	Y	
Barbour	Y				

## Division of Open Space & Environmental Services

### 577. **OSSES01: Draft Plan of Management for Neighbourhood Parks**

Report of Megan White, Landscape Planner – 11/08/10

North Sydney Council's Plans of Management are strategic documents that provide a consistent and usable set of guidelines for the effective short and long-term management of all open space owned or under the care, control and management of North Sydney Council. A new draft Plan of Management for Neighbourhood Parks has now been prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993. This document supersedes Council's Neighbourhood Parks Plan of Management 2003.

The new draft Plan of Management for Neighbourhood Parks has been on public exhibition over the months of May and June 2010. In addition to being publicly advertised, hard copies of the draft document were distributed to all Precincts. The public submission period has now closed, and 3 written submissions have been received. This report documents the content of the public submissions and the alterations it is proposed to make as a result of the submissions.

The report also documents major works carried out in the Neighbourhood Parks since the preparation of the previous Neighbourhood Parks Plan of Management in 2003. It sets out the key features of the new draft Plan of Management and lists major projects to be undertaken in coming years.

**Recommending:**

**THAT** Council formally adopt the draft Plan of Management for Neighbourhood Parks.

**RESOLVED:**

**THAT** the draft Plan of Management for Neighbourhood Parks be adopted.

**THAT** Council consider obtaining designs for a bubbler/dog trough concept which would allow overflowing water from the bubbler to be captured in the trough below.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Carland and seconded by Councillor Robjohns.

Voting was as follows:

Unanimous

Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman	Y	
Gibson	Y		Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandeanu	Y		Burke	Y	
Raymond	Y		Pearson	Y	
Barbour	Y				

## PETITIONS

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## CORRESPONDENCE

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## MOTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

### 578. **NoM01: Notice of Motion No. 16/10 by Councillor Reymond – 08/09/10**

**Re: Pruning of Street Trees**

**THAT** Council call for a report on the current practices and procedures adopted by Council in relation to the pruning of street trees where such pruning is made at the request of owners/residents, in which the pruning is carried out by private contractors (as distinct from Council staff) for the purpose of improving views.

By Consent the Motion was amended to read:

**THAT** Council staff respond and address issues regarding pruning of street trees raised by the resident.

The Motion as amended was moved by Councillor Marchandeanu, seconded by Councillor Baker and **carried**.

Voting was as follows:

Unanimous



Councillor	Yes	No	Councillor	Yes	No
McCaffery	Y		Zimmerman	Y	
Gibson	Y		Baker	Y	
Christie	Y		Robjohns	Y	
Reymond	Y		Carland	Y	
Marchandau	Y		Burke	Y	
Raymond	Y		Pearson	Y	
Barbour	Y				

## QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

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## BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE (MATTERS OF URGENCY)

### 579. Shore School & Graythwaite

Councillor Robjohns raised as a matter of urgency regarding Shore School submitting a devolvement application to the Department of Planning for the Graythwaite site which will be considered under Part 3A.

The Mayor ruled the matter be one of great Urgency

#### **RESOLVED:**

**THAT** the Mayor write to the Minister for Planning requesting that the development application be determined by Council as it holds great interest within the local community

The Meeting concluded at 7:45 pm

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CHAIRPERSON

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GENERAL MANAGER