

# CAMDEN COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL

10 JUNE 2008

### PRESENT

Cr Patterson (Mayor/Chairperson), Cr Cagney, Cr Campbell, Cr Dewbery, Cr Elliott, Cr Johnson, Cr Whiteman

### STAFF

General Manager, Acting Director Governance (Manager Strategic Planning), Director Development and Health, Director Works and Services, Manager Corporate Services, Manager Assets, Manager Capital Works, Manager Community Services, Manager Environmentally Sustainable Design, Manager Development, Manager Environment and Health, Manager Employee & Community Relations, Senior Governance Officer.

### **APOLOGIES**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Whiteman, Seconded Councillor Johnson that Councillors Anderson and Funnell be granted a leave of absence.

ORD143/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Resolution: There were no declarations to be noted.

ORD144/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

### **PUBLIC ADDRESSES**

Resolution: Kathy Szaz addressed the Council in relation to Item ORD 01 'Adoption of Draft Environmental Noise Policy'.

Vaughan McInnes addressed the Council in relation to Item ORD 02 'Draft Camden Town Centre Strategy'.

Moved Councillor Whiteman, Seconded Councillor Johnson that the public addresses be noted.

ORD145/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Johnson, Seconded Councillor Whiteman that the

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 27 May 2008, copies of which have been circulated, be confirmed and adopted.

ORD146/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

#### **ORD01 ADOPTION OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL NOISE POLICY**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Johnson, Seconded Councillor Whiteman that Council:

- i. adopt the final draft amendments to the Draft Environmental Noise Policy as detailed in the report provided and adopt the policy known as "Camden Council's Environmental Noise Policy",
- ii provide a suitable written response thanking those persons/ companies who lodged submissions and advising of the outcome, and
- iii. notify the adoption of the new Policy in a local newspaper.

ORD147/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

#### **ORD02 DRAFT CAMDEN TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Johnson, Seconded Councillor Elliott that Council:

- i. Adopt the Camden Town Centre Strategy as amended.
- ii. Commence planning, design and detailed costing of the following projects:
  1. Town Square
  2. Argyle Street Median Upgrade
  3. Pedestrian Information Signs
- iii. Notify and thank those persons who made submissions.
- iv. Notify and thank the lead signatory on the petition.

ORD148/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

#### **ORD03 PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDING REVIEW**

Resolution: **MOTION**

Moved Councillor Elliott, Seconded Councillor Johnson that:

- i. the report be noted;
- ii. a further report analysing the impact of these changes be presented to Council when additional information becomes available; and
- iii. Council write to the Minister for Arts expressing extreme disappointment in the recommendations of the Parry Report, particularly in relation to the real value reduction in the per capita subsidy.

ORD149/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

#### **ORD04 REVIEW OF THE CAMDEN YOUTH CAFÉ**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Johnson, Seconded Councillor Elliott that Council note

the information above.

ORD150/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

**ORD05 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES FUNDING 2008/2009**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Johnson, Seconded Councillor Dewbery that:

- i. Council enter into the agreement with the NSW Department of Community Services for the provision of funds for the Community Project Officer (Children and Families) and Community Project Officer (Generalist) positions; and
- ii. authority be granted for the relevant documentation to be completed under the seal of the Council.

ORD151/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

**ORD06 CULTURAL PLAN 2008 – 2013 - CULTIVATING CREATIVITY IN CAMDEN**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Elliott, Seconded Councillor Cagney that:

- i. Council endorse exhibition of the Draft Cultural Plan 2008–2013 - Cultivating Creativity in Camden for a period of 28 days; and
- ii. a further report be presented following the period of public exhibition.

ORD152/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

**ORD07 CAMDEN AQUATIC CENTRE**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor Johnson that:

- i. Council accept the \$5 million grant from the Australian Government for development of Camden Aquatic Centre; and
- ii. Council authorise the General Manager to negotiate a suitable funding agreement with the Department of Health and Ageing which enables further assessment of project priorities and the operational viability of the centre, or alternative actions, based on the revised project scope and life cycle costs.

ORD153/08 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

**QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

**Narellan Library Café**

Clr Elliott asked could Council investigate the possibility of issuing an Expression of Interest document rather than calling for formal Tenders on this matter to gauge responses, on the basis of the cost involved in calling for Tenders.

**Fairfax Reserve, Harrington Park**

Clr Dewbery requested an update on the request by letter from the AFL using Fairfax Reserve in relation to lighting and rental of the ground.

The Director of Works and Services stated research has been conducted relating to the lighting and there seemed to be an understanding between the original developer and Council and the matter is still being investigated. In relation to the rental issue, a copy of the letter from the AFL is required to follow this matter through.

**THE MEETING CLOSED 7.15PM.**