



Minutes of the Council Meeting

Held via video conference on Wednesday 9 June 2021.

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7.07 pm and stated the Council meeting is being held on the traditional country of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people and acknowledged them as Traditional Owners. The Mayor paid respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and the Elders from other communities who may be here today.

| Present | Time In | Time Out |
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| Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan, Mayor | 7.07 pm | 9.55 pm |
| Cr Mark Riley, Deputy Mayor | 7.07 pm | 9.55 pm |
| Cr Adam Pulford | 7.07 pm | 9.55 pm |
| Cr Angelica Panopoulos | 7.07 pm | 9.55 pm |
| Cr Helen Davidson | 7.07 pm | 9.55 pm |
| Cr Helen Pavlidis | 7.07 pm | 9.55 pm |
| Cr James Conlan | 7.11 pm | 9.55 pm |
| Cr Lambros Tapinos | 7.07 pm | 9.55 pm |
| Cr Milad El-Halabi | Apology | |
| Cr Oscar Yildiz JP | 7.07 pm | 9.55 pm |
| Cr Sue Bolton | 7.07 pm | 9.55 pm |

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

An apology was received from Cr El- Halabi.

OFFICERS

Chief Executive Officer – Cathy Henderson
Director Business Transformation – Sue Vujcevic
Director City Infrastructure – Anita Curnow
Director City Futures – Kirsten Coster
Director Community Development – Arden Joseph
Director Engagement and Partnerships – Joseph Tabacco
Chief Financial Officer – Amanda Burgess
Manager Governance and Strategy – Yvonne Callanan
Team Leader Governance – Naomi Ellis
Governance and Council Business Officer – Tracey Classon

DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Mayor, Cr Carli Hannan disclosed a general conflict of interest in her leave of absence request.

Cr Riley disclosed a general conflict of interest in item 7.21 Governance Report - June 2021 - Cyclical Report, due to the recommendation the Deputy Mayor assume the role of Mayor during the period 5 July 2021 to 25 August 2021 and be paid a Mayoral allowance.

Cr Panopoulos disclosed a material conflict of interest with item 7.23 Contract Rft-P-105-2020 Legal Services Panel as she will be applying for a clerkship with some of the companies listed.

MINUTE CONFIRMATION

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12 May 2021 be confirmed.

Carried

7.11pm Cr Conlan entered the meeting.

PETITIONS

BICYCLE LANES BEING ADDED TO KENT ROAD

A member of the public tabled a petition containing 135 signatures requesting Council stop bicycle lanes being added down Kent Road pending community consultation.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded –

That Council:

- 1. Receives the petition; and**
- 2. Refers the petition to the relevant Director for consideration and response.**

Carried

SAVE FAWKNER OUTDOOR POOL

A member of the public tabled a petition containing 589 signatures requesting Council save Fawkner's outdoor pool from closure.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

That Council:

- 1. Receives the petition; and**
- 2. Refers the petition to the relevant Director for consideration and response.**

Carried

ZERO CARBON TARGET BY 2030

A member of the public tabled a petition containing 137 signatures requesting Council adopt a Zero Carbon Moreland target by 2030.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Conlan seconded –

That Council:

- 1. Receives the petition; and**
- 2. Refers the petition to the relevant Director for consideration and response.**

Carried

7.20 pm Cr Panopoulos left the meeting.

7.20 pm Cr Panopoulos returned to the meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

7.21 pm Public Question Time commenced.

DAMIAN LOUGHNAN - AMENDMENT C180 -STATEMENT

- Supports Amendment C180 to the Moreland Planning Scheme affects 430-436 Victoria Street and 7 Gardiner Street Brunswick.
- Will provide for a multi-level building such as office developments and retail, creating employment opportunities.

HERSH SAMOLIN - COUNCIL RECORDS

- Would like access to Council's records.

The Mayor responded that Council officers will contact him directly to speak more specifically about this request.

WARRAN HOCKING – HOSKEN RESERVE

Will Moreland Council facilitate discussions and provide options to residents so that Hosken Reserve can be accessible to all?

As Warran Hocking was not in attendance, the question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

WARRAN HOCKING – CCTV POLICY

How is Moreland City Council performing the following: - ensuring the privacy of individuals is protected? - ensuring cameras are only used for their designated purpose? - protecting the rights of individuals? - who has access to camera information? - What crime assessment has been done? - How has the community been consulted?

As Warran Hocking was not in attendance, the question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

RACHEL MATTON – CCTV POLICY

Will Council develop and deploy clear and specific CCTV implementation guidelines in addition to conducting post-installation audits, to eliminate potential breach of privacy laws and the Charter of Human Rights?

Can they be piloted at Hosken Reserve?

As Rachel Matton was not in attendance, the question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided

RACHEL MATTON – CCTV POLICY

Assuming the expressed purpose of the CCTV is to deter break-ins or property damage and provide evidence to police, why do members of a sporting club (lessee/licensee) require any access to live or retrospective footage obtained for law enforcement purposes? Why is access to the footage and any associated audio not reserved only for law enforcement groups (ie police) to be facilitated through a nominated public safety/security officer from Moreland City Council? Why does a sporting club need access to CCTV footage at all?

As Rachel Matton was not in attendance, the question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

KELLI SKAPETIS – CCTV POLICY

What policy provisions allow sporting clubs to place surveillance cameras over Council-owned open space and off-lead dog parks? How many open space locations and off-leash dog parks are under surveillance by a sporting club across Moreland?

As Kelli Skapetis was not in attendance, the question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

KELLI SKAPETIS – CCTV POLICY

How will Moreland City Council demonstrate to the community the audio functionality on CCTV cameras, such as those at Hosken Reserve, will never become operational? What make and model are the cameras?

As Kelli Skapetis was not in attendance, the question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

JENNY CHAPMAN - HEATED POOLS IN MORELAND

Can the Council please clarify how each of the heated pools in Moreland are currently heated?

The question was taken on notice and a written response will be provided.

7.28 pm Public Question Time concluded.

7.28 pm Mayor, Cr Carli Hannan left the meeting due to her disclosed conflict of interest.

Deputy Mayor, Cr Mark Riley assumed the Chair.

Leave of Absence

Motion

Cr Riley moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded –

That Mayor, Cr Carli Hannan be granted parental leave from 5 July 2021 to 25 August 2021.

Carried

7.32pm Mayor, Cr Carli Hannan returned to the meeting and resumed the Chair.

COUNCIL REPORTS

7.1 MORELAND CHILDREN YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES PLAN

Executive Summary

The *Children, Young People and Families Plan 2021-2025* (the 'Plan') is an integrated strategy to guide the delivery of learning, development, health and wellbeing outcomes for children, young people and families in Moreland. The *Plan* will consolidate two existing strategies for children and young people, namely: *Moreland Early Years Strategy 2016-2020* and *Full Potential: A Strategy for Moreland's Young People*. Informed by community feedback and evidence the integration of these two strategies now forms an integrated plan for children, young people and families in Moreland and provides opportunities for collaboration, service enhancement and delivery across the age continuum, from birth to adulthood, 0-24 years of age.

Although COVID-19 impacted the methods used to engage with the community and stakeholders over 400 children, young people, parents, community members and local organisations provided ideas on how children and young people's outcomes can be improved.

The associated Implementation Plan will contain actions to address each objective. These actions include Council's role, timeframe for completion and resources required. Monitoring and evaluation will inform an annual report to Council and the community on progress and achievements in implementing the Plan. Developed within existing resources the Plan does not have budget implications, however its implementation from 2021 to 2025 may require further resourcing and this will be sourced through external funding opportunities where possible, or considered in subsequent Council budget processes and reports to Council as required.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Adopts the *Children, Young People and Families Plan 2021-2025* (Attachment 1).

Resolution

Cr Panopoulos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council:

1. Adopts the *Children, Young People and Families Plan 2021-2025* (Attachment 1).

Carried

Procedural Motion

Cr Riley moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council bring forward item 7.16 Updated CCTV Policy consideration before item 7.2 Frith Street Park Close to Home – Engagement Outcomes and Final Park Concept.

Carried

7.16 UPDATED CCTV POLICY

Executive Summary

Council's current CCTV policy was adopted in 2014 and relates to the usage of the Brunswick Public Safety CCTV system. Closed-circuit television (CCTV) is also known as video surveillance.

The current policy adopted by Council on 10 September 2014 is out of date and needs to be updated to include the other corporate CCTV systems used to protect Council staff, assets and services, to comply with the *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014* and the recommendations made by the Victorian Auditor General Office (VAGO) in their *Security and Privacy of Surveillance Technologies in Public Places 2018* report.

The key changes to the policy include:

- The scope has been expanded to cover all public security and corporate CCTV systems, not just the Brunswick Public Security CCTV system.
- Compliance with current legislation.
- Decisions regarding public security (external) CCTV systems to be brought to Council and decisions regarding corporate (internal) CCTV systems to be made by an internal CCTV Review Committee.
- Each public security CCTV system is to be governed by a Memorandum of Understanding with Victoria Police.
- Clarity regarding the situations where public security CCTV may be considered.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. That Council adopts the updated CCTV Surveillance Policy 2021 as provided in Attachment 1 to this report.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Davidson seconded -

That Council:

1. **That Council adopts the updated CCTV Surveillance Policy 2021 as provided in Attachment 1 to this report.**

Carried

Procedural Motion

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Riley seconded -

That Council bring forward item 7.13 Amendment C180 - Rezoning of 430-436 Victoria Street & 7 Gardiner Street, Brunswick - Decision Gateway 2 & 3 - Consideration Of Submissions And Adoption Of Amendment consideration before item 7.2 Frith Street Park Close to Home – Engagement Outcomes and Final Park Concept.

Carried

7.13 AMENDMENT C180 - REZONING OF 430-436 VICTORIA STREET & 7 GARDINER STREET, BRUNSWICK - DECISION GATEWAY 2 & 3 - CONSIDERATION OF SUBMISSIONS AND ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT

Executive Summary

Amendment C180 to the Moreland Planning Scheme affects 430-436 Victoria Street and 7 Gardiner Street Brunswick ('Site'). The Site is located within Brunswick's Core Industry and Employment Precinct and is categorised within the Moreland Industrial Land Strategy 2015-2030 (MILS) as a Category 1: Core Industrial and Employment Area.

Consistent with the MILS, Amendment C180 seeks to facilitate a broader range of employment generating uses whilst prohibiting residential uses by:

- Rezoning 430-436 Victoria Street and 7 Gardiner Street Brunswick, from Industrial 1 Zone to a Commercial 2 Zone;
- Applying a Design and Development Overlay 29 to restrict the height of any future buildings on the site and protect the amenity of Clifton Park;
- Applying an Environmental Audit Overlay to require a contamination assessment of the land (environmental audit) to ensure that the environmental conditions of land are appropriate if a sensitive use is proposed to operate on the site.

The Amendment will provide an attractive avenue for investment at this location through providing greater flexibility on the type of commercial uses that are permitted on the land, including new and emerging industries identified for the Brunswick Design District, whilst supporting the continued operation of existing industry and prohibiting residential uses.

Amendment C180 was exhibited from 15 March 2021 to 23 April 2021. Two submissions were received that were both supportive of the Amendment. Matters raised in the submissions relate to the scale of future buildings and amenity impacts to existing dwellings. Attachment 2 provides a summary of all the submissions, including details of the Council Officer response.

This report recommends submitting the Amendment to the Minister for Planning with no changes to the exhibited Amendment C180 documentation as detailed in Attachment 1.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Using its powers as a planning authority under s 29 of the *Planning and Environment 1987*, adopt Moreland Planning Scheme Amendment C180 as shown in Attachment 1 to this report.
2. Submit the adopted Amendment to the Minister for Planning.

Resolution

Cr Panopoulos moved, Cr Bolton seconded -

That Council:

1. **Using its powers as a planning authority under s 29 of the Planning and Environment 1987, adopt Moreland Planning Scheme Amendment C180 as shown in Attachment 1 to this report.**
2. **Submit the adopted Amendment to the Minister for Planning.**

7.2 FRITH STREET PARK CLOSE TO HOME - ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES AND FINAL PARK CONCEPT

Executive Summary

In late 2020, Council commenced community consultation on a draft concept plan for a new park at 14 Frith Street, Brunswick. The consultation included polling on specific park features in addition to the ability to provide general feedback. The feedback was overwhelmingly supportive of the project and key themes that emerged from the feedback included the strong desire for further green space and vegetation to be added to the design.

In response to the feedback and polling results, the concept plan has been updated, including to more than double the area of grass and garden bed. The community has also provided direct input to select a basketball half-court, bouldering wall, water and nature play, and ping pong tables to the design. The revised design has also taken into account changes based on heritage advice, particularly in relation to accommodating the community request for greater areas of garden and lawn.

The revised concept plan was then placed on further community consultation to close the loop. The plan was made available on the Conversations Moreland website and officers held two face to face pop up consultation sessions. The final concept design was well received by the community and there was strong support for the changes made to the draft concept plan. Key supported elements included the increase in garden and lawn areas and the basketball half court. Officers have also considered the opportunity to expand the active sport areas in the park to include an additional soccer/futsal half court adjacent the basketball half court, however owing to the drainage requirements and location of pump infrastructure in this location, this is not possible.

As a compromise, and to offer added flexibility for a number of active sports, officers also discussed the opportunity to include a multi-sport goal unit which includes both a basketball hoop and soccer goals. This opportunity was generally well received, and officers will pursue this through the detailed design process for the park.

In order to accommodate the proposed changes to the design, additional budget expenditure of \$212,000 is required. This will take the landscaping and civil works element of the project to \$1.60 million, and is recommended in order to accommodate the community's aspirations as much as possible, while delivering on the heritage and functional aspects of the site's development as a park and community gathering space.

This additional funding needed to deliver the Frith Street Park Close to Home can be drawn from the PRRLF, as can a further \$1,305,844 in funding to support the future use of the enclosed building on the north west corner of the site (Refer to Confidential Report on this matter).

The final concept design is now ready to proceed to the next stage of the project; this includes detailed planning and design drawings to form the basis of the construction tender process.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes that community engagement on the 14 Frith Street Park Close to Home project is complete, and the key themes emerging from the engagement have informed specific design outcomes.
2. Endorses the final concept plan for the new park at 14 Frith Street, Brunswick as provided at Attachment 2, which has been amended from the draft concept plan based on community feedback and heritage advice.
3. Notes that the additional features of the park emerging from the community

engagement and other items needed for park construction will take the current total cost of landscaping works / park construction for this to \$1.60 million, representing an increased cost of \$212,000.

4. Notes that the unallocated funding in the Public Resorts and Recreation Land Fund (PRRLF) – the Open Space Reserve – is currently projected to reach \$33.1 million by the end of 2022/23, and that some 90 per cent of the PRRLF is intended for use in the Park Close to Home projects.
5. Approves the allocation of an additional \$212,000 from the PRRLF which will allow the delivery of the final concept design as endorsed in the final stage of community engagement.

Motion

Cr Riley moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. Notes that community engagement on the 14 Frith Street Park Close to Home project is complete, and the key themes emerging from the engagement have informed specific design outcomes.
2. Endorses the final concept plan for the new park at 14 Frith Street, Brunswick as provided at Attachment 2, which has been amended from the draft concept plan based on community feedback and heritage advice.
3. Notes that the additional features of the park emerging from the community engagement and other items needed for park construction will take the current total cost of landscaping works / park construction for this to \$1.60 million, representing an increased cost of \$212,000.
4. Notes that the unallocated funding in the Public Resorts and Recreation Land Fund (PRRLF) – the Open Space Reserve – is currently projected to reach \$33.1 million by the end of 2022/23, and that some 90 per cent of the PRRLF is intended for use in the Park Close to Home projects.
5. Approves the allocation of an additional \$212,000 from the PRRLF which will allow the delivery of the final concept design as endorsed in the final stage of community engagement.

Amendment

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

- 2a) Noting the industrial nature of the site and proximity to Sydney Road. That public lights be installed with a further report presented to council about installing LED lights, with the objecting of making the park safe at night and mitigating against the impact to nearby residents.**

Carried

Cr Tapinos called for a division.

For

Cr Carli Hannan
Cr Davidson
Cr Riley
Cr Tapinos
Cr Yildiz
Cr Pulford
Cr Panopoulos

Against

Abstain

Cr Bolton

Cr Pavlidis

Cr Conlan

Total For (9)

Total Against (0)

Total Abstain (1)

Amendment

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

- 2b) Noting the industrial nature of the site and proximity to Sydney Road. That a further report be presented to council outlining the benefits and costs of installing CCTV in accordance with our updated CCTV surveillance policy in the park to protect against graffiti and damage to the building, equipment, whilst making it safer for our community.

Lost

Cr Carli Hannan called for a division.

For

Cr Tapinos

Cr Yildiz

Cr Pavlidis

Total For (3)

Against

Cr Bolton

Cr Carli Hannan

Cr Davidson

Cr Riley

Cr Pulford

Cr Panopoulos

Cr Conlan

Total Against (7)

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes that community engagement on the 14 Frith Street Park Close to Home project is complete, and the key themes emerging from the engagement have informed specific design outcomes.**
2. **Endorses the final concept plan for the new park at 14 Frith Street, Brunswick as provided at Attachment 2, which has been amended from the draft concept plan based on community feedback and heritage advice.**
 - a) **Noting the industrial nature of the site and proximity to Sydney Road. That public lights be installed with a further report presented to council about installing LED lights, with the objecting of making the park safe at night and mitigating against the impact to nearby residents.**
3. **Notes that the additional features of the park emerging from the community engagement and other items needed for park construction will take the current total cost of landscaping works / park construction for this to \$1.60 million, representing an increased cost of \$212,000.**
4. **Notes that the unallocated funding in the Public Resorts and Recreation Land Fund (PRRLF) – the Open Space Reserve – is currently projected to reach \$33.1 million by the end of 2022/23, and that some 90 per cent of the PRRLF is intended for use in the Park Close to Home projects.**
5. **Approves the allocation of an additional \$212,000 from the PRRLF which will allow the delivery of the final concept design as endorsed in the final stage of community engagement.**

Carried

7.3 BIKE PARKING IN PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS - UPDATE

Executive Summary

In February 2020 (DCF5/20), Council endorsed installation of bicycle parking facilities within primary and secondary schools in Moreland in 2019/20 and 2020/21, as part of the annual target of 200 additional bicycle parking spaces in Moreland. Previously, Council had only installed bicycle parking in public areas.

A total of 516 new bicycle parking spaces were installed across Moreland in 2019/20 2020/21 (238 in 2019/20, 278 in 2020/21 to date). Of this total, 90 spaces have been installed in primary and secondary schools in 2020/21. No bicycle parking was installed in schools in 2019/20 while engagement with schools was still being finalised.

Council officers engaged 12 schools during this period to determine interest in additional bicycle infrastructure within school grounds. These schools were prioritised for engagement as they had shown previous interest and participation in sustainable transport initiatives.

Of the 12 schools, 7 expressed an interest in bicycle hoops being provided on their grounds, and a total of 45 bicycle hoops (90 new parking spaces) were installed across 6 schools at Council's cost. One of the schools did not have adequate space on school grounds for new bicycle hoops, so none were installed.

A further two schools were not interested in bicycle hoops but requested more secure bicycle parking facilities (such as bike cages) however such provision did form part of Council's resolution.

It is proposed to continue providing bicycle hoops at schools as this is a relatively low cost action that can help encourage scooting and cycling to schools, complementing other active travel to school initiatives as per the Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy (MITS) 2019.

It is also proposed to expand the offering of bicycle parking for schools to include contributions towards more secure bicycle parking facilities, subject to budget being available after actioning requests for bicycle parking in public areas, and basic bicycle hoops at schools.

The MITS 2019 action relating to bicycle parking set a target of 200 spaces per year in "key activity centres and buffer areas". Given suitable locations for bicycle parking have been identified outside these "key activity centres and buffer areas", it is proposed to revise the annual bicycle parking target to refer to bicycle parking installed anywhere inside the municipality.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Endorses officers continuing to install bicycle parking facilities (bicycle hoops) within primary and secondary schools to assist in reaching the target of installing 200 additional bicycle parking spaces per annum in Moreland.
2. Endorses the installation of additional infrastructure e.g. shelters, bike cages, in addition to bicycle hoops, subject to budget being available following requests for bicycle parking in public areas and bicycle hoops at schools being actioned.
3. Revises the ongoing target of 200 new bicycle parking spaces per annum to include the entire municipality rather than only "key activity centres and buffer areas".

7.51 pm Cr Bolton left the meeting before the vote.

Resolution

Cr Conlan moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Endorses officers continuing to install bicycle parking facilities (bicycle hoops) within primary and secondary schools to assist in reaching the target of installing 200 additional bicycle parking spaces per annum in Moreland.**
- 2. Endorses the installation of additional infrastructure e.g. shelters, bike cages, in addition to bicycle hoops, subject to budget being available following requests for bicycle parking in public areas and bicycle hoops at schools being actioned.**
- 3. Revises the ongoing target of 200 new bicycle parking spaces per annum to include the entire municipality rather than only “key activity centres and buffer areas”**

Carried

7.53 pm Cr Bolton returned to the meeting following the vote.

7.4 DE CARLE STREET SEPARATED BICYCLE LANES

Executive Summary

Providing separated bicycle lanes on De Carle Street between Moreland Road and Rennie Street is identified in Council's capital works program for pedestrians and cyclists for delivery in 2021/22. This will provide a high-quality cycling route suitable for users of all confidence levels, including connection to Moreland Primary School and a childcare centre, as well as connecting to the Albion Street shared path and a future planned shimmy route along De Carle Street south of Moreland Road.

This project will result in a reduction of eight parking spaces on the east side of De Carle Street between Rennie Street and The Grove (with no parking impacts elsewhere) and reduce the traffic lane (for traffic in both directions) to approximately 3.1 or 3.3 metres depending on location. Concept plans are shown at Attachment 1 and Attachment 2, with indicative cross-sections at Attachment 3.

Separated cycling infrastructure is key to providing more cycling options through increasing participation in cycling particularly for under-represented groups such as women, children and the elderly.

This project will be the first implementation of the Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy (MITS) 2019 headline action to “reallocate road space and car parking (when doing planned capital works such as road reconstruction) for sustainable transport improvements” as the section between The Avenue and Rennie Street is being reconstructed in 2021/22. This project is also a Council Action Plan 2020/21 item with project preparation to be completed by June 2021 (CAP item 38, Action 1(v)).

Council resolved in July 2020 (DCF37/20) to conduct further consultation with the community on this project following an initial period of consultation in January 2020. Letters were sent in February and March 2021 to owners and occupiers of all adjoining properties including Moreland Primary School (95 letters sent) and a variable message (VMS) was also placed on the road to inform other road users of the opportunity to provide feedback.

Five responses were received in the latest round of consultation (11 in total across both rounds), with three in favour (six in favour across both rounds). Key issues raised in the five responses opposing the proposed project were the reduction in parking spaces and narrowing of the traffic lane.

It is considered that impacts from reduction in parking spaces will be minimal due to the small amount of spaces that will need to be removed, low occupancy of on-street parking in the area where parking is to be removed, and the presence of off-street parking at all properties near where parking is to be removed.

It is also considered that the narrowing of the traffic lane will positively contribute to safety and residential amenity through discouraging rat-running and reducing traffic speeds,

particularly as traffic volumes on De Carle Street exceed the preferred maximum for a local road.

It is recommended that Council approve this project to be delivered in 2021/22.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the consultation outcomes on the proposed implementation of separated cycling lanes on De Carle Street, Coburg between Rennie Street and Moreland Road, as requested by Council in July 2020 (DCF27/20).
2. Approves the implementation of separated cycling lanes on De Carle Street as shown in Attachment 1 and Attachment 2.

Resolution

Cr Conlan moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes the consultation outcomes on the proposed implementation of separated cycling lanes on De Carle Street, Coburg between Rennie Street and Moreland Road, as requested by Council in July 2020 (DCF27/20).**
2. **Approves the implementation of separated cycling lanes on De Carle Street as shown in Attachment 1 and Attachment 2.**

Carried

7.5 MORELAND'S OUTDOOR DINING PROGRAM - REVIEW AND NEXT STEPS

Executive Summary

In late 2020, as metropolitan Melbourne emerged from COVID-19 restrictions, the State Government released an Outdoor Eating and Entertainment Package. This package provided individual hospitality businesses the opportunity to apply for a grant of \$5,000 to get ready for outdoor dining and \$500,000 to Moreland City Council to enable outdoor dining opportunities.

In September 2020, Council made resolutions on this matter. Following this, a guidelines document was published, and a fast track application process established. Council officers worked intensively with hospitality businesses to enable safe and accessible outdoor dining opportunities across Moreland. From October 2020 to April 2021, the "Love Moreland, Dine Local" program:

- Issued 299 new footway trading permits to hospitality businesses
- Provided 34 businesses with temporary and short term parklets in Brunswick, Coburg, Pascoe Vale and Hadfield
- Enabled 5 road closure permits, all in Brunswick.
- Issued permits for 7 additional temporary food truck locations provided across Moreland.

Officers have undertaken an evaluation of the program, including business and community surveys. No serious safety issues were observed with any of the outdoor dining installations in 20/21 and the surveys revealed significant community and business support to continue the program.

In April, the State Government opened a second round of funding for Outdoor Dining. Moreland was successful in gaining an additional \$350,000 of funding, to be spent before 30 June 2021. The “Love Moreland, Dine Local” program has been extended for the financial year 21/22, allowing hospitality businesses to apply for extended outdoor dining opportunities. Fees for all outdoor dining permits for hospitality businesses in Moreland have been waived for businesses and will be paid from the State Government grant monies, if applications are received by 15 May 2021. At the time of writing, whilst precise take up figures for round 2 are not available, officers confirm there has been strong interest and take-up in Round Two to date.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the success of Moreland’s Outdoor Dining Program from October 2020 to June 2021.
2. Notes and supports continuation of the program offer to hospitality businesses in Moreland for 2021/22.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Riley seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes the success of Moreland’s Outdoor Dining Program from October 2020 to June 2021.**
2. **Notes and supports continuation of the program offer to hospitality businesses in Moreland for 2021/22.**

Carried

7.6 ACCESSIBILITY AUDITS OF MORELAND ACTIVITY CENTRES

Executive Summary

Council has a legal responsibility under several legislative frameworks to ensure Moreland’s public spaces provide equitable and safe access to everyone. While many Council projects continue to remove barriers and improve access for people with disability, there are some areas within Moreland’s 57 Activity Centres that do not comply with disability access standards.

Undertaking accessibility audits are an effective way to identify areas of non-compliance and develop a strategic approach to rectify these issues.

Council teams routinely commission accessibility audits for many capital works projects, and strategically action the recommendations made in these audits. This approach has steadily improved the accessibility of several public spaces throughout the municipality. A list of the various projects, including upcoming scheduled upgrade of Louisa Street, Coburg, and surrounding area can be found in Attachment 1.

With additional funding (\$40,000 for audit costs) and appropriate staff resourcing (1 day per week for 4 years), Council can undertake an accessibility audit program of 2 accessibility audits per year over 4 years. It is worthwhile noting that accessibility audits will generate capital works projects that will have significant financial implications. This figure cannot be accurately determined until an audit is conducted. These projects will need to be considered along with others seeking capital works funds.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes that the disability audit of the Louisa and Munro Street intersection has commenced with the subsequent works to be undertaken in 2024-25.
2. Commits to a program of disability audits in priority Activity Centres and refers an appropriate amount to the 2021-2022 Budget to enable these audits to be undertaken over the next four years.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Riley seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes that the disability audit of the Louisa and Munro Street intersection has commenced with the subsequent works to be undertaken in 2024-25.**
2. **Commits to a program of disability audits in priority Activity Centres and refers an appropriate amount to the 2021-2022 Budget to enable these audits to be undertaken over the next four years.**

.Carried

7.7 FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A SECOND HOCKEY PITCH IN MORELAND

Executive Summary

The Brunswick Hockey Club is seeking the support of Moreland Council for the construction of a second synthetic hockey pitch. This would include clubrooms to cater for the growth in the club's membership, to allow the club to run and expand its community programmes and to provide a safe, welcoming and friendly environment for players, officials, spectators and their families.

The Brunswick Hockey Club was established in 1923, making it one of the oldest sporting clubs in the municipality. The club has over 450 members with an affordable fee structure that encourages participation. Since 2008 the Brunswick hockey club have been playing at Brunswick Secondary College synthetic hockey pitch which was constructed by Moreland City Council in partnership with the Department of Education and Training Victoria. The club leases two player changerooms and one umpire changeroom from the school. In 2017 the changerooms were modified to create a small canteen and small storeroom, these modifications were fully funded by the club. The synthetic field was refurbished by Council in 2018.

The club has enjoyed considerable growth particularly in the junior and women's sections. Due to continued growth in player numbers the synthetic hockey pitch is now at full capacity for training, matches and active community programs.

Council officers support the feasibility study of a second pitch with facilities for the Brunswick Hockey Club and propose that a further report will then be brought to Council that identifies potential location/s, cost estimates and landscape plan for the establishment of a second synthetic/hybrid hockey pitch within Moreland.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Undertakes a feasibility study to identify a suitable location for a second

synthetic/hybrid hockey pitch within Moreland which would include a triple bottom line - environmental, social and economic - assessment of the pros and cons for the different playing field surfaces options.

2. Receives a report to determine whether Moreland has a suitable location for the establishment of a second synthetic/hybrid hockey pitch in Moreland.
3. Refers the funds required (\$40,000) to action this resolution to the 2021/2022 budget for consideration.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Undertakes a feasibility study to identify a suitable location for a second synthetic/hybrid hockey pitch including all surface options within Moreland which would include a triple bottom line - environmental, social and economic - assessment of the pros and cons for the different playing field surfaces options.**
2. **Receives a report to determine whether Moreland has a suitable location for the establishment of a second synthetic/hybrid hockey pitch in Moreland.**
3. **Refers the funds required (\$40,000) to action this resolution to the 2021/2022 budget for consideration.**

Carried

7.8 CHARLES MUTTON RESERVE PLAYGROUND - RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION

Executive Summary

Cr Bolton put a motion to Council in April 2021 that the Charles Mutton Reserve Playground upgrade be brought forward by several years due to high levels of park usage and dissatisfaction of the local community with the quality of the playground.

Significant community interest in this matter resulted in a petition and representations at Public Question Time at the May 2021 Council meeting, and an amendment moved by Cr Bolton to the draft budget for public exhibition that this project be identified and brought forward in the draft budget.

Confirmation that the project will proceed in 2021-2022 is anticipated following Council adoption of a final budget at its special budget meeting on 24 June 2021.

This report has been prepared to formalise a response to Cr Bolton's Notice of Motion and conclude this matter.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes that the bring forward of the Charles Mutton Reserve Playground Refresh as proposed by Notice of Motion 8.4 on 14 April 2021 and tabled in a petition at item 5 on 12 May 2021 has been proposed in the draft budget as amended at item 7.2 on 12 May 2021.
2. Notes that, should the Playground Refresh be adopted as part of the 2021-2022 Council Budget, a three-step process of community engagement will be undertaken to ensure views of all user groups are heard and considered in decisions about project scope.
3. Notes that Open Space and Environment officers met on site with several community members on Thursday 6 May 2021; that both short-term safety concerns and long-term playground aspirations were discussed; and that Council officers have since implemented minor safety improvements to address short-term safety concerns.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Bolton seconded -

That Council:

1. **Notes that the bring forward of the Charles Mutton Reserve Playground Refresh as proposed by Notice of Motion 8.4 on 14 April 2021 and tabled in a petition at item 5 on 12 May 2021 has been proposed in the draft budget as amended at item 7.2 on 12 May 2021.**
2. **Notes that, should the Playground Refresh be adopted as part of the 2021-2022 Council Budget, a three-step process of community engagement will be undertaken to ensure views of all user groups are heard and considered in decisions about project scope.**
3. **Notes that Open Space and Environment officers met on site with several community members on Thursday 6 May 2021; that both short-term safety concerns and long-term playground aspirations were discussed; and that Council officers have since implemented minor safety improvements to address short-term safety concerns.**

Carried

7.9 REVIEW OF ROAD MANAGEMENT PLAN 2017

Executive Summary

The Road Management (General) Regulations 2016 requires each municipal Council to review its Road Management Plan (RMP) within the period referred to in section 125(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989*. Whilst these regulations have not been updated to reflect the changes to the Local Government Act, the review of the RMP has been undertaken in accordance with the previous requirements, being within six months after a general election or by the next 30 June, whichever is later.

The Moreland City Council RMP 2017 was reviewed after an extensive internal consultation process, pursuant to section 54 (5) of the *Road Management Act 2004* and section 8 (3) of the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016.

In accordance with the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016, a summary report on the findings as well as the proposed amendments to the RMP has been prepared (**Attachment 1**) for public notice and is provided for Council consideration.

The key changes that are proposed to be made include:

- Refinement of maintenance and inspection standards with due consideration of asset condition, safety, available resources and legal liability;
- Aligning response times across Council systems and ensuring the response times and actions are consistent with the risk to the community;
- Refinement of inspection frequencies in alignment with the level of risk associated with different assets; and
- An update to the Register of Public Roads that removes 'Off-Street Carparks' from the Register and the RMP.

Following Council endorsement to amend the RMP, notice will be given in the *Victoria Government Gazette* and in the daily newspaper in accordance with the above Regulations.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Support the proposed amendments to the Road Management Plan as outlined in **Attachment 1**, in a manner contemplated by Section 41 of the *Road Management Act 2004*.
2. Publish a notice of the proposed amendments to the Road Management Plan in the *Victoria Government Gazette* and a local daily newspaper in accordance with Section 10 of the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016, stating:
 - a) The purpose and general purport of the proposed amendments to the Road Management Plan.
 - b) What road infrastructure or road related infrastructure or classes of roads or pathways will be affected by the proposed amendments.
 - c) Where the written report can be obtained or inspected that summarises the findings and conclusions of the review and proposed amendments.
 - d) That any person can make a submission in respect of the proposed amendments within 28 days of the public notice being published.

Resolution

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Support the proposed amendments to the Road Management Plan as outlined in Attachment 1, in a manner contemplated by Section 41 of the Road Management Act 2004.**
- 2. Publish a notice of the proposed amendments to the Road Management Plan in the Victoria Government Gazette and a local daily newspaper in accordance with Section 10 of the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016, stating:**
 - a) The purpose and general purport of the proposed amendments to the Road Management Plan.**
 - b) What road infrastructure or road related infrastructure or classes of roads or pathways will be affected by the proposed amendments.**
 - c) Where the written report can be obtained or inspected that summarises the findings and conclusions of the review and proposed amendments.**
 - d) That any person can make a submission in respect of the proposed amendments within 28 days of the public notice being published.**

Carried

7.10 WEED MANAGEMENT: GLYPHOSATE PHASE OUT PLAN

Executive Summary

On 14 August 2019, there was significant media and international concern about the effects of glyphosate herbicide on human health. While acknowledging advice of Australian regulatory bodies that glyphosate was safe to use in accordance with the Safety Data Sheet and label, Council resolved to ceasing use of this specific herbicide in its operations, by August 2021. The timeline then was to allow for incremental changes to the budget, continued testing and cost analyses of alternate herbicide products and weed control methods.

Work has been undertaken by Council officers to trial alternatives products and weed treatment methods, as well as keeping abreast of, reviewing and participating in research undertaken into non-glyphosate weed management alternatives.

Trials have included non-glyphosate herbicides including Glufosinate ('Basta'), organic ones like Slasher (Nonanoic acid, plant extract) and BioWeed (Pine oil), and Hot-water steam treatments. A ban on glyphosate use has been implemented at high risk sites around playgrounds, schools and child-care centres and the successful introduction of a 'No Spray' Register, where residents have opted to maintain their nature strips without using glyphosate.

Moreland is also participating with several Victorian Councils, in a Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) funded 12-month study with Deakin University, which is expected to be completed by June 2021. Preliminary findings from field studies have indicated limited products and technologies to replace glyphosate, with all trial products being less effective and/or costlier.

This would be undertaken in line with the identification of viable weed treatment alternatives and the completion of research work commissioned by the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) and further deliberation with other key stakeholders including Melbourne Water and various environmental groups about any impacts in environmentally sensitive sites.

While there is an available option (Option A) to implement glyphosate phase out as at August 2021, there is a significant unbudgeted cost capital of \$775,000 in 2021-22 and unbudgeted additional operating expenses each year of \$793,000. With the combination of the uncertainty over the known alternative treatment and significant pressure on the 2021-22

Council budget, Council officers recommend that the resolution to stop using glyphosate by August 2021 be rescinded. This will allow further research and the development of a suite of targeted solutions to inform potential business cases and job creation opportunities for consideration by Council in future financial years (Option B).

Under Option B, glyphosate herbicides will continue to be used in low risk exposure areas as part of integrated weed management practices with strict safety, recording and monitoring, as well as a phased overall reduction in total usage. A *No glyphosate trial zone* will also be established in Brunswick immediately to understand community perception and further evaluate costs for alternative treatments in managing weed growth, compared to control zones of similar size and mix of open space facilities. This trial would be undertaken over a two-year period and would be evaluated using metrics including worker hours, equipment hours, material costs and community feedback. The trial as part of Option B will not require additional capital or operational funding.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes that to date, despite considerable investigation of options, none of the alternatives to using glyphosate for weed management has shown to be as effective or viable economically or environmentally.
2. Notes that current guidance from the Australian regulatory authorities and WorkSafe Victoria, is that products containing glyphosate can continue to be used safely, as long as adhering to directions in the Safety Data Sheet and labels and does not represent a health risk to the public.
3. Notes that glyphosate has already ceased to be used in high risk exposure sites across Moreland.
4. In the light of the high cost and unproven effectiveness of currently available alternative treatments, undertakes a trial of a large 'no glyphosate' zone with a comparison control zone over a two-year period and evaluates the trial using metrics including worker hours, equipment hours, material costs and community feedback.
5. By agreeing to the trial, sets aside previous Council decisions to cease the use of glyphosate by August 2021, made at the:
 - 14 August 2019 Council Meeting - "Weed Management Review – Further Report to Review of Pest and Weed Management Policy (from 6 December 2017)"; and
 - 12 August 2020 Council Meeting - "Weed Management – Glyphosate Phase Out Update"
6. Continues a phased approach to both reducing and then potentially ceasing the use of glyphosate at all other low risk and environmentally sensitive sites in the future, with an update report on the findings of current Deakin University research and the application of any promising alternatives to Moreland that may impact on the 2022/23 Budget be received by Council in December 2021.

Motion

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

1. Notes Moreland's Pest and Weed Management Policy 2016 includes an Integrated Pest Management Strategy approach.
2. that reliance on just one chemical, which is under legal and social challenge on health and environmental grounds globally, makes the council vulnerable. Though some other weed management options were assessed as less viable than using glyphosate-based-herbicides, Council should trial and assess a package of Integrated Weed Management Systems.

3. Notes that glyphosate has already ceased to be used in high risk exposure sites across Moreland so alternative weed management systems should be explored and deployed in these locations as a priority.
4. Agrees to initiate trials in Moreland of an Integrated Weed Management Systems Strategy, in a large 'no glyphosate' zone and a comparison control zone, over a two-year period until May 2023. The trial results will be evaluated using metrics that include environmental and public health impacts and amenity, worker hours, equipment hours, material costs, community participation, and resident feedback.
5. The proposed Integrated Weed Management Trial will serve to set aside the previous Council decisions to cease the use of glyphosate by August 2021, viz. "Weed Management Review – Further Report to Review of Pest and Weed Management Policy (from 6 December 2017)", at the 14 August 2019 Council Meeting and "Weed Management – Glyphosate Phase Out Update" at the 12 August 2020 Council Meeting.
6. The trial will evaluate the environmental and public health costs and benefits of a suite of integrated treatments for managing weed growth, distribution and persistence, compared to a control zone of similar size, with a comparable mix of suburban areas, sensitive sites, open spaces and community facilities. Public health costs and benefits could be determined through an informal study which could use simple baseline data from sources such as local medical practices, publicity in council newsletters and newspapers and self-reporting of past and present problems. A longitudinal study would not be required.
7. A community participation and consultation plan and a community advisory panel with voluntary membership will be established for the no glyphosate zone trial, to engage with all aspects of the integrated chemical minimisation project.
8. This phased approach to integrated weed management practices will aim for a phased overall reduction, and potentially a total phase out of the use of glyphosate and all other synthetic chemicals by August 2023, especially at sensitive sites where public health and the environment are identified as particular issues. By definition, the Integrated Pest Management Strategy includes consideration of reduction of all chemical use. Strict data recording and monitoring will be done to ensure that sound evidence is publicly available from the trials.
9. Landcare and other land management groups would be encouraged and assisted to also adopt a similar timetable to implement Integrated Pest Management Systems and other chemical use reduction plans, to be in effect by August 2023 at the latest.
10. As a key contribution to the Council's own trial data, in December 2021 Council will receive an update report on the findings of current Deakin University research so that the financial and practical impacts of a promising set of alternative weed management systems may be factored into the 2022/23 Budget process.
11. The aims of the proposed No Glyphosate trial should include:
 - Adopt an Integrated Pest Management Systems approach for controlling weeds.
 - Seek total phase-out of all synthetic weed management chemicals by August 2023.
 - Work with other councils that are adopting Integrated Pest Management Systems and are phasing out glyphosate—e.g. Cook Shire Council (Qld), Fairfield and Georges River councils (NSW), Moyne Shire Council, Warrnambool City Council and Yarra Council (Vic) and Joondalup Council (WA) as well as councils listed in the officers' report.
 - Towards achieving the total phase-out of all the synthetic chemicals that council now uses, including glyphosate, assess their collective and cumulative, long term public health and environmental hazards and risks.

- Explore and assess all the other more benign options to replace synthetic chemicals.
- Collect baseline data on non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma in Moreland, to help establish or dispel any possible connection with glyphosate use.
- Review the council's duty of care to its citizens and assess the risks of its liability for any negative impacts from synthetic chemical use.
- Talk to insurers and lawyers about covering council for synthetic chemical impacts and legal liability, especially for the workers' and community's health and safety.

Lost on the casting vote of the Mayor

Cr Bolton called for a division.

| For | Against |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Cr Bolton | Cr Carli Hannan |
| Cr Riley | Cr Davidson |
| Cr Pulford | Cr Tapinos |
| Cr Panopoulos | Cr Yildiz |
| Cr Conlan | Cr Pavlidis |
| Total For (5) | Total Against (5) |

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Notes that to date, despite considerable investigation of options, none of the alternatives to using glyphosate for weed management has shown to be as effective or viable economically or environmentally.**
- 2. Notes that current guidance from the Australian regulatory authorities and WorkSafe Victoria, is that products containing glyphosate can continue to be used safely, as long as adhering to directions in the Safety Data Sheet and labels and does not represent a health risk to the public.**
- 3. Notes that glyphosate has already ceased to be used in high risk exposure sites across Moreland.**
- 4. In the light of the high cost and unproven effectiveness of currently available alternative treatments, undertakes a trial of a large 'no glyphosate' zone with a comparison control zone over a two-year period and evaluates the trial using metrics including worker hours, equipment hours, material costs and community feedback.**
- 5. By agreeing to the trial, sets aside previous Council decisions to cease the use of glyphosate by August 2021, made at the:**
 - 14 August 2019 Council Meeting - "Weed Management Review – Further Report to Review of Pest and Weed Management Policy (from 6 December 2017)"; and**
 - 12 August 2020 Council Meeting - "Weed Management – Glyphosate Phase Out Update"**
- 6. Continues a phased approach to both reducing and then potentially ceasing the use of glyphosate at all other low risk and environmentally sensitive sites in the future, with an update report on the findings of current Deakin University research and the application of any promising alternatives to Moreland that may impact on the 2022/23 Budget be received by Council in December 2021**

Carried

7.11 TOWARDS ZERO CARBON IN PLANNING: PROGRESS UPDATE AND MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING ELEVATING ESD TARGETS PLANNING POLICY AMENDMENT (STAGE 1) AND GREEN FACTOR TOOL TRIAL

Executive Summary

Council officers have been working towards developing a suite of zero carbon focused planning policy reforms in line with *NOM 33/18 Achieving Zero Carbon within the Planning Scheme*. This has included investigating renewable energy systems and green infrastructure for cooler roofs and electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure and waste stream management. This work now has 27 CASBE member Councils seeking to collaborate with Moreland and Yarra to finalise the evidence base for proposed policy objectives and standards and progress a future planning scheme amendment process. In order to formalise these arrangements Council's endorsement of the Memorandum of Understanding at Attachment 3 is sought.

The 'Moreland Zero Carbon Development Guidelines' (Attachment 2) include the key design outcomes of this investigation, providing guidance on how new development can incorporate solar PV and EV infrastructure, increase green infrastructure in the design and provide waste management of four waste streams (glass, organics, recycling and garbage) in line with State Government recycling reforms.

The Moreland Zero Carbon Development Guidelines will be a useful advocacy tool to the State Government to demonstrate environmentally sustainable development (ESD) standards. While they won't form part of the planning scheme at this time, they can be used to assist planners negotiate better sustainability outcomes. The investigation and metrics provide valuable strategic justification to improve ESD policy direction in the Planning Scheme. The metrics will be used to support an upcoming joint Amendment to elevate local ESD policies in numerous municipal Planning Schemes.

To support improved green infrastructure in new developments, officers would like to trial the City of Melbourne's Green Factor Tool. In order for Moreland to trial the use of the tool, an MoU has been prepared by the City of Melbourne (Attachment 1). The purpose of the MoU is to provide a general framework for ongoing cooperation between the City of Moreland and the City of Melbourne to test and trial the Green Factor tool for a period of one year, with a mutual option to extend.

Entering into the MoU does not give the tool any status in the planning scheme, and as with the EV and PV targets, using the tool will be voluntary, and will be used to negotiate better sustainability outcomes in development.

Even though this is a pilot trial for voluntary use by developers/applicants within the municipality, the anticipated outcomes achieved will provide valuable strategic justification for improved greening policy within the Scheme that can be used for an upcoming joint CASBE Council Planning Scheme Amendment to elevate local ESD policy in numerous municipal Planning Schemes. Investigation of improved waste management will need to consider State Government reforms currently underway.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Supports Moreland entering into the Green Factor Tool Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Melbourne as contained in Attachment 1 to this report.
2. Receives a further report at the end of the trial period, on the uptake and outcomes of the trial of the Green Factor Tool.
3. Endorses the Solar Photovoltaic and Electric Vehicle Infrastructure metrics

(Attachment 2) for the purpose of:

- a) Continuing to advocate to the State Government to elevate sustainability standards as part of the State Government ESD Pathway.
 - b) Continuing to work with Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment (CASBE) and member Councils to translate the elevated ESD targets into the Planning Scheme formalised by endorsing the Stage 1 Elevating ESD Targets Planning Policy Amendment Memorandum of Understanding (Attachment 3).
4. Update the Council Action Plan Measure 28 – Excellence in ESD outcomes to “Report to Council on the progress of work to elevate targets and prepare Zero carbon policy”.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Supports Moreland entering into the Green Factor Tool Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Melbourne as contained in Attachment 1 to this report.**
2. **Receives a further report at the end of the trial period, on the uptake and outcomes of the trial of the Green Factor Tool.**
3. **Endorses the Solar Photovoltaic and Electric Vehicle Infrastructure metrics (Attachment 2) for the purpose of:**
 - a) **Continuing to advocate to the State Government to elevate sustainability standards as part of the State Government ESD Pathway.**
 - b) **Continuing to work with Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment (CASBE) and member Councils to translate the elevated ESD targets into the Planning Scheme formalised by endorsing the Stage 1 Elevating ESD Targets Planning Policy Amendment Memorandum of Understanding (Attachment 3).**
4. **Update the Council Action Plan Measure 28 – Excellence in ESD outcomes to “Report to Council on the progress of work to elevate targets and prepare Zero carbon policy”.**

Carried

7.12 PROJECT #1 MORELAND AFFORDABLE HOUSING LTD - 2-12 WILKINSON STREET, BRUNSWICK

Executive Summary

Moreland Affordable Housing Ltd (MAH) was established with Council’s support in 2018 to increase the provision of affordable housing in Moreland, with a focus on creating opportunities for developments on Council land. As an arm’s length company to Council the intention is for MAH to become financially independent through leveraging Council land to access the necessary finances to construct affordable housing without a financial burden on the Moreland community.

In September 2020 Council supported a proposal from MAH to present a development proposal for land at 2-12 Wilkinson St Brunswick and for this to be achieved through the sale of the land to MAH. In earlier decisions Council had requested that all proposals on land allocated for potential development should consider a lease option for the land as well as sale. The requirement to consider lease options remains in place for four other sites which MAH has undertaken to conduct detailed feasibility on in the course of the Council Plan period 2021-25.

This report outlines the current environment for the funding of social and affordable housing projects and MAH's decision to seek a development partner from the community housing sector in order to enable it to access these funds.

Council is presented with a Heads of Agreement which lays out the terms of the land sale which includes a commitment through a section 173 agreement that 85% of the housing developed on the site will be affordable in perpetuity and at least half of those will be provided as social housing.

While the land site is valued at \$4.1m the Social Return on Investment for this contribution is estimated at a minimum \$48.7m. If Council agrees to go forward with an intention to sell the site to MAH, this report outlines the required process under the Local Government Act which Council will undertake to inform the community of its intention and allow for submissions from the community on the proposed land transfer.

It is somewhat timely that the State Government recently called for submissions in relation to its Ten Year Social and Affordable Housing Strategy. As these were due outside of Council meeting cycles an officer submission was made in April and is attached to this report for Council's review and endorsement. A revised submission will be made should Council seek to alter this in anyway. Overall the process undertaken to date by Homes Victoria to engage with communities and organisations on the creation of a Ten-Year Strategy is welcomed. While it is understood that the State Government is seeking to complete this work before the end of this year, the officer submission strongly encouraged further targeted consultation as draft policy proposals for the strategy are developed. The questions raised and topics addressed in the discussion paper are, for the most part, general in nature. An opportunity to further contribute on the detail of proposals should strengthen the final strategy and allow stakeholders to see their part in its fulfillment.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Approves the commencement of the process under Section 189 of the *Local Government Act 1989* to consider the sale of the land (as shown in Attachment 2 comprising the land contained in certificates of title volume 3139 folio 608, volume 4180 folio 907, volume 5537 folio 271 and volume 8061 folio 911) being the western portion of the car park at 2-12 Wilkinson St , Brunswick, by Private Treaty to Moreland Affordable Housing Ltd (MAH).
2. Notes the consideration for the sale shall be MAH entering into the Contract of Sale and the section 173 agreement as described in the Heads of Agreement at Attachment 1 and MAH cannot transfer any land on the site until construction is complete.
3. Authorises the Director City Futures to sign the Heads of Agreement and finalise the drafting of the Contract of Sale and Section 173 agreement with MAH as outlined in the Agreement for Council's possible execution subject to a decision to sell the land following the Section 223 process.
4. In accordance with section 189 and Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989, Council authorises that a public notice be given of its intention to sell the land calling for submissions in The Age newspaper.
5. Publishes a copy of the public notice on Council's website and provides a copy to owners and occupiers of all properties abutting the land.
6. Appoints Councillor _____ as Chair, and Councillors _____, _____ and _____ to a Committee to hear any submitters requesting to be heard in support of their written submission.
7. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to set the time, date and place of a meeting of the committee to hear submissions in relation to Council's intent to sell the land at 2-12 Wilkinson St following consultation with Councillors and any submitters.
8. Following the consultation process, receives a report outlining any submissions

received, a summary of proceedings of any Hearing of Submissions held in relation to the proposed sale, with a recommendation on whether to proceed.

9. Notes the Probity Audit undertaken by Anne Dalton and Associates at Attachment 4 and approves the Probity Plan at Attachment 5.
10. Authorises \$16,500 to be drawn from the Moreland Housing Reserve to cover the implementation of the Probity Plan in FY 2021/22.
11. Encourages MAH to work with council officers, community housing providers, Homes Victoria and potential development partners to bring proposals on use of 26 Belair Ave, Glenroy; 5 & 7 Lytton St Glenroy; 4 Gladstone Pde, Glenroy and 23-27 Frith St, Brunswick for affordable housing within the period of the Council Plan 2021-25.
12. Endorses the Officer Submission to the Homes Victoria Ten Year Social and Affordable Housing Strategy (at Attachment 3) and authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make changes to the document accordingly and submit the updated document to Homes Victoria.

Motion

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council:

1. Approves the commencement of the process under Section 189 of the Local Government Act 1989 to consider the sale of the land (as shown in Attachment 2 comprising the land contained in certificates of title volume 3139 folio 608, volume 4180 folio 907, volume 5537 folio 271 and volume 8061 folio 911) being the western portion of the car park at 2-12 Wilkinson St , Brunswick, by Private Treaty to Moreland Affordable Housing Ltd (MAH).
2. Notes the consideration for the sale shall be MAH entering into the Contract of Sale and the section 173 agreement as described in the Heads of Agreement at Attachment 1 and MAH cannot transfer any land on the site until construction is complete.
3. Authorises the Director City Futures to sign the Heads of Agreement and finalise the drafting of the Contract of Sale and Section 173 agreement with MAH as outlined in the Agreement for Council's possible execution subject to a decision to sell the land following the Section 223 process.
4. In accordance with section 189 and Section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council authorises that a public notice be given of its intention to sell the land calling for submissions in The Age newspaper.
5. Publishes a copy of the public notice on Council's website and provides a copy to owners and occupiers of all properties abutting the land.
6. Appoints Councillor Riley as Chair, and Councillors Tapinos, Pulford and Panopoulos to a Committee to hear any submitters requesting to be heard in support of their written submission.
7. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to set the time, date and place of a meeting of the committee to hear submissions in relation to Council's intent to sell the land at 2-12 Wilkinson St following consultation with Councillors and any submitters.
8. Following the consultation process, receives a report outlining any submissions received, a summary of proceedings of any Hearing of Submissions held in relation to the proposed sale, with a recommendation on whether to proceed.
9. Notes the Probity Audit undertaken by Anne Dalton and Associates at Attachment 4 and approves the Probity Plan at Attachment 5.
10. Authorises \$16,500 to be drawn from the Moreland Housing Reserve to cover the implementation of the Probity Plan in FY 2021/22.
11. Encourages MAH to work with council officers, community housing providers, Homes

Victoria and potential development partners to bring proposals on use of 26 Belair Ave, Glenroy; 5 & 7 Lytton St Glenroy; 4 Gladstone Pde, Glenroy and 23-27 Frith St, Brunswick for affordable housing within the period of the Council Plan 2021-25.

12. Endorses the Officer Submission to the Homes Victoria Ten Year Social and Affordable Housing Strategy (at Attachment 3) and authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make changes to the document accordingly and submit the updated document to Homes Victoria.

Amendment

Cr Riley

11. Encourages MAH to work with council officers, community housing providers, Homes Victoria and potential development partners to bring proposals on use of 26 Belair Ave, Glenroy; 5 & 7 Lytton St Glenroy; 4 Gladstone Pde, Glenroy and 23-27 Frith St, Brunswick for affordable housing within the period of the Council Plan 2021-25. One of the sites should be prioritised for feasibility assessment and development modelling for an affordable housing Equity Land Trust as a demonstration project, to encourage a new source of revenue for affordable housing. This is to be actioned through funding allocations under the Annual Activity Plans for 2021/22 and 2022/23 agreed between MAH and the Director City Futures under the existing Memorandum of Understanding (funding agreement).

The Amendment was agreeable to the mover and seconder and became part of the substantive motion.

Amendment

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Tapinos seconded –

That a home equity model be used instead of an affordable housing Equity Land Trust.

Lost

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council:

1. **Approves the commencement of the process under Section 189 of the Local Government Act 1989 to consider the sale of the land (as shown in Attachment 2 comprising the land contained in certificates of title volume 3139 folio 608, volume 4180 folio 907, volume 5537 folio 271 and volume 8061 folio 911) being the western portion of the car park at 2-12 Wilkinson St , Brunswick, by Private Treaty to Moreland Affordable Housing Ltd (MAH).**
2. **Notes the consideration for the sale shall be MAH entering into the Contract of Sale and the section 173 agreement as described in the Heads of Agreement at Attachment 1 and MAH cannot transfer any land on the site until construction is complete.**
3. **Authorises the Director City Futures to sign the Heads of Agreement and finalise the drafting of the Contract of Sale and Section 173 agreement with MAH as outlined in the Agreement for Council’s possible execution subject to a decision to sell the land following the Section 223 process.**
4. **In accordance with section 189 and Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989, Council authorises that a public notice be given of its intention to sell the land calling for submissions in The Age newspaper.**
5. **Publishes a copy of the public notice on Council’s website and provides a copy to owners and occupiers of all properties abutting the land.**
6. **Appoints Councillor Riley as Chair, and Councillors Tapinos, Pulford and**

Panopoulos to a Committee to hear any submitters requesting to be heard in support of their written submission.

7. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to set the time, date and place of a meeting of the committee to hear submissions in relation to Council's intent to sell the land at 2-12 Wilkinson St following consultation with Councillors and any submitters.
8. Following the consultation process, receives a report outlining any submissions received, a summary of proceedings of any Hearing of Submissions held in relation to the proposed sale, with a recommendation on whether to proceed.
9. Notes the Probity Audit undertaken by Anne Dalton and Associates at Attachment 4 and approves the Probity Plan at Attachment 5.
10. Authorises \$16,500 to be drawn from the Moreland Housing Reserve to cover the implementation of the Probity Plan in FY 2021/22.
11. Encourages MAH to work with council officers, community housing providers, Homes Victoria and potential development partners to bring proposals on use of 26 Belair Ave, Glenroy; 5 & 7 Lytton St Glenroy; 4 Gladstone Pde, Glenroy and 23-27 Frith St, Brunswick for affordable housing within the period of the Council Plan 2021-25. One of the sites should be prioritised for feasibility assessment and development modelling for an affordable housing Equity Land Trust as a demonstration project, to encourage a new source of revenue for affordable housing. This is to be actioned through funding allocations under the Annual Activity Plans for 2021/22 and 2022/23 agreed between MAH and the Director City Futures under the existing Memorandum of Understanding (funding agreement).
12. Endorses the Officer Submission to the Homes Victoria Ten Year Social and Affordable Housing Strategy (at Attachment 3) and authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make changes to the document accordingly and submit the updated document to Homes Victoria.

Carried unanimously

7.14 AMENDMENT C212 - PLANNING SCHEME UPDATES AND CORRECTIONS - DECISION GATEWAY 1

Executive Summary

Amendment C212 seeks to improve the operation of the Moreland Planning Scheme and planning permit decision making by introducing new policy content, new planning permit application requirements, and correcting a number of anomalies and errors/inconsistencies identified in the Moreland Planning Scheme.

In 2018, in accordance with section 12B of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, Council officers undertook a statutory review of the Moreland Planning Scheme. The *Planning Scheme Review Report 2018* (DED38/18) was subsequently adopted by Council on 13 June 2018. Amendment C212 to the Moreland Planning Scheme proposes to give effect to some review recommendations, including:

- recognising the Brunswick Design District in the Municipal Strategic Statement to become a successful and innovative employment and creative precinct. *Amendment C212 makes changes to the Municipal Planning Strategy in support of this recommendation.*
- To ensure the Planning Scheme supports the Virtual Moreland Program by including requirements to provide 3D modelling for major developments. *Amendment C212 introduces new requirements for planning permit applications in the Brunswick and Neighbourhood Activity Centres to provide 3D models.*

Amendment C212 also proposes to make changes to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Planning Policy Framework to implement new policy directions from Council strategies adopted post the last review.

The Amendment also seeks to correct anomalies that have been identified throughout the Moreland Planning Scheme by fixing ordinance, mapping and clerical errors. It also deletes two Design and Development Overlays that are no longer required as construction is complete and no further design guidance is required.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Using its powers as a planning authority under ss8A and 8B of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, seek authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare Moreland Planning Scheme Amendment C212 as detailed in Section 3 of this report and in Attachments 1, 2 ,3 ,4, 5 and 6 to this report.
2. Following receipt of the Minister's authorisation, exhibit the Amendment in accordance with Section 19 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* as outlined in the Consultation section of this report.
3. Authorises the Director City Futures to make changes to the Amendment based on conditions imposed in any authorisation granted by the Minister for Planning and to make minor changes.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Using its powers as a planning authority under ss8A and 8B of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, seek authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare Moreland Planning Scheme Amendment C212 as detailed in Section 3 of this report and in Attachments 1, 2 ,3 ,4, 5 and 6 to this report.**
2. **Following receipt of the Minister's authorisation, exhibit the Amendment in accordance with Section 19 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* as outlined in the Consultation section of this report.**
3. **Authorises the Director City Futures to make changes to the Amendment based on conditions imposed in any authorisation granted by the Minister for Planning and to make minor changes.**

Carried

7.15 MORELAND PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT C216MORE - SUBMISSION TO STATE GOVERNMENT

Executive Summary

The Minister for Planning is considering whether to prepare, adopt and approve Moreland Planning Scheme Amendment C216more and grant a planning permit. The draft amendment proposes to make the Minister for Planning the responsible authority for administering the planning permit, which proposes demolition and use and development of the land for the construction of an eight-storey building (with one basement level) comprising dwellings and offices, a reduction in car parking requirements and associated works.

To inform the Ministers decision, consultation is being undertaken under section 20(5) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* about the draft amendment and the draft planning permit.

This report concludes that Council's submission to the Minister should be that the amendment to the planning scheme should not proceed based on the development as it is currently proposed. The design response fails to respond to the policies and objectives of the Moreland Planning Scheme and will adversely impact a building of individual heritage significance, constrain the future development potential of adjoining sites and result in poor internal amenity for future occupants. It is also considered that the affordable housing commitment provides a limited discount to households at the moderate income bracket. The value of this affordable housing offer to eligible occupants is low.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Endorses the submission at Attachment 3 to this report, which outlines the following position in relation to draft Amendment C216more and planning permit application No. PA2101205:
 - a) Council does not consider that the 'tests' for Ministerial intervention as set out in Planning Practice Note 29 have been satisfied.
 - b) The extent demolition of heritage fabric of a building with individual heritage significance is inappropriate.
 - c) The proposal fails to respond to the built form outcomes sought by the Design and Development Overlay Schedule 18.
 - d) The proposal fails to provide an appropriate building separation from its eastern boundary which unreasonably impacts the future development potential of adjoining sites to the east.
 - e) The building typology results in compromised internal amenity.
 - f) Insufficient information has been provided to demonstrate that the road network won't be unreasonably impacted by additional traffic or that sufficient on-site car parking has been provided.
 - g) The affordable housing commitment provides a limited discount to households at the moderate income bracket and fails to provide an option for low income households that are the largest cohort of need in Moreland.
2. Authorises the Director City Futures to make the submission outlined in Attachment 3 on Council's behalf, including making any minor corrections or amendments as required to action the Council resolution.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Endorses the submission at Attachment 3 to this report, which outlines the following position in relation to draft Amendment C216more and planning permit application No. PA2101205:**
 - a) Council does not consider that the ‘tests’ for Ministerial intervention as set out in Planning Practice Note 29 have been satisfied.**
 - b) The extent demolition of heritage fabric of a building with individual heritage significance is inappropriate.**
 - c) The proposal fails to respond to the built form outcomes sought by the Design and Development Overlay Schedule 18.**
 - d) The proposal fails to provide an appropriate building separation from its eastern boundary which unreasonably impacts the future development potential of adjoining sites to the east.**
 - e) The building typology results in compromised internal amenity.**
 - f) Insufficient information has been provided to demonstrate that the road network won’t be unreasonably impacted by additional traffic or that sufficient on-site car parking has been provided.**
 - g) The affordable housing commitment provides a limited discount to households at the moderate income bracket and fails to provide an option for low income households that are the largest cohort of need in Moreland.**
- 2. Authorises the Director City Futures to make the submission outlined in Attachment 3 on Council’s behalf, including making any minor corrections or amendments as required to action the Council resolution.**

Carried

7.17 2020/21 THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL AND PERFORMANCE REPORT

Executive Summary

This third quarter performance report gives an overview of Council’s Performance through delivery of the Council Action Plan 2020/21 (Council Action Plan), Financial Management and delivery of the Project Management program.

Capital works projects are progressing with 49 per cent delivery across the program, while Operating projects are also behind their expected progress at 56 per cent delivery as at 31 March 2021. Expenditure aligns to the delivery status and actions are being closely monitored to support planned delivery.

The impact on both capital and operating projects due to the actions taken in addressing the COVID-19 pandemic are difficult to predict. Estimates from Project Managers indicate that approximately 12 per cent of Capital Works projects and 29 per cent of Operating projects have a potential impact from COVID-19 and are likely to have delivery schedules adversely affected. As restrictions continue to ease and the vaccination program gathers pace, this situation should improve over the fourth quarter. However, the COVID-19 environment has proven to be volatile.

A detailed financial review was undertaken across the organisation at the end of March 2021, to form the 2020/21 Third Quarter Financial Review. This process provided the opportunity to review the financial performance to date and reallocate available financial

resources to reduce the financial impact of the COVID-19 restrictions and stage 4 lockdowns. The results of this review are included in this report as the Full Year Revised Forecast.

The forecast has been developed in an unprecedented and rapidly changing environment following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. The forecast assumes four months of the lockdown strategy implemented by the State Government and the associated financial impacts on the lockdown on Council's forecasted financial position for 30 June 2021. No further material changes are expected as a result of the most recent and short February lockdown, however this may change in the event of further restrictions.

The Full Year Revised Forecast is an unfavourable movement of \$1.1 million in Council's underlying result from the Second Quarter Financial Review (Q2) forecast surplus of \$3.7 million to a surplus of \$2.6 million. This result is important, as it measures Council's ability to generate a surplus in the ordinary course of business – excluding capital grants and other contributions to fund expenditure from the net result. Currently, the Full Year Revised Forecast is a deficit or reduction in the underlying result which suggests that an improvement is required in the operating position. This is primarily due to an increase in employee costs and an increase in materials and services as a result of expenditure originally budgeted as capital. Other items that have impacted on Council's result are savings in base and operating expenditure in 2020/21. The financial impact of the pandemic has been softened by the agile response to realign priorities, providing support to the community.

After reviewing the Capital Expenditure program, there is a decrease to the 2020/21 Q2 forecast of \$16.9 million primarily as a result of \$14.0 million of projects that are unable to be completed in 2020/21 and need to be carried forward into 2021/22.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Notes the 2020/21 Third Quarter Performance Report for the period ending 31 March 2021, including Financial Plan performance and Project Management performance.
2. Notes the status of the program of capital and operating projects for 2020/21.
3. Notes the increase to the full-year First Quarter Financial Review forecast for Operating income of 1.3 million and increase to expenditure of \$1.6 million arising from the 2020/2021 Third Quarter Financial Review.
4. Endorses the full-year forecast Capital Expenditure of \$55.7 million, arising from the 2020/2021 Third Quarter Financial Review.
5. Carries forward the following operating project funding to the 2021/22 year:
 - i. Covid-19 Relief – Disability Employment Program - \$112,500;
 - ii. Multi-use facility 33 Saxon Street, Brunswick - \$75,000.
6. Carries forward the following capital project funding to the 2021/22 Capital Expenditure programs. Noting these are additional carry forwards to those taken to the May Council meeting:
 - i. Coburg Leisure Centre Spa & Sauna Refurbishment - \$860,000;
 - ii. Gavin Park wetlands - \$550,000;
 - iii. Craigrossie Avenue, Glencairn – Wattle, Coburg - \$340,650;
 - iv. Charles Mutton Reserve, Fawkner – Pavilion - \$224,370;
 - v. Balloan Street: Sutherland – dead end, Coburg - \$80,000
 - vi. Plastic wise infrastructure – accelerated roll-out - \$50,000
 - vii. Senior Exercise Park - \$45,000

- viii. Park Asset Renewal - \$36,755.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Tapinos seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Notes the 2020/21 Third Quarter Performance Report for the period ending 31 March 2021, including Financial Plan performance and Project Management performance.**
- 2. Notes the status of the program of capital and operating projects for 2020/21.**
- 3. Notes the increase to the full-year First Quarter Financial Review forecast for Operating income of 1.3 million and increase to expenditure of \$1.6 million arising from the 2020/2021 Third Quarter Financial Review.**
- 4. Endorses the full-year forecast Capital Expenditure of \$55.7 million, arising from the 2020/2021 Third Quarter Financial Review.**
- 5. Carries forward the following operating project funding to the 2021/22 year:**
 - i. Covid-19 Relief – Disability Employment Program - \$112,500;**
 - ii. Multi-use facility 33 Saxon Street, Brunswick - \$75,000.**
- 6. Carries forward the following capital project funding to the 2021/22 Capital Expenditure programs. Noting these are additional carry forwards to those taken to the May Council meeting:**
 - i. Coburg Leisure Centre Spa & Sauna Refurbishment - \$860,000;**
 - ii. Gavin Park wetlands - \$550,000;**
 - iii. Craigrossie Avenue, Glencairn – Wattle, Coburg - \$340,650;**
 - iv. Charles Mutton Reserve, Fawkner – Pavilion - \$224,370;**
 - v. Balloan Street: Sutherland – dead end, Coburg - \$80,000**
 - vi. Plastic wise infrastructure – accelerated roll-out - \$50,000**
 - vii. Senior Exercise Park - \$45,000**
 - viii. Park Asset Renewal - \$36,755.**

Carried

7.18 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2021

Executive Summary

This report presents the Financial Management Report for the financial year to date period ending 30 April 2021.

A detailed financial review was undertaken across the organisation throughout April. The results of this review are included in this report as the Full Year Revised Forecast. The detailed third quarterly financial review is being presented separately to the June Council meeting.

The April Income Statement shows the Council surplus is \$6.4 million better the year to date Revised Forecast as a result of lower overall expenditure. These differences are considered largely timing in nature.

Council has spent \$40.0 million on capital expenditure which is \$3.1 million less than the

year to date Revised Forecast.

Council has previously taken the approach of generating small surpluses to reinvest in much needed infrastructure projects. This strategy has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and it is unlikely Council will generate a funding surplus for 2020/21.

Officer Recommendation

That Council notes the Financial Management Report for the period ended 30 April 2021, at Attachment 1 to this report.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council notes the Financial Management Report for the period ended 30 April 2021, at Attachment 1 to this report.

Carried

7.19 2020/21 COUNCIL ACTION PLAN THIRD QUARTER PERFORMANCE REPORT

Executive Summary

This Third Quarter Performance Report (from January to end March 2021) gives an overview of Council's performance through the delivery of the Council Plan 2017-2021, specifically the delivery of the Council Action Plan for 2020/21 (shown at **Attachment 1**).

Delivery of the Council Action Plan 2020/21 (Council Action Plan) over the third quarter saw the status of actions as:

- 28 per cent achieved (11 deliverables);
- 44 per cent on target (17 deliverables); and
- 28 per cent behind target (11 deliverables).

Although there are 39 deliverables, there are 75 individual actions that sit under the deliverables which are detailed in the Council Action Plan 2020/21.

The Third Quarter Performance Report includes assessment of impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic on deliverables contained within the Council Action Plan.

In order to report on the range of actions in response to COVID-19, Council previously created an additional action - CAP 77: COVID-19 relief and recovery - To support the local community, economy and provide employment; an update on this item is also provided for in the Council Action Plan.

Officer Recommendation

That Council notes the 2020/21 Council Action Plan Third Quarter Performance Report for the period ending 31 March 2021, including Council Action Plan 2021 progress.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Riley seconded -

That Council notes the 2020/21 Council Action Plan Third Quarter Performance Report for the period ending 31 March 2021, including Council Action Plan 2021 progress.

Carried

7.20 REVIEW AND DETERMINATION OF MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES

Executive Summary

The *Local Government Act 2020* provides for the Mayor and Councillors to receive an allowance during their four-year term. Until the first determination is made by the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal, Council must review allowances in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989* (1989 Act).

The Mayor has a leadership role in the Moreland community and Moreland has consistently supported this role by dedicating it as a full time position. Councillors commit considerable time in the execution of their Council responsibilities, in addition to their employment and personal lives.

The Act states that a Council must review and determine the level of the Councillor allowance and the Mayoral allowance within the period of 6 months after a general election or by next 30 June.

Community comment on the proposed allowances for the Mayor and Councillors for the next four financial years was sought and submissions closed at 5pm on Monday 17 May 2021. No submissions were received.

Council, upon adopting this report, will have fulfilled its requirements under section 74(1) of the 1989 Act in reviewing and determining the level of the Mayoral and Councillor allowances within the period of 6 months after a general election or by next 30 June.

This report recommends setting the Mayoral and Councillor allowances.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Having complied with the requirements of sections 74 and 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, and no submissions being received, set the Councillor and Mayoral allowances for the 2020-2024 Council term at the upper limit of the allowable range, currently being:
 - a) \$31,444 per annum for Councillors (plus a \$2,987 superannuation contribution)
 - b) \$100,434 per annum for the Mayor (plus a \$9,541 superannuation contribution).
2. Notes that Councillor and Mayoral allowances reference in 1a) and 1b) above, do not represent pay increases. These are the amounts currently being paid to Councillors and the Mayor since the last indexation was applied in December 2019 and represent a 0% increase.
3. Notes that the Superannuation Contribution is set to increase to 10% from 1 July 2021 in alignment with the *Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992*.

Resolution

Cr Carli Hannan moved, Cr Pulford seconded -

That Council:

1. **Having complied with the requirements of sections 74 and 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, and no submissions being received, set the Councillor and Mayoral allowances for the 2020-2024 Council term at the upper limit of the allowable range, currently being:**
 - a) \$31,444 per annum for Councillors (plus a \$2,987 superannuation contribution)**
 - b) \$100,434 per annum for the Mayor (plus a \$9,541 superannuation**

contribution).

2. Notes that Councillor and Mayoral allowances reference in 1a) and 1b) above, do not represent pay increases. These are the amounts currently being paid to Councillors and the Mayor since the last indexation was applied in December 2019 and represent a 0% increase.
3. Notes that the Superannuation Contribution is set to increase to 10% from 1 July 2021 in alignment with the *Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992*.

Carried

Cr Bolton's vote against be noted.

8.46 pm *Cr Riley left the meeting due to his declared conflict of interest.*

7.21 GOVERNANCE REPORT - JUNE 2021 - CYCLICAL REPORT

Executive Summary

The Governance Report has been developed as a monthly standing report to Council to provide a single reporting mechanism for a range of statutory compliance, transparency and governance matters.

This Governance Report includes:

- Payment of Mayoral allowance to the Deputy Mayor during extended leave;
- Reports from Committees to Council, with a recommendation that Council notes the reports;
- Records of Meetings, with a recommendation Council notes the records;
- Responses to Public Question Time items taken on notice at 12 May 2021 Council meeting, with a recommendation Council notes the responses.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. In accordance with *section 74A of the Local Government Act 1989*, as the Deputy Mayor will assume the role of Mayor during the period 5 July 2021 to 25 August 2021 (pending Council approval), the Deputy Mayor be paid a Mayoral allowance.
2. Notes the report from Committees to Council, at Attachment 1 to this report.
3. Notes the Record of Meetings, at Attachment 2 to this report.
4. Notes responses to questions taken on notice during Public Question Time at the May 2021 Council meeting, at Attachment 3 to this report.

Resolution

Cr Pulford moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. **In accordance with *section 74A of the Local Government Act 1989*, as the Deputy Mayor will assume the role of Mayor during the period 5 July 2021 to 25 August 2021 (pending Council approval), the Deputy Mayor be paid a Mayoral allowance.**
2. **Notes the report from Committees to Council, at Attachment 1 to this report.**
3. **Notes the Record of Meetings, at Attachment 2 to this report.**

4. Notes responses to questions taken on notice during Public Question Time at the May 2021 Council meeting, at Attachment 3 to this report.

Carried unanimously

9.07 pm Cr Riley returned to the meeting.

7.22 CONTRACT 2306/0843 PROCUREMENT AUSTRALIA - LIBRARY COLLECTIONS, FURNITURE, EQUIPMENT AND ASSOCIATED REQUIREMENTS

Executive Summary

The current Procurement Australia contract (1906/0836) covers a panel of suppliers of library collection material, furniture, equipment and associated requirements and is due to expire in June 2021.

The libraries' book replacement program budget, including GST, is \$1,100,000 per annum, \$66,000+ is spent on library furniture and equipment. The IT Department spend \$96,800+ on the Integrated Library Management System (ILMS) and \$30,800+ on the Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) system each year.

Procurement Australia recently conducted a new public tender for library services across a wide range of suppliers and concluded their evaluation with a list of recommended suppliers across 15 categories, including many existing suppliers that Moreland City Council has been using for over ten years, as well as suppliers in a new category for removalist services.

The purpose of this Procurement Australia tender and contract is to provide a panel of suppliers for Members throughout Australia via a public sector compliant tender process.

Procurement Australia invited tenders from qualified parties to be part of a panel of providers for the supply and delivery of Library Collections, Furniture, Equipment and Associated Requirements (the Services) commencing 1 July 2021 and ending 30 June 2023 (the Deed Term) with an option to extend the Deed for a further (2) two periods of up to (1) one year each (the Extension Terms).

Entering into this new panel contract (2306/0843) with Procurement Australia will greatly assist in the ongoing development of library collections and facilities, with a diverse range of content and equipment. Suppliers have been through a rigorous tendering process and Procurement Australia is a reputable organisation used by many libraries and service providers across Australia.

As this panel contract engages various suppliers via the Procurement Australia panel contract 2306/0843 that are currently utilised by Library Services, this will streamline the approval/procurement process by combining all categories into one contract.

The tender complies with Section 186 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:

- a) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract; and
- b) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to exercise the option to extend contracts in accordance with the provisions within the Contract; and
- c) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract; and
- d) Authorises Council Officers to compare the Integrated Library Management System

(ILMS) vendors on the Procurement Australia panel contract 2306/0843 with the Libraries Victoria shared ILMS solution.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council:

Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:

- a) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract; and**
- b) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to exercise the option to extend contracts in accordance with the provisions within the Contract; and**
- c) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract; and**
- d) Authorises Council Officers to compare the Integrated Library Management System (ILMS) vendors on the Procurement Australia panel contract 2306/0843 with the Libraries Victoria shared ILMS solution.**

Carried

9.08 pm Cr Panopoulos left the meeting due her declared conflict of interest .

7.23 CONTRACT RFT-P-105-2020 LEGAL SERVICES PANEL

Executive Summary

Council uses a panel of firms for the provision of Legal Services and contracts have been in place with each legal firm previously appointed to the panel to provide a broad range of services supporting functional areas across Council.

The Legal Services Panel is used to facilitate access to timely, value for money and quality legal advice. This contractual arrangement has proven beneficial to Council through the application of clear costing processes, development of relationships with key legal personnel and access to value-add services, such as free informal advice and training of Council staff.

The current contracts with legal service providers appointed to the Panel concluded in January 2021. Following a review of the Legal Services Panel arrangement, a Request for Tender (RFT) was prepared outlining a two-tiered approach for a refreshed Legal Services Panel to provide greater cost saving opportunities through using smaller firms where possible and maximise opportunities for locally based (smaller) firms to submit tenders for appointment to the Panel.

Tier 1 law firms to be engaged will consist of medium to large firms which comprise 15 lawyers or more. Tier 2 law firms will consist of smaller firms which comprise less than 15 lawyers. These firms are generally less diverse in services offered but are more likely to specialise in what they do provide.

This report recommends the appointment of a Legal Services Panel of 11 firms in total, comprising of 9 tier 1 firms and 2 tier 2 firms including:

Tier 1: Maddocks; Hunt & Hunt Lawyers; Russell Kennedy; Hall & Wilcox; Harwood Andrews; Moray & Agnew; Workdynamic Australia; Holding Redlich; and HWL Ebsworth.

Tier 2: Justitia; and Marcus Lane Group.

The appointment recommended is for an initial contract period of (2) years with an option to extend the Contract for a further (2) x (2) years for a up to a total of 6 years at the Chief Executive Officer's discretion, which will replace the previous contracts which have now expired.

The total operational expenditure expected over the life of the entire contract term is estimated to be \$3 million (exclusive of GST). This expenditure is budgeted for in the current financial year (2020/2021) and also planned for in the proposed 2021/2022 budget and the Long-Term Financial Plan.

The tender complies with the Financial Management and Governance Principles of the *Local Government Act 2020*.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Awards RFT-P-105-2020 Legal Services Panel for a supply contract for an initial contract period of 2 years with an option to extend the Contract for a further 2 x 2 years for up to a total of 6 years to:
 - a) Maddocks
 - b) Hunt & Hunt Lawyers
 - c) Russell Kennedy
 - d) Hall & Wilcox
 - e) Harwood Andrews
 - f) Moray & Agnew
 - g) Workdynamic Australia

- h) Holding Redlich
 - i) HWL Ebsworth
 - j) Justitia Pty Ltd
 - k) Marcus Lane Group.
2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:
- a) Negotiate and finalise the terms of the Contract between Council and the Contractors noting that the terms specified in 1 above shall not be altered without a further Resolution of Council.
 - b) Do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract.
 - c) Exercise the option(s) to extend contracts in accordance with the provisions within the Contract.
 - d) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Carli Hannan seconded -

That Council:

1. **Awards RFT-P-105-2020 Legal Services Panel for a supply contract for an initial contract period of 2 years with an option to extend the Contract for a further 2 x 2 years for up to a total of 6 years to:**
- a) **Maddocks**
 - b) **Hunt & Hunt Lawyers**
 - c) **Russell Kennedy**
 - d) **Hall & Wilcox**
 - e) **Harwood Andrews**
 - f) **Moray & Agnew**
 - g) **Workdynamic Australia**
 - h) **Holding Redlich**
 - i) **HWL Ebsworth**
 - j) **Justitia Pty Ltd**
 - k) **Marcus Lane Group.**
2. **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:**
- a) **Negotiate and finalise the terms of the Contract between Council and the Contractors noting that the terms specified in 1 above shall not be altered without a further Resolution of Council.**
 - b) **Do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract.**
 - c) **Exercise the option(s) to extend contracts in accordance with the provisions within the Contract.**
 - d) **Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.**

Carried

9.10 pm *Cr Panopoulos returned to the meeting*

7.24 CONTRACT RFT-2020-169 FLEMING PARK REDEVELOPMENT MAIN WORKS CONTRACTOR APPOINTMENT

Executive Summary

Council endorsed the project scope for the Fleming Park Redevelopment with an estimated project budget of \$11,327,000 on 13 November 2019 (DC19/19).

A public Request for Tender (RFT) was issued on 16 January 2021 and closed on 4 March 2021. Seven compliant submissions were received.

The tender review has been concluded with a recommendation agreed by the Tender Evaluation Panel on a preferred contractor.

This report provides recommendation on the appointment of the preferred contractor for the construction of the Fleming Park Redevelopment Project and the allocation of construction contingencies.

The tender complies with Section 186 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - a) Make a formal offer to **Building Engineering Pty Ltd ACN 103 839 514 (Contractor)** to award to the Contractor contract **RFT-2020-169** for the **Fleming Park Redevelopment (Contract)** on the following terms and otherwise subject to and in accordance with paragraph 1(b) of this Resolution:
 - For a fixed lump sum cost of \$6,980,072 (excluding GST) for Contract RFT-2020-169
 - Allocate \$350,000 of provisional sums for Contract RFT-2020-169
 - Allocates a 10 per cent contingency for \$733,007 (excluding GST) for Contract RFT-2020-169 for unforeseeable variations that may occur during the construction period
 - b) Negotiate and finalise the terms of the Contract between Council and the Contractor provided that:
 - i. the terms specified in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution shall not be altered without a further Resolution of Council; and
 - ii. other than terms referred to in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution, the terms of the Contract are acceptable to the **Chief Executive Officer**;
2. Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:
 - a) Authorises the **Director City Infrastructure** to do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract; and
 - b) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.

Resolution

Cr Tapinos moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

1. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - a) Make a formal offer to **Building Engineering Pty Ltd ACN 103 839 514 (Contractor)** to award to the Contractor contract **RFT-2020-169** for the

Fleming Park Redevelopment (Contract) on the following terms and otherwise subject to and in accordance with paragraph 1(b) of this Resolution:

- **For a fixed lump sum cost of \$6,980,072 (excluding GST) for Contract RFT-2020-169**
 - **Allocate \$350,000 of provisional sums for Contract RFT-2020-169**
 - **Allocates a 10 per cent contingency for \$733,007 (excluding GST) for Contract RFT-2020-169 for unforeseeable variations that may occur during the construction period**
- b) Negotiate and finalise the terms of the Contract between Council and the Contractor provided that:**
- i. the terms specified in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution shall not be altered without a further Resolution of Council; and**
 - ii. other than terms referred to in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution, the terms of the Contract are acceptable to the Chief Executive Officer;**
- 2. Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:**
- a) Authorises the Director City Infrastructure to do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract; and**
 - b) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.**

Carried

7.25 CONTRACT RFT-2021-187 - CONSTRUCTION OF CRAIGIEBURN SHARED PATH STAGE 2 (DEVON ROAD TO BOTHWELL STREET)

Executive Summary

The construction of the Craigieburn Shared Path, Stage 2 (Devon Road to Bothwell Street) is identified in the 10 year bicycle and pedestrian capital works program adopted by Council.

In November 2020, phase 2 of the Commonwealth's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grant was announced, in which Council is to receive up to \$5,289,026.00 in grant funding. Council nominated the Craigieburn Shared Path, Stage 2 (Devon Road to Bothwell Street) as one of a number of projects that are to be delivered as part of this funding scheme.

The proposed works include a 3-metre-wide Shared Users Path (SUP) from Devon Road to Bothwell Street, Pascoe Vale with solar lighting and a refuge island on Devon Road to link to Stage 1 of the Shared User Path.

An advertisement was placed in *The Age* newspaper on Saturday, 10 April 2021 inviting tenders from contractors to undertake the works. The tenders closed on Monday 5 May 2021, with 11 tenders received.

The 11 tender responses were received from the following contractors:

- ADP Constructions Pty Ltd
- AMH Civil Pty Ltd
- CDN Constructors Pty Ltd
- Civilink Pty Ltd

- Eifers Civil Pty Ltd
- Evergreen Civil Pty Ltd
- GP Bluestone Pty Ltd
- Metro Asphalt Pty Ltd
- Multipro Civil Pty Ltd
- Prestige Paving Pty Ltd
- United Civil Constructions Pty Ltd

ADP Constructions Pty Ltd achieved the highest score through the evaluation process. ADP Constructions has previously undertaken numerous road reconstruction works for Council and has successfully delivered the works to a very high standard. ADP has also previously undertaken similar works for Council within the Metro Trains Melbourne (MTM) rail corridor during the construction of the Craigieburn Shared Path Stage 1, and as such is well positioned to attain the relevant permits to undertake the works.

The tender complies with Section 186 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - a) Make a formal offer to ADP Constructions Pty Ltd (Contractor) to award to the Contractor contract RFT-2021-187 the construction of the Craigieburn Shared Path Stage 2 (Devon Road to Bothwell Street) on the following terms and otherwise subject to and in accordance with paragraph 1(b) of this Resolution:
 - i. For the lump sum of \$1,465,170.90 (excluding GST) plus a provisional sum of \$191,511.00 (excluding GST), totaling \$1,656,681.90 (excluding GST)
 - ii. Allocate a contingency amount of \$331,336.38 (20 percent) to the project bringing the total expenditure for Contract RFT-2021-187 Craigieburn Shared Path Stage 2 Construction between Devon Road and Bothwell Street, Pascoe Vale, to \$1,988,018.28 (excluding GST)
 - b) Negotiate and finalise the terms of the Contract between Council and the Contractor provided that:
 - i. the terms specified in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution shall not be altered without a further Resolution of Council; and
 - ii. other than terms referred to in paragraph 1(a) of this Resolution, the terms of the Contract are acceptable to the Chief Executive Officer;
2. Notes that this project is being fully funded by the Commonwealth's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Phase 2.
3. Conditional on acceptance of the Contract by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:
 - a) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to do all things necessary to execute the Contract and any required documentation for the Contract; RFT-2021-187 and
 - b) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to exercise the option to extend contracts in accordance with the provisions within the Contract; and
 - c) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

- 1. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:**
 - a) Make a formal offer to ADP Constructions Pty Ltd (Contractor) to award to the Contractor contract RFT-2021-187 the construction of the Craigieburn Shared Path Stage 2 (Devon Road to Bothwell Street) on the following terms and otherwise subject to and in accordance with paragraph 1(b) of this Resolution:**
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 - b) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to exercise the option to extend contracts in accordance with the provisions within the Contract; and**
 - c) Advises all tenderers of Council's decision in relation to the Contract.**

Carried

NOTICES OF MOTION

8.1 END VIOLENCE AGAINST PALESTINIANS

Motion

That Council:

1. Notes with deep concern the violence in Israel and Palestine, where hundreds of Palestinians and some Israelis were killed in recent weeks with Palestinians bearing the brunt of the attacks by the Israeli army in Gaza.
2. Expresses solidarity with Moreland-based Palestinians whose community in Palestine is facing displacement by recent bombings. We note that this is not a conflict between equals but the extension of an occupation that makes it impossible for Palestinians and Israelis to live in peace and security.
3. Notes that Moreland is home to and welcomes people from diverse backgrounds. We value our residents from the Middle East and to those impacted by this conflict, we offer our solidarity.
4. Writes to the Prime Minister calling on him to end all Australian Government military ties with the Israeli government and cease pursuing a free trade agreement with Israel.

9.15pm Cr Riley left the meeting.

9.16pm Cr Riley returned to the meeting.

Motion

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Conlan seconded -

That Council:

1. Notes with deep concern the violence in Israel and Palestine, where around 250 Palestinians and some 13 Israelis were killed in recent weeks with Palestinians bearing the brunt of the attacks by the Israeli army in Gaza.
2. Expresses solidarity with Moreland-based Palestinians whose community in Palestine is facing displacement by recent bombings. We note that this is not a conflict between equals but the extension of an occupation that makes it impossible for Palestinians and Israelis to live in peace and security.
3. Notes that Moreland is home to and welcomes people from diverse backgrounds. We value our residents from the Middle East and to those impacted by this conflict, we offer our solidarity.
4. Writes to the Prime Minister calling on him to:
 - a) end all Australian Government military ties with the Israeli government and cease pursuing a free trade agreement with Israel.
 - b) condemn the expansion of illegal Israeli settlements in Palestinian land (West Bank and East Jerusalem)
5. Condemns acts of racism towards Jewish or Palestinian people in our community.

Lost on the casting vote of the Mayor

Cr Conlan called for a division.

For

Cr Bolton
Cr Riley
Cr Pulford
Cr Panopoulos
Cr Conlan

Against

Cr Carli Hannan
Cr Davidson
Cr Tapinos
Cr Yildiz
Cr Pavlidis

8.2 REVIEWING MORELAND'S ZERO CARBON EMISSIONS TIMEFRAMES

Motion

That Council:

Given that the impacts of climate change are escalating, Moreland will review its Moreland Zero Carbon – 2040 Framework with a view to developing interim and more ambitious targets by 2030.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Riley seconded -

That Council:

Given the impacts of climate change are escalating, Moreland will review its Moreland Zero Carbon – 2040 Framework with a view to developing interim and more ambitious targets with a view to achieving net zero emissions by 2030.

Carried unanimously

8.3 FURTHER SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM IS REQUIRED

Motion

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the allocation of \$3.9 million provided by the State Government to support the health care needs of people seeking asylum, but notes that this amount does not meet the level of need for housing and living costs for the thousands of asylum seekers who are unable to secure employment to support themselves.
2. Works with the Local Government Mayoral Taskforce Supporting People Seeking Asylum to lobby the State Government to reinstate the 2020/2021 levels of funding to enable the continuation of extreme hardship payments.
3. Works with State Government, agencies and other local councils to seek opportunities to provide subsidised housing for asylum seeker families where neither parent is able to work.
4. Raises awareness within the local business community about how they can contribute toward creating employment opportunities for people seeking asylum.
5. Calls for a report that identifies targeted labour-market initiatives that focus on generating employment opportunities for people seeking asylum.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Panopoulos seconded -

That Council:

1. **Acknowledges the allocation of \$3.9 million provided by the State Government to support the health care needs of people seeking asylum and Medevac refugees on bridging visas., but notes that this amount does not meet the level**

of need for housing and living costs for the thousands of asylum seekers who are unable to secure employment to support themselves.

2. Acknowledge the post budget announcement of a four-month continuation of funding to support Extreme Hardship payments, noting that it is unclear how much of this funding will be available to directly support asylum seekers and refugees on Bridging Visas who have no Centrelink support – many of these people are at risk of losing housing as they are unable to support themselves in employment due to health issues and the difficulties of getting secure work when on short term visas.
3. Work with the Local Government Mayoral Taskforce Supporting People Seeking Asylum to lobby the State Government to ensure that funding is made available to support refugees and asylum seekers to maintain their housing.
4. Work with State Government and other local councils to seek opportunities to provide subsidized housing for asylum seeker families and individuals where they are unable to support themselves through paid work.
5. Raise awareness within the local business community about how they can contribute toward creating employment opportunities for people seeking asylum.
6. Calls for a report that identifies targeted labour-market initiatives that focus on generating employment opportunities for people seeking asylum. This report would focus on the Moreland situation but could be broadened out to involve the Local Government Mayoral Taskforce Supporting People Seeking Asylum.
7. Agree to support the Mayoral Taskforce in lobbying the State and Federal Government to reinstate income support for asylum seekers and refugees on Bridging Visas.
8. Sign onto the Refugee Week 2021 Statement that is being endorsed by northern suburbs councils in Melbourne.

Carried

8.4 OPENING HOURS OF COBURG AND FAWKNER INDOOR POOLS

Motion

That Council:

1. Notes that the Coburg and Fawkner Leisure Centre indoor pools are currently closed to the public between 12 noon and 3 pm Monday to Friday.
2. Council requests that the managers of the Coburg and Fawkner Leisure Centres consider the unique needs of vulnerable pool users, and do everything possible to increase access to the pools at this time.

Resolution

Cr Bolton moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded -

That Council:

1. Notes that the Coburg and Fawkner Leisure Centre indoor pools are currently closed to the public between 12 noon and 3 pm Monday to Friday.
2. Council requests that the managers of the Coburg and Fawkner Leisure Centres consider the unique needs of vulnerable pool users, and do everything possible

to increase access to the pools at this time.

Carried

NOTICE OF RESCISSION

Nil

FORESHADOWED ITEMS

Nil

URGENT BUSINESS REPORTS

Nil

CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Resolution

Cr Pavlidis moved, Cr Riley seconded –

In accordance with section 66(1) and section 3(1) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, this Council meeting be closed to the public to consider this report:

- 12.1 Frith Street Park Close to Home - Future Use of Enclosed Building (D21/199356) because it relates to Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released.

Carried

The Council meeting closed to the public at 9.50 pm.

OPENING THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Pavlidis seconded –

The Council meeting be open to the public.

Carried

The Council meeting was opened to the public at 9.55 pm.

The meeting closed at 9.55 pm.

Confirmed

Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan
MAYOR