



# **Ordinary Meeting of Council Minutes**

**held on Tuesday 5 June 2018 at 7.00pm  
Richmond Town Hall**

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## 1. Statement of Recognition of Wurundjeri Land

*"Welcome to the City of Yarra."*

*"Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri as the Traditional Owners of this country, pays tribute to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Yarra and gives respect to the Elders past and present."*

## 2. Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence

### Attendance

#### Councillors

- Cr Daniel Nguyen (Mayor)
- Cr Misha Coleman (Deputy Mayor)
- Cr Danae Bosler
- Cr Mi-Lin Chen Yi Mei
- Cr Jackie Fristacky
- Cr Stephen Jolly
- Cr Mike McEvoy
- Cr James Searle
- Cr Amanda Stone

#### Council officers

- Vijaya Vaidyanath (Chief Executive Officer)
- Andrew Day (Director - Corporate, Business and Finance)
- Ivan Gilbert (Group Manager - CEO's Office)
- Lucas Gosling (Acting Director - Community Wellbeing)
- Chris Leivers (Director – City Works and Assets)
- Bruce Phillips (Director - Planning and Place Making)
- Jane Waldock (Assistant Director - Planning and Place making)
- Mel Nikou (Governance Officer)

#### Leave of absence

Councillor Stone requested leave of absence for Tuesday 19 June 2018.

## 3. Declarations of conflict of interest (Councillors and staff)

Nil

## 4. Confidential business reports

Nil

## 5. Confirmation of minutes

### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

**Moved:** Councillor Stone

**Seconded:** Councillor McEvoy

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 22 May 2018 be confirmed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

**Moved:** Councillor Stone

**Seconded:** Councillor McEvoy

That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday 29 May 2018 be confirmed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 6. Petitions and joint letters

Nil

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Nil

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## 6. Petitions and joint letters

Nil

## 7. Public question time

### 7.1 Ms Carol Pelham Thorman - Mobile Phone Infrastructure

Question:

The company TPG is infiltrating, from the commercial and business precincts, into "residential areas".(with the installation of phone antennae on lamp posts) The Mobile Phone Code C564:2011 (known as the Deployment Code) provides the framework for councils and communities to be informed, consulted and engaged in relation to the deployment of mobile phone infrastructure.

Though council's approval is not required I would like to know how the City of Yarra have been consulted and then engaged with the company in the deployment of these antennae into sensitive residential sites. (Levels of RF and ENE) as one is to be installed 10 metres from my bedroom pillow.

Response:

*The Mayor read out the above question due to Carol's absence.*

*The Mayor advised that the telecommunications code deems that if a low impact facility is installed there is no requirement for approval from Council.*

*However, Council is invited to comment on the draft consultation plan prior to the formal consultation process.*

*In this particular instance, two small-cell antennas are proposed to be mounted on a pole at a height of 7.2m together with cabling and ancillary equipment.*

*Formal consultation has commenced by TPG, with submissions to be received by 22 June. Therefore Ms Thorman will be able to respond directly to TPG with any concerns.*

## 8. General business

Nil

## 9. Delegates' reports

### 9.1 Heritage Advisory Committee

<b>Committee</b>	Heritage Advisory Committee
<b>Appointed Councillors</b>	Cr Jackie Fristacky, Cr James Searle, Cr Stephen Jolly
<b>Date of Council Meeting</b>	5 June 2018
<b>Report Delegate</b>	Cr Jackie Fristacky

The Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC) met 16 May 2018 for a special HAC meeting and also 28 May 2018 for its regular HAC meeting.

Cr Fristacky attended the 16 & 28 May HAC meetings; the latter was attended by Cr Jolly.

## **KEY ITEMS TO REPORT FROM HAC MEETINGS**

### 16 May 2018

- ***National Trust Advocacy Toolkit***

HAC noted the launch on 16 May of *The National Trust Advocacy Toolkit* as a free online resource created by the National Trust of Australia (Victoria). Its purpose is to support individuals and communities to advocate for protection of places of cultural heritage significance. The Toolkit contains following five guides:

Advocacy Guide No. 1: Nominating a place or object for inclusion in the Victorian Heritage Register

Advocacy Guide No. 2: Objecting to an application for a permit to change a place or object included in the Victorian Heritage Register

Advocacy Guide No. 3: Objecting to an Application for a Planning Permit for properties covered by a Heritage Overlay

Advocacy Guide No. 4: Appealing a Permit Decision at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal

Advocacy Guide No. 5: Heritage Overlays and Planning Scheme Amendments

HAC sought that advice on the Toolkit be included in a delegates report and publicised to the Yarra community.

- ***Activity Centres Built-form Environment Frameworks***

HAC received an officer report on Yarra's Activity Centres Built-form Frameworks. HAC recommended further points for consideration:

1. In considering heritage precincts or streetscapes, built form guidelines and controls should conserve and enhance heritage characteristics of the precinct and its buildings rather than propose controls that would lead to generating a new and dominant built form.
2. There is a need for a more sensitive approach for heritage precincts to protect the heritage significance of a place, not just a facade or small portion of buildings. Concerns were raised in this regard about proposed controls for Queens Parade. HAC asked officers to consider their feedback and explore various points raised with the heritage and urban design consultants working on the Activity Centres built-form Frameworks before finalising the draft controls for presenting to Council.

### 28 May 2018

- ***Draft Heritage Policy***

A draft policy circulated prior to the meeting, led to HAC members providing written comments, enabling the draft and comments to be discussed in detail at the meeting. Officers felt the majority of HAC suggestions could be addressed

and agreed to circulate a track changes version of the policy to illustrate how changes have been incorporated.

- **Appointment of new HAC**

Interviews for new HAC members concluded on 29.05.2018. A report on appointing a new HAC is expected to go to Council later in June 2018.

- **Heritage advisory services to residents**

As a follow-up of a matter raised in the 29 March meeting, a subgroup involving Tom Keel, Yarra resident and lecturer in planning and heritage, Deakin University; Glenn Morris, Yarra resident and medium size developer; Caitlin Mitropoulos, HAC National Trust representative; Janet Taylor, and Margaret O'Brien, HAC community members, deliberated on the matter and subsequently had discussions with officers. A note on these discussion (Attachment 1) was presented at the HAC meeting which identified the need to enhance and expand the heritage advisory service of the Council.

HAC suggested the following motion be included in the HAC delegate's report.

*"That Council endorse Council officers preparing a feasibility report (in-house) to explore how heritage advisory services might be resourced and operate, to provide both internal and external services. As a basis for this study, Council is to reference Heritage Victoria's Heritage Advisory Services: A Guide for Councils and look at similar heritage services elsewhere."*

## **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**Moved:** Councillor Fristacky

**Seconded:** Councillor Jolly

1. That Council:
  - (a) notes the delegate's report;
  - (b) endorses *The National Trust Advocacy Toolkit* being publicized to the Yarra community as a free on-line resource to support individuals and communities to advocate for protection of places of cultural heritage significance;
  - (c) refers the HAC recommendations on Yarra's Activity Centres Built-form Frameworks, for consideration before finalisation; and
  - (d) endorses officers preparing a feasibility report (in-house) to explore if and how heritage advisory services might be resourced and operate to provide both internal and external services. This report is to reference Heritage Victoria's Heritage Advisory Services: A Guide for Councils and look at similar heritage services elsewhere.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 10. Questions without notice

### 10.1 Councillor Fristacky - Park Street Development Resolution (22 May Council Meeting)

Question:

In Saturday's Age, the City of Melbourne had highlighted this case, "Council fights to keep the dark out of city parks", has called for immediate action to reduce the height of the proposed 14 storey apartment building in Park Street because of the overshadowing of Princes Park in North Carlton and has asked Planning Minister Richard Wynne to bring a new mandatory overshadowing rules dictating how high towers by parks can go. So the Council wants the minister to apply a no additional overshadowing control for all parks between hours of 10am and 3pm.

In light of our Council resolution on 22 May and concerns of overshadowing of public open space whether the Mayor will write to the Minister for Planning supporting the Melbourne City Council application and seeking similar controls for Yarra identifying parks and parklands impacted?

*Response:*

*The Mayor advised to consider it and will contact the City of Melbourne to discuss the matter before bringing back to Councillors to discuss further.*

### 10.2 Councillor Fristacky - Waste Collection

Question:

In the Herald Sun today, I note that the Lord Mayor Sally Capp and Cathy Oke, Greens Councillor were interviewed about finding a solution to the number of waste collections by private collection as against Council collection and in their municipality around 36 private contractors and trucks operating.

We have a similar problem in Yarra. Can the CEO and responsible director liaise with Melbourne City Council on their proposals and ascertain whether any of that could be useful for Yarra to rationalise Council and private collections?

*Response:*

*The Mayor advised to raise both of Councillor Fristacky's questions with Melbourne City Council and IMAP and report back to Councillors.*

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**11.1 Notice of Intention to declare a special charge - Bridge Road**

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Trim Record Number: D18/64878  
Responsible Officer: Manager City Strategy

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council:
  - (a) notes the letter received from Bridge Road Mainstreet Incorporated (BRMS) requesting the reintroduction of a Special Charge for Bridge Road in the form of the attachment to this resolution (being **Attachment 1**) and, having otherwise considered all relevant matters, commences the statutory process under the Local Government Act 1989 (Act) to reintroduce a Special Charge to and for the properties within the defined Bridge Road precinct, such Special Charge to raise an amount of \$217,000 annually for the period of 6 years, commencing 1 October 2018 and ending 30 September 2024 (**Special Charge**);
  - (b) acting in accordance with sections 163 (1A) and 163B(3) of the Act, directs that public notice be given in "The Age" newspaper of the intention of Council to declare at its ordinary meeting to be held on 21 August 2018 in accordance with the proposed declaration of Special Charge in the form of the attachment to this resolution (being **Attachment 2**) (**Proposed Declaration of Special Charge**), such Special Charge to be for the purposes of defraying expenses to be incurred by Council in providing funds to the incorporated body known and operating as the Bridge Road Mainstreet Incorporated (BRMS), which funds, administratively only and subject always to the approval, direction and control of Council, are to be used for the purposes of contracted support, promotional, advertising, marketing, business development and other incidental expenses as approved by and agreed to from time to time between Council and the BRMS, all of which are associated with the encouragement of commerce, retail, professional activity and employment in the Bridge Road Shopping precinct;
  - (c) directs that, in accordance with section 163 (1C) of the Act, separate letters enclosing a copy of the public notice are to be sent to the respective owners and occupiers of the properties referred to in the listing of rateable properties set out in the Proposed Declaration of Special Charge, advising of the intention of Council to declare the Special Charge at its ordinary meeting to be held on 21 August 2018, the amount for which the property owner or the occupier (being a person who as a condition of a lease under which the person who occupies the property is required to pay the Special Charge) will be liable, the basis of the calculation and distribution of the Special Charge and notifying such persons that submissions and/or objections in writing in relation to the Proposed Declaration of Special Charge will be considered and/or taken into account by Council in accordance with sections 163A, 163B and 223 of the Act.
  - (d) advises the BRMS of the matters specified in paragraphs a, b and c of this resolution.
  - (e) notes the funding implications of the Special Charge and further, that these will be considered as part of Council's 2018 - 2024 budgeting process.
  - (f) authorises the CEO, or nominated delegate, to:
    - (i) carry out any and all other administrative procedures necessary to enable Council to carry out its functions under section 163A and section 163(1A), (1B) and (1C) and sections 163B and 223 of the Act; and
    - (ii) prepare a funding agreement between Council and the BRMS to formalise the administrative operations of the Special Charge, such agreement being to ensure that at all times, and as a precondition to the payment of any funds by Council to the BRMS, Council is, and remains, responsible for approving, directing and controlling the expenditure of the proceeds of the Special Charge in accordance with its obligations under the Act to do so; and

- (g) directs the agreement specified in paragraph 1 (f) of this resolution to be submitted to Council for subsequent approval and sealing by Council.

Public Submission

*Mr Herschel Landes, President Bridge Road Mainstreet Inc. addressed Council on the matter.*

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**Moved:** Councillor Coleman

**Seconded:** Councillor Nguyen

1. That Council:

- (a) notes the letter received from Bridge Road Mainstreet Incorporated (BRMS) requesting the reintroduction of a Special Charge for Bridge Road in the form of the attachment to this resolution (being Attachment 1) and, having otherwise considered all relevant matters, commences the statutory process under the Local Government Act 1989 (Act) to reintroduce a Special Charge to and for the properties within the defined Bridge Road precinct, such Special Charge to raise an amount of \$157,000 annually for the period of 6 years, commencing 1 October 2018 and ending 30 September 2024 (Special Charge);
- (b) acting in accordance with sections 163 (1A) and 163B(3) of the Act, directs that public notice be given in "The Age" newspaper of the intention of Council to declare at its ordinary meeting to be held on 21 August 2018 in accordance with the proposed declaration of Special Charge in the form of the attachment to this resolution (being Attachment 2) (Proposed Declaration of Special Charge), such Special Charge to be for the purposes of defraying expenses to be incurred by Council in providing funds to the incorporated body known and operating as the Bridge Road Mainstreet Incorporated (BRMS), which funds, administratively only and subject always to the approval, direction and control of Council, are to be used for the purposes of contracted support, promotional, advertising, marketing, business development and other incidental expenses as approved by and agreed to from time to time between Council and the BRMS, all of which are associated with the encouragement of commerce, retail, professional activity and employment in the Bridge Road Shopping precinct;
- (c) directs that, in accordance with section 163 (1C) of the Act, separate letters enclosing a copy of the public notice are to be sent to the respective owners and occupiers of the properties referred to in the listing of rateable properties set out in the Proposed Declaration of Special Charge, advising of the intention of Council to declare the Special Charge at its ordinary meeting to be held on 21 August 2018, the amount for which the property owner or the occupier (being a person who as a condition of a lease under which the person who occupies the property is required to pay the Special Charge) will be liable, the basis of the calculation and distribution of the Special Charge and notifying such persons that submissions and/or objections in writing in relation to the Proposed Declaration of Special Charge will be considered and/or taken into account by Council in accordance with sections 163A, 163B and 223 of the Act;
- (d) advises the BRMS of the matters specified in paragraphs a, b and c of this resolution;
- (e) notes the funding implications of the Special Charge and further, that these will be considered as part of Council's 2018 - 2024 budgeting process;
- (f) authorises the CEO, or nominated delegate, to:
- (i) carry out any and all other administrative procedures necessary to enable Council to carry out its functions under section 163A and section 163(1A), (1B) and (1C) and sections 163B and 223 of the Act; and
- (ii) prepare a funding agreement between Council and the BRMS to formalise the administrative operations of the Special Charge, such agreement being to ensure that at all times, and as a precondition to the payment of any funds by Council to the BRMS, Council is, and remains, responsible for approving, directing and

controlling the expenditure of the proceeds of the Special Charge in accordance with its obligations under the Act to do so; and

- (g) directs the agreement specified in paragraph 1 (f) of this resolution to be submitted to Council for subsequent approval and sealing by Council;
- (h) seeks from the Bridge Road Main Street Association a fully costed marketing strategy for the first 12 months of the proposed Scheme by 6 August with a clear business case that identifies the focus of marketing activities, events and campaigns with key performance indicators; and
- (i) directs Council officers to hand deliver a copy of the public notice addressed to the business owners occupying the properties referred to in the listing of rateable properties, to ensure they are fully aware of the proposed scheme.

**CARRIED**

*Councillor Jolly abstained*

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## 11.2 Future use of the bocce courts in Hardy Gallagher Reserve

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Trim Record Number: D18/87083

Responsible Officer: Director Planning and Place Making

### RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
  - (a) notes the feedback received during the consultation period and thanks the community for its contribution on this topic;
  - (b) notes that the conversion of the court area for a shared growing space and the retention of one (1) lane for bocce presents an option that satisfies the majority future vision of those who participated in the consultation;
  - (c) authorises officers to commence the process of preparing a licence agreement over the site currently defined by the bocce courts plus the garden bed immediately south of the existing fence line (consistent with the plan in Attachment 6) to the North Carlton Railway Neighbourhood House to improve the site and manage the site for gardening purposes on behalf of the community;
  - (d) notes that designs showing future improvements shall include retention of one (1) lane of the bocce courts for play;
  - (e) notes that process of entering into a licence agreement is subject to a standard process and requires approval from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning; and
  - (f) requires that the draft design shall be exhibited on site for a period of no less than two weeks prior to being approved by officers as part of the process for preparing a licence agreement.

### Public Submissions

*The following people addressed Council on the matter:*

*Ms Allison Beck, North Carlton Railway Neighbourhood House;*

*Ms Diana Kouvelis, North Carlton Railway Neighbourhood House;*

*Ms Kate Balland;*

*Ms Elizabeth Wiche;*

*Ms Dianna Walpole, Princes Hill Community Centre;*

*Ms Angela Monroe;*

*Ms Jan Miller; and*

*Dr Eveline Fallshaw.*

### MOTION

**Moved:** Councillor McEvoy

**Seconded:** Councillor Jolly

1. That Council:
  - (a) notes the feedback received during the consultation period and thanks the community for its contribution on this topic;
  - (b) authorises officers to commence the process of preparing a licence agreement over the site currently defined by the bocce courts plus the garden bed immediately south of the existing fence line (consistent with the plan in Attachment 6) to the North Carlton Railway Neighbourhood House to improve the site and manage the site for gardening purposes on behalf of the community;

- (c) notes that process of entering into a licence agreement is subject to a standard process and requires approval from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning; and
- (d) requires that the draft design shall be exhibited on site for a period of no less than two weeks prior to being approved by officers as part of the process for preparing a licence agreement.

**LOST**

## **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**Moved:** Councillor Fristacky

**Seconded:** Councillor Coleman

1. That Council:

- (a) notes the feedback received during the consultation period and thanks the community for its contribution on this topic;
- (b) notes that the conversion of the court area for a shared growing space and the retention of one (1) lane for bocce presents an option that satisfies the majority future vision of those who participated in the consultation;
- (c) authorises officers to commence the process of preparing a licence agreement over the site currently defined by the bocce courts plus the garden bed immediately south of the existing fence line (consistent with the plan in Attachment 6) to the North Carlton Railway Neighbourhood House to improve the site, and manage the site for gardening purposes on behalf of the community, with the use of one lane being available for bocce or like use;
- (d) notes that designs showing future improvements ~~shall~~ include retention of fencing around the site and retention of one (1) lane of the bocce courts for play;
- (e) authorises signage at the site advising that the bocce lane is available for public use with no fee;
- (f) notes that the process of entering into a licence agreement is subject to a standard process and requires approval from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning; and
- (g) requires that the draft design shall be exhibited on site for a period of no less than two weeks prior to being approved by officers as part of the process for preparing a licence agreement.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Councillor Coleman left the meeting at 8.42pm*

*Councillor Coleman returned to the meeting at 8.47pm*

*Councillor McEvoy left the meeting at 8.43pm*

*Councillor McEvoy returned to the meeting at 8.45pm*

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### **11.3 Development of Community Greenhouse Action Plan**

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Trim Record Number: D18/81048

Responsible Officer: Assistant Director Planning and Place Making

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council:
  - (a) note the officer report relating to the request by Council for a report on the development of a Community Greenhouse Action Plan; and
  - (b) note the outline of a program, and timings, should Council determine to proceed with the formulation of a Community Greenhouse Action Plan.
2. That Council resolve whether or not to commission a Community Greenhouse Action Plan.
3. That should Council determine to proceed with the development of a Community Greenhouse Action Plan, that Council resolve that it be jointly developed in partnership with the Yarra Energy Foundation.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**Moved:** Councillor Stone

**Seconded:** Councillor McEvoy

1. That Council:
  - (a) note the officer report relating to the request by Council for a report on the development of a Community Greenhouse Action Plan; and
  - (b) note the outline of a program, and timings, should Council determine to proceed with the formulation of a Community Greenhouse Action Plan.
2. That Council resolve to commission a Community Greenhouse Action Plan.
3. That Council resolve that it be jointly developed in partnership with the Yarra Energy Foundation.

**CARRIED**

#### **CALL FOR A DIVISION**

**For:** Councillors Coleman, Fristacky, Stone, McEvoy and Searle

**Against:** Councillors Jolly, Chen Yi Mei, Bosler and Nguyen

## 11.4 WW1 Field Gun

Trim Record Number: D18/73737

Responsible Officer: Unit Manager Arts, Culture and Venues

### RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council supports the WW1 Field Gun being restored and installed in Barkly Gardens, Richmond in a way that meets contemporary public safety standards and adds to the dignity of the existing memorial.
2. That interpretive signage be installed at both Darling Gardens and Barkly Gardens to explain the history and provenance of the Field Gun.
3. That prior to installation, community information is developed and distributed to explain the history and provenance of the Field Gun, and to explain the rationale for returning this memorial to public display.

### Public Submissions

*The following people addressed Council on the matter:*

*Mr Peter Crosby, Vice President and Memorial Custodian Richmond RSL;*

*Mr Gareth Ward, President Richmond RSL;*

*Mr David Langdon, President, Richmond and Burnley Historical Society; and*

*Mr Jason Cook, Assistant Secretary Royal Australian Artillery Association Victoria.*

### MOTION

**Moved:** Councillor Searle

**Seconded:** Councillor Chen Yi Mei

1. That Council supports the WW1 Field Gun being restored and authorises Officers to pursue this with relevant organisations.
2. That community consultation be undertaken in relation to the future location of the Field Gun, either in the two municipal locations (Barkly or Darling Gardens) or as part of a broader memorial setting with an external body, such as an appropriate Army museum. The consultation to include residents living in proximity to the two municipal locations, and within the community generally.
3. That in the interim, the Field Gun be offered on loan to the Australian Defence Force for safe storage and public display, on the explicit condition that it will be recalled at Council's request, pending a decision about the future location of the Field Gun.
4. That Officers bring a further report back to Council following the community consultation.

### AMENDMENT

**Moved:** Councillor Fristacky

1. That Council supports and thanks the President and members of Richmond RSL for their work in seeking federal and state funding and assistance in the restoration of the WW1 Field Gun allocated to the City of Collingwood, and the contribution of other service personnel to this restoration project.

*The amendment was accepted by the mover and seconder and incorporated into the motion.*

## AMENDMENT

**Moved:** Councillor Fristacky

**Seconded:** Councillor Coleman

*To include the underlined wording in Councillor Searle's point 2 motion.*

That community consultation be undertaken in relation to the future location of the Field Gun, either in the two municipal locations (Barkly or Darling Gardens) or as part of a broader memorial setting with an external body, such as an appropriate Army museum. The consultation to include the Richmond RSL, Tramways & East Melbourne RSL based in Fitzroy, Collingwood returned services representatives and the Collingwood Historical Society and residents living in proximity to the two municipal locations, and within the community generally.

*The formal amendment was put and lost.*

## COUNCIL RESOLUTION

**Moved:** Councillor Searle

**Seconded:** Councillor Chen Yi Mei

1. That Council supports and thanks the President and members of Richmond RSL for their work in seeking federal and state funding and assistance in the restoration of the WW1 Field Gun allocated to the City of Collingwood, and the contribution of other service personnel to this restoration project.
2. That Council supports the WW1 Field Gun being restored and authorises Officers to pursue this with relevant organisations.
3. That community consultation be undertaken in relation to the future location of the Field Gun, either in the two municipal locations (Barkly or Darling Gardens) or as part of a broader memorial setting with an external body, such as an appropriate Army museum. The consultation to include residents living in proximity to the two municipal locations, and within the community generally.
4. That in the interim, the Field Gun be offered on loan to the Australian Defence Force for safe storage and public display, on the explicit condition that it will be recalled at Council's request, pending a decision about the future location of the Field Gun.
5. That Officers bring a further report back to Council following the community consultation.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**11.5 Council Membership of Regional Bodies**

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Trim Record Number: D18/93062

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council:
  - (a) note the report; and
  - (b) having considered the report options, determine to cancel its membership of the Inner South Metropolitan Mayors Forum, effective from 1 July 2018.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**Moved:** Councillor Coleman

**Seconded:** Councillor Nguyen

1. That Council:
  - (a) note the report; and
  - (b) having considered the report options, determine to cancel its membership of the Inner South Metropolitan Mayors Forum, effective from 1 July 2018.

**CARRIED**

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**11.6 Report on Assemblies of Councillors**

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Trim Record Number: D18/84378

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council formally note and record the Assemblies of Councillors report as detailed in ***Attachment 1*** hereto.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**Moved:** Councillor Fristacky

**Seconded:** Councillor Nguyen

1. That Council formally note and record the amended Assemblies of Councillors report as detailed in ***Attachment 1*** hereto.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**13.1 Yarra Community Awards**

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**COUNCIL RESOLUTION****Moved:** Councillor Searle**Seconded:** Councillor Bosler

1. That Council establish a Yarra Community Awards Committee comprising:
  - (a) Cr Dan Nguyen (Mayor);
  - (b) Cr Danae Bosler; and
  - (c) Cr Mike McEvoy.
2. That the Yarra Community Awards Committee determine:
  - (a) winners in each of the categories of Citizen of the Year, Community Initiative of the Year and Young Citizen; and
  - (b) winners of awards for awards for 'contribution to the arts', 'contribution to sport', 'contribution to heritage and 'contribution to diversity and inclusion'.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY****BACKGROUND**

On 9 November 2016, Council made its annual appointments to Advisory Committees and external bodies for the 2016/2017 Council year. Among those appointments was the Australia Day Awards Committee comprised the then Mayor, Cr Stone and Crs Bosler and Searle.

On 15 August 2017, Council resolved to establish a new awards program to recognise excellence and service in Yarra's community through Community Awards and to discontinue the awards program previously held in January each year.

In April 2018, Council officers began developing a framework for the new Yarra Community Awards. As a result of that process, it is now proposed to:

- Announce the award winners at the annual Ceremonial Council meeting in late November.
- Award 'Citizen of the Year', 'Community Initiative of the Year' and 'Young Citizen' categories.
- Additionally, award 'Contributions to' the following categories: arts, sport, heritage, diversity and inclusion.
- Appoint the previous members of the 'Australia Day Awards Committee' to the new Yarra Community Awards Committee.

With the establishment of the new awards program, it is now proposed to establish a new Committee, with the same composition as had been previously appointed.

**Conclusion**

The meeting concluded at 10.03pm.

Confirmed Tuesday 19 June 2018

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Mayor