

# Ordinary Meeting of Council Minutes

held on Tuesday 4 December 2018 at 7.00pm Fitzroy 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 Danae Bosler (Mayor)
- Cr Mi-Lin Chen Yi Mei
- Cr Jackie Fristacky
- Cr Stephen Jolly
- Cr Mike McEvoy
- Cr Daniel Nguyen
- Cr James Searle
- Cr Amanda Stone

# Council officers

- Vijaya Vaidyanath (Chief Executive Officer)
- Margherita Barbante (Acting Director Corporate, Business and Finance)
- Ivan Gilbert (Group Manager Chief Executive's Office)
- Lucas Gosling (Director Community Wellbeing)
- Gracie Karabinis (Acting Group Manager People, Culture and Community)
- Chris Leivers (Director City Works and Assets)
- Bruce Phillips (Director Planning and Place Making)
- Mel Nikou (Governance Officer)

# **Apology**

Cr Misha Coleman (Deputy Mayor)

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

Nil

# 4. Confidential business reports

#### **Item**

4.1 Contractual matters

# **Confidential business reports**

The following items were deemed by the Chief Executive Officer to be suitable for consideration in closed session in accordance with section 89 (2) of the *Local Government Act* 1989. In accordance with that Act, Council may resolve to consider these issues in open or closed session.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Jolly Seconded: Councillor Nguyen

- 1. That the meeting be closed to members of the public, in accordance with section 89 (2) of the *Local Government Act* 1989, to allow consideration of contractual matters.
- That all information contained within the Confidential Business Reports section of this agenda and reproduced as Council Minutes be treated as being and remaining strictly confidential in accordance with the provisions of sections 77 and 89 of the Local Government Act 1989 until Council resolves otherwise.

**CARRIED** 

# 5. Confirmation of minutes

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Jolly Seconded: Councillor Searle

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13 November 2018 be confirmed.

**CARRIED** 

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Stone Seconded: Councillor Nguyen

That the minutes of the Ceremonial Meeting held on Tuesday 27 November 2018 be confirmed.

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# 6. Petitions and joint letters

6.1 Petition - Laneway between Gipps and Harper Street Abbotsford, Rear of Nicholson Street

Reference: D18/192344

A petition signed by 13 residents are seeking that Council consider including speed calming speed humps, stop signs and entry restrictions at peak times to stop speeding rat-runners.

Rat-runners are endangering both pedestrians and vehicles entering and leaving the laneway.

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Stone Seconded: Councillor Bosler

That the petition be received and referred to the appropriate officer for consideration.

**CARRIED** 

6.2 Petition - Brunswick Street North Closure

Reference: D18/171912

A petition signed by 47 residents are seeking that Council consider the closure of Brunswick Street North of Park Street to address ongoing and increasing rat-running through the street.

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Fristacky Seconded: Councillor McEvoy

That the petition be received and referred to the appropriate officer for consideration, including the context of the Scotchmer Local Area Traffic Management proposal

**CARRIED** 

6.3 Petition - Repairs to bluestone laneway behind Bakers Arms Hotel

Reference: D18/208914

A petition signed by 12 residents are requesting that Council undertake urgent repairs to the cobbled bluestone laneway behind the Bakers Arms Hotel to ensure that is returned to a safe and convenient walk-way.

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Stone Seconded: Councillor Jolly

That the petition be received and referred to the appropriate officer for consideration.

# 7. Public question time

This record is provided as a summary of the questions asked by members of the public during Public Question Time at a meeting of the Yarra City Council. This summary includes the names of questioners, the subject matter of questions, the name of the person providing a response and whether or not an answer was provided. An audio recording of the Council Meeting (including Public Question Time) is available on Council's website for twelve months following the meeting.

7.1 Lachlan Preston, Club Scout Leader, Fitzroy Scout Group - Young People and Councillors

#### Question:

Two young members of the Fitzroy Scout Group put the following questions to Council:

How does the council help young people?

How hard is it being a Councillor?

# Response:

The Director Community Wellbeing advised the following:

- (a) Council supports young people in a range of ways and this is set out in our document "0 – 25 Plan";
- (b) The support that Council provides young people includes; Counselling, Sporting and Cultural programs, Leadership Activities, Holiday programs, Support for education employment grants, Grants to Youth Organisations and access to Council facilities; and
- (c) Council libraries also plays a large role in supporting young people; a range of activities; coding, virtual reality, robotics and whole range of other things.

The Mayor invited the Scouts group to visit the Richmond Town Hall to be a Councillor for the day to decide for themselves how difficult the role of a Councillor was and perhaps be a Councillor themselves one day.

7.2 Hamish Morrison - Delivery Trucks in Residential Streets

#### Question:

Do Councillors think it is acceptable for trucks to use local residential streets as a short cut to businesses?

Are there any agreements between Council and Piedimonte's Supermarket that allows delivery trucks, including their large semi-trailers to use local residential streets?

## Response:

The Director Planning and Place Making advised the following:

State Government Agencies and Council's try to keep trucks on the main roads, but it also needs to be acknowledged that some trucks need to access loading bays or commercial premises. It is problematic in inner city areas than the outer suburb areas. The intention is to keep trucks on main roads but there does need to be some latitude to enable a commercial premises to operate.

Cr Jolly asked the submitter two questions: Are most the trucks going to Piedimonte's?

Have you got any ideas on what could be done?

The submitter agreed that most of the trucks were going to Piedimonte's and suggested turning the street into a one-way street and/or better speed humps as they are quite low and/or a cobble stone strip as trucks and cars are speeding down the street.

Cr Jolly suggested that the CEO liaise with Piedimonte's and suggest their delivery trucks use St Georges Road.

Cr Fristacky advised that the North Fitzroy Precinct Local Area Place Making covers the areas that the submitter refers to and is on Council's website for public input.

# 7.3 Sindy Martino - Brunswick Street North Traffic

#### Question:

3169 vehicles travel up and down Brunswick Street North, Fitzroy North per day with 127 of these vehicles being trucks. There have been 8 accidents over the past 5 years requiring police and paramedic involvement and our street is now labelled a "Black Spot". The City of Yarra have decided to consult the wider community through "Your Say Yarra" to ascertain what options to implement in Brunswick Street North. This is not a fair process as it becomes a popularity vote. 120 residents of Brunswick Street North vs thousands of residents in the wider community.

Why is the safety of residents in Brunswick Street North being decided on by the wider community rather than the community directly affected by the issues and at what point do Council act?

Why is there no sense of urgency to address the high number of accidents on Brunswick Street North which have occurred over a 5 year period and does there need to be a fatality for action to be taken?

# Response:

The Director City Works and Assets advised the following:

- (a) We are aware of the increased traffic that has occurred over the years in Brunswick Street North and that was part of the trigger for the LAPM that's being undertaken;
- (b) The process involves a range of things including expert traffic advice and consultation with the local community:
- (c) As Councillors would be aware any change to traffic treatments in one location has an impact beyond that location;
- (d) The process does invite comment from a range of stakeholders and that is beyond the street at which a treatment might be implemented;
- (e) Typically we have 100 or 200 responses, we don't tend to get thousands of responses and they are generally by people who are directly affected by the treatment. It might not be within that street, but something you do on one street has an impact on the neighbouring streets and surrounding area. That is why the process includes consultation with a range of stakeholders; and

(f) The options that have been put forward and been consulted on have been based on expert advice and feedback, and this will be considered and bought back to Council for a decision and then with the potential of allocation of funds.

#### 7.4 Adele O'Brien - Brunswick Street North Traffic

#### Question:

With the upcoming decision by Council on remedies for the traffic concerns in Brunswick Street North being made early 2019 and pending the second community consultation, how will Council take into consideration the Brunswick Street North residents Human Rights into the final decision?

# Response:

The Mayor reaffirmed:

- (a) that the LAPM process is something that Council supports and that the whole area is taken into consideration;
- (b) that it is a thorough community consultation process and stressed that it was not a popularity contest;
- (c) that it doesn't come down to who votes for what street closure, it is about what is the best outcome for the community; and
- (d) that the feedback from the people in the street and expert advice is taken into consideration.
- 7.5 Jane Gazzo, Triple M Broadcaster and Sarah McLeod, Singer of The Superjesus band Michael Hutchence Statue in Richmond

# Question:

Could an early meeting be arranged with City of Yarra Councillors and Executive to explore progressing the proposal for a statue for Michael Hutchence in Wangaratta Street, Richmond in recognition of his connection to the precinct and Yarra's live music scene?

Can we please have a timeline to the project?

# Response:

The Mayor advised that a meeting could be arranged and the Chief Executive Officer advised that it can be arranged for early February when all officers are back and that the submitter liaise with Siu Chan, Business Unit Manager Arts, Culture and Venues for a meeting date.

# 7.6 Patrick O'Brien - Brunswick Street North Traffic

# Question:

Earlier it was said that consultation is to make sure what is right for the whole area and not just one street.

Why is Rae Street closed off? What are the benefits of one of the two streets that have access to both sides closed? What were the benefits of closing Rae Street?

What is the difference between Brunswick Street North and Rae Street?

## Response:

The CEO took the question on notice.

Cr Fristacky advised that she was a Yarra Councillor at the time Rae Street was closed off and that there were extensive discussions with the community around 14 years ago due to the problems on Holden Street. Vehicles crossing Rae Street, north of Holden Street and continuing through, was a dangerous intersection. It was implemented to put a barrier along Holden Street so that vehicles couldn't go across, but it is open to left turning vehicles off Holden Street but not right turning vehicles or vehicles coming down from the north.

Cr Fristacky also stated that the accidents were from vehicles coming north of Holden Street turning or crossing over traffic. So Brunswick Street North finishes at Holden Street, so that intersection is different. This is why the LAPM is currently proceeding and invite residents to the meeting on Monday to provide feedback.

#### 7.7 Glen Morrison - Brunswick Street North Traffic

#### Question:

The recent traffic data tells us the traffic volume in Brunswick Street North due to increase in rat-running is now the average of 3,169 vehicles per day. This significantly exceeds the upper limit of what Council deem to be acceptable for a residential street. As well as the 3,169 vehicles per day, includes 127 trucks a day, including semi-trailers. Approximately 15 percent of the vehicles rat-running down our street also exceed the speed limit and there are aggressive speed humps only 90 meters apart. So for vehicles to exceed the speed limit between the speed humps is phenomenal. Traffic has increased in the past eleven months by 16 percent, the prior year 15 percent, so in two years up by 30 percent and over the past 7 to 8 years by 70 percent. There have also been a reported eight traffic accidents requiring police and ambulance call outs in the past 5 to 6 years between Holden and Scotchmer Street.

Why has Council not taken North Fitzroy residents particularly Brunswick Street North residents seriously with regards to the traffic issues compared to say North Carlton where the streets are calm and you can't rat-run other than if you channel out to the roads? Why is North Carlton getting preferential treatment?

Why does the City of Yarra insist on community consultation process for every proposed traffic solution, the place making process does not require this from our opinion and all this is doing is giving weight to residents who use and abuse the streets over those who live in the street and endure the excessive volume, speeding and unsafe traffic?

#### Response:

The Director City Works and Assets advised that Council recognise there is an issue and Council officers consider all the traffic data across Yarra to determine LAPM priorities and that is what has put this LAPM on the priority list for consultation and investigation. Officers are working through the process to identify the best treatments. The intent would be to fund those for construction in the next financial year.

Cr Jolly – Are you calling for Brunswick Street North to be blocked at the Holden Street intersection to force all through traffic either down St Georges Road and Nicholson Street? Mr Morrison agreed.

The Director City Works and Assets also advised that the options that are being consulted on are options that have been put together with expert advice so they are not options that people in the community have necessarily come up with, there may be support for some more than others in the community but they are options that traffic experts have said can work and the process is to test the community acceptance of those proposals. Council will ultimately make the decision based on all consultation outcomes and Councillors will put their own weighting on the feedback they get.

# 8. General business

Nil

# 9. Delegates' reports

9.1 Councillor Stone - NAGA (Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action)

Committee	NAGA (Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action)
Appointed Councillors	Cr Amanda Stone
Date of Council Meeting	Tuesday 4 December 2018
Date of Report	Friday 23 November 2018
Report Author	Cr Amanda Stone

#### **DELEGATES REPORT**

NAGA formed in 2002 as a network of 7 councils that shares information, coordinates emission reduction and adaptation activities and cooperates on the research and development of innovative projects. NAGA's goal is to substantially contribute to the transition to a low-carbon future by delivering effective programs and leveraging local government, community and business action.

Since 2002, NAGA has been hosted by Moreland Energy Foundation, which has provided office space and in-kind back of house support.

Late in 2017, MEFL indicated it wished to terminate this arrangement and after some exploration, Hume City Council has offered to host NAGA from 1st January 2019.

This has required negotiation of a new MOU between each of the 9 member councils and Hume City Council. Formal notice of termination of the MOU with MEFL was received by Council last week.

Both organisations will continue to seek opportunities to collaborate in greenhouse action but will operate independently as of 31st December this year.

# Summary of Work Projects July - September 2018

NAGA's primary work in this quarter has been in the form of collaborative projects with other greenhouse alliances. These include:

Solar Savers - NAGA is working with two other greenhouse alliances and 23 councils to install solar on low-income households through two alternative financing models, council rates and a bank finance partnership. As of 5 November 2018, the project has installed 252 systems totalling 675 kW.

- The Victorian Greenhouse Alliances have established a Local Government Electricity Contract Working Group to help Victorian councils save money and reduce greenhouse gas emissions through their electricity contracting. The Working Group is developing a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for Victorian councils to procure low cost renewable energy from 2020/21. The project is being led by Darebin City Council. 39 councils across Victoria have submitted formal letters of intent to participate in the first stage of the project and commit 125GWh per year (including five NAGA councils three other NAGA councils are already part of MREP). The project is establishing its own governance structure and the next step will be to have a strong financial and legal model.
- **How Well Are We Adapting** the Western Alliance for Greenhouse Action (WAGA) is leading a project expanding its climate change adaptation measurement tool to other councils and service delivery areas.
- NAGA was successful in winning \$73,000 in funding from the state government's Collaborative Council Fund to develop and establish a Local Government Climate Adaptation Research-Practice Hub which will build local government capacity by coordinating research development and knowledge sharing through collaborative partnerships of local governments with support from RMIT and Federation Universities. This project will act as a pilot, and an ongoing self-sustaining model for continuation of the Hub will be developed by October 2019. The project is just started, and the Project Control Group is expected to meet in November / December 2018

#### Research

NAGA has managed two groups of students conducting research on:

- Researching suitable locations for the installation of public charging infrastructure for electric vehicles; and
- Testing the effects of letter personalisation to drive solar uptake.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Stone Seconded: Councillor McEvoy

- 1. That:
  - (a) Council note this Delegates Report; and
  - (b) Council acknowledge the support provided to NAGA over 16 years by Moreland Energy Foundation, and expresses appreciation to Hume City Council for taking over this role.

CARRIED

# 9.2 Councillor Stone - Inner North Youth Employment Taskforce

Committee	Inner North Youth Employment Taskforce
Date of Council Meeting	Tuesday 4 December 2018
Date of Report	Monday 3 December 2018
Report Author	Cr Amanda Stone

# **DELEGATES REPORT**

The Inner North Youth Employment Taskforce (INYET) was established by the Inner North Local Learning and Employment Network in 2014 in response to rising youth unemployment in the inner north. It comprises a collection of representatives from the 3 member councils – Yarra, Moreland and Darebin – as well as from further education and training organisations, business and industry in these municipalities, and aims to increase the employability of young people and the preparedness of employers to take on young employees.

The **Jobs for Youth** campaign is a key initiative of INYET each year, a dedicated 3 month period of activities and opportunities for young people to increase their employability skills and connect them with employers and further education providers.

The last meeting of INYET last week reported on the Jobs for Youth Campaign in 2019, noting:

- 200 organisations were involved, engaging 2000 young people, 350 adults, and 124 parents in 93 activities
- More than 500 employer pledges were made
- Pledges ranged from providing a Structured Work Placement, volunteering on the Industry Speaker Bank, Volunteering for the Real Industry Job Interview Program, or a range of other commitments.
- 50 **Structured Work Placements** were made in this period alone.
- Real Industry Job Interviews (RIJI) program involved 20 schools, 79
  volunteer interviewers, 686 students enrolled (236 from Yarra who had the
  highest participation rate)

In addition to the campaign activities, a **Youth Enterprise Hub** has been established to promote awareness of a youth enterprise culture, and trial an entrepreneurial and enterprise curriculum for disengaged young people. 7 schools will pilot the program in 2019-2020, including Collingwood College, Richmond High School and Fitzroy High School. This project has been made possible through funds provided by the Clifroy Community Bank.

INYET has also established a research project to investigate the connection between part time work or work experience and future employment prospects. It will collect data from 35 secondary schools and 22 specialist settings across the North West Metropolitan Region in 2019.

The Jobs for Youth Campaign has expanded in its 4 years of operation from a handful of schools and employers to the more extensive program run this year. It has developed a very effective social media presence and is building the involvement of business and industry across the region. The future sustainability of the project will be subject to discussions in 2019, with further sources of funding to be explored.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Stone Seconded: Councillor Chen Yi Mei

That Council note the Delegates' Report.

# 9.3 Councillor Stone - Melbourne Polytechnic

Date of Council Meeting	Tuesday 4 December 2018
Date of Report	Wednesday 21 November 2018
Report Author	Cr Amanda Stone

#### **DELEGATES REPORT**

Melbourne Polytechnic has undertaken a process of campus renewal at its Collingwood Campus in Otter St.

The current site has been providing technical and further education in Collingwood for over 100 years but is currently under-utilised and the new CEO wishes to revitalise the campus with a local focus.

This year has been spent connecting with local organisations and stakeholders to identify needs and synergies. The vision for the campus is to be responsive to the local environment and community and provide an educational setting that is inclusive, accessible and relevant.

The college has engaged with ward councillors throughout the year and recently invited all interested councillors to a round table.

Yarra Council officers have also been part of the journey this year and have provided insights into local needs and opportunities.

It has formed partnerships with Melbourne Innovation Centre, SNAICC and the national Youth Commission who will all be co-located at Collingwood. There are also plans to establish a Centre for African Studies at the site

Initial plans for the campus include an entrepreneurial co-working business hub opening in 2019. The hub will provide a place for networking, innovation and start-up opportunities.

The college received a commitment of \$40 million for rebuilding at the site from the state government and expect this to proceed during 2019.

The college is at the very beginning of a transformation which aims to increase education, training and work opportunities for young people in Collingwood in particular.

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Stone Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

That Council note this Delegates Report.

# 9.4 Councillor Fristacky - Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum

Committee	Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum
Appointed Councillors	Cr Jackie Fristacky, Cr Mike McEvoy
Date of Council Meeting	4 December 2018
Date of Report	4 December 2018
Report Author	Cr Jackie Fristacky

# **DELEGATES REPORT**

The Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum (MLGWF) met on 15 November 2018. Cr Fristacky and Yarra officer Lisa Coffa attended together with delegates and representatives from Councils across Melbourne.

# 1. Meeting Reports:

Rob Millard CEO, Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group (MWRRG) highlighted recent MWRRG activities including:

- 'Paddock to Plate' tour examining food waste reported at MLGWF delegate's report to Council 16 October 2018;
- progress on Advanced Waste Processing (AWP): release of Metropolitan; Regional Business Case September 2019; development of South East Regional Business Case; social research on community attitude to AWP; industry market sounding on recycling, landfill, AWP and organics. Outcomes on these activities to be shared with LG;
- Victorian Government's Resource Recovery Facilities Audit Taskforce guidelines on stockpiles. EPA is to help industry to support compliance and has asked councils for co-operation in contacting local planning enforcement officers when inspecting stockpiles.

Cr Sam Alessi, Whittlesea, Chair Strategic and Policy Action Group (SPAG) spoke on the SPAG/TARG investment workshop held 22 September 2018 and the top 3 projects selected by workshop participants:

- purchasing and market development support for recycling products with a focus on end-markets for plastics and road materials;
- education resources to support FOGO program, resource recovery services education, and e-waste;
- large scale Advanced Waste Processing education and infrastructure.

Cr Alessi subsequently moved a motion carried by the meeting:

"The Forum supports local government and local government peak bodies to advocate to State and Federal Government for better resourcing and product marketing of the essential services that Councils provide in waste and resource recovery management."

# 2. Food & Garden Organics (FOGO) Focus at the Meeting

**Gayle Seddon** (Program Co-ordinator, MWRRG) presented on *Introducing a kerbside food and garden organics collection service: A guide for local government* (FOGO Guide), released September 2018. She discussed procurement, increased

capacity to process green waste, current Council FOGO activities, and the importance of Councils providing an end market for compost.

The MLGWF heard presentations on Council organics recycling by:

**Cr Lina Messina (City of Darebin)** presented Darebin's recent food waste recycling trial and its evaluation report: 36% of households participated; 80% of participants found Council communication helpful; 72% of participants supported a wider rollout. Next steps include further analysis and the development of a communication and engagement plan.

**Cr Jackie Fristacky, (City of Yarra)** presented Yarra's FOGO waste trial (see attachment). Three different service arrangements were trialled for households, with two MUD collection areas. Green Eco Technology was used for MUDs. While the trial is in the early stages, positive results have been recorded so far. Next steps include a detailed analysis of trial results and installation of food dehydrators at MUD sites.

Michelle Van Gerrevink, (Sustainability Coordinator, City of Glen Eira) presented Glen Eira's recent FOGO rollout. Glen Eira has had organics collection since 2003. Residents were provided with a free kitchen caddy for FOGO, with no bags allowed. Challenges include community concerns about odour, lack of compostable bags and shared bins in apartments. Glen Eira offers a discounted bin cleaning service. The council is consulting residents about the frequency of bin collections. (*Presentations on Forum portal*)

# **FOGO Panel Discussion followed the above involving:**

- Bill Grant (Director, Blue Environment),
- Greg Mulcahy (Strategic Contracts Manager, MWRRG),
- Kelly Barnes (Environment Officer, Water, Waste & Litter, City of Darebin),
- **Lisa Coffa**, (Coordinator Waste Minimisation and Urban Agriculture, City of Yarra),
- James Roscoe (Coordinator Waste Services, City of Glen Eira).

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Fristacky Seconded: Councillor McEvoy

- 1. That Council:
  - (a) note the above delegate's report on the Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum held 15 November 2018;
  - (b) refer to its administration the Forum's highlighting the importance of Council education to support FOGO programs, resource recovery services education, and e-waste recycling; and
  - (c) refer to its administration the Forum's highlighting the importance of Councils providing an end market for compost from FOGO.

# 9.5 Councillor Fristacky - Victorian Local Governance Association

Committee	Victorian Local Governance Association
Appointed Councillors	Cr Jackie Fristacky, Cr Mike McEvoy
Date of Council Meeting	4 December 2018
Date of Report	4 December 2018
Report Author	Cr Jackie Fristacky

#### **DELEGATES REPORT**

 The Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) held its Annual General Meeting on Thursday 15 November 2018 at the offices of Pitcher Partners. Attending the meeting for the City of Yarra were Councillors Fristacky and Stone.

Resolutions passed at the AGM were:

- That the name of the incorporated association be changed to the "Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) Incorporated". This motion was carried unanimously; and
- That the current rules of the incorporated association be replaced with the proposed new constitution including the following key provisions to apply. This motion was carried by a 95% majority (84/87 votes).
  - (a) The President to be elected by VLGA Board members rather than by a separate member vote.
  - (b) Local government member Councils only to have voting rights;
  - (c) Other group members and Individual members to be associate members with non-voting rights.

VLGA Patron, Hayden Raysmith AM, addressed the AGM and expressed his support for the new Constitution in the context of the organisation's history.

 VLGA Local Government Working Group on Gambling meetings of Councils were held 19 September and 21 November 2018. Cr Fristacky attended both meetings.

The September meeting heard VicHealth's Executive Manager cover adverse health impacts of gambling. Actions by Council members were also set out including a City of Brimbank flyer (attached). This meeting also saw the launch of the Alliance Campaign Trailer to tour selected metropolitan areas as part of advocacy for gambling reform.

Maddocks Solicitors presented at the November meeting on recent cases before the Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation (VGCLR).

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Fristacky Seconded: Councillor Stone

That Council note the Delegate's Report.

# 9.6 Councillor McEvoy - Waste and Recycling Working Group

Committee	Waste & Recycling Working Group
Appointed Councillors	Cr Mike McEvoy
Date of Meeting	22 November 2018
Date of Report	3 December 2018
Report Author	Cr Mike McEvoy

Since its establishment in 2017, this committee has met regularly to hear updates on Council's waste initiatives and contribute to the development of Council's Waste Minimisation Strategy. At its most recent meeting topics covered included the following:

# **Plastic Free Victoria Alliance**

Guest speaker, Annett Finger spoke about the great work the Plasticfree Victoria Alliance is doing. The alliance currently has 110 member groups.

Of particular relevance to our Proudly Plastic Free Campaign, Annett spoke about a pilot project for a Reducing Your Plastic Footprint campaign which was undertaken in Noosa. This encouraged local business groups, Council, tourism groups and the community to take part. The success of this project is in the significant amount of plastic waste avoided.

#### **Food Scraps Collection project**

The committee heard an update on the Food Scraps collection project, with promising results from Area 1 where a weekly food and green waste collection is being combined with fortnightly garbage collection and is currently seeing a participation rate of around 70%.

The committee resolved to make the following submission to Council;

'We have been following the progress of the food and green waste trial in the city of Yarra and very strongly support its full roll out across the municipality. Yarra needs to take a leadership position in expanding Food and Green Waste services as other councils have done around the state'.

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor McEvoy Seconded: Councillor Chen Yi Mei

- 1. That Council:
  - (a) note the delegates report; and
  - (b) note the committee's strong support for a full roll out of food and green waste collection across the municipality.

# 10. Questions without notice

# 10.1 Councillor Searle - New Resident Kit

#### Question:

In the past Council has provided a New Resident Kit to residents moving into Yarra. It doesn't appear to be on Yarra's website anymore and am wondering if New Residents Kits are still provided and if not, why not?

#### Response:

The Chief Executive Officer took the question on notice.

# 10.2 Councillor Jolly - Temporary Closure of Collingwood Leisure Centre

## Question:

Councillors received an email from a group of women that regularly access the Collingwood Swimming Pool, in particular the women that participate in the Women Making Waves program that takes place every Saturday morning for two hours. The pool and program will be closed down from 22 December, but rather than reopen in January/February it won't reopen until April.

We need to encourage all women to use our facilities as much as possible. Can this please be reviewed and if it is, can all Councillors be informed as soon as possible to what the decision will be?

# Response:

The Director City Works and Assets advised that he had also seen the email and made an internal inquiry as to the decision making and wasn't aware prior to seeing the correspondence of any decision. Councillors would be aware that the Collingwood Leisure Centre Pool needs to be closed for repairs and the pool shell will undergo a full retile, which means the pool needs to be drained etc., and that's the reason for the length of the closure. Leisure staff are very passionate about their programs so I will make further enquires and come back to Ward Councillors about what we can do for the group.

# 10.3 Councillor Fristacky - Resident Kit

#### Question:

In August I received a newsletter for New Residents from the City of Manningham and had previously asked the question about what happened to our resident kit and I don't believe I have had an answer and also about examining the Manningham newsletter.

# Response:

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the Manningham newsletter had gone to the Communication department to review and felt that Yarra's welcome letter was better. There was no instruction to stop the New Resident Kit but will look into it. 10.4 Councillor Stone - Government Announcement on Two New Pocket Parks in Yarra Question:

There was an announcement by the State Government about the commitment of two new pocket parks in Yarra. I'm aware that our new open space strategy is being prepared and expect that there will be a draft coming next year and that this commitment will have an impact on that.

Have officers been consulted at all about this and is there any sense as to what, where, how much and when these pocket parks will be delivered? What are the commitments? Is it to purchase land or improve existing parks and how does it fit in with our own open space strategy?

Would officers proactively be engaging with that particular department to ask what it means and what it might look like in practice?

# Response:

The Director Planning and Place Making believed that the office had not been consulted. Two additional pocket parks paid by the State Government either in land content or improvements to an area would be welcomed. The Open Space Strategy is currently being worked on and that is certainly a study at this stage and will likely come to Council sometime in the new year as a study, that will then need to be engaged with Councillors and that study will need to be converted into a strategy. I have no knowledge of where the two new pocket parks will be at this stage, however it is encouraging that the State Government are proposing to assist Yarra in providing a couple of parks.

We would certainly make some inquiries with the department and also with the local member to try and get more information.

#### 11.1 WW1 Field Gun

Trim Record Number: D18/191642

Responsible Officer: Unit Manager Arts, Culture and Venues

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### 1. That:

- (a) Council determines for the WW1 Field Gun to be reinstated in Darling Gardens after restoration:
- (b) appropriate landscape design be developed to ensure the Field Gun is displayed in the most sympathetic and safe setting;
- (c) interpretive signage be installed alongside the Field Gun to explain its history and provenance;
- (d) 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;
- (e) Council thanks and acknowledge RSL members who have contributed to its current restoration; and
- (f) ongoing maintenance requirements of the Field Gun to be noted and referred to future budget considerations.

# **Public Submissions**

The following people addressed Council on the matter:

Glen McCallum;

David Langdon, Richmond and Burnley Historical Society; and

Gareth Ward, Richmond RSL.

#### **MOTION**

Moved: Councillor Jolly Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

## 1. That:

- (a) Council determines for the WW1 Field Gun to be reinstated in <u>Darling Gardens</u> after restoration;
- (b) appropriate landscape design be developed to ensure the Field Gun is displayed in the most sympathetic and safe setting;
- (c) interpretive signage be installed alongside the Field Gun to explain its history and provenance;
- (d) 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;
- (e) Council thanks and acknowledge RSL members who have contributed to its current restoration; and
- (f) ongoing maintenance requirements of the Field Gun to be noted and referred to future budget considerations.

LOST

#### **MOTION**

Moved: Councillor McEvoy Seconded: Councillor Searle

- That Council directs Officers to begin the process of de-accession for the WW1 Field Gun in consideration that it meets two of the criteria required for de-accession according to the Collection Management Policy:
  - (a) Items that have no relevance to the Policy aims; and
  - (b) Items that are in poor condition or have suffered irreparable damage.
- 2. That the WW1 Field Gun be gifted to an appropriate public institution and a condition of this gift is for it will remain on public display.
- 3. That a future report be tabled advising of the final home for the WW1 Field Gun.

**LOST** 

## **CALL FOR A DIVISION**

For: Councillors McEvoy and Searle

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

Abstained: Councillor Stone

## **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Nguyen Seconded: Councillor Chen Yi Mei

1. That:

- (a) Council determines for the WW1 Field Gun to be reinstated in <u>Barkly</u> Gardens after restoration;
- (b) appropriate landscape design be developed to ensure the Field Gun is displayed in the most sympathetic and safe setting;
- (c) interpretive signage be installed alongside the Field Gun to explain its history and provenance;
- (d) 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;
- (e) Council thanks and acknowledge RSL members who have contributed to its current restoration; and
- (f) ongoing maintenance requirements of the Field Gun to be noted and referred to future budget considerations.

**CARRIED** 

# **CALL FOR A DIVISION**

**For:** Councillors Fristacky, Jolly, Chen Yi Mei, Bosler and Nguyen

**Against:** Councillors Stone, McEvoy and Searle

# 11.2 Multi Year Arts and Culture Funding Review

Trim Record Number: D18/171969

Responsible Officer: Director Community Wellbeing

# RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council replace the current three year arts and culture funding program, with a two year arts and culture funding program, to apply to projects funded from 2020 onwards.
- 2. That Council endorse the draft Arts and Cultural Biennial 2020-2021 Grant Guidelines, which includes the creation of a new funding stream called Engage Yarra;
- 3. That Council refer this report to the 2018/2019 mid-year budget review in relation to the proposal to increase the total funding pool from \$230,000 per annum to \$300,000 from the 2019/2020 budget year; and, subject to such approval, invite applications for:
  - (a) The Creative Yarra funding stream, with a maximum funding ceiling of \$30,000 from a funding pool of \$130,000;
  - (b) The Engage Yarra funding stream, with a maximum funding ceiling of \$30,000 from a funding pool of \$100,000; and
  - (c) Celebrate Yarra funding of \$35,000 for Johnston Street Fiesta and Victoria Street Lunar Festival respectively with \$5,000 of this be tied to event management personnel, from a total funding pool of \$70,000.
- 4. Note that a further report will be brought to Council in 2019 to determine the recipients of the Biennial Funding for 2020-2021.

# Public Submissions

The following people addressed Council on the matter:

Catherine French;

Bianca Bowman, CEO Centre for Protection Art;

Lou Oppenheim, Member of Yarra Arts Advisory Committee; and

Margaret Portelli, Fitzroy Residents Association.

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor McEvoy Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

- 1. That Council replace the current three year arts and culture funding program, with a two year arts and culture funding program, to apply to projects funded from 2020 onwards.
- 2. That Council endorse the draft Arts and Cultural Biennial 2020-2021 Grant Guidelines, subject to an amendment to reflect a 3 year funding program for Celebrate Yarra and which includes the creation of a new funding stream called Engage Yarra;
- 3. That Council refer this report to the 2018/2019 mid-year budget review in relation to the proposal to increase the total funding pool from \$230,000 per annum to \$370,000 from the 2019/2020 budget year; and, subject to such approval, invite applications for:
  - (a) The Creative Yarra funding stream, with a maximum funding ceiling of \$30,000 from a funding pool of \$130,000;
  - (b) The Engage Yarra funding stream, with a maximum funding ceiling of \$30,000 from a funding pool of \$100,000; and
  - (c) Celebrate Yarra funding of \$35,000 for Johnston Street Fiesta, Victoria Street Lunar Festival, Village Festival and Gertrude Street Projection Festival respectively with \$5,000 of this to be tied to event management personnel, from a total funding pool of \$140,000.
- 4. Note that a further report will be brought to Council in 2019 to determine the recipients of the Biennial Funding for 2020-2021.

**CARRIED** 

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

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

Against: Councillors Chen Yi Mei, Bosler and Nguyen

# 11.3 Update of Revision of Council's Graffiti Management Framework

Trim Record Number: D18/191607

Responsible Officer: Community Partnerships Unit Manager

# **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That:

- (a) Council notes the draft Graffiti Management Framework 2019-2022; and
- (b) Council endorse the draft Graffiti Management Framework 2019-2022 for public exhibition and consultation from 14 January 2019 to 24 February 2019.

# REVISED OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That:
  - (a) Council notes the draft Graffiti Management Framework 2019-2022; and
  - (b) Council endorse the draft Graffiti Management Framework 2019-2022 for public exhibition and consultation from 1 February 2019 for 6 weeks.

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Nguyen Seconded: Councillor Stone

- 1. That:
  - (a) Council notes the draft Graffiti Management Framework 2019-2022; and
  - (b) Council endorse the draft Graffiti Management Framework 2019-2022 for public exhibition and consultation from 1 February 2019 for 6 weeks.

# 11.4 Queens Parade Interim DDO16 - extension of time request to Minister for Planning

Trim Record Number: D18/196512

Responsible Officer: Director Planning and Place Making

#### RECOMMENDATION

# 1. That Council:

- (a) note the officer report in relation to the current Interim Yarra Planning Scheme provisions regarding the Queens Parade precinct;
- (b) requests that the Minister for Planning approves an amendment to the Yarra Planning Scheme, under section 20(a) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to extend the expiry date of Schedule 16 to the Design and Development Overlay (DDO16) from 30 March 2019 to 12 January 2020;
- (c) authorises officers to prepare the relevant amendment documentation for submission; and
- (d) advise the owners of the land affected of Council's decision.

# Public Submission

John Hayhoe addressed Council on the matter.

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Stone Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

# 1. That Council:

- (a) note the officer report in relation to the current Interim Yarra Planning Scheme provisions regarding the Queens Parade precinct;
- (b) requests that the Minister for Planning approves an amendment to the Yarra Planning Scheme, under section 20(a) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to extend the expiry date of Schedule 16 to the Design and Development Overlay (DDO16) from 30 March 2019 to 12 January 2020;
- (c) authorises officers to prepare the relevant amendment documentation for submission;
   and
- (d) advise the owners of the land affected of Council's decision.

# 11.5 Right of way between 2 and 10 Stanley Street Collingwood

Trim Record Number: D18/203120

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

# **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That having noted naming submissions in relation to the relevant street naming proposals, Council assign the name "Montalto Place" to the right of way between 2 Stanley Street and 10 Stanley Street Collingwood.
- 2. That the Chief Executive Officer lodge the adopted name with the Registrar of the Office of Geographic Names and advise all submitters of Council's decision.

# Public Submission

Alex Montalto addressed Council on the matter.

## **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved: Councillor Jolly Seconded: Councillor Stone

- 1. That having noted naming submissions in relation to the relevant street naming proposals, Council assign the name "Montalto Place" to the right of way between 2 Stanley Street and 10 Stanley Street Collingwood.
- 2. That the Chief Executive Officer lodge the adopted name with the Registrar of the Office of Geographic Names and advise all submitters of Council's decision.

**CARRIED** 

# **COUNCIL RESOLUTION (PROCEDURAL)**

Moved: Councillor Jolly Seconded: Councillor Nguyen

That the meeting resume in confidential session.

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Conclusion			
The meeting concluded at 10.2	28pm.		
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Following consideration of Confidential business, the meeting resumed in open session.