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# CAMPBELLTOWN CITY COUNCIL

## Minutes Summary

Ordinary Council Meeting held at 6:30pm on Tuesday, 11 March 2025.

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**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Campbelltown City Council held on 11 March 2025**

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**Present**

- Councillor S Berbari
- Councillor M Chowdhury
- Councillor J Cotter
- Councillor K Halabi
- Councillor K Hunt
- Councillor M Khalil
- Councillor D Lound
- Councillor C McEwan
- Councillor W Morrison
- Councillor M Oates
- Councillor A Rahman
- Councillor T Triebels
- Councillor I Wisniewska
- Councillor A Zahra

**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND**

An Acknowledgement of Land was presented by the Chairperson .

**Council Prayer**

The Council Prayer was presented by the General Manager.

**2. APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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It was **Moved** Councillor Triebels, **Seconded** Councillor Khalil:

That the apology of Councillor J Rivera be accepted.

**022/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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### **3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### **3.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 11 February 2025**

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It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor Chowdhury:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 11 February 2025, copies of which have been circulated to each Councillor, be taken as read and confirmed.

**023/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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### **4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Declarations of Interest were made in respect of the following items:

#### **Pecuniary Interests**

Nil

#### **Non Pecuniary – Significant Interests**

Nil

#### **Non Pecuniary – Less than Significant Interests**

Nil

#### **Other Disclosures**

Nil

### **5. MAYORAL MINUTE**

### **6. PETITIONS**

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE

### 7.1 Raby Road Congestion

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It was **Moved** Councillor Khalil, **Seconded** Councillor Halabi:

That the letters be received and the information be noted.

**024/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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### 7.2 Closure of the Community Justice Centres

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It was **Moved** Councillor Chowdhury, **Seconded** Councillor Cotter:

That the letters be received and the information be noted.

**025/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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### 7.3 Macarthur Metro

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It was **Moved** Councillor Rahman, **Seconded** Councillor Morrison:

That the letters be received and the information be noted.

**026/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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### 7.4 Community and Justice Precinct

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It was **Moved** Councillor Wisniewska, **Seconded** Councillor Berbari:

That the letters be received and the information be noted.

**027/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 8. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

**Meeting Note:** John Cole and Michael Baker addressed the Council.

### 8.1 Macarthur Grange Planning Proposal, Draft Development Control Plan and Planning Agreement - Post Exhibition Report

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It was **Moved** Councillor Morrison, **Seconded** Councillor Khalil:

1. That Council endorse the Macarthur Grange Planning Proposal as amended, at attachment 2.
2. That Council exercise its delegated functions for local plan-making and make the amendment to Campbelltown Local Environmental Plan 2015.
3. That Council adopt the site-specific Development Control Plan (as amended) at attachment 3 and notify its decision within 28 days of the date of this decision.
4. That Council endorse the Planning Agreement (as edited) at attachment 4 and authorise the Chief Executive Officer, on behalf of Council, to execute the Planning Agreement with the owners of Lot 3900 DP1170905 Raby Road.
5. That Council note that work is continuing on the development of the Strategic Framework for the Scenic Hills.

A Division was recorded in regard to the Resolution for Item 8.1 with those voting for the Motion being Councillors M Chowdhury, A Rahman, I Wisniewska, C McEwan, A Zahra, K Halabi, M Khalil, W Morrison, S Berbari, J Cotter and D Lound.

Voting against the Resolution were Councillors K Hunt, M Oates and T Triebels.

**028/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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**Meeting Note:** Sumera Danish addressed the Council.

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## **8.2 Macarthur Gardens North - Amendment to Development Control Plan**

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It was **Moved** Councillor Chowdhury, **Seconded** Councillor Morrison:

1. That Council endorse the public exhibition of the draft amendments to the Campbelltown (Sustainable City) Development Control Plan 2015, Volume 2 - Part 16 - Macarthur Gardens North for a minimum period of 28 days.
2. That a further report be provided to Council on the outcome of public exhibition.

A Division was recorded in regard to the Resolution for Item 8.2 with those voting for the Motion being Councillors K Hunt, M Chowdhury, M Oates, A Rahman, I Wisniewska, T Triebels, C McEwan, A Zahra, W Morrison, S Berbari, J Cotter and D Lound.

Voting against the Resolution were Councillors K Halabi and M Khalil.

**029/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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**Meeting Note:** Councillor Chowdhury left the chamber at 8:06 pm.

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## **8.3 Planning Agreement – Lot 101 Bensley Road, Ingleburn**

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It was **Moved** Councillor Oates, **Seconded** Councillor Morrison:

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute the Planning Agreement with Ankira Projects Croatia Avenue Pty Ltd on behalf of Council.

A Division was recorded in regard to the Resolution for Item 8.3 with those voting for the Motion being Councillors K Hunt, M Oates, A Rahman, I Wisniewska, T Triebels, C McEwan, A Zahra, K Halabi, M Khalil, W Morrison, S Berbari, J Cotter and D Lound.

Voting against the Resolution were Nil.

**030/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 8.4 Significant Development Applications

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It was **Moved** Councillor Rahman, **Seconded** Councillor Triebels:

That the information be noted.

**031/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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**Meeting Note:** Councillor Chowdhury returned to the chamber at 8:09 pm

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## 8.5 Application to Revoke Dangerous Dog Declaration

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It was **Moved** Councillor Oates, **Seconded** Councillor Wisniewska:

1. That the Menacing Dog Declarations made on 5 June 2019, in respect of a male American Staffordshire Terrier (Microchip Number 900079000103986) be revoked in accordance with provision Section 39(2)(a), (b) and (2A) *Companion Animals Act, 1998*.
2. That Council give notice to the owner of the dog and to the Director General Division of Local Government of the revocation of the Dangerous Dog Declarations referred to in 1 above within 7 days in accordance with the provisions of Sections 39 (3) and 40 (2) *Companion Animals Act, 1998*.

**032/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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**Meeting Note:** Councillor Halabi left the chamber at 8:12 pm.

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## 8.6 Six-Month Progress Report of the Delivery Program 2022-2026 and Operational Plan 2024-25: July to December 2024

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It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor McEwan:

That Council note the 6-month report outlining progress against the Delivery Program 2022-2026 and Operational Plan 2024-25, for the period 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024.

**033/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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**Meeting Note:** Councillor Halabi returned to the chamber at 8:16pm.



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## 8.7 Public Exhibition of Community Strategic Plan 2035, and Community Engagement Strategy

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It was **Moved** Councillor Chowdhury, **Seconded** Councillor Cotter:

1. That Council endorse the draft Community Strategic Plan 2025-2035 for Public Exhibition
2. That Council endorse the revised Community Engagement Strategy for Public Exhibition.

**034/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 8.8 Investments and Revenue Report - January 2025

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It was **Moved** Councillor Morrison, **Seconded** Councillor Khalil:

That the information be noted.

**035/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 8.9 Cost Shifting Survey 2023-24 Financial Year

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It was **Moved** Councillor McEwan, **Seconded** Councillor Khalil:

That the information be noted.

**036/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 8.10 Reports and Letters Requested

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It was **Moved** Councillor Morrison, **Seconded** Councillor McEwan:

That the comments and updates to the reports and letters requested be noted.

**037/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 8.11 Ramadan Nights

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It was **Moved** Councillor Halabi, **Seconded** Councillor Chowdhury:

1. That Council note the outcome of the Stronger Together Council Major Festivals grant applications.
2. That Council note the receipt of an application for a community-led event application to host Ramadan Night Markets from 27-29 March 2025 in Lithgow Street, Campbelltown, and are working through the final steps of approval.
3. That Council endorse the total funds of \$30,000 (in-kind support \$25,000 and a cash contribution of \$5,000) from the City Attraction Program as a one-off, for the community-led Ramadan Night Markets 2025.
4. That Council note a community events grant program is currently being considered for the 2025-26 Operational Plan and budget, to further encourage and support events that are initiated and organised by the community.

**038/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 9. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

## 10. RESCISSION MOTION

Nil

## 11. NOTICE OF MOTION

### 11.1 Civic Centre Flag Raising Ceremony

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It was **Moved** Councillor Zahra, **Seconded** Councillor Cotter:

1. That Council provide a report detailing the itemised costing of the International Mother Language Day flag raising ceremony recently held on 21 February 2025 at the Campbelltown City Council Forecourt.
2. That Council provide an itemised listing of events/ceremonies/memorials funded by the rate payer for the past financial year.

**039/2025** The Motion on being Put was **LOST**.

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It was **Moved** Councillor Chowdhury, **Seconded** Councillor Hunt:

That a Councillor briefing be held on the events, ceremonies and memorials program.

A Division was recorded in regard to the Resolution for Item Item 11.1 with those voting for the Motion being Councillors K Hunt, M Chowdhury, M Oates, A Rahman, I Wisniewska, T Triebels, K Halabi, M Khalil and D Lound.

Voting against the Resolution were Councillors C McEwan, A Zahra, W Morrison, S Berbari and J Cotter.

**040/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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### 11.2 Letter to Federal Candidates in the up coming Election

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It was **Moved** Councillor Zahra, **Seconded** Councillor Morrison:

Councillor Adam Zahra has given Notice in writing of his intention to move the following Motion at the next meeting of Council on 11 March 2025.

1. That Council write a letter to the Macarthur, Werriwa and Hume candidates in the upcoming Federal election seeking their commitment to the duplication of the Raby Rd M31 over pass.
  2. That Council write a letter to the relevant State and Federal Members of Parliament including The Hon Chris Minns MP, Premier of NSW, The Hon Mark Speakman SC MP, Leader of the Opposition, The Hon Catherine King MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government of Australia, Senator The Hon Bridget McKenzie Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, The Hon John Graham MLC, Minister for Roads, The Hon Natalie Ward MLC,
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Shadow Minister for Transport and Roads and Mr Greg Warren MP, Member for Campbelltown and Mr Nathan Hagarty MP, Member for Leppington, expressing resident's concerns acute to the Raby Rd M31 overpass and the hazard that the lack of funding to the duplication is causing. Request bipartisan support between Federal and State Governments to invest in funding the duplication of the Raby Rd M31 overpass.

3. That Council provide all relevant documentation from various committees and reports be included with the letter.

**041/2025** The Motion on being Put was **LOST**.

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It was **Moved** Councillor Oates, **Seconded** Councillor Hunt:

That Council notes the infrastructure and advocacy priorities determined by Council resolution in December 2024 in the document 'Our call to the Federal Government for support in the 2025' and the advocacy work by the Mayor and CEO with respect to these priorities in the lead up to the election.

**042/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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### **11.3 Wait times and emergency surgery spaces at Campbelltown Hospital**

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It was **Moved** Councillor Zahra, **Seconded** Councillor Cotter:

That the Council note that the Member for Campbelltown Mr Greg Warren MP has written to the Minister for Health the Hon Ryan Park MP expressing Council's concerns regarding the growing wait times for emergency surgery spaces at Campbelltown Hospital requesting the Government consider additional support for Campbelltown Hospital to improve healthcare services for Campbelltown.

**043/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 11.4 NSW Seniors Festival

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It was **Moved** Councillor Berbari, **Seconded** Councillor Morrison:

1. That a post-event review report be provided to Council on the NSW Seniors Festival, which celebrates the role and contributions of older adults to our local communities, held 3 - 16 March 2025.
2. That Council explore grant opportunities to enhance its existing program and events for seniors, beyond the NSW Seniors Festival.

**044/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 11.5 Australia Day Awards

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It was **Moved** Councillor Berbari, **Seconded** Councillor Cotter:

1. That, Council undertakes a report to incorporate a new category in the annual Australia Day awards for those in our community living with disabilities.
2. That the All Abilities Award category provide an opportunity for nominees to be considered that go above and beyond to achieve personally, or for the community.

**045/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 11.6 Mobility Scooter Charging Stations

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It was **Moved** Councillor Morrison, **Seconded** Councillor McEwan:

1. That Council provides a report on the feasibility of additional charging stations for alternative transportation, such as mobility scooters, e-bikes and e-scooters within the public domain in the LGA.

**046/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 11.7 Local Charitable Organisations

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It was **Moved** Councillor Cotter, **Seconded** Councillor Morrison:

1. That Council undertakes a report exploring ways Council can support existing and future charitable organisations connect to local, state, federal funding and other opportunities to increase their grassroots support to our Campbelltown LGA.
2. That the report outlines possible ways to increase engagement through workshops, programs, forums and digital resources.

**047/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 11.8 Koala Conservation

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It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor Lound:

1. That Council investigates opportunities to deliver a community expo and seminar in collaboration with key stakeholders involved in koala conservation in the Campbelltown LGA that focuses on sharing insights and further educating the community about koalas.
2. That a report be presented to Council that details current koala research, conservation and monitoring initiatives in the Campbelltown LGA including Council's annual projects/programs and community engagement under the Koalatown program.

A Division was recorded in regard to the Resolution for Item 11.8 with those voting for the Motion being Councillors K Hunt, M Chowdhury, M Oates, A Rahman, I Wisniewska, T Triebels, C McEwan, A Zahra, K Halabi, M Khalil, W Morrison, S Berbari, J Cotter and D Lound.

Voting against the Resolution were Nil.

**048/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## Procedural Motion

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It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor McEwan:

That in accordance with Clause 18.2 of the Code of Meeting Practice the finishing time of the meeting be extended by 30 minutes.

**049/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 11.9 Wheelie Bins

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It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor Chowdhury:

1. That Council investigate and report on the feasibility of introducing images locally designed as wheelie bin stickers for residents to purchase to beautify their street environment and promote our local flora and fauna.
2. That any profit derived from the sale of these stickers be considered as part of the report be directed to conservation or sustainability programs within the LGA.

**050/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 11.10 Remote Control Toy Vehicle Track

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It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor Oates:

1. That a report be presented to Council on the feasibility of installing a basic outdoor remote control toy vehicle race track at an appropriate venue within the LGA.

**051/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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## 12. URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS

### 13. PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

1. Councillor Karen Hunt attended the launch of *The Precious Book of Affirmations* on Wednesday, 19 February, alongside Mayor Councillor Darcy Lound and the Honourable Dr. Mike Freeland MP, Member for Macarthur. The event, organised by Rainbow Crossing, took place at the Oz Funland venue in Leumeah under the guidance of Brian and Christerine Laul, with support from Wests Leagues Club. As the hostess of the Macarthur Women's Coffee Club, Christerine Laul created the book to inspire confidence and positivity among women through a collection of supportive affirmations contributed by club members. The book aims to provide encouragement and comfort, reinforcing the importance of confidence and mutual support. Copies are available at Oz Funland on Wednesdays during school terms from 10 am, where attendees can also participate in the Macarthur Women's Coffee Club.
2. Councillor Karen Hunt attended the International Mother Language Day flag-raising ceremony on Friday, 21 February 2025, alongside the Mayor, fellow councillors Cr Oates, Cr Chowdhury, Cr Rahman, Cr Khalil, Cr Treibels, and many community members. Held in the forecourt of the council building, the event took place under beautiful weather, bringing together people of all nationalities within the LGA to celebrate the significance of every mother language. This annual ceremony traces its origins to the bravery of Bangladeshi students in 1952, who fought for the right to honour their native language—a legacy that continues to inspire communities worldwide. Councillor Hunt expressed her pride in being part of this meaningful event in Campbelltown.
3. Councillor Karen Hunt attended the International Women's Day picnic on Friday, 7 March 2025, alongside the Mayor. Originally planned for Mawson Park, the event was relocated to the Civic Centre Hall due to the weather. She praised the council's event staff for their outstanding efforts in transforming the hall into a welcoming picnic space, complete with decorations and comfortable cushions. The event featured wellbeing and DIY activities hosted by The Junction Works and The Benevolent Society, while guests enjoyed a delicious brunch provided by Mr Perfect BBQ and Catermaid. Councillor Hunt expressed her appreciation to everyone who attended and thanked the council's event team for organizing such an enjoyable and well-executed event.
4. Councillor Masood Chowdhury on 6 March attended AFAIC's Ramadan, Iftar Dinner at Campbelltown Civic Hall alongside Mayor Councillor Lound and Councillor Khalil. The event brought the community together in the spirit of unity and gratitude, providing an opportunity to break the fast, share a delicious meal, and celebrate the warmth of Ramadan.
5. On 8 March, Councillor Masood Chowdhury attended the EID Exhibition organised by the Sydney Bangalee Community, alongside Councillor Khalil, Councillor Rahman, and Mayor Lound. The event featured a variety of boutique stalls, and Councillor Chowdhury expressed his gratitude to the organisers for hosting such a great event.
6. Councillor Masood Chowdhury on 8 March attended Islamic Charity Project Association's 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Ramadan Dinner. The event was well attended by the Hon Margaret Beazley AC KC, Governor of NSW and many federal members.



7. Councillor Masood Chowdhury attended the Iftar event at Minto Indoor Sports Centre, which showcased a heartwarming display of community spirit and unity. The Australian Muslims Welfare Centre (AMWC) was highly praised for organising such a memorable gathering. Councillor Chowdhury expressed gratitude to everyone who participated, volunteered, and contributed to the event's success. He acknowledged the spirit of Ramadan as a continuing source of unity, kindness, and compassion throughout the year.
8. Councillor Meg Oates on 28 February alongside Councillor Berbari attended the Ingham Institute's 12<sup>th</sup> Annual International Women's Day Luncheon at Wests Leagues Club. Councillor Oates expressed what a great event celebrating women in science and raising money for research for juvenile diabetes, mental health and paediatric research.
9. Councillor Ash Rahman on 20 February, attended the Citizenship Ceremony at Civic Hall alongside the Mayor. He described it as a heartwarming experience to witness many young individuals officially become Australian citizens. Councillor Rahman was honoured to personally congratulate each new citizen and present them with a grass plant as a symbol of new beginnings.
10. On 21 February, Councillor Ash Rahman participated in a special flag-raising ceremony at the Council forecourt to commemorate International Mother Language Day. The event brought together hundreds of community leaders to celebrate linguistic diversity and highlight the importance of preserving native languages. Councillor Rahman described the ceremony as a powerful tribute to cultural heritage and multilingualism.
11. Councillor Ash Rahman On 22 February, attended the Campbelltown Book Fair at Hallinan Park in Ingleburn, celebrating the Silver Jubilee of International Mother Language Day. He was joined by Local MPs, the Mayor Darcy Lound, and fellow Councillors for the event. Councillor Rahman paid tribute to the brave individuals who sacrificed their lives during the 1952 language movement in Bangladesh, acknowledging their courage in defending the Bengali language against oppression. He emphasized that their sacrifice not only preserved their mother tongue but also inspired global recognition of linguistic and cultural diversity. He also commended the Sub-Continent Friends of Campbelltown, A-B Street Library, and Multicultural Community Connect for organizing a well-executed and meaningful event.
12. On 2 March, Councillor Ash Rahman volunteered at Clean Up Australia Day alongside like-minded community members. Working together, they helped clean Macquarie Fields Park, collecting approximately 10 bags of rubbish. The event was organised by Multicultural Community Connect, A-B Street Library, and Kholā Akash, and Councillor Rahman expressed his appreciation for their efforts in bringing the community together for such an important cause.
13. Councillor Ash Rahman on 9 March, was delighted to see many members of the community come together for the Iftar gathering at the Minto Indoor Sports Centre, organized by the Australian Muslim Welfare Centre. The event, held during the holy month of Ramadan, was an inspiring evening that fostered unity, kindness, and shared blessings.

14. On 26 February 2025, Councillor Isabella Wisniewska represented the Mayor at the Youth Action Team Graduation Ceremony. The event provided a valuable opportunity to celebrate the achievements of the Youth Action Team (YAT) and learn more about their advocacy efforts and experiences. Councillor Wisniewska also reviewed the *Youth Action Plan 2024-30*, noting that its goals are both commendable and achievable. She emphasised the importance of this initiative and encouraged young people aged 14-24 to get involved and represent the youth in the community.
15. Councillor Tao Triebels on 2 March attended the Clean Up Australia Day at Fishers Ghost Creek alongside the Mayor Councillor Lound and Councillor McEwan. Councillor Triebels commented that it was small team but a lot was achieved and great to see community spirit.
16. Councillor Tao Triebels recently visited several local reserves and parks and was impressed by the transformations that have taken place.

At Keith Longhurst Reserve, the improvements are noticeable, including the installation of new signage, sandstone blocks around the parking area, rubbish bins, and the addition of security cameras. Councillor Triebels expressed his thanks to the staff for their hard work in making these upgrades.

At Hurley Park, the re-mulching around the trees has enhanced the area's appearance. The park now looks great, and Councillor Triebels once again thanked the staff for their efforts.

Finally, at Kenny Reserve along Kullaroo Ave in Bradbury, the large number of trees planted has been particularly impressive. These trees now provide shade and contribute to the additional tree canopy cover in the Campbelltown area. Councillor Triebels is grateful for the ongoing development of green spaces in the community.

17. Councillor Cameron McEwan attended the Georges Riverkeeper Combined Council Committee AGM and the first committee meeting since the 2024 local election on 27 February. The meeting provided an opportunity to connect with various stakeholders and caretakers of the Georges River and to receive an update on its current condition. As an upstream council, the local water quality remains in a reasonable state; however, there is still significant room for improvement. This is particularly evident after rainfall, when water quality deteriorates, highlighting the need for continued vigilance in preventing rubbish and chemicals from entering the river.
18. On Sunday, 2 March, Councillor Cameron McEwan participated in Clean Up Australia Day, an event organised by Bushcare. He was pleased to see a strong turnout of local residents, including families with children, coming together to clean up the area around Fishers Creek in Bradbury. Councillor McEwan gave special thanks to Councillor Triebels for assisting him in removing a broken shopping trolley from the water and up a hill. He commended all participants for their efforts and encouraged the community to continue picking up litter whenever possible, emphasizing that collective action helps keep Campbelltown clean and enjoyable for everyone.
19. Councillor Adam Zahra on 20 February 2025, attended the Strangers Room at Parliament House in Macquarie Street alongside Councillors Halabi and Berbari to show support for the recent election of General Joseph Aoun as President of the Lebanese Republic. The

- event highlighted the sense of hope and unity this outcome has inspired across various religious groups, community leaders, and the Lebanese community.
20. On 26 February 2025, Councillor Adam Zahra attended the HSC High Achievers Award Ceremony alongside Mayor Lound at the Campbelltown Arts Centre. He commended the council staff for organizing another outstanding event. The ceremony showcased a strong representation of students from high schools across the LGA, highlighting the achievements of Campbelltown's future leaders. Councillor Zahra was especially proud to see 3 students from his former high school, Mount Carmel, among the honourees.
  21. Councillor Masud Khalil attended the launch of *The Precious Book of Affirmations* by the Macarthur Women's Coffee Club, joining other enthusiastic members of the community in celebrating the occasion. The book features uplifting statements and artwork contributed by club members, aiming to inspire and promote confidence. Councillor Khalil expressed gratitude to everyone who attended and contributed to making the event special, particularly Christy and Brian Laul, as well as the fantastic choir from Al Faisal College Minto.
  22. On 2 March 2025, Councillor Masud Khalil joined Sewa Australia at Simmos Beach for Clean Up Australia Day. The event focused on cleaning up the community, improving hygiene, and supporting a sustainable environment. Councillor Khalil thanked all participants for their efforts and highlighted the importance of working together for a cleaner local environment. Students from Al Faisal College also attended and did a fantastic job.
  23. Councillor Morrison attended the Chamber of Commerce event at Rydges Campbelltown and thanked the guest speaker of the evening, US Marine Sergeant Major Max Garcia, who is now based in the Macarthur Region, for his excellent presentation. Councillor Morrison also praised Shefali Pall, the President of the Chamber, for the outstanding work she does.
  24. Councillor Morrison attended the Menangle Park Harness Racing's Miracle Mile alongside the Mayor Councillor Lound. Councillor Morrison expressed what a fantastic night full of fun and excitement. The night featured thrilling racing action and live music, with Thirsty Merc performing. The Hon. Steve Kamper MP was on hand to present the winner's trophy. Councillor Morrison also acknowledged Ally Redondo from C91.3FM, who was hosting the fashions in the field. He expressed his thanks to Chairman Robert Marshall, CEO Bruce Christison, and the Board of Directors for a great evening.
  25. Councillor Seta Berbari on 14 February, attended a beautiful High Tea Charity Event for Youth Solutions. She described it as an incredible experience supporting the organization and praised the dedication and hard work of their amazing team. Councillor Berbari has been proud to support Youth Solutions for a long time and continues to be inspired by the impact they have on the community. She also expressed her heartfelt thanks to Campbelltown Council for their support of the event and to Amanda for being there. Councillor Berbari emphasised her belief that together, we can make a significant difference.
  26. On 20 February 2025, Councillor Seta Berbari along with Councillor Halabi and Councillor Zahra, had the pleasure of attending a special event at NSW Parliament House to celebrate the election of General Joseph Aoun as the new President of Lebanon. The

occasion highlighted the strong ties between the Australian and Lebanese communities. The celebration included speeches from various dignitaries, emphasizing the importance of unity and support for Lebanon's ongoing journey of reform and recovery.

27. Councillor Seta Berbari had the pleasure of attending the Ingham Institute Annual International Women's Day Luncheon at Wests Leagues Club. She extended her thanks to Campbelltown City Council for their support and for the invitation. The event was an inspiring celebration of the incredible achievements of women in the community, while also supporting the vital work of the Ingham Institute.
28. Councillor Seta Berbari had an incredible time connecting with the community at the Seniors Information Expo at Campbelltown Civic Centre. She was delighted to see so many amazing seniors engaging with the wide range of products, services, and community groups designed to support and enrich their lives. Councillor Berbari also expressed her thanks to the wonderful staff who organized such a fantastic event.
29. Councillor Seta Berbari had the honour of representing Mayor Darcy Lound at the International Women's Day Gala Dinner hosted by Camden Council, where the remarkable Edwina Bartholomew from Channel 7 Sunrise shared her life and career journey, highlighting the challenges of balancing work and motherhood. Councillor Berbari thanked the Mayor of Camden, Ashleigh, for the warm welcome. Edwina's powerful messages, such as having confidence in yourself, the importance of hard work over luck, and reserving some smiles for home, resonated deeply with Councillor Berbari. She emphasised the need to preserve kindness, joy, and energy for ourselves, even as we dedicate ourselves to work and family. The event also highlighted the important work of Turning Point Camden Inc., a charity supporting the community. Councillor Berbari reflected on the strength and resilience of women, urging everyone to celebrate and support one another.

## 14. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

### Confidentiality Recommendation

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It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor Chowdhury:

1. That this Ordinary Meeting of Council be adjourned and reconvened as a meeting of the Confidential Committee for discussion of items 14.1, 14.2 and 14.3 which are considered to be confidential in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as indicated below:

**Item 14.1 Organisational Structure Review**

Item 14.1 is confidential in accordance with Section 10A(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993* as the report refers to personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).

**Item 14.2 Assignment of Lease on Council Property - Woodbine**

Item 14.2 is confidential in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* as the report refers to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

**Item 14.3 Surrender of Lease and New Lease - Commercial Property, Campbelltown**

Item 14.3 is confidential in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* as the report refers to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

2. Council considers that discussion of the business in open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

**052/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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**The Ordinary Meeting of Council was adjourned at 10:53 pm and reconvened as a meeting of the Confidential Committee at 10:53 pm.**

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## Recommendations of the Confidential Committee

### 14.1 Organisational Structure Review

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It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor Chowdhury:

That Council:

1. Note that in keeping with Local Government Act, the CEO is required to review, and may re-determine, the organisation structure within 12 months after any ordinary election of the council.
2. Note the revised organisational structure as outlined in the report.
3. Notes that the structure strengthens Council's ability to deliver on Council's Plans, responds to changes in Council's external environment and feedback from key stakeholders.

**053/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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### 14.2 Assignment of Lease on Council Property - Woodbine

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It was **Moved** Councillor Cotter, **Seconded** Councillor McEwan:

1. That Council endorse the assignment of Lease on the subject property located at Woodbine on terms and conditions set out in this paper.
2. That Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer or her authorised delegate to execute all and any documentation relevant to this report under Section 377 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

**054/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

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**14.3 Surrender of Lease and New Lease - Commercial Property, Campbelltown**

It was **Moved** Councillor Morrison, **Seconded** Councillor Triebels:

- 1. That Council endorse the proposed Surrender of Lease of Shop 1, 261 Queen Street, Campbelltown on terms set out in this report.
- 2. That Council endorse the proposed terms of Lease with the new operator for Shop 1, 261 Queen Street, Campbelltown on terms set out in this report.
- 3. That all and any documentation related to this transaction is signed by way of delegated authority by the Chief Executive Officer or her authorised delegate under Section 377 of the *Local Government Act 1993*

**055/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor Zahra:

That the Council in accordance with Section 10 of the Local Government Act 1993, move to re-open the meeting to the public.

**056/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

**At the conclusion of the meeting of the Confidential Committee the Open Council Meeting was reconvened at 10:56 pm.**

It was **Moved** Councillor McEwan, **Seconded** Councillor Hunt:

That the reports of the Confidential Committee and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

**057/2025** The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:59 pm.

Confirmed by Council on <<enter date>>

..... Chief Executive Officer ..... Chairperson