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## ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Council Meeting of the Council of the City of Randwick will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, 90 Avoca Street, Randwick, on Tuesday, 28 February 2012 at 6pm.

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM1/12



**Subject:** Randwick Draft Comprehensive LEP  
**Folder No:** F2007/00569  
**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

The draft comprehensive LEP was placed on public exhibition last week seeking our community's feedback and submissions.

This is an important step in reviewing and updating our City's planning controls and bringing these into line with State templates and strategies (which were introduced by the former State Government), for a simpler system across NSW, using the same terminology when we talk about planning, conservation and development.

The public exhibition has a range of opportunities for residents, business owners and other stakeholders to view the exhibition materials and to discuss and comment on the draft LEP. While our role as Councillors is to assess all community views (and this must necessarily occur when all views have been collected over the exhibition period), several queries have been raised with me, primarily about the LEP process, which I consider would be helpful to address in this early stage of the exhibition.

A number of Councillors recently attended a Coogee resident precinct meeting and noted that residents were seeking clarification relating to the possibility of adding 'external wall height' controls to the draft LEP, the process and timing of the draft comprehensive LEP and DCP exhibition, its relationship to the current review of the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (the Act), and the weight given to the draft LEP within the DA assessment process during the exhibition period.

I propose that Council holds a public hearing in respect of the draft Comprehensive LEP, to demonstrate Council's genuine commitment to community consultation in all major decisions.

These matters are outlined and discussed below, for the Councillors' consideration.

### Wall height control

Council's current LEP has a maximum building height control and an external wall height control for residential development in the 2B, 2C and 2D zones (the 2A zone controls are in the DCP). The draft LEP includes maximum building heights for all residential zones, with the wall height or similar control as well as many other controls to be included in the comprehensive DCP.

Council officers have advised me that this is consistent with the Standard Instrument (SI) and NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DOPI) Practice Notes. These direct that any height control in an LEP must be a maximum height only and external wall height cannot be included as an additional or alternative LEP height control.

The DOPI has confirmed this advice in the attached email (see Attachment 1).

Residents have raised concerns that the external wall height as a DCP rather than an LEP control, coupled with proposed FSR adjustments, will result in flats with an additional floor and greater urban densities. Council officers have confirmed that this

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is not the case. A DCP is an important plan that supplements the LEP and provides further detailed controls and guidance that are crucial for assessing DAs. The LEP height control cannot operate in isolation to achieve a good design outcome and residential amenity, and needs to work with other LEP measures such as FSR and with DCP measures such as external wall height. The residential FSRs have been adjusted in the draft LEP to realistically reflect existing and suitable development. Other important DCP measures that must work in conjunction with height limits include sunlight access, overshadowing, setbacks, visual and acoustic privacy, floor to ceiling heights, etc.

Nevertheless, I note that this is the time for the community to raise any issues or ideas with Council, so that these can be thoroughly assessed by the Council officers and reported back to Council.

### **Draft Comprehensive LEP and DCP – process and timing**

The draft comprehensive LEP is on exhibition until Monday 2 April 2012.

I am advised that the next step is to hold a reclassification public hearing, to be advertised for late April (a minimum 21 days notice is required following the exhibition). This is a legislative requirement for the proposed reclassification of Council owned land at 13-21 Rainbow Street, Kingsford.

The draft final LEP will then be reported back to Council around May, including a detailed review of all submissions and suggested LEP changes. Subject to Council's endorsement, the draft LEP would then be forwarded to the DOPI for final review and referral to the Minister for Planning for gazettal. As part of the finalisation process, the NSW Parliamentary Counsel must review the legal wording of the LEP, which can take some months. Given these processes, the LEP gazettal is anticipated for late 2012.

The draft comprehensive DCP is also now in preparation based on the discussion papers and community feedback. The Act requires that comprehensive DCPs are finalised within 6 months of the comprehensive LEP gazettal. The draft DCP is expected to be reported to Council and exhibited in October/November 2012, for finalisation within or shortly after the LEP gazettal. In the unlikely event of any gaps in applicable planning controls, Council can adopt the DCP as an interim Council policy.

There is no requirement for councils to exhibit draft comprehensive LEP and DCP either together or separately, and half of those Sydney councils at the same stage as Randwick are taking the same approach of exhibiting the draft LEP first, followed by the draft DCP.

### **Community Consultation and a Public Hearing**

While the proposed hearing on the land reclassification is required by the legislation, some residents have also requested a public hearing on other issues.

By way of addition to the public consultation process, I would like to propose that a hearing also be undertaken as part of the current consultations, to be conducted by an independent planning consultant, and in respect of the entire draft comprehensive LEP.

I consider that this is consistent with our community's continued interest in the planning of our City's future and it would assist in facilitating the community's involvement in what is a major Council decision. I suggest that the hearing be held on an evening or evenings immediately following the exhibition period, with people being invited now to register their intention to attend and present at the hearing. I

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will ask the General Manager to expedite arrangements and details/timing of the process.

#### **Relationship of the draft LEP to the Planning Act review**

The speed and timing of the draft LEP has been queried given the current major Review of the NSW Planning Act.

The various steps for preparation of the comprehensive LEP commenced in 2006. Significant council resources have been committed since then to reach this point of LEP exhibition, including background research, the consolidation LEP and the discussion papers and their extensive consultations over 2010 and 2011.

While the Planning Review is welcomed, state and local planning cannot grind to a halt in the meantime. The Review of the Act is a separate process from the preparation of the LEP. The Act deals with improving, simplifying and streamlining the planning system. I note that the Standard Instrument is not part of this Review and that a separate Local Planning Panel, established by the Minister in 2011, reviews and seeks to improve the delivery of the Standard Instrument across local government.

#### **DA Assessment process during the draft LEP exhibition**

Now that the draft LEP is on public exhibition, it is a 'matter for consideration' for assessing DAs under S79C of the Act. This applies to DAs under assessment by Council on or after the 21 February, when the exhibition commenced. On the question of its weight in decision making, the draft LEP has lesser weight than the current LEP, as has been confirmed in court decisions. If a proposal is permissible in the draft LEP but currently prohibited, it cannot be considered in a current DA.

A DCP is also a matter for consideration under S79C, however a draft DCP is not such a matter for consideration.

#### **Conclusion**

The draft LEP exhibition is an important time for community feedback and I encourage all residents, businesses and other stakeholders in our City to visit our web site, exhibition venues and attend the open days commencing this week to speak directly to a Council planner and ask any questions about the draft LEP.

#### **Recommendation**

That Council note this report and endorse an additional consultation process to hold a public hearing immediately following the public exhibition in respect of the draft comprehensive LEP.

#### **Attachment/s:**

1. Advice from Department of Planning and Infrastructure re external wall height controls

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**From:** Juliet Grant  
**Sent:** Friday, 24 February 2012 11:19 AM  
**To:** Sima Truuvert  
**Cc:** Richard Roper; Rosalind Louis; Karen Armstrong  
**Subject:** Re: Draft RLEP 2012 & wall heights

Sima,

Your understanding of the Standard instrument - as outlined below - is absolutely correct.

I'm happy to discuss further if needed.

Regards,  
 J.

Juliet Grant  
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 Department of Planning and Infrastructure

-----Original Message-----

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**Sent:** 02/23/2012 4:43:40 PM  
**Subject:** Draft RLEP 2012 & wall heights

Dear Juliet,

The draft Randwick comprehensive LEP is now on public exhibition and several Councillors have been approached by residents querying whether the Department or Minister would allow a 'wall height' control in the draft LEP, or if the Standard Instrument (SI) actually already allows councils to include a wall height control. One resident has advised that she has contacted the Department and has been advised that wall height could be included in the LEP. Our advice from the Department throughout the process has been that wall height could not be included in the draft LEP (see resident email below in italics). Your confirmation of these matters would be appreciated.

The following summary is our understanding of the SI requirements, addressed under three headings raised by a local resident (see resident email below in italics).

SI - Part 1 Preliminary

\* Consistent with 33A(2)(c) of the EP&AA Act and the Direction to Part 1 Preliminary of the SI a council may include additional clauses in its draft LEP however these must not be inconsistent with the mandatory clauses.

\* PN 11-001 states that any such local clauses are not to be inconsistent with and should not undermine the effect of: the mandated clauses in the Standard Instrument; the permissibility or otherwise of a land use as detailed in the Land Use Table; or any other relevant State and regional policies, strategies, directions etc.

\* The SI provides for the mapping, if a council so chooses, of building height, floor space ratio and minimum lot size. These are all defined under the SI and a council cannot vary the dictionary. Other planning controls relating to building envelopes, setbacks, wall heights, storeys etc are to be located in a DCP.

\* While Council's current LEP contains a wall height control as well as a maximum building height control, it is now proposed to include the wall height or similar suitable control in the DCP in keeping with the Department's advice and relevant Practice Notes. (Note: the SI defines building height but does not include a wall height. Wall heights, storey's etc are to be located in a council's DCPs as per PN 08-001.)

SI - Clause 4.3 Height of Buildings  
That:

\* the SI Direction for Clause 4.3 Height of Buildings enables a council to provide different maximum heights (measured in metres) for different land in the same zone or different maximum heights to the same parcel of land to achieve design excellence, prevent overshadowing of public open space (such as Hyde Park) or for air safety reasons.

\* A council may vary the mapped maximum building height shown on the Height of Buildings Map, ie increase or decrease the maximum height in metres. For example, clause 4.3(3) of the draft RLEP 2012 limits to 9.5 m the height of dwelling houses and semi-detached dwellings in the R3 zone while clause 4.3A provides for increased heights as an incentive in the Matraville town centre to obtain pedestrian thoroughfares and/or a supermarket on specific sites.

\* It is understood that it is not the intention of the SI Direction to clause 4.3 to provide for or permit councils to vary or modify the maximum building height definition or controls, by introducing new mechanisms such as wall heights into the LEP.

SI - Clause 5.6 Architectural roof features  
That:

\* This is an optional clause that Council has elected to include in its principal Standard Instrument LEP however the clause as drafted in the SI must be used and not altered by councils.

\* The clause does not introduce the concept of wall height.

\* The clause enables consent to be granted to development that includes an architectural roof feature which exceeds the height limits set by clause 4.3.

\* The clause is not meant to deal with roof forms (ie a pitched roof as opposed to a flat roof). In this regard, the objectives to the clause in the draft RLEP 2012 clarify the decorative nature intended by the clause:

(a) to allow minor architectural roof features of visual interest or that form an integral part of a buildings design to exceed height limits,

(b) to ensure that the architectural roof features are decorative elements and that the majority of the roof is contained within the maximum building height standard.

It is anticipated that Council's comprehensive DCP will provide additional advice to clarify the implementation of this clause in terms of building design.

Attachment

Two resident emails

Email 1

Subject: Wall height &c

Dear,

I'm sorry to have taken so long over this, but I wanted to collect the information in simple usable form:-

The first page of the attachment shows extracts from the Act and from Part 1 Preliminary, of the Standard Instrument indicating that while none of the mandatory material of the template may be removed, other material may be added for a draft LEP.

The second shows Clause 4.3 Height of buildings [optional] from the template where it is indicated that height is environmentally important and that modifications may be introduced for particular environmental purposes including reduction of overshadowing.

The third page shows Clause 5.6 - Architectural roof features [optional] which is obviously tailor-made for our purpose. The wall height is to be nominated as the primary height control with allowance being made for the addition of a pitched roof as an architectural roof feature to mitigate the harshness of a flat roof.

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Email 2

Subject: External Wall height and draft Comprehensive LEP

Hello

"Ms xx has rang me this morning and left a message on the matter of external wall height measurements as development standards that should or should not be included in the draft Comprehensive LEP.

She stated in the message that she had rung the Department of Planning. She states that she was advised that there was "nothing to oblige Councillors" to remove external wall heights from the draft comprehensive LEP."

Regards

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM2/12



**Subject:** Waiving of Fees - Brigidine College  
Randwick

**Folder No:** F2004/06257

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

A request has been received from Mr John Beehag, Business Manager, Brigidine College Randwick, seeking the waiving of fees associated with the installation of two banners (intersection of Anzac Parade and Beauchamp Road, Maroubra and Anzac Parade and Bunnerong Road, Kingsford), advertising the school's Open Day on 7 March 2012.

### Issues

Brigidine College Randwick would like to display their banners to advertise their Open Day and invite members of the community to visit the school. Costing as follows:

Installation and removal of banner @ \$680.00 x 2 banners	\$1,360.00
Hire of banner poles @ \$600.00 per week x 2 weeks x 2 banners	\$2,400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,760.00</b>

### Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the report recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$3,760.00. There are currently sufficient funds in the 2011-12 Contingency Fund to cover this contribution.

### Conclusion

It is considered that Council should vote to waive the fees associated with the installation and dismantling of the banners and that the funds be allocated from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

### Recommendation

That:

- a) the fees associated with the installation and dismantling of two banners and the hire of Council's banner poles for Brigidine College Randwick (intersection of Anzac Parade and Beauchamp Road, Maroubra and Anzac Parade and Bunnerong Road, Kingsford), be waived and \$3,760.00 be allocated from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund; and
- b) the organisers undertakes to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution prior to and during the Open Day.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM3/12



**Subject:** Waiving of Fees - Night Sky Productions

**Folder No:** F2010/00096

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

### Introduction

Council has received an application from Mr Barry Watterson, Director, Night Sky Productions, to stage a free public screening at Clovelly Beach of an Australian film on 10 March, 2012 as part of the Australian Film Festival.

### Issues

Mr Watterson is requesting Council waive all the associated fees to stage this community event. This event will be set up on Clovelly Beach at 4.00pm and conclude by 10.00pm. The screen, projector and speakers will be provided by a screen hiring company.

The fees are as follows:

Application fee	\$ 370.00
Hire of Clovelly Beach	\$ 320.00
Supply & Remove Additional	
Garbage Bins x 5 @ \$72.00 p/b	\$ 360.00
Extended opening of toilets	\$ 157.00
Lifeguard Hire @ \$200.50 per hour x 4	\$ 802.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2,009.00</b>

In previous years, Mr Watterson has held the Coogee Arts Festival in Grant Reserve, Coogee. This festival no longer exists.

The same type of event was approved in 2010 and was supported by the Clovelly Precinct Committee and the Clovelly Surf Life Saving Club.

### Financial impact statement

Should this event proceed the direct financial implication to Council will be a contribution of \$2,009.00 from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

### Conclusion

The aim of this event is for the enjoyment of our local community.

### Recommendation

That:

- a) Council approval be given for this event and the subsequent waiving of all associated fees to the value of \$2,009.00;
- b) The event organiser undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution prior to and during the event;

- c) Notification be given to the Clovelly Precinct Committee, Clovelly Surf Life Saving Club and surrounding residents advising them of this upcoming event; and
- d) The Mayor's representative shall be given the opportunity to address the event on behalf of Council.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM4/12



**Subject:** Waiving of fees - use of Town Hall by Indonesian Welfare Association

**Folder No:** F2004/07674

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

### Introduction

The Chairman of the Indonesian Welfare Association (Rev. Isaac Santosa) has written to Council requesting that Council waive the fees for the use of the Town Hall on Monday 26 March 2012 for Indonesian Seniors Week.

### Issues

The use of the Town Hall on 26 March 2012 is for the Association's 'Indonesian Aged Care Project'. One of the promotional activities for the project includes Indonesian Seniors Week Celebrations that is culturally appropriate and that targets Indonesian seniors and their carers in the South East Sydney region. The theme of the celebration is 'Healthy and Active Seniors'. The Association is proposing information sessions about healthy nutrition for seniors, workshops, entertainment and refreshments. Due to limited resources, the Association is asking that Council waive the fees for the use of the Town Hall.

The fees for the use of the Town Hall on Monday 26 March 2012 (from 10am to 2pm) are as follows:

Hourly hire rate (\$115 per hour)	\$460.00
Rubbish removal	80.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$540.00</b>

### Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the report recommendation, the financial impact will be \$540.00 which will be funded from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

### Conclusion

It is considered appropriate that the fees for the use of the Town Hall be waived on the basis that the hall will be used by a non-profit community organisation for a worthwhile community event that will promote health and well-being for a specific cultural group within the Randwick community.

### Recommendation

That:

- a) Council vote \$540.00 to cover the fees associated with the hire of the Town Hall on Monday 26 March 2012 by the Indonesian Welfare Association for Indonesian Seniors Week and that these funds be allocated from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.
- b) The event organiser undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution prior to and during the event.

- c) The Mayor or his representative is given the opportunity to address the event on behalf of Council.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM5/12



**Subject:** Constitutional Recognition for  
Indigenous Australians

**Folder No:** F2010/00087

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

The Expert Panel on the Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Australians delivered its report (recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Constitution) to the Prime Minister on 19 January 2012.

An expert panel of 19 indigenous leaders, politicians and legal minds were recently given the task of reporting to the Government on the options for constitutional change and the approaches to a referendum that would be most likely to obtain widespread support across the Australian community.

### Issues

The consultations the Panel undertook were a reminder of how far Australia has come since the nation's legal and political foundations were laid down in the late 19<sup>th</sup> Century. Then, in line with the values of the times, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples were excluded from the deliberations that led to the adoption of the Constitution. The text of the Constitution excluded them also.

It was not until two-thirds of the way through the nations' first century that the exclusion was removed and the Constitution shifted closer to a position of neutrality. The logical next step is to achieve full inclusion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Constitution by recognising their continuing cultures, languages and heritage as an important part of our nation and by removing the outdated notion of race. This is an issue that has broad bipartisan support.

The Expert Panel, in its recently released report, has recommended that a new section be inserted in the constitution:

- recognising that the continent and its islands now known as Australia were first occupied by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;
- acknowledging the continuing relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with their traditional lands and waters;
- respecting the continuing cultures, languages and heritage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;
- acknowledging the need to secure the advancement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The Panel has also recommended a new section be inserted in the Constitution prohibiting racial discrimination and recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages.

Australia's indigenous people share a proud tradition and they should be recognised in the constitution as the first occupants of Australia as well as their ongoing culture, language and heritage.

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**Financial impact statement**

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

**Conclusion**

I support the removal of such clauses from the constitution including one that allows states to disqualify 'all persons of any race' from voting at elections, and another that authorises the parliament to make 'special laws' for the 'people of any race'. The removal of these clauses and the recognition of our fellow indigenous Australians will, in my view, pave a positive path for the future of our country.

**Recommendation**

That Council fully supports a constitutional referendum on the issue of constitutional recognition for indigenous Australians, as Australia's first inhabitants, and to remove clauses in the constitution that have the potential to be used to the disadvantage of a particular race.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM6/12



**Subject:** Amendment to Road Rule 200 - Boat,  
Trailer and Abandoned Vehicles  
Parking on public roads

**Folder No:** F2004/07230

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

The Mayor of Woollahra Council, Councillor Susan Wynne, has written to 27 different councils regarding the problems associated with the parking of trailers (see Attachment 2). Woollahra Council is seeking the support of these Councils (including Randwick City Council) for a variation to NSW Road Rule No. 200 to assist with the control of trailers parking in built up areas. NSW Road Rule No. 200 deals with the restrictions applying to the parking of heavy or long vehicles in built up areas. Generally heavy vehicles (a vehicle with a Gross vehicle Mass of 4.5 tonnes or more) and long vehicles (a vehicle that, together with any load or projection, is 7.5 metres long, or longer) may park in built up areas for only one hour.

### Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

### Recommendation

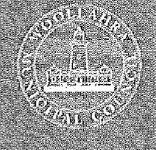
That the Mayor of Randwick City Council inform the Mayor of Woollahra that Randwick City Council supports Woollahra Council in seeking better methods of controlling the parking of trailers in some areas of Randwick.

### Attachment/s:

1. Letter from Cr Susan Wynne regarding Boat & Trailer Parking - seeking amendment to Road Rule 200

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Municipal  
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Dear Mayor Nash

**Boat & Trailer Parking on Public Roads**

At the Woollahra Municipal Council meeting on the 28 November 2011, the issue of boat and trailer parking on public roads was discussed. The Council resolved:

That the Mayor write to the Councils listed in the report seeking their endorsement to approach the Premier and the Minister for Roads and Ports to amend Regulation 200 of the NSW Road Rules 2008 such that time limits are placed on the parking of registered trailers, boat trailers and advertising trailers in built-up areas.

Regulation 200 of the NSW Road Rules 2008 permits a registered trailer or boat trailer (less than 4.5 tonnes and less than 7.5 metres long) to park in a built-up area in accordance with any parking restrictions. In unrestricted parking areas these trailers and boat trailers may legally park for an indefinite period. Vehicles greater than 4.5 tonnes or longer than 7.5 metres may only stop in a built-up area for 1 hour.

As you would be aware, the demand for parking in inner urban and dense residential areas is extremely high. The amenity of residents is being increasingly eroded as the limited and valuable parking resource is being taken up by boats and trailers. The parking cannot therefore be used by residents, their guests, tradespeople or other visitors to the area. Some of these boats may be parked for weeks or months on end, without being utilised or moved.

The recommended change to Regulation 200 of the NSW Road Rules does not restrict the parking of these legally registered vehicles on a public road, it only restricts their time frame. It is hoped that this will ensure the turnover of vehicles in areas along the Harbour foreshore and beach-front areas where parking is in high demand. The forced turnover of these vehicles may assist in dispersing the problem and/ or it may encourage boat and trailer owners to store their private vehicles off-street in their own properties rather than leaving them "conveniently" positioned near Harbour and beach-front areas, to the detriment of local residents and other road users.

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Woollahra Municipal Council intends to approach the Premier and Minister for Roads and Ports to amend Regulation 200 of the NSW Road Rules and is seeking the endorsement and support of your Council for this change.

I have enclosed a copy of the letter which I intend to send to the Premier. If you wish to be part of this group, I would ask that you prepare a letter along the same lines (or use this one). Please return your endorsement to Woollahra Council in the enclosed envelope by the end of February 2012. We will collate the various responses and send them to the Premier.

Also enclosed is a copy of my Mayoral Minute dated 28 November 2011.

Should you have any further enquiries, please contact Council's Manager Engineering Services, Cathy Edwards-Davis on 9391 7127

Yours sincerely



Cr Susan Wynne  
Mayor

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Woollahra Municipal Council  
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## Mayoral Minute

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**Subject:** BOAT AND TRAILER PARKING ON PUBLIC ROADS

**Author:** Cr Susan Wynne, Mayor

**File No:** 255.G

**Reason for Report:** For Council to seek amendment to Australian Road Rule 200

### Recommendation:

That the Mayor write to the Councils listed in the report seeking their endorsement to approach the Premier and the Minister for Roads and Ports to amend Regulation 200 of the NSW Road Rules 2008 such that time limits are placed on the parking of registered trailers, boat trailers and advertising trailers in built-up areas.

### Background:

Regulation 200 of the NSW Road Rules 2008 permits a registered trailer or boat trailer (less than 4.5 tonnes and less than 7.5 metres long) to park in a built-up area in accordance with any parking restrictions. In unrestricted parking areas these trailers and boat trailers may legally park for an indefinite period. Vehicles greater than 4.5 tonnes or longer than 7.5 metres may only stop in a built-up area for 1 hour.

The demand for parking in inner urban and dense residential areas, such as Woollahra, is extremely high. The amenity of residents is being increasingly eroded as the limited and valuable parking resource is being taken up by boats and trailers. The parking cannot therefore be used by residents, their guests, tradespeople or other visitors to the area. Parked boats can also be perceived as unsightly. Many of these boats are owned by people who do not live in Woollahra, and who just wish to keep their boat close to Sydney Harbour. Some of these boats may be parked for weeks or months on end, without being utilised or moved.

Council has installed restricted parking in some streets to force trailers and boats to move, particularly if there are safety concerns. However, they often just move to a nearby location "around the corner".

In July 2009, Council made formal representations to the NSW Government to establish a taskforce with the intention of amending the legislation regarding the parking of boats, trailers and advertising vehicles. The State Government, through the RTA, was not supportive of any action on this matter.

Subsequently, in August 2010, Council wrote to the then Premier (Kristina Kencally MP), the then opposition leader (Barry O'Farrell MP), the then Minister for Roads (David Borger MP) and the then Shadow Minister for Roads (Andrew Stoner MP) proposing a change to Regulation 200 of the NSW Road Rules.

Woollahra Council has also canvassed other Councils in relation to how they deal with the matter of long-stay trailers, boats and advertising trailers. A number of Councils were supportive of

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alternatives and a number supported the proposal to form a taskforce to consider options for dealing with the issue.

The recommended change to Regulation 200 of the NSW Road Rules does not restrict the parking of these legally registered vehicles on a public road, it only restricts their time frame. It is hoped that this will ensure the turnover of vehicles in areas along the Harbour foreshore where parking is in high demand. The forced turnover of these vehicles may assist in dispersing the problem and/ or it may encourage boat and trailer owners to store their private vehicles off-street in their own properties rather than leaving them "conveniently" positioned near Harbour and beach-front areas, to the detriment of local residents and other road users.

It is recommended that the Mayor approach the following Councils to seek their endorsement to approach the Minister for Roads and the Premier regarding this issue: Ashfield, Auburn, Ballina, Botany, Canada Bay, Hunters Hill, Hurstville, Kempsey, Kogarah, Ku-ring-gai, Lane Cove, Leichhardt, Manly, Marrickville, Mosman, North Sydney, Parramatta, Pittwater, Randwick, Rockdale, Ryde, Strathfield, Sutherland, Sydney City, Warringah, Waverley and Willoughby.

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Mayor

**Annexures:**  
Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM7/12



**Subject:** Seeking approval for Council to support the National Schools and Community Gardens Conference in October 2012

**Folder No:** F2010/00421

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

This Mayoral Minute seeks Council's support for the National Schools and Community Gardens Conference in October 2012 at the Randwick Community Centre.

### Issues

The Randwick Community Organic Garden as a member of the Australian City Farms and Community Gardens Network, has written seeking Council support for their National Schools and Community Gardens Conference. This is the first national conference proposed to be held in NSW and would include the inaugural Heaven and Earth Writer's Festival.

The conference is planning to bring together community members including school representatives from across Australia to share experiences and learn from each other on issues related to establishing and maintaining community and school food gardens. There are currently in the order of 150 such gardens estimated around Australia excluding those in public housing areas in each State.

The organisers are requesting use of the Randwick Community Centre and access to the new permaculture interpretative garden developed as part of the Public Facilities funding provided to Council. The conference dates are currently October 11 to 13 inclusive with the first day focussing on school gardens, the second on community gardens and the third day (Saturday) forming the basis of the Heaven and Earth Writers Festival.

The request for support includes:

- use of the Randwick Community Centre and permaculture interpretive garden;
- in-kind support and financial support to the value of \$2,000.

The organisation is currently approaching government departments and grant programs for the resources required to put the conference together so the funding support would ensure availability of the venue and assistance in marketing and booking part of the infrastructure necessary for the conference.

### Financial impact statement

The in-kind support is likely in the form of facilitating local government involvement, and attendance where appropriate. The \$2,000 financial support would be paid from the community gardens budget of the environmental levy program.

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This is a positive opportunity for Council to support the development of, and increasing interest in, community and school food gardens. Being the first national conference in NSW and inaugural Heaven and Earth writer's festival adds to the potential opportunity being provided to Council if it is to support this event.

**Recommendation**

That:

- a) approval is provided for the request from the above organisations for the 3 day Schools and Community Gardens Conference to be held at the Randwick Community Centre in October 2012;
- b) Financial and in-kind support is approved, via the community gardens budget of the environmental levy up to an amount of \$2,000.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM8/12



**Subject:** Earth Hour Family Fun Day, Saturday,  
31 March 2012

**Folder No:** F2010/00153

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

Advising Council of Randwick's Earth Hour Family Fun Day and Festival to be held from 10am to 2pm on Saturday, 31 March 2012 at Council's Works Depot, Maroubra.

### Issues

Earth Hour commenced in Sydney 2007, originally promoting a symbolic turning off of lights for an hour as a way of communicating actions that individuals can take to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and energy consumption. Since then, Earth Hour has become an annual event supported by individuals and organisations across more than 100 countries and highlighting the importance of sustainable behavioural change for householders, small and large businesses, educational organisations and governments around the world.

Randwick has supported Earth Hour since it began, with a number of additional events organised as part of our 3-Council Ecological Footprint project with Waverley and Woollahra Councils. The major event organised by Randwick in 2010 and 2009 was our Earth Hour Festival held at the Works Depot where a range of community, business and Council activities were organised to provide tips, advice and discounts on energy and water saving products including rainwater tanks, solar panels and hotwater systems etc for residents and to showcase Council's range of on-site energy and water saving initiatives. The Depot was selected as the site for the event to enable residents the opportunity to view what goes on at the location where so much of Council's work and services originates for the community.

This years Earth Hour event at the Works Depot on Saturday, 31 March 2012, will have a greater focus on family fun and entertainment as well as providing opportunities for those attending to find out how they can take action to save money on energy and water costs and reduce waste and greenhouse gas emissions. The emphasis of Randwick's event as in previous years is to encourage sustainability behavioural change that extends well beyond the one hour of this global event.

The Earth Hour Family Fun Day program includes:

- Family and children's entertainment including music, jumping castle and face painting;
- Stalls and information on energy and water saving products, waste minimisation, including recycling displays, solar hotwater and panels, rainwater tanks, composting, sustainable gardening etc;
- A community operated car wash as a fund raiser for local scouts from Kensington and utilising Council's on-site recycled water system;
- Self guided tours of on-site energy and water saving measures installed at the Works Depot e.g. wastewater treatment, solar panels, water making machine etc;
- Council truck and plant equipment on display;
- Videos and information sessions;
- BBQ with gold coin donation (local community group involvement).

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In addition, Council has been fortunate to engage the assistance of former television presenter and news reader, Indira Naidoo who has written a number of environmental books to speak at the Festival at the Works Depot and to be available to meet and speak to people on the day.

### **Financial impact statement**

The costing activities scheduled for the Earth Hour Festival have been allocated in the annual education budget of the environmental levy program.

### **Conclusion**

The attention given to Earth Hour, nationally and now internationally, creates a media focus likely to provide additional focus on Council's own Earth Hour events and activities. The Earth Hour Family Fun Day will give Randwick residents an opportunity to see some of the major sustainability efforts underway at Council's Work's Depot (both energy and water savings and reducing waste) and find out from external displays and sustainability businesses promoting their products what actions individuals can take to save on energy and water costs and reduce wastes.

### **Recommendation**

That Council note our Earth Hour Family Fun Day and Festival at the Works Depot as outlined above.

### **Attachment/s:**

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM9/12



**Subject:** 150th Anniversary of NSW Police  
**Folder No:** F2004/07501  
**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

The NSW Police Force was established in March 1862, when independent police units across the State amalgamated. Today the NSW Police Force has more than 15,600 sworn officers and almost 4,000 civilian staff.

The men and women of the NSW Police Force have been proudly serving the community for a century and a half and have played an important role in the development of our state. Police officers do a difficult job in an often stressful environment.

### Issues

The 150th Anniversary of Policing will be officially launched on 1 March 2012, with the NSW Police Force banner paraded across Sydney Harbour by the NSW Police Force Marine Area Command. A 'Sea of Blue' group of marching officers will then carry the banner along George Street to Sydney Town Hall.

Sydneysiders can attend other celebratory events throughout the year, including:

- NSW Police Force Expo at Darling Harbour in April;
- An historic policing exhibition at the Justice and Police Museum; and
- The launch of a book, True Blue 150 Years of Service and Sacrifice, by Patrick Lindsay, which will trace the history of the force.

The City of Sydney Council marked this milestone with blue fireworks this New Year's Eve, including a 60-second segment during the 9pm Family Fireworks. During the Moment in Blue, the Sydney Harbour Bridge pylons featured a projection of the 150th Anniversary of Policing logo.

I propose that Council support this important milestone by offering to sponsor, in conjunction with Botany Bay City Council, 100 Police officer to attend the 2012 Police Officer of the Year Awards evening. The winners of the statewide version of these prestigious awards will be announced at a gala event in Sydney hosted by the Rotary Club of Sydney to honour police officers, administrative staff and volunteers who go above and beyond when performing their duties.

I also propose that Council purchases a table at the 'Blue and White Charity Ball' to be held at the University of NSW on Saturday 17 November 2012.

### Financial impact statement

The cost for the 100 Police Officer to attend 2012 Police Officer of the Year Awards evening will be \$6,000. It is proposed that this cost be shared between Randwick City Council and Botany Bay City Council with \$3,000 to be contributed by each Council. The cost for Council to sponsor a table at the Blue and White Charity Ball in November will be \$1,500. It is proposed that the total amount (\$4,500) be funded from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

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**Conclusion**

That Council support this important community milestone and recognise the achievements of police officers across the State on their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Recommendation**

That Council support this important milestone by sponsoring (in conjunction with Botany Bay City Council) 100 Police officers to attend the 2012 Police Officer of the Year Awards evening in the amount of \$3,000 and by sponsoring a table at the Blue and White Charity Ball in the amount of \$1,500 both contributions to be funded from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

**Attachment/s:**

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM10/12



**Subject:** Sydney's White Walk  
**Folder No:** F2011/00507  
**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

In November 2011 the NSW Police Local Area Command (Eastern Beaches) and Randwick Council joined forces in raising awareness and in demonstrating a united commitment to stopping violence against women by holding a community event called the Sydney White Walk.

The walk also gave members of the local community an opportunity to show their support for White Ribbon Day, a fundraising day held by the White Ribbon Foundation.

### Issues

The purpose of the White Ribbon Day campaign is to change attitudes and behaviours that support or excuse violence against women in Australia. The campaign objectives are:

1. To create wide-scale awareness about the positive role that men can play in bringing an end to violence against women
2. To enable leadership, particularly by men and boys, to bring about social change;
3. To build collective knowledge and understanding of the effective prevention of violence against women.

Despite wet weather a large number of people took part in the walk from High Cross Park to Coogee Surf Club which concluded with speeches and a BBQ breakfast. The Hon. Pru Goward, Minister for Family and Community Services and Mr John Robertson, NSW Leader of the Opposition attended the event together with the Member for Coogee, Mr Bruce Notley-Smith and Member for Maroubra, Mr Michael Daley. The representatives from the NSW Police, State Emergency Services, NSW Fire and Rescue, the Army, the Navy as well as the National Rugby League were also present. The NSW Police Commissioner, Mr Andrew Scipione and Mr David Gallop from the NRL spoke at the event. Students from Randwick Boys High school and Marcellin Boys High school took part in the walk. Participants have indicated their strong support for the continuation of this event.

The Sydney White Walk raised money for the White Ribbon Foundation through the sale of t-shirts donated by the NSW Police, and ribbons. Generous donations were also made by South Sydney Juniors and the Australian Turf Club.

I therefore propose that Council continue to support this initiative in the form of events planning and coordination of activities. In addition I recommend that Council put \$6000.00 to this event to cover catering costs and infrastructure hire.

### Financial impact statement

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The financial impact of holding this event is \$6,000, which will need to be allocated to the Council's annual events budget.

**Conclusion**

I believe giving support to the White Ribbon campaign in an affective and visible method for Randwick City Council to campaign against violence towards women and their children. It is also a great way for Council to continue its close and successful relationship with our local Police. This initiative is also consistent with the objectives of our community safety plan "A Safer Randwick City".

**Recommendation**

That Council vote to commit \$6,000.00 to the annual Events Budget to hold this event for as long as the White Ribbon campaign continues to be an effective vehicle for raising public awareness against violence towards women.

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM11/12

**Subject:** Council direction - Online services  
**Folder No:** F2005/00799  
**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

As Mayor, one of the directions that I wanted to pursue for the Council was to further engage with our community on how they would like the Council to provide our services. It is evident, from the results of Council's Community Satisfaction Surveys, that the community, in general, is satisfied with how Council is providing services and the areas to which Council is allocating budget resources. This is supported by the anecdotal evidence of fewer complaints to Council and increased compliments for Council in the delivery of services to our community. While not perfect, it appears that Council's systems and processes are meeting or exceeding a level and standard of service that the Council and the community are satisfied with.

### Issues

In the pursuit of continual improvement, however, Council needs to continue to find ways to improve our engagement with the community and provision of services to our community. As such, I suggest the following way forward for Council in establishing online services and improved access to information for our business community, residents and visitors. This may include undertaking governance, financial, risk, human resources, etc, services for our local business community. For our residents and visitors it will include improved access to information through information kiosks, online services, Randwick Apps, investigating free Wi-Fi zones, etc.

The proposed direction for the Council is, that Council will provide the capability for any resident, business owner or visitor to engage with Council online for any service or request that they may require from Council without the need to come to Council, if they so choose. That means they can lodge requests on line, view Council documents and procedures about all aspects of Council services, track their requests, complete business and service transactions etc, all online. Further, for our local business owners, Council can assist with their payroll, employee assistance programs, recruitment, promotion of their business, etc. Thus reducing costs and providing growth opportunities whereby local employment opportunities may be created.

This would be a significant extension on the services we currently provide and would reinforce the Council as a leader in our community. This area of online support is the future direction of Local Government as we transition from an industry that strives to provide best value facilities and services for our community to an industry that not only provides facilities and services to our community but proactively delivers these services for our community in an easy and accessible form that is tailored to their requirements.

In considering the most effective way of transitioning to the delivery of these online services and the enhanced engagement with our community and in particular our business sector, I propose the following;

- That the Director Governance & Financial Services prepare a confidential report (elsewhere on this business paper) on the changes to the organisation structure

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required to bring this about on the basis that any proposed structural changes will be resourced by existing staff throughout the organisation, with the required skills.

- A Randwick 'App' will be developed that is resident focussed and provides the information that residents want to receive from Council. Such as DA's within 400m of the residents home, or events in their area, or capital works in their area, etc.
- Social media will continue to grow with face book, Mayor's twitter and YouTube videos. We are also investigating the creation of a communications person for the Council Capital Works and other works programs.

### **Financial impact statement**

To be detailed in a separate report to Council prepared by the Director Governance & Financial Services.

### **Conclusion**

I ask that Council endorse the further investigations of the proposals put forward in this Mayoral Minute as means of improving engagement with, and provision of services to, our community.

### **Recommendation**

That Council endorse the further investigation of:

- a) Improved GIS and online services and that a report from the Director Governance and Financial Services prepare a report on the changes to the organisation structure required to bring this about.
- b) The development of a Randwick 'App' that is resident focussed and provides the information that residents want to receive from Council. Such as DA's within 400m of the residents home, or events in their area, or capital works in their area, etc.
- c) The future of social media for improving resident engagement and service provision.

### **Attachment/s:**

Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM12/12



**Subject:** Seeking approval to provide residents with discounts on the supply and installation of household energy monitors

**Folder No:** F2011/00302

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

Over the past few years Council has taken the lead in assisting Randwick residents make energy and water savings through financial incentives via local businesses and companies. While previous programs have been mostly completed or on hold mainly around supply and installation of solar products, a new opportunity has been identified to assist local residents install household energy monitors on a trial basis through a local supplier. Installation of these energy monitors has been found to contribute to a minimum 10 to 20 percent saving off householder energy bills.

I would like to ask Council to support implementation of a short trial of installing and fitting household energy monitors benefiting Randwick residents in time for the Earth Hour Family Fun Day at the end of March 2012 and extending to World Environment Day on June 5, 2012.

### Issues

In light of continuing increases in electricity and energy costs, energy savings remain a key focus for residents and businesses. Encouraging these sectors to save on energy consumption provides an added bonus of reducing greenhouse gas emissions. These combined outcomes remain a key focus and priority of government programs at national, state and local levels.

One of the more recent actions found to be effective in assisting householders reduce energy costs and consumption is the installation of energy monitors in homes and units. These meters allow residents an immediate understanding of costs associated with energy consuming appliances and encourages practices that contribute to reducing energy costs around the home.

These energy monitoring devices have been found to contribute to a minimum 10 or 20 percent reduction in energy costs and consumption as individuals can view and make decisions on turning off or down those items drawing down on the power in their home. The Victorian Government has an ongoing program to roll these meters out en masse to metropolitan electricity customers for these reasons (NSW's attempts to roll-out them out via energy retailers has been impacted by the requirement for users to shift to a time-of-use electricity tariff).

The main issue with the monitors is the requirement (and cost) for them to be installed by licensed electricians.

Barrett House has been utilising these monitors for some time and the SAVE project based at Kooloora Community Centre will be distributing them to participants in the free sustainability workshops being provided for housing tenants.

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Green Solar Group has approached Council with an offer to assist Randwick residents install these wireless energy monitors at a discounted price which includes installation by qualified electricians. Green Solar Group is currently the preferred supplier for Council's Go Solar program although Council's marketing of this program is on hold pending NSW Government decisions on feed-in tariff incentives (no timeframe indicated at this stage).

There are two main wireless energy monitoring devices sold in various stores, the Cent-a-Meter (\$199 retail without installation) and the Efergy Energy meter (\$179 retail without installation) (see attached details).

Green Solar Group is offering Randwick residents a discounted price with installation as below:

No. of households	Discounted price	Saving
100	\$150 (incl GST)	\$29 saving includes installation
500	\$145 (incl GST)	\$34 saving includes installation
1000	\$135 (incl GST)	\$44 saving includes installation

It is proposed to offer this product to Randwick residents as a special discount at the Earth Hour Family Fun Day and Festival on Saturday, March 31. As part of the promotion, residents would be given an additional discount from Council of \$25 (with a limit of one per household) for a maximum of 500 households. The cost to Council would be in the order of \$12,500 and if the full amount of discounted meter installations is not taken up on the day, the remainder would be included as a special offer up to World Environment Day on June 5, 2012.

Residents would be asked to provide a copy of their energy bill at the commencement of the promotion and volunteer a copy of their next bill for comparative purposes.

The \$12,500 for this initiative will be paid from the climate change budget of the environmental levy program (energy efficiency incentives for residents). A report on the trial will be prepared and used in a future funding application if the project looks worthy of continuing past the trial phase.

**Financial impact statement**

The \$12,500 for this initiative will be paid from the climate change budget of the environmental levy program (energy efficiency incentives for residents). If successful the trial will be used in a future funding application.

**Conclusion**

Current options and opportunities to facilitate or encourage energy savings and corresponding greenhouse gas reductions for householders are limited. Since the poor publicity and outcomes from the Commonwealth's incentive program most of the effort in this area continues to be of an educative nature rather than practical or on-ground. The trial roll-out of energy monitoring devices provides a short term opportunity with positive outcomes likely in both the short and long term, particularly if the results of the trial enable Council to apply for likely funding for a continuing initiative in the next financial year.

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**Recommendation**

That:

- a) Council approves this proposal to enable residents to have access to energy monitors for their homes on a trial basis as outlined above; and
- b) the maximum Council allocation for the trial of energy monitors for residential homes be \$12,500 to be funded from Council's Environmental Levy.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM13/12



**Subject:** Requesting approval to partner funding application for plug-in electric car recharge points at a number of Randwick locations

**Folder No:** F2005/00230

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

### Introduction

Council has been invited to support a funding proposal by Better Place and Ausgrid to install up to two electric car re-charge points in Randwick under funding from the Commonwealth Government.

### Issues

The Commonwealth Government is funding the trial of electric car re-charge points via a partnership between Better Place (Australia) and Ausgrid (formerly Energy Australia). The funding enables the installation of posts and connections that would enable a rapid or trickle recharge of the small numbers of electric vehicles currently using Sydney's roads. While there is currently only one type of electric car available on the Australian market, reports indicate 3 additional manufacturers will have electric cars on Australian roads by the end of the year.

These re-charge points would also be able to service the electric vehicles being utilised and deployed gradually by GoGet Community Carshare. If Council was to support the opportunity for these points to be funded via the external Commonwealth Grant it would seem appropriate to nominate locations adjacent to the current carparking provided for the community carshare vehicles.

Following a site visit to Randwick, it is proposed to allow Ausgrid to assess suitable locations via the Better Place funding proposal that includes current carshare locations at: Coogee beach, Clovelly Beach, outside Randwick Town Hall and Silver Street carpark. Better Place have advised the potential for two locations in Randwick to be installed from the 50 or so locations between Newcastle and Sydney via the Commonwealth funding. Ausgrid's assessment includes the requirement for each site to be located adjacent to suitable electricity sub-stations or similar connection points.

There would be no charge to Council for the provision of these re-charge facilities.

### Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

### Conclusion

While electric vehicles in large numbers may still be some distance away it is expected to see 3 to 4 car manufacturers producing and supplying electric vehicles to the market over the next 12 months. GoGet Community Carshare are also early users of these type of vehicles.

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This external funding and partnership between Better Place and Ausgrid enables the early provision of re-charge facilities in Randwick which could also support deployment of electric vehicles adjacent to community carshare locations.

### **Recommendation**

That:

- a) Council agree to support the proposal by Better Place and Ausgrid for the installation of electric vehicle re-charge points at a number of Randwick locations adjacent to existing community car share locations at no cost to Council; and
- b) the General Manager be authorised to sign the appropriate agreements with these project partners for their installation.

### **Attachment/s:**

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM14/12



**Subject:** Renaming Randwick Library  
**Folder No:** F2004/06282  
**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

It is International Women's Day on 8 March 2012 and as part of celebrating that event I propose that Council rename the Randwick Library the "Margaret Martin Library".

### Issues

Margaret Martin was first elected to Council on 24 September 1983. She was re-elected 3 times, at the local government elections in September 1987, September 1991 and September 1995.

Significantly, Margaret Martin was elected the first female Mayor of Randwick in September 1992. She was again elected Mayor in 1996. She has been the only female Mayor of Randwick in the city's history. It is critically important for the advancement of the role of women in local government that we recognise historic achievements, to encourage younger women to aspire to be leaders in our community.

Council has recently received advice from the Minister for Family and Community Services that it has been successful in securing a grant of \$1,000 to help celebrate International Women's Day (IWD) in 2012. This grant will be put towards the cost of holding Council's annual IWD Art Competition. 2012 will mark the eighth year of Council's IWD Community Art Competition. In addition to the art competition and exhibition, the Council will be running a number of workshops on women's health issues to give women tips and skills on ways to achieve better health (full details of the event were reported to the Community Services Committee on 14 February 2012).

### Financial impact statement

The cost of holding Council's IWD events have been provided for in the 2011-12 Community Development budget and the \$1,000 grant has also been allowed for in the budget allocations.

Should the report recommendation be adopted, I propose a small function at the Randwick Library to mark the re-naming, which could be funded from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund. Promotion and advertising costs could be absorbed within the current Communications budget.

### Conclusion

It is important that Council recognise and promote the role that women play in the community and celebrate the achievements of women to encourage younger women to aspire to be leaders. For the reasons mentioned in this Mayoral Minute, I recommend that the Randwick Library be re-named the "Margaret Martin Library".

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**Recommendation**

That the Randwick Library be re-named the "Margaret Martin Library" and that arrangements be made for the official opening of the re-named library.

**Attachment/s:**

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM15/12



**Subject:** Community Partnership - Randwick District Rugby Football Club

**Folder No:** F2004/06659

**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

The Randwick District Rugby Football Club has approached Council and suggested a 'community partnership' be established with the following objectives:

- Fitness and health of youth within the Randwick Council area;
- Participation program for primary schools within the Randwick Council area;
- Engagement of youth age 13-18 within the Randwick Council area.

### Issues

There are two main components of the proposed community partnership:

#### **i) Youth engagement initiative;**

The Rugby Club proposes a coaching clinic for disadvantaged youth nominated by Randwick City Council and the local Police Community Liaison Officer with the objective of engaging the selected youth to participate in team programs and other social inclusion activities. The coaching session would be attended by high profile Randwick Rugby players, plus four first graders and six players who form part of the Club's high performance program.

It is proposed that the youth engagement attendees be invited to attend a high profile game at Coogee Oval. The opportunity also exists for the group to play a curtain raiser before a 1<sup>st</sup> grade match.

In addition, the Rugby Club will provide six free tickets to all Super 15 matches for Council to hand out via the proposed youth engagement program.

#### **ii) Participation program;**

It is proposed that all primary schools within the Council area be invited to participate in two separate Randwick Council Rugby 7's tournaments (for years 3/4 and years 5/6) to be held on separate days at Latham Park (or another agreed venue).

The Rugby Club proposed to use 7's and 10's Rugby (which is a new Olympic sport for 2016) for the participation program and believe that the Australian Rugby Union and Waratahs will assist with the event. The Rugby Club has also suggested that there is an opportunity for media profile of the concept and event.

The Rugby Club will assist with a coaching clinic for identified schools and other groups who are participating in the event. In addition, the Club proposed free admission to Coogee Oval for participants.

As part of the proposed sponsorship agreement, the Club proposes to provide Council with a signed Galloping Greens jumper for use as Council sees fit and to provide a link between our website.

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**Financial impact statement**

It is recommended that Council make a contribution of \$10,000.00 to assist with this very worthwhile program and that the contribution be funded from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

**Conclusion**

The Randwick District Rugby Football Club is suggesting a 'community partnership' with Council based on the joint objective of both organisations to assist local schools and youth (particularly disadvantaged youth) and to improve the general health and wellbeing of residents of the Randwick Council area.

The proposed initiative reflects from a Rugby Union perspective, many of the initiatives that are already underway, very successfully, for Rugby League via the Rabbitohs (Souths Cares) program.

**Recommendation**

That Council establishes a 'community partnership' with the Randwick District Rugby Football Club and enters into a number of initiatives with the Club to assist local schools and youth and improve the general health of the Randwick Council area and that the \$10,000 be funded from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM16/12



**Subject:** 2012 Clean Up Australia Day  
**Folder No:** F2008/00586  
**Author:** Councillor Nash, Mayor

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### Introduction

2012 Clean Up Australia Day is scheduled to be held on Sunday, 4 March. As in past years, Council will support this event in a number of ways including the collection of rubbish, managing local Clean Up Sites and promoting the event within the community.

### Issues

Australia's biggest community clean up is a great chance to spruce up our local parks, beaches and streets. Last year around half a million volunteers around Australia collected a staggering 16,454 tonnes of rubbish from 7,479 sites right around the country.

Randwick City Council has 12 Clean Up Australia Day sites registered, 1 Business Clean Up site, 1 Youth Clean Up site and 16 Schools Clean Up sites (Schools day is Fri 2 March).

Residents can join one of the registered sites or can register their own site and Clean Up Australia will send out a special site supervisors kit containing bags for rubbish and recycling, gloves, site supervisor vest, as well as signage to use at the clean up venue.

To support this event, Council promotes participation through advertising/media, arranges collection of the rubbish collected (pays for tipping charges) and, starting this year, will collect recyclables separately.

### Financial impact statement

Costs for the event are absorbed within the Sustainability (waste development/ education) budget.

### Conclusion

Council support of the campaign is critical to its success. Supporting Clean Up Australia Day is a positive way for Randwick City Council to engage the community while enhancing the environment of the local area.

### Recommendation

That Randwick City Council's support for Clean Up Australia Day 2012 be noted.

### Attachment/s:

Nil

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