

## MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2008

Present: The Mayor, Councillor N Ebbeck (Chairperson) (Wahroonga Ward)  
Councillors A Andrew & E Malicki (Comenarra Ward)  
Councillor L Bennett (St Ives Ward)  
Councillor I Cross (Wahroonga Ward)  
Councillors M Lane & A Ryan (Gordon Ward)  
Councillors M Shelley & J Anderson (Roseville Ward)

Staff Present: General Manager (John McKee)  
Director Corporate (John Clark)  
Director Development & Regulation (Michael Miocic)  
Director Operations (Greg Piconi)  
Director Strategy (Andrew Watson)  
Director Community (Janice Bevan)  
Senior Governance Officer (Geoff O'Rourke)  
Minutes Secretary (Christina Randall-Smith)

*The Meeting commenced at 7.02pm*

*The Mayor offered the Prayer*

### 32 APOLOGIES

File: S02194

Councillor T Hall tendered an apology for non-attendance [illness] and requested leave of absence.

#### **Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Lane/Cross)

That the apology by Councillor T Hall for non-attendance be accepted and leave of absence be granted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Mayor adverted to the necessity for Councillors and staff to declare a Pecuniary Interest/Conflict of Interest in any item on the Business Paper.

Councillor Ian Cross declared a Conflict of Interest in Item No GB.8 - Wahroonga Traffic & Parking Study (works part-time for one of the Consultants).

33 **CONFIRMATION OF REPORTS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED MEETING**

File: S02499

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Cross/Ryan)

That in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of the Local Government Act 1993, all officers' reports be released to the press and public, with the exception of:

- C.1 **28 Treatts Road, Lindfield - Proposal of Acquire** - *(Section 10A(2)(c) - Information that would confer a commercial advantage)* - Report by Manager Strategic Assets & Services, Directory Strategy & Acting General Manager dated 18 February 2008 with attachments.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**DOCUMENTS CIRCULATED TO COUNCILLORS**

The Mayor adverted to the documents circulated in the Councillors' papers and advised that the following matters would be dealt with at the appropriate time during the meeting:

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| <b>Councillors Information:</b> | <b>Blackburn Street Reserve, St Ives</b> - Memorandum by Acting General Manager dated 14 February 2008 in relation to a Question Without Notice raised by Councillor Tony Hall at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 5 February 2008. |
| <b>Refer GB.4:</b>              | <b>Investment Report as at 31 January 2008</b> - Memorandum by Director Corporate dated 26 February 2008.   |
| <b>Refer GB.8:</b>              | <b>Wahroonga Traffic &amp; Parking Study</b> - Map on the Extent of Proposed Traffic & Parking Study  |
| <b>Refer GB.11:</b>             | <b>Budget Review 2007 to 2008, 2nd Quarter Review as at end December 2007</b> - Memorandum by Director Corporate dated 26 February 2008.  |

**Councillor Shelley arrived**

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**34 **Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Council**

File: S02131

Meeting held 5 February 2008  
Minutes numbered 3 to 31

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Lane/Ryan)

That Minutes numbered 3 to 31 circulated to Councillors were taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings of the Meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MINUTES FROM THE MAYOR**35 **Standing Firm against the Sheriff of Nottingham**

File: S06347

In late December 2006, the Department of Planning wrote to the General Manager thanking Council's planning staff for their "co-operation and helpfulness during 2006". The letter goes on to say that:

*"During 2006, there have been a number of planning projects completed or significantly progressed in the Ku-ring-gai LGA. It is pleasing that the backlog of LEP Amendments have been gazetted or significantly progressed. More directly, I am also pleased that my Branch has been able to assist Ku-ring-gai Council take forward the implementation of the Standard Instrument and, begin work on strategic projects across the Ku-ring-gai LGA, in particular the work on the six town centres."*

The author concludes by thanking Council staff *"for making 2006 an enjoyable experience for me and my Branch. I look forward to working closely with Ku-ring-gai Council in 2007"*.

In all my time living in Ku-ring-gai, and in all my years of serving this community, I have not seen such accolades flow to this Council from the Department of Planning. But despite this greatly improved working relationship between Council and the Department I have to ask you ..... what went so badly wrong in 2007?

Throughout 2007, Council spent considerable ratepayers' money on consultant studies for the town centre planning - studies on issues such as traffic and parking and development feasibility, and so on.

In addition to these studies, we had around 15 staff working at least part of the time on detailed planning for the town centres.

When implemented, these town centre plans will provide for an additional 10,500 to 11,500 dwellings. This alone is in excess of the total number of new dwellings that the Department of Planning requires Council to provide under the Metro Strategy.

It's important to note that additional dwellings will be provided outside the town centres under SEPP Seniors living, dual occupancy under SEPP 53 and other capacity that will be built into Council's new comprehensive LEP.

This Council has demonstrated it can meet its dwelling targets. Why is that not good enough for Minister Sartor? In addition, the town centre plans will provide for between 72,000- 86,000 square metres gross floor area of additional business and retail floor space. This will be good for the self sufficiency and sustainability of Ku-ring-gai.

In support of the contention that Council is doing its bit, I need only to remind Councillors of the number of new dwellings approved by this Council in recent years....1480 dwellings in 2005, 1247 in 2006 and 410 in 2007. You only need to drive along the Pacific Highway to see the results of this development frenzy. To meet the Department's dwelling target for Ku-ring-gai, Council only needs to provide about 400 dwellings a year over the life of Metro Strategy. Over the last three years, this target has been well and truly exceeded.

I also draw your attention to the Department's own Local Development Performance Monitoring 2005-06 report released in July 2007. This report, in its key findings highlights, that Ku-ring-gai Council approved \$1.7 billion worth of development in 2005-2006, second only to the City of Sydney, and well above Parramatta City in third with \$1 billion. Councillors, these facts do not support any other position than a council pulling more than its weight.

Now despite all this effort, we finished 2007 not with the accolades with which we finished 2006, but with a Planning Panel appointed by the Minister for Planning. This panel will be redoing the town centres planning that this community invested so much time and money in.

I do not wish to dwell on the issue of town centre planning because this Mayoral Minute is more about the capacity of this Council, and indeed all other councils in NSW, to deliver quality infrastructure to their growing communities once the issue of the town centre plans is finally resolved. Communities which are going to grow a fair bit larger thanks to Minister Sartor.

Late last year the Sheriff of Nottingham, I mean Minister Sartor, announced some fairly major changes to how local development contributions could be applied in Sydney's Growth Centres.

The question of how these changes might flow on to existing areas of Sydney was of course, left unclear and has been the subject of much concern and speculation.

The Local Government and Shires Associations of New South Wales (LGSA) has been very concerned about this issue. From the Growth Centres Commission's own website,

the Growth Centres in the North West and South West “*will accommodate thirty to forty percent of Sydney’s new housing ..... In total, the Growth Centres will provide around 181,000 new dwellings*”.

But the Metro Strategy highlights the need for a total of 640,000 new dwellings in Sydney to house an increase in population over the next 25 or so years of 1.1 million people. That means the existing built up areas of Sydney will have to account for the remaining 460,000 new dwellings.

If you think the Government will be content with getting its hands on local infrastructure contributions from just 181,000 new houses in the Growth Centres, think again.

Remember, that money was to provide local facilities for new communities at the fringe of Sydney. There are very real concerns that the Government will take control of levies from the other 460,000 new dwellings planned for the rest of Sydney.

At say an average in today’s dollars, of \$30,000 for each new dwelling that comes to a staggering 13.8 billion dollars. This might sound like a lot of money Councillors, but as you will know from many years of trying to provide basic facilities such as libraries and local playing fields for a growing community in an area with very high land values, it is no mean feat. And the Treasurer would have local communities from all over the State go cap in hand to him every time that they wanted to provide new local facilities, with money that was actually theirs.

Ku-ring-gai will accept an extra 10,000 or so new dwellings over the next 25 years of the Metro Strategy. Using industry accepted standards, these additional 10,000 new dwellings will generate the need for an additional 37.5 hectares of parkland, 15.6 new playing fields, 1000 square metres of library space, 1250 square metres of multi-purpose community centre space, 10 netball courts, the list goes on.

Now, it is quite obvious to anyone who knows anything about this local area, that there is simply not the space for 37.5 hectares of parkland, 15.6 new playing fields let alone all the other things that a new community demands.

There is great concern that the State Government’s changes will stop or restrict local councils levying new development for community wide facilities such as playing fields, swimming pools and community centres which are used by the whole community, not just new residents. These types of facilities are at the very core of Council’s current section 94 contributions.

In the near future, this Council will have to make some very hard decisions about funding some large and costly facilities that these new residents will expect. Ordinarily these projects would have been funded, albeit on a proportionate basis only, by new developments, with existing ratepayers covering the shortfall.

I am talking about major public works such as the North Turramurra Recreation Area which will provide much needed active playing space, the West Pymble Indoor Pool and the Marion Street Theatre upgrade. This is money that will implement the town centre plans. Money for public domain improvements such as town squares, spaces which will effectively be the de facto recreation space for the extra 25,000 people that will

come to our revitalised town centres to live over the next 25 years. Changes to the way section 94 funds are used may well put some of these important projects at risk.

It's not proposed that contributions from new development will fund all of these projects. They are after all, projects that will in many cases be used by existing residents of Ku-ring-gai. Council itself will make significant contributions to these projects over the next 25 years. Without any contribution from new residents, however, because that is what the Minister proposes, Council may have to decide whether to proceed with these projects. To have development of the type and scale proposed by the Government without these basic facilities and improvements is unacceptable.

At this month's board meeting of the Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils, all seven councils supported the option of refusing to hand over Section 94 levies to Treasury if the changes go ahead.

Tonight I seek the formal support of Council to take this course of action. It's not something we do lightly, but it's essential if we are to show this Government that we are deadly serious in our resolve against this misguided cash grab. It's time to stand up and say enough is enough.

It's also very important that councils across the State stand as one and work closely with each other as well as our communities in this battle. This way the Government will get the message that it has an almighty fight on its hands.

Turning now to the matter of Plan First levies, or the Planning Reform Fund as it is now known. These are levies on the cost of development applications that the State Government requires local Councils to collect when development applications are submitted. These funds are mainly collected to implement planning reform in the State.

The Department of Planning's website says that, among other things, the Fund's aim is "to support the development and implementation of reforms to the planning system,..... (it) helps fund the reforms and can assist councils in particular by supporting the delivery of new local plans and key strategic planning projects."

Now despite the Department turning each local council in the State into a tax collection office, very little of this money is actually returned to councils. The Department's 2006/2007 annual report shows that in the year to 30 June 2006 the Department collected \$11.8million in planning reform levies but only returned \$2 million to Councils. The following year the Department collected \$16.5 million but only returned \$875,000. Revenues went up, and the return to local communities went down.

Development in Ku-ring-gai has contributed nearly \$1 million in Planning Reform taxes in the last few years ..... \$310,000 in financial year 2006, \$326,000 in 2007 and \$246,000 in the year to date. Now admittedly this Council has been lucky enough to receive some Planning Reform grants from the Department in return. \$200,000 for the town centres work (which despite paying for the Department has decided it doesn't like) and \$40,000 for the joint employment lands study with Hornsby Council which is currently underway. Though as you can see, Council is well short of what it has contributed.

The final indignity is that despite this Council approving more than 3100 new dwellings in the last three years, completing its town centre plans, and contributing nearly \$1 million in Planning Reform levies to the Department of Planning, this Council, this community, **also** has to pay for the Minister's Planning Panel to redo all our good work.

I ask you Councillors, where will it end. The Sheriff of Nottingham and his mates must be stopped.

**Resolved:**

1. That Council writes to the Minister for Planning advising him that the Council strongly opposes and will resist any attempt by him to collect section 94 funds for the provision of infrastructure for the people of Ku-ring-gai to the State Government.
2. That Council writes to the Director General of the Department of Planning advocating that the costs of servicing the Ku-ring-gai Planning Panel should be deducted from Plan First Contributions levied on DAs in Ku-ring-gai.
3. That Council supports my intention to seek a meeting with the Premier, The Hon. Morris Iemma, to raise these issues as a matter of urgency.
4. That Council writes to the Local Government and Shires Associations of New South Wales [LGSA] advising it of Council's actions and providing the Associations with Council's full support in their "Hands Off" campaign.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

36 **Extension of Teetop Pty Ltd - Contract for Gordon & North Turramurra Golf Courses**

File: S02140, S02141

To advise Council that the contracts for the provision of golf course management and professional services have expired at both Gordon Golf Course and North Turramurra Golf Course.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Ryan/Cross)

- A. That Teetop Pty Ltd is appointed to continue professional services for Gordon Golf Course until 31 December 2009 and North Turramurra Golf Course until 31 January 2010.

- B. That Council Officers conduct a review of the existing contract, current course facilities and player services as compared to other courses and report the findings to Council by January 2009, before commencing a new contract process.
- C. That the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute all documentation.
- D. That the Seal of Council be affixed to all necessary documents.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

37      **Tender for General Hardware Preferred Tenderer**

File: S06483

To seek Council's approval to accept the NSROC tender for general hardware for the period 2008/2010.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Ryan/Lane)

- A. That the tender submitted by AE Baker for general hardware for the period 2008/2010 be accepted.
- B. That the tenderers be advised of Council's decision.
- C. That authority be given to the Mayor and General Manager to affix the Common Seal of Council to the Contract.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

38      **Draft Ku-ring-gai Local Environmental Plan No 214 – Consideration following Statutory Public Exhibition Process**

File: S05450

To give consideration to public submissions and draft Ku-ring-gai Local Environmental Plan No. 214 (DLEP 214) following completion of the statutory public exhibition process.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Ryan/Bennett)



- A. That Council adopt Draft Ku-ring-gai Local Environmental Plan No. 214 as exhibited subject to any minor drafting and amendment that may be legally required by Parliamentary Counsel.
- B. That Draft Ku-ring-gai Local Environmental Plan No. 214 as adopted, together with the Council Planning report, be forwarded to the Department of Planning in accordance with Section 68(4) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
- C. That the Section 69 report be prepared and forwarded to the Department of Planning in accordance with the terms of the Director General's Written Authorisation to Exercise Delegation.
- D. That the Department of Lands be informed of Council's resolution.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

39

**Analysis of Land & Environment Court Costs, 2nd Quarter 2007 to 2008**

File: S02466

To provide information in relation to proceedings to which Council is a party in the Land & Environment Court for the quarter ended December 2007, including appeals commenced, costs incurred by Council and outcomes.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Ryan/Lane)

That the analysis of Land & Environment Court costs for the second quarter ended December 2007 be received and noted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Standing Orders were suspended in order that  
the following matter be dealt with after a Motion  
moved by Councillors Ryan & Shelley was CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

**Council resolved itself into Closed Meeting  
following a Motion moved by Councillors Lane & Bennett  
with the Press and Public Excluded to deal with the following item:**

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**28 Treatts Road, Lindfield - Proposal of Acquire**

*(Section 10A(2)(c) - Information that would confer a commercial advantage)*

File: P60845

**The following member of the public addressed Council:**

**J Henwood**

Report by Manager Strategic Assets & Services, Director Strategy & Acting General Manager dated 18 February 2008.

**Motion:**

(Moved: Councillors Anderson/Andrew)

1. That the General Manager commences negotiations in the terms discussed.
2. That in the event negotiations result in Council's offer being accepted, the Mayor and General Manager are delegated authority to execute all documentation associated with the purchase of the property and any subsequent lease documents.
3. That the 2003-2004 S94 Contributions Plan and SEPP5 Plan fund the acquisition of the property.
4. That in the event Council acquires the property, that a further report be brought back to consider the utilization of 2004-2009 S94 Contributions Plan fund for the embellishment of the property as open space.
5. That in the event that Council acquires the property that Council applies to the Geographical Names Board to name the reserve "Ethel Turner Park".

*For the Motion:*                      *The Mayor, Councillor N Ebbeck, Councillors Shelley & Anderson*

*Against the Motion:*              *Councillors Andrew, Bennett, Cross, Lane, Malicki & Ryan*

*The above Motion when put to the vote was LOST*

41      **ALGWA (NSW) Women's Conference 2008**

File: S02815

For Council to nominate delegates to the 55th Australian Local Government Women's Association (NSW) Annual Conference.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Ryan/Lane)

That Councillors interested in attending the Conference advise the General Manager by Thursday, 28 February 2008.

*For the Resolution:*                      *The Mayor, Councillor N Ebbeck, Councillors Andrew, Cross, Lane, Malicki, Ryan & Shelley*

*Against the Resolution:*              *Councillors Bennett & Anderson*

42 **Investment Report as at 31 January 2008**

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File: S05273

To present to Council investment allocations and returns on investments for January 2008.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillor Ryan/Mayor, Councillor Ebbeck)

- A. That the summary of investments and performance for January 2008 be received and noted.
- B. That the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted and the report adopted.

*For the Resolution: The Mayor, Councillor N Ebbeck, Councillors Andrew, Cross, Lane, Ryan & Anderson*

*Against the Resolution: Councillors Bennett, Malicki & Shelley*

43 **Environmental Levy Small Grants Scheme - Round Five**

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File: S04553

To seek Council's support to fund ten (10) Environmental Levy Small Grant projects.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Malicki/Ryan)

That Council support the following applications for funding under round five of the community small grants scheme:

1. Kingsford Avenue Bushcare Group – weed removal for bush regeneration	\$5,000
2. Robert Dash – stormwater ditch/ drain works	\$1,100
3. Jinna Way Bushcare – pile burns to stimulate biodiversity	\$2,000
4. Paddy Pallin Reserve – weed removal for bush regeneration	\$3,226
5. Masada College – environmental education	\$3,750
6. Wahroonga Public School – regeneration at school	\$5,500
7. Friends of Lane Cove National Park – Blue Gum High track maintenance	\$5,000
8. Macquarie University – water quality/ quantity effects from urbanisation	\$4,950
9. Jane Gye – streetcare support (plantings/ pedestrian access)	\$5,000
10. John Balint – sustainability study	\$4,050

**TOTAL**

**\$39,576**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

44

**Compliance of Transport Facilities with Disability Discrimination Act Requirements**

File: S02114

Ward: All

To report on consultant submissions to audit bus stops and to prepare an action plan for compliance with disability requirements.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Shelley/Anderson)

1. That Council endorse in principle, the proposal to undertake a study to identify Council's compliance with the DDA Act in the terms as outlined in this report and recommend an action plan.
2. That Council staff negotiate further with those who have made submissions and the HREOC and
3. That following these discussions and within one month, that Council adopt one of the proposals and fund up to the sum of \$18,500, with funds coming from the Street Furniture Reserve.
4. That the General Manager be given the delegation to accept one submission following this further refinement.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*The above Resolution was subject to an Amendment which was LOST. The LOST Amendment was:*

*(Moved: Councillors Ryan/Bennett)*

- A. *That Council note the study submissions received to undertake an audit and prepare an action plan to address Council's obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and, the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport under that Act.*
- B. *That Council offer the study audit to Accessibility Solutions (NSW) Pty Ltd at a fee of \$18,500, subject to Accessibility Solutions agreeing to undertake further work which may be negotiated with the HREOC, and that the study be funded from the Street Furniture Reserve.*
- C. *That Council enter into a partnership arrangement with the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission with regard to the preparation of design models and methodology together with funding assistance.*

- D. That the bus companies be informed of Council's proposal and advised that any future changes to bus routes will require them to fund the installation of infrastructure that complies with the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport.*

**Councillor Cross declared a conflict of interest  
in respect of the following item -  
GB.8 - Wahroonga Traffic & Parking Study  
and withdrew from the Chamber taking no part  
in discussion and voting on the item**

45 **Wahroonga Traffic & Parking Study**

File: S03125

Ward: Wahroonga

To consider consultant proposals to undertake the Wahroonga Traffic and Parking Study.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillor Bennett/Mayor, Councillor Ebbeck)

- A. That Council accepts the fee submission from Arup Consultants in an amount of \$49,412 to undertake the Wahroonga Traffic and Parking Study in accordance with Council's brief.
- B. That funding for the study be provided from the internally restricted reserves for the Wahroonga Parking Fund.
- C. That the brief be amended to delete the final sentence on page 110 of the business papers, as follows:

This brief, the process of conducting the project, and all work and findings arising out of or in respect of this project is to remain confidential unless or until released by Council's General Manager.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Councillor Cross returned**

46 **DECC Domestic Waste Rebate**

File: S02294

To advise on the requirements of the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) with regard to the Section 88 levy rebates and the financial and operational implications for this Council.

**Councillor Bennett withdrew during discussion**

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Malicki/Lane)

- A. That representations be made to the Minister for Environment and Climate Change on the implications that these changes will have on Council's residents and the Domestic Waste budget and report back to Council prior to the end of the current financial year.
- B. That this situation be publicised in the media and on Council's website to inform our residents.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Councillor Bennett returned**

47

**Budget Review 2007 to 2008, 2nd Quarter Review as at end December 2007**

File: S05708

To present to Council the quarterly financial review for the 2nd quarter ended 31 December 2007.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillors Malicki/Lane)

- A. That Council adopted the budget adjustments contained in this report.
- B. That the Restricted Assets Report Forecast to 30 June 2008 as at 31 December 2007, as shown in Attachment B be approved.
- C. That in the event that any future projects are likely to exceed budget by 20% or \$20,000, that staff provide a report under separate cover, in advance of committing funds, to detail the circumstances and additional funding required from Council.

Where it is not practical to provide such a report in advance, an explanation be included as part of the subsequent quarterly budget review.

- D. That there be bi-monthly updates of the cost of the Planning Panel, including staff costs.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

48     **2007 to 2011 Management Plan, 2nd Quarter Review as at 31 December 2007**

File: S05708

To report to Council on progress made toward achieving Key Performance Indicators as contained in Council's 2007 to 2011 Management Plan.

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Mayor, Councillor Ebbeck/Councillor Ryan)

That the report on the progress of the Key Performance Indicators contained in the 2007 to 2011 Management Plan for the 2nd quarter of the Plan, be received and noted.

*For the Resolution:                      The Mayor, Councillor N Ebbeck, Councillors  
Andrew, Cross, Lane, Malicki, Ryan & Anderson*

*Against the Resolution:                Councillors Bennett & Shelley*

**BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE - SUBJECT TO CLAUSE 241 OF GENERAL REGULATIONS**

Councillor Bennett explained that there is a standing Council resolution that requires staff to go to exhibition as soon as possible on Land Reclassification for Ku-ring-gai Local Environmental Plan (2006) Town Centres for early March. As this is the last meeting in February, the matter of exhibition needs to be considered at this meeting.

*The following item was dealt with after a Motion  
moved by Councillor Bennett & the Mayor, Councillor Ebbeck  
to have the matter dealt with at the meeting  
was CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
and the Chairperson ruled urgency*

**Council adjourned for a short interval at 10.00pm  
after a Motion moved  
by the Mayor, Councillor Ebbeck & Councillor Bennett was CARRIED  
and the Chairperson ruled accordingly.**

**The Meeting resumed at 10.15pm**

Those present were:

The Mayor, Councillor N Ebbeck  
Councillor Anderson  
Councillor Andrew  
Councillor Bennett  
Councillor Cross

Councillor Lane  
Councillor Malicki  
Councillor Ryan  
Councillor Shelley

49     **Land Reclassification Component for Ku-ring-gai Local Environmental Plan  
(2006) Town Centres**

File: S05094  
*Vide Minute No 531*

Notice of Rescission from Councillor Bennett, the Mayor, Councillor Ebbeck and Councillor Andrew as follows:

That we, the undersigned Councillors, seek to rescind Part C of Minute No 531 resolved at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 11 December 2007, which reads as follows:

*C.     That such exhibition not commence until February 2008, giving our community time to comment.*

**Resolved:**

(Moved: Councillor Bennett/Mayor, Councillor Ebbeck)

A.     That the Notice of Rescission, as printed above, be adopted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(Moved: Councillors Bennett/Cross)

B.     That Council Staff take no further action on the re-classification of Council land until a meeting is held between Council and Staff during March at which further information is provided on the re-classification process.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

50     **Reduce Street Lighting**

File: S02845  
Question Without Notice from Councillor M Lane

There has been discussion by Councils in the UK of reducing the times of street lighting in order to reduce energy consumption.

Would the Director Operations consider the implications of reducing the period of street lighting and advise Council in general terms of the issues involved?



**Answer by the Director Operations**

Take that on notice and discuss with Energy Australia and get back to Council.

**51 Acquisition of Open Space - Drovers Way**

File: S04601

Question Without Notice from Councillor M Shelley

Would the Director Strategy examine the opportunities for acquisition of open space in Drovers Way, Lindfield on the blocks that are identified as part of the Riparian Zone and abutting the proposed open space at (I think) 10A Beaconsfield in Lindfield?

**Answer by the Mayor**

The Director will report back.

**52 Holy Family School - Signs on Pacific Highway & Pedestrian Ramp in Boundary Street, Roseville**

Files: 88/05172/01, 88/05900/03

Question Without Notice from Councillor M Shelley

Has the Director Operations had the opportunity to meet with the RTA on site, at Holy Family, regarding signs on Pacific Highway and in regard to having the approval for the pedestrian ramp in Boundary Street, Roseville?

**Answer by Director Operations**

No, I haven't had a chance to meet with the RTA, try and do that expediently in the next few weeks. With regard to Boundary Street, we have had discussions today with the RTA, hoping to expedite some issue on that fairly soon.

**53 Project 100844 - Mahratta & 1536 Pacific Highway, Wahroonga**

File: S05708

Question Without Notice from Councillor J Anderson

Page 186 of the Business Papers for this evening's meeting identifies Project No 100844 Mahratta and 1536 Pacific Highway to commence second half of the year with a need for Council to lodge a DA for fencing and calling for quotes with a budget of \$55,000. Bearing in mind members of Council's Heritage Advisory Committee have raised serious objections to this project at this location, would the General Manager please provide a report on the matter to Councillors and the Heritage Advisory Committee as a matter of urgency?

**Answer by the General Manager**

I will report and get a report back to that Committee.

**54      Parking Demand - Arup St Ives Parking Study**

File: S06051

Question Without Notice from Councillor L Bennett

To what extent was parking demand from sportsfield and passive users of the Village Green factored into the study of parking demand in the Arup St Ives Parking Study?

**Answer by the General Manager**

The Director Strategy and I will take that on notice and provide information back.

**55      Arup Report - Angle Parking, Village Green**

File: S06051

Question Without Notice from Councillor L Bennett

To what extent, if any, would the introduction of angle parking along the Village Green, cut into the Green itself and could I have precise measurements?

**Answer by the Director Operations**

Will take that on notice and will come back and look at the dimensions and come back with a report or a memo on can be achieved in that regard.

**56      The Dumaesq Street Park, Gordon**

File: S06049

Question Without Notice from Councillor E Malicki

If the plans shown in the local paper for The Dumaesq Street Park have not been presented previously to Councillors, can they be put on the Agenda for the Planning Forum, please?

**Answer by the General Manager**

Yes, they will.

57 **Update on Corridor Lands, South Turramurra**

File: S02526, S04471

Question Without Notice from Councillor E Malicki

Can Councillors get an update by memo or at the Planning Forum about the Corridor Lands in South Turramurra, the sustainable village and improvements to Auluba Oval and the Sir David Martin Reserve?

**Answer by the General Manager**

An update will be provided at the next Forum.

*The Meeting closed at 10.31pm*

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 26 February 2008 (Pages 1 - 19) were confirmed as a full and accurate record of proceedings on 11 March 2008.

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General Manager

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Mayor / Chairperson