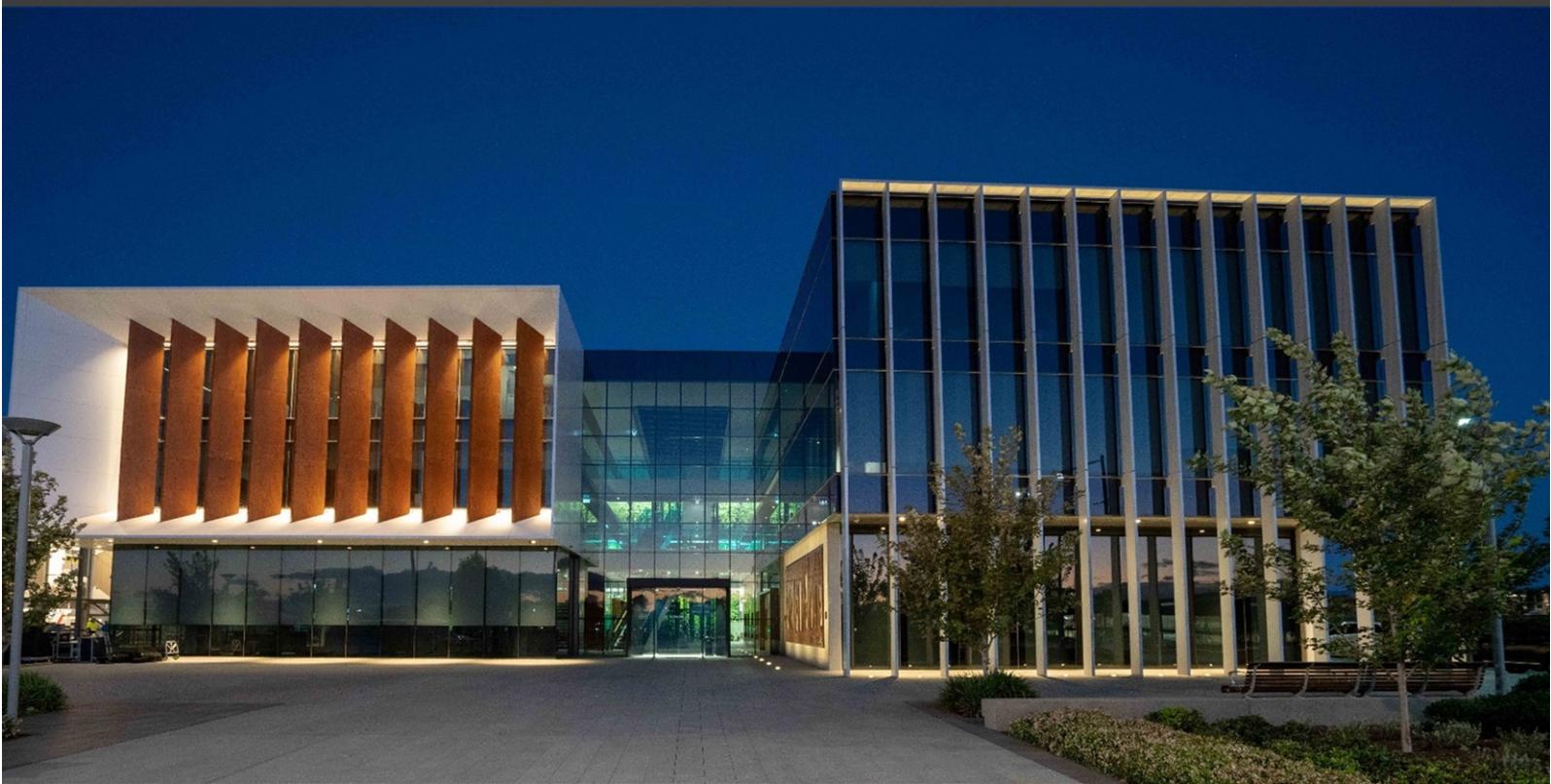


# Minutes

## Ordinary Council Meeting

Camden Council  
Administration Centre  
70 Central Avenue  
Oran Park

20 June 2023



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**MEETING COMMENCED AT 6.30PM****PRESENT****In person:**

Cr A Cagney (Mayor/Chairperson)  
Cr C Cagney  
Cr Campbell  
Cr Dommaraju  
Cr Fedeli  
Cr McLean  
Cr Zammit

**Remote:**

Nil

**STAFF**

General Manager  
Director Customer and Corporate Strategy  
Director Planning and Environment  
Director Community Assets  
Acting Director Sport, Community and Activation  
Chief Financial Officer  
Manager Legal and Governance  
Manager Corporate Performance and Customer Experience  
Manager Open Space and Sustainability  
Acting Manager Traffic, Depot and Building Services  
Acting Manager Public Affairs  
Manager Sport and Recreation  
Manager Community Outcomes  
Senior Governance Officer  
Senior Media and Communications Advisor  
Governance Officer  
Governance Administration Officer

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Zammit that Councillor Farrow be granted leave of absence.

ORD73/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**APPROVAL TO ATTEND BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK**

There were no requests to attend by audio-visual link.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor McLean declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in relation to ORD04 - Acceptance of Grant Funding - Transport for New South Wales - Get NSW Active Program 2023/24, advising that through his employment he interacts with staff involved in the program and also helped launch the grants with the Minister for Transport, and that he would remain in the Chamber during discussion and voting on the matter.

Councillor A Cagney declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in relation to ORD02 - Community Grants Program 2023, advising that she is a Director on the Board of Macarthur Football Association and although the Association did not submit any grant applications it does have member clubs which applied for grants, and that she would remain in the Chamber during discussion and voting on the matter.

Motion: Moved Councillor Fedeli, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that the declarations be noted.

ORD74/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

### **PUBLIC ADDRESSES**

There were no public addresses to be noted.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor McLean that the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 9 May 2023, copies of which have been circulated, be confirmed and adopted.

ORD75/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**MAYORAL MINUTE - LEADING A REFORM AGENDA ON WASTE**

Motion: Moved Councillor McLean, Seconded Councillor Campbell that Council:

- i. work with other Sydney councils on:
  - (a) reducing waste;
  - (b) improving environmental outcomes where waste has to be processed; and
  - (c) finding solutions for the residue that is left; and
  
- ii. write to Ms Penny Sharpe MLC, Minister for Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Heritage, seeking changes from the NSW Government to invest all of the revenue from its waste levy for council and industry initiatives that:
  - (a) accelerate the transition to a circular economy;
  - (b) build the waste infrastructure needed to meet the growing pressures of population growth, loss of landfill capacity and a lack of competition in the sector; and
  - (c) educate and support communities to reduce waste.

ORD76/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**MAYORAL MINUTE - CAMDEN'S RECIPIENTS OF THE KING'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS 2023**

Motion: Moved Councillor A Cagney, Seconded Councillor Campbell that Council write to each of the recipients and congratulate them on their achievement.

ORD77/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD01 POST EXHIBITION - 2023/24 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND BUDGET, INCLUDING REVENUE POLICY, CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM, FEES AND CHARGES AND LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN**

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Fedeli that Council:

i. adopt the 2023/24 Draft Operational Plan, Draft Budget and Draft Long-Term Financial Plan;

ii. adopt the 2023/24 Budget as set out below:

- expenditure totalling \$444,424,700 as summarised in the 2023/24 Draft Budget and that the funds to cover such expenditure be voted;
- the 2023/24 Fees and Charges (includes Domestic Waste Management Fees, Stormwater Management Levy and the fee changes outlined within this report), and the 2023/24 Revenue Policy;
- the Minister’s Allowable limit of a 6.80% rate increase be applied to the 2023/24 rating year;
- adopt the following ad-valorem rates to be levied on the land value of all rateable assessments for 2023/24 financial year:

Rate Category	Ad-Valorem Rates
Residential	0.092633
Business	0.305689
Farmland Ordinary	0.046317
Farmland Intensive	0.083370

- in accordance with section 537(b) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, note the percentage of base amount to total yield for the 2023/24 financial year for each class of rate is:

Rate Category	
Residential	49.87%
Business	10.38%
Farmland Ordinary	9.06%
Farmland Intensive	16.22%

- adopt a base amount of \$710.00 to be levied for each rateable assessment for the 2023/24 financial year;
- adopt the rate permitted by the Minister for Local Government for the allowable interest rate on overdue rates of 9% for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024; and
- approve the reserve transfers and loan borrowings for 2023/24 as detailed in the report.

iii. notes the submissions and notifies the submitters.

**ORD78/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD02 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM 2023**

Motion: Moved Councillor Zammit, Seconded Councillor Dommaraju that Council:

- i. approve the recommended allocation of funding for the Community Small Grants of \$46,919 (excl. GST);
- ii. approve the recommended allocation of funding for the Sport and Recreation Grants of \$12,500 (excl. GST);
- iii. approve the recommended allocation of funding for the Community Sponsorship Grants of \$58,000 (excl. GST);
- iv. approve the recommended allocation of funding for the Cultural Activation Seed Grants of \$30,958 (excl. GST);
- v. approve the recommended allocation of funding for the Cultural Performance Subsidy of \$2,380 (excl. GST); and
- vi. write to each applicant advising them of the outcome of this report and thanking them for their participation in the program.

ORD79/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD03 PUBLIC EXHIBITION - CAMDEN: TOWARDS NET ZERO 2023**

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Dommaraju that Council:

- i. endorse Camden: Towards Net Zero 2023 to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days commencing in June 2023;
- ii. if no unresolved submissions are received during the public exhibition period, adopt Camden: Towards Net Zero effective from the day after the close of the exhibition period; and
- iii. if any unresolved submissions are received during the public exhibition, receive a further report to consider the submissions.

ORD80/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD04 ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING - TRANSPORT FOR NEW SOUTH WALES - GET NSW ACTIVE PROGRAM 2023/24**

Motion: Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor Fedeli that Council:

- i. accept the grant funding from Transport for New South Wales, under the Get NSW Active Program 2023/24, of \$1,633,000 (excl. GST) to undertake installation of pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, allocating funding to the 2023/24 financial year budget;
- ii. write to The Hon. Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, thanking her for the grant; and
- iii. write to Mrs Sally Quinnell MP, Member for Camden, thanking her for her support.

ORD81/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD05 COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES**

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Campbell that Council:

- i. appoint the position of Mayor as a Councillor representative on the Camden Airport Community Aviation Consultation Group, in place of Councillor Fedeli;
- ii. appoint the positions of Mayor (as Chair) and Deputy Mayor as representatives on the General Manager Performance Review Panel, in place of Councillors Fedeli (as Chair) and Farrow;
- iii. nominate and appoint a new Councillor as a representative on the GM Performance Review Panel, in place of Councillor Ashleigh Cagney;
- iv. revoke all prior delegations granted to the General Manager Performance Review Panel; and
- v. delegate to the General Manager Performance Review Panel authority to hold full responsibility for performance management of the General Manager, including discussions about performance, any actions that should be taken and the determination of the new performance agreement.

ORD82/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

Further to point iii. of the resolution, Council considered the following appointment:

### **General Manager Performance Review Panel**

Nominations were received and confirmed for Councillor Farrow and Councillor McLean.

Councillor Farrow received five votes and Councillor McLean received two votes.

Councillor Farrow was appointed as a representative on the General Manager Performance Review Panel.

### **ORD06 NOTICE TO THE MINISTER FOR LANDS AND PROPERTY OF COUNCIL'S NATIVE TITLE MANAGERS**

Motion: Moved Councillor Zammit, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that Council give notice to The Hon. Stephen Kamper MP, Minister for Lands and Property, of the contact details of Council's Property Services Coordinator, Chantel Fenech, Property Officer, Monique Spek, and Recreation Planner, Joshua Hanns, as its Native Title Managers, as required under section 8.8 of the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*.

ORD83/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

### **ORD07 INVESTMENT MONIES - APRIL 2023**

Motion: Moved Councillor Fedeli, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that Council:

- i. note that the Responsible Accounting Officer has certified that all investments held by Council have been made in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, Regulations, and Council's Investment Policy;
- ii. note the list of investments for April 2023; and
- iii. note the weighted average interest rate return of 3.96% p.a. for the month of April 2023.

ORD84/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD08 BONDS PERTAINING TO COUNCIL COMMUNITY AND SPORTS FACILITIES POLICY – REVISED**

Motion: Moved Councillor Fedeli, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that Council adopt the revised Bonds Pertaining to Council Community and Council Facilities Policy as attached to this report.

ORD85/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD09 RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF ALCOHOL FREE ZONES**

Motion: Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that Council:

- i. re-establish the Alcohol-Free Zones in Camden (including the Council Car Park between Murray and John Streets), Currans Hill, Gregory Hills, Harrington Park, Mount Annan, Narellan and Narellan Vale, in accordance with the provisions of section 644B of the *Local Government Act 1993* and the attached map for a period of four years, effective from July 2023 to June 2027;
- ii. extend the Alcohol-Free Zone at Gregory Hills to encompass Gregory Hills Drive from Camden Valley Way to Donovan Boulevard, and Lasso Road from Steer Road to Rodeo Road;
- ii. advise the Camden Police Area Command and all parties as required as per Ministerial Guidelines and the *Local Government Act 1993* of the re-establishment of Alcohol-Free Zones; and
- iii. ensure that all Alcohol-Free Zone signage is current and reflects the current term, being July 2023 to June 2027.

ORD86/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD10 DETERMINATION OF COUNCILLOR AND MAYORAL FEES 2023/24 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL**

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Fedeli that Council fix the fees for Councillors and the Mayor as the maximum amounts permitted for the Medium Metropolitan category of councils in the 2023/24 financial year, as determined by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal.

ORD87/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**NOTICES OF MOTION****ORD11 NOTICE OF MOTION - IMPACT OF AIRPORT ON THE CAMDEN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA**

Motion: Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor McLean that Council immediately following the imminent release by the Federal Government of the preliminary flight paths for the 24-hour international airport at Badgerys Creek, be provided with a report on the exposure to residents of the Camden Local Government Area to the flight paths, and environmental and noise impacts.

ORD88/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD12 NOTICE OF MOTION - WARD BOUNDARIES**

Motion: Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor McLean that Council, within the next four weeks, convene to discuss variance between Wards and proposed viable options to reduce this difference between wards to:

- i. take into account future estimate population projections;
- ii. meet Council's legislative obligations with the Electoral Commission with regard to the Ward boundary adjustment process; and
- iii. provide maps to Councillors, to allow discussion options overlaying the number of voters within each ward/suburb.

ORD89/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**FURTHER MOTION**

Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor Zammit that Council write to The Hon. Chris Minns MP, Premier of NSW, The Hon. Ron Hoenig, MP, Minister for Local Government, Mrs Sally Quinnell MP, Member for Camden, Mrs Tanya Davies MP, Member for Badgerys Creek, and Mr Nathan Hagarty MP, Member for Leppington, requesting that the NSW Government consider extending the current term of NSW councillors to a four-year term by delaying the NSW local government elections to September 2025.

ORD90/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**ORD13 NOTICE OF MOTION - CAMDEN MEN'S SHED**

Motion: Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that Council pay, from Councillor Ward Funds, the Development Application fees and charges associated with the new premises of the Camden Men's Shed, with the exception of fees payable to other agencies.

ORD91/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.40PM**

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