

MINUTES

of the **City Services Committee**
held in the Committee Room, Botany Town Hall
1423 Botany Road, Botany
(Corner of Edward Street and Botany Road, Botany)
on **Wednesday 12 March 2025 at 6:32 PM**

Present

Councillor Edward McDougall, Mayor (via Audio-Visual link)
Councillor Joe Awada, Chairperson
Councillor Soraya Kassim, Deputy Chairperson (via Audio-Visual link)
Councillor Peter Strong
Councillor Janin Bredehoeft
Councillor Christina Curry

Also present

Meredith Wallace, General Manager
Debra Dawson, Director City Life
Rani Param, Manager Community Life
Hong Nguyen, Manager Environment & Resilience
Helen Tola, Manager Governance & Risk (via Audio-Visual Link)
Karen Barrass, Lead Governance
Linda Hackett, Governance Officer
Nabin Bhattarai, IT Service Management Officer

The Chairperson opened the meeting in the Committee Room, Botany Town Hall at 6:32pm.

1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chairperson affirmed that Bayside Council acknowledges the Bidjigal Clan, the traditional owners of the land on which we meet and work and acknowledges the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation. Bayside Council pays respects to Elders past and present.

2 Apologies, Leave of Absence & Attendance Via Audio-Visual Link

Apologies

Committee Recommendation

Moved by Councillors Strong and Curry

That the following apology be received and leave of absence granted:

- Councillor Poulos

Leave of Absence

There were no applications for Leave of Absence received.

Attendance Via Audio-Visual Link

Committee Recommendation

Moved by Councillors Curry and Bredehoeft

That Councillor Kassim and The Mayor, Councillor McDougall's attendance at tonight's meeting via audio-visual link be granted.

3 Disclosures of Interest

There were no Disclosures of Interest.

4 Minutes of Previous Meetings

4.1 Minutes of the City Services Committee Meeting - 12 February 2025

Committee Recommendation

Moved by Councillors Strong and Curry

That the Minutes of the City Services Committee meeting held on 12 February 2025 be noted.

4.2 Business Arising

There was no Business Arising.

5 Items by Exception

There were no Items by Exception.

6 Public Forum

There were no speakers for Public Forum.

7 Reports

[CS25.006 Response to Notice of Motion - Optimising Use of L'Estrange Reserve](#)

Note: A verbal update was given by Debra Dawson, Director City Life.

Committee Recommendation

Moved by Councillors Curry and Strong

That Council receive and note the Response to Notice of Motion - Optimising Use of L'Estrange Reserve report.

[CS25.007 Community Strategic Plan - Bayside 2035 - Final Draft Plan](#)

Note: A verbal update was given by Debra Dawson, Director City Life.

Committee Recommendation

Moved by Councillors Strong and Bredehoeft

- 1 That Council notes and acknowledges all feedback received in response to the draft Community Strategic Plan, Bayside 2035.
- 2 That Council adopts the draft Community Strategic Plan - Bayside 2035.

[CS25.008 Updates on NSW EV Charging Grant](#)

Note: A verbal update was given by Debra Dawson, Director City Life.

Committee Recommendation

Moved by Councillors Strong and Curry

- 1 That the report Updates on NSW EV Charging Grant is received and noted.
- 2 That a further report be submitted to the City Services Committee once the NSW Government announce the outcomes of the grant application.

The next meeting will be held in the Committee Room at Botany Town Hall at 6:30pm on Wednesday, 9 April 2025.

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 6:57pm.

Unconfirmed