

MINUTES

of the **City Planning & Environment Committee**
held in the Committee Room, Botany Town Hall
1423 Botany Road, Botany
(Corner of Edward Street and Botany Road, Botany)
on **Wednesday 3 December 2025 at 6:33 PM**

Present

Councillor Scott Morrissey, Chairperson
Councillor Liz Barlow, Deputy Chairperson
Councillor Janin Bredehoeft
Councillor Peter Strong
Councillor Christina Curry
Councillor Heidi Lee Douglas
Councillor Soraya Kassim

Also present

The Mayor, Councillor Edward McDougall (via Audio-Visual Link)
Meredith Wallace, General Manager
Peter Barber, Director City Futures
Helen Tola, Manager Governance & Risk (via Audio-Visual Link)
David Smith, Manager Strategic Planning
Darren O'Connell, Lead Governance
Linda Hackett, Governance Officer
Wolfgang Gill, IT Service Management Officer

The Chairperson opened the meeting in the Committee Room, Botany Town Hall at 6:33pm.

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

There were no apologies received.

Leave of Absence

There were no applications for Leave of Absence received.

Attendance Via Audio-Visual Link

There were no Committee members in attendance via audio-visual link.

3 Disclosures of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

4 Minutes of Previous Meetings

4.1 Minutes of the City Planning & Environment Committee Meeting - 5 November 2025

Committee Recommendation

Moved by Councillors Douglas and Bredehoeft

That the Minutes of the City Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 5 November 2025 be noted.

4.2 Business Arising

The Committee notes that the Minutes of the City Planning & Environment Committee of Wednesday 5 November 2025 were received and the recommendations therein were adopted by the Council at its meeting of 26 November 2025.

5 Items by Exception

There were no Items by Exception

6 Public Forum

CPE25.038 Proposed Brighton Le Sands and Bay Street Masterplan

The following person spoke at the meeting:

- Mr Kire Buneski, Affected Neighbour, speaking for the Committee Recommendation.
- Mr Con and Mrs Doris Kousoulas, Affected Neighbour, speaking against the Committee Recommendation.
- Mr Peter Michalos, Affected resident, speaking against the Committee Recommendation.
- Ms Mia Kauppinen, Affected Neighbour, speaking against the Committee Recommendation.

Note: The Committee then considered Item CPE25.038 – Proposed Brighton Le Sands and Bay Street Masterplan. Refer to recommendation below.

7 Reports

CPE25.038 Proposed Brighton Le Sands and Bay Street Masterplan

Note: This item was considered after the Public Forum.

Note: A presentation was given by Peter Barber, Director City Futures.

Committee Recommendation

Moved by Councillors Douglas and Bredehoeft

- 1 That Council endorse the Project Plan for the future Brighton Le Sands and Bay Street Masterplan.
- 2 That a further report be prepared to the City Planning & Environment Committee in February 2026, around the principles of what the differences might be in the rollout of the 'Complete Streets' Project and its integration into the Proposed Brighton Le Sands and Bay Street Masterplan, noting that this is to be independent of the proposed timeline within the Masterplan.
- 3 That the Rockdale School be identified within the Project Plan.
- 4 That the existing Heritage Area be identified within the Project Plan, and an estimate of the number of additional homes that could be facilitated by feasible development be provided before the May 2026 City Planning and Environment Committee Meeting.

CPE25.039 Proposal to Expand Future Park - Meriton, Bunnerong Road, Eastgardens

Note: That a presentation was given by Peter Barber, Director City Futures.

Committee Recommendation

Moved by Councillors Curry and Morrissey

- 1 That Council endorse the proposal to realign the kerb adjacent to 134-136 Bunnerong Road Eastgardens, to expand the area of the future park by approximately 750 square metres.
- 2 That Council endorse the works being undertaken by Meriton in conjunction with their already required works to construct, embellish and dedicate land owned by

Meriton to create the new park, on the basis that this will be the most practical and cost effective delivery path.

- 3 That Council endorse the proposed park expansion works being funded through an internal loan, and recouped from Council's new Developer Contributions Plan (currently under preparation) by adding this project to the Plan's Work Schedule.

The next meeting will be held in the Committee Room, Botany Town Hall at 6:30pm on Wednesday, 4 February 2026.

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 7:30pm.

Unconfirmed