



**GREATER
DANDENONG**
City of Opportunity

MINUTES

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2019
Commencing at 6.00PM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
225 Lonsdale Street, Dandenong VIC 3175

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1 MEETING OPENING

1.1 ATTENDANCE

Apologies

Nil.

Councillors Present

Cr Peter Brown, Cr Youhorn Chea, Cr Tim Dark, Cr Matthew Kirwan, Cr Angela Long, Cr Zaynoun Melhem, Cr Jim Memeti, Cr Sean O'Reilly, Cr Maria Sampey, Cr Sophie Tan, Cr Loi Truong

Officers Present

John Bennie PSM, Chief Executive Officer; Jody Bosman, Director City Planning, Design and Amenity, Mick Jaensch, Director Corporate Services, Martin Fidler, Director Community Services; Paul Kearsley, Director Business, Engineering and Major Projects

Cr Tim Dark entered the Chamber at 6.01pm.

1.2 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Cr Jim Memeti disclosed a Conflict of Interest (Direct Interest) in Item No. 2.5 - Appointment of Council Liaisons and Representatives to Committees, Peak Industry Bodies, Regional and Community Based Organisations, as he is a Director of a company that has a stall at the Dandenong Market. Cr Jim Memeti left the Chamber prior to discussion and voting on the aspect of the item pertaining to the Dandenong Market.

1.3 TRADITIONAL RECOGNITION OF THE LAND

Aunty Pat Ockwell, spokesperson on behalf of the traditional owners of the land in Greater Dandenong, gave a traditional welcome to all in attendance.

2 BUSINESS

2.1 ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON

File Id:

Responsible Officer:

Director Corporate Services

Report Summary

Council's Meeting Procedure Local Law No 1, 2019 requires that the Chief Executive Officer take the Chair and be the first temporary Chairperson of the annual meeting to elect the Mayor.

The Local Law then prescribes that the Chief Executive Officer must invite nominations for a second temporary Chairperson whose role is to note allowances for the Mayor and Councillors and invite nominations for the office of Mayor.

Once a second temporary Chairperson is elected by Council, the Chief Executive Officer leaves the Chair and the elected second temporary Chairperson steps in.

The temporary Chairperson will remain in the Chair to conduct business in regard to the noting of allowances and election of the Mayor.

Recommendation

That Councillor _____ be elected temporary Chairperson.

MINUTE 1256

Moved by: Cr Jim Memeti

Seconded by: Cr Tim Dark

That Councillor Angela Long be elected temporary Chairperson.

CARRIED

2.1 ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON (Cont.)

WELCOME STATEMENT FROM CR ANGELA LONG, TEMPORARY CHAIR

“Hello. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we are gathered tonight and pay my respects to their elders past, present and emerging. Thank you to Aunty Pat Ockwell for the Welcome to Country tonight on behalf of the traditional owners.

Welcome also to everyone else here tonight for Council’s Annual Statutory Meeting which includes the Election of the new Mayor.

A special welcome to:

- The City’s Living Treasures who are here with us tonight.
- Mr Nagamuthu Wickirangasingham (or Wicky) who is also our Citizen of the Year for 2019
- Mr Peter Jabbour O-A-M
- Mr Bill Warner O-A-M and former councillor and mayor of Springvale

Welcome also to:

- Members of the Cambodian Association of Victoria,
- Members of the Springvale Indo Chinese Mutual Association and
- the families and friends of my fellow Councillors.

I would like to give a special welcome also to all the faith leaders here tonight:

- Mrs Agnes Kean from the Spiritual Assembly of the Bahais Greater Dandenong and the President of the Interfaith Network,
- Mr Leng Chaiwatanatorn from the Chua Quan Than Temple in Springvale,
- Venerable Sen Then from the Khmer Buddhist Centre in Springvale South,
- Sister Jaqueline Russell and Sister Nancy Armstrong from the Brahma Kumaris Centre for Spiritual Learning,
- Venerable Thich Thien Tam and Venerable Thich Phouc Uyen from the Hoa Nghiem Buddhist Association,
- Ms Ursula Aruma from the Sri Sathya Sai Organisation,
- Shanphy Chandiakumar and Phil Wong from the Interfaith Network,

2.1 ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON (Cont.)

- Xyka Abdurrahman from the Isomer Islamic Society in Dandenong,
- Imam Mehmet Salih Dogan from the Emir Sultan Mosque in Dandenong,
- Captain Claire Emerton from Dandenong Salvation Army,
- Venerable Ol Sam from Wat Buddharangsi,
- Ms Pam Mamouney O-A-M from the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints
- Mr Rienzie Machado from the Resurrection & St Anthony's Catholic Parishes
- Father Georges El' Khoury from St Paul's Antiochian Orthodox Church in Dandenong
- Mr Trevor Barton and Reverend Berlin Guerrero from the Dandenong Regional United Church,
- Mr Joel Mestry from the Dandenong Presbyterian Church,
- Mr Brian Bird from St Michaels and St Lukes Anglican Churches in Dandenong,
- Mr Alex Attard from the Faith Christian Church in Dandenong North, and lastly
- The Interfaith Network's Development Officer Helen Heath and her husband Colin

On behalf of all the councillors and staff of Greater Dandenong City Council, I thank you all for coming tonight.”

2.2 REVIEW OF MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES

File Id:

Responsible Officer:

Director Corporate Services

Attachments:

Report Summary

Council's Meeting Procedure Local Law No 1, 2019 requires that Council notes allowances for the Mayor and Councillors for the coming term.

Allowances are indexed annually as required by legislation and as advised by the Minister for Local Government. The Minister for Local Government regularly reviews the limits and ranges of Mayoral and Councillor allowances with the last effective from 1 December 2018. (Note that this decision is made by the Minister for Local Government and is not a Council decision).

Background

Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (LGA) stipulates that Council must pay allowances to the Mayor and Councillors not exceeding the limit set by an Order in Council for the purposes of the Act. Each Councillor must receive the same allowance and all allowances are set pro rata per annum.

As required under section 74(1) of the LGA, Council undertook a review of councillor and mayoral allowances and on 22 May 2017 subsequently endorsed that allowances for the next four years remain at the highest amount of the Category 3 level.

This is currently as follows:

	Current Allowance As at 1 December 2018
Councillor Allowance	\$30,827.46
Mayoral Allowance	\$98,464.68

Note: Greater Dandenong has been classified as a Category 3 Council since July 2005.

Allowances are also subject to an additional 9.5% as required under the Commonwealth's Superannuation Guarantee.

Under Council's Councillor Support, Reimbursement and Accountability Policy, Council also provides the Mayor with the use of a fully registered, insured, maintained and fuelled Council vehicle for use by the Mayor on official duties and for private use.

2.2 REVIEW OF MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES (Cont.)

It should be noted that section 73B of the LGA provides for the Minister of Local Government to review the limits and ranges of Councillor and Mayoral allowances. It is anticipated that an annual adjustment will be made to Councillor and Mayoral allowances in December 2019 but at the time of writing this report no advice has been received by Local Government Victoria.

Recommendation

That the current Mayoral and Councillor allowances be noted.

MINUTE 1257

Moved by: Cr Youhorn Chea
Seconded by: Cr Loi Truong

That the current Mayoral and Councillor allowances be noted.

CARRIED

2.3 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR

File Id:

Responsible Officer:

Director Corporate Services

Attachments:

Report Summary

Section 71 of the *Local Government Act 1989* requires that a Mayor be elected. The term of office of the Mayor is for one (1) year unless Council resolves prior to the appointment of the Mayor to appoint the successful incumbent for a two-year period. Section 71(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989* provides that the election of the Mayor must be undertaken at a Council meeting that is open to the public.

Background

The Mayor, or Councillor acting in the position, takes precedence at all municipal proceedings within the municipal district and must chair all meetings of the Council. In the normal course of events the office of Mayor becomes vacant at 6:00am on the day of the next Mayoral election. Any Councillor is eligible for election or re-election to the office of Mayor (sections 72 and 73 of the *Local Government Act 1989*).

Part 16 of Council's Meeting Procedure Local Law No 1, 2019 details the procedure for election of the Mayor.

It is the responsibility of the temporary Chairperson to call for nominations for the position of Mayor. In the event that more than one Councillor is nominated for the position of Mayor for the 2019-2020 Mayoral term, then Councillors present at the meeting must vote for one of the candidates by a show of hands.

After the election the new Mayor will take the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

2.3 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR (Cont.)

Recommendation

That _____ be appointed Mayor of the City of Greater Dandenong for the 2019-2020 term.

Four nominations were received for the position of Mayor for the 2019-2020 term as follows (in alphabetical order):

Candidate	Nominated by:	Seconded by:
Cr Youhorn Chea	Cr Youhorn Chea	Cr Sophie Tan
Cr Jim Memeti	Cr Tim Dark	Cr Zaynoun Melhem
Cr Loi Truong	Cr Loi Truong	Cr Peter Brown
Cr Maria Sampey	Cr Maria Samney	Cr Matthew Kirwan

Voting was then conducted by a show of hands.

Round 1

Candidate	Number of votes
Cr Youhorn Chea (Defeated)	2
Cr Jim Memeti	3
Cr Loi Truong	3
Cr Maria Sampey	3

Round 2

Candidate	Number of votes
Cr Jim Memeti	5
Cr Loi Truong (Defeated by lot)	3
Cr Maria Sampey	3

Round 3

Candidate	Number of votes
Cr Jim Memeti	6
Cr Maria Sampey (Defeated)	5

MINUTE 1258

That Cr Jim Memeti be appointed Mayor of the City of Greater Dandenong for the 2019-2020 term.

CARRIED

2.3 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR (Cont.)

Newly elected Mayor, Cr Jim Memeti has the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

SPEECH BY INCOMING MAYOR, CR JIM MEMETI

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of this land and pay my respects to their elders, past, present and emerging.

Good evening ladies and gentlemen.

I would also like to acknowledge a number of other guests who have joined us to mark this significant occasion:

- My fellow Councillors
- CEO John Bennie
- Council Executive members and staff
- City of Greater Dandenong Living Treasures
- Members of the Interfaith Network
- Friends

I would like to start by thanking my fellow councillors for giving me this honour and electing me to be Mayor of the City of Greater Dandenong for the coming year.

I have been a Councillor for 14 years and this will be my fourth term as mayor.

I look forward to bringing my years of experience to this role, and I will work hard for the whole city to achieve good outcomes for our wonderful community.

Greater Dandenong is Australia's most culturally diverse city, and I believe it is one of the most vibrant in our country.

I am very proud to be representing this community and will continue to work tirelessly for all the people who call Greater Dandenong home.

There is always a lot happening in our city, but over the next 12 months I am particularly excited about the opening of the new Springvale Library and Community Precinct project. A number of events are already being planned around this fantastic new facility.

I will continue to make our city the welcoming place that it is, and will work hard to promote understanding, tolerance and acceptance.

Our city is well known now as a city of celebration and we have many community festivals and events coming up over summer.

These include:

- Carols by Candlelight in Harmony Square on Friday 12 December;

2.3 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR (Cont.)

- New Year's Eve in Harmony Square on Tuesday 31 December; and
- The Australia Day Festival in Dandenong Park on Sunday 26 January 2020.

We encourage all residents to get involved and share in the wonderful spirit of our community.

I would like to thank my family for being here tonight to support me and celebrate this occasion.

Finally I would also like to acknowledge the great work of our most recent mayor, Roz Blades. Please put your hands together for our former Mayor and Councillor Roz Blades who is unfortunately not here tonight. She has achieved so much over a long journey as a Councillor and past mayor of the City of Springvale and the City of Greater Dandenong. We wish her and her family all the best. We are thinking of Roz at this time.

Also to Youhorn Chea who stepped in in the last month and has done a fantastic job and we thank Cr Youhorn Chea for his work representing his city as Mayor. They have both shown a lot of dedication and have made a very positive contribution to the city.

Once again I thank my fellow Councillors for giving me this opportunity and I look forward to working with you all as well as our CEO and our executive team over the coming year. Thank you.

Councillors were provided with an opportunity to thank former Mayor Roz Blades and the outgoing Mayor, Cr Youhorn Chea; and to welcome the incoming Mayor for the 2019-20 term, Cr Jim Memeti.

2.4 PROPOSED COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2020

File Id:

Responsible Officer:

Director Corporate Services

Attachments:

Council Meetings 2020

Report Summary

This report proposes a meeting cycle and decision making process for Council only for the 2020 calendar year.

Background

Council currently holds two (2) Ordinary Council meetings each month, usually on the second and fourth Monday evening, with the exception of January, October and December in 2020. Special Council meetings are also held as required.

Councillor Briefing Sessions and Pre-Council meetings are also conducted. All Councillor Briefing Sessions and Pre-Council meetings are scheduled with the agreement of Councillors and do not require formal resolution.

It has been customary for Council to resolve its meeting cycles for at least a twelve month period and this report proposes a continuation of that practice.

Proposal

This report proposes a meeting cycle for Council for the 2020 calendar year as follows:

- Council holds two Ordinary Council meetings per month with the exception of January, October and December 2020; and
- Special Council meetings shall continue to be held as required and are held by Council to deal with specific issues that arise outside the normal business of the Council, to deal with urgent issues or to give specific attention to one or a small number of issues.

All Council meetings will be held in the Civic Centre at 225 Lonsdale Street, Dandenong.

It is also proposed that the regular program of Councillor Briefing Sessions and Pre-Council meetings be continued. These sessions provide Councillors with an opportunity to obtain detailed information on a range of issues affecting the City. Councillor Briefing Sessions and Pre-Council meetings also provide an opportunity for Council to hear submissions from community and business organisations.

2.4 PROPOSED COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2020 (Cont.)

Financial Implications

Support for the meeting cycle and decision making structure outlined in this report will be primarily through the staff and budget resources of the Governance Unit.

Policy Implications

The meeting structure proposed in this report is consistent with Council's governance obligations as set out in the *Local Government Act* 1989 and other relevant legislation and guidelines. The proposed meeting cycle and decision making process will contribute to the effective governance of the City by providing a regular, publicly accessible process for Council decision making and will ensure that Councillors are fully informed of the issues before them to assist them to make decisions that are appropriate and responsive to the needs of the community.

Conclusion

The proposal presented is consistent with Council's commitment to open and accountable government and involving the community in decisions that affect them. It will continue to build upon the established partnership between Council and the community in fostering effective governance of the City.

Recommendation

That Council adopts the meeting schedule as detailed in Attachment 1.

MINUTE 1259

Moved by: Cr Tim Dark
Seconded by: Cr Maria Sampey

That Council adopts the meeting schedule as detailed in Attachment 1.

CARRIED

2.4 PROPOSED COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2020 (Cont.)

BUSINESS

PROPOSED COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2020

ATTACHMENT 1

COUNCIL MEETINGS 2020

PAGES 2 (including cover)

If the details of the attachment are unclear please contact Governance on 8571 5235.

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2.4 PROPOSED COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2020 (Cont.)**COUNCIL MEETINGS**
**DATES & LOCATIONS
2020**

DAY	DATE	VENUE
Tuesday*	28 January 2020	Dandenong
Monday	10 February 2020	Dandenong
Monday	24 February 2020	Dandenong
Tuesday*	10 March 2020	Dandenong
Monday	23 March 2020	Dandenong
Tuesday*	14 April 2020	Dandenong
Monday	27 April 2020	Dandenong
Monday	11 May 2020	Dandenong
Monday	25 May 2020	Dandenong
Tuesday*	9 June 2020	Dandenong
Monday	22 June 2020	Dandenong
Monday	13 July 2020	Dandenong
Monday	27 July 2020	Dandenong
Monday	10 August 2020	Dandenong
Monday	24 August 2020	Dandenong
Monday	14 September 2020	Dandenong
Monday	28 September 2020	Dandenong
Monday	12 October 2020	Dandenong
Thursday^#	5 November 2020	Dandenong
Monday#	9 November 2020	Dandenong
Monday	23 November 2020	Dandenong
Monday	14 December 2020	Dandenong

* Tuesday meeting due to Public Holiday on the Monday

^ Annual Statutory Meeting of Council for Swearing In of New Councillors and Election of the Mayor (commencing at 6pm)

Provisional meeting date dependent on result of Council elections to be held Saturday 24 October 2020

- All meetings shall be held in the Council Chambers (Level 2, 225 Lonsdale Street, Dandenong) unless otherwise advised
- Meetings will commence at 7pm unless otherwise advised
- All Ordinary Meetings listed are web cast live at www.greaterdandenong.com/councilmeetings
- Council may, by resolution at any Ordinary or Special Meeting, alter the day, time and location upon which any Ordinary Meeting shall be held

2.5 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL LIAISONS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES, PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES, REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS

File Id:

Responsible Officer:

Director Corporate Services

Attachments:

2019-2020 Councillor Representation
Nominations

Report Summary

In conducting the business of Council and representing Council's interests in the wider community, Greater Dandenong City Council has formal representation and liaison with a wide number of committees, peak industry bodies and regional and community associations.

Whilst the Mayor of the day is typically Council's key representative, the volume of associations where Council seeks an involvement is such that representation needs to be shared amongst all Councillors to ensure a manageable workload.

This report provides a schedule of the proposed appointment of Council liaisons and representatives to committees, peak industry bodies, regional and community associations for 2019/20.

Proposal

Current appointments of Council Representatives on all representative bodies are provided in Attachment 1. The attachment also lists the proposed new appointments of Council Liaisons and Representatives on community organisations, committees, reference groups, peak industry bodies and regional organisations. During the year, Council may receive additional requests and these will be presented for consideration at the following Statutory meeting of Council.

Recommendation A

That, for the 2019-2020 Mayoral term, Council appoints Councillor Liaisons and Councillor Representatives to all of the community organisations, committees, reference groups, peak industry bodies and regional organisations listed in Attachment 1 but excluding Dandenong Market Pty Ltd.

2.5 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL LIAISONS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES, PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES, REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS (Cont.)

MINUTE 1260

Moved by: Cr Matthew Kirwan
Seconded by: Cr Tim Dark

That, for the 2019-2020 Mayoral term, Council appoints Councillor Liaisons and Councillor Representatives to all of the community organisations, committees, reference groups, peak industry bodies and regional organisations listed in Attachment 1 but excluding Dandenong Market Pty Ltd.

CARRIED

Cr Jim Memeti disclosed a Conflict of Interest (Direct Interest) in Part (B) of this item, as he is a Director of a company that has a stall at the Dandenong Market.

MINUTE 1261

Moved by: Cr Matthew Kirwan
Seconded by: Cr Tim Dark

That Cr Youhorn Chea be elected Temporary Chair for discussion of Part (B) of this item.

CARRIED

Cr Jim Memeti left the Chamber at 6.33pm.

Recommendation B

That, for the 2019-2020 Mayoral term, Council appoints Cr _____ as the Council Representative to the Dandenong Market Pty Ltd.

MINUTE 1262

Moved by: Cr Matthew Kirwan
Seconded by: Cr Tim Dark

That, for the 2019-2020 Mayoral term, the Council Representative is as listed in Attachment One of this report.

CARRIED

2.5 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL LIAISONS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES, PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES, REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS (Cont.)

Cr Jim Memeti resumed the Chair at 6.34pm.

2.5 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL LIAISONS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES, PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES, REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS (Cont.)

OTHER

**APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL LIAISONS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO
COMMITTEES, PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES, REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY
BASED ORGANISATIONS**

ATTACHMENT 1

**2019-2020 COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION
NOMINATIONS**

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2.5 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL LIAISONS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES, PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES, REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS (Cont.)

Councillor Representation on Committees, Community Organisations and Associations, Peak Industry Bodies and Regional Organisations - November 2019 – November 2020

COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

Organisation	Past Councillor Liaison(s) 2018-2019 16 Nov 2018 – 14 Nov 2019	New Councillor Liaison(s) 2019-2020 15 Nov 2019 – Nov 2020
Dandenong and District Historical Society	Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Matthew Kirwan
Dandenong Show Committee	Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Angela Long Cr Zaynoun Melhem Cr Jim Memeti	Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Zaynoun Melhem Cr Jim Memeti
Greater Dandenong Interfaith Network	Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Loi Truong
South East Community Links	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Sean O'Reilly	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Sean O'Reilly
Springvale and District Historical Society	Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Loi Truong	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Loi Truong
Springvale Benevolent Society	Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Sean O'Reilly Cr Loi Truong	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Sean O'Reilly Cr Loi Truong

Councillor Liaison

It is not essential for Council to be involved in these groups – Councillors are only involved when they have the interest, the time and the inclination.

Protocols

Councillor Liaisons act as a liaison point between the organisation and Council as a whole and provide advice to Council or the organisation when decisions or relevant policy matters are discussed. Councillor Liaisons will generally keep informed about the work and functions of the organisation and support the role of the organisation in accordance with Council policy or direction. If a Councillor chooses to stand as an office bearer of the organisation this is undertaken separately to the role of Councillor Liaison.

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Councillor Representation on Committees, Community Organisations and Associations, Peak Industry Bodies and Regional Organisations - November 2019 – November 2020

COUNCIL GROUPS & COMMITTEES

Organisation	Past Councillor Representative(s) 2018-2019 16 Nov 2018 – 14 Nov 2019	New Councillor Representative(s) 2019-2020 15 Nov 2019 – Nov 2020
Arts Advisory Board	Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Matthew Kirwan
Audit Advisory Committee (AAC)	Mayor of the Day Cr Roz Blades Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Maria Sampey <i>(Note: The Mayor plus only one Councillor Representative has voting rights – who shall be determined by the AAC)</i>	Mayor of the Day Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Maria Sampey <i>(Note: The Mayor plus only one Councillor Representative has voting rights – who shall be determined by the AAC)</i>
Australia Day Community Assessment Panel	Mayor Councillor Councillor	Mayor of the Day Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Maria Sampey
CEO Performance Review Committee	Mayor of the Day Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Angela Long Cr Jim Memeti Cr Maria Sampey	Mayor of the Day Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Tim Dark Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Angela Long Cr Jim Memeti Cr Maria Sampey Cr Sophie Tan
Children & Family Partnership	Cr Roz Blades Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong	Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong
Community Safety Advisory Committee	Mayor of the Day Cr Roz Blades Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Angela Long Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong	Mayor of the Day Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Angela Long Cr Maria Sampey Cr Sophie Tan Cr Loi Truong
Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee	Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan
Dandenong Market Pty Ltd	Cr Maria Sampey Alternate - Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Maria Sampey Alternate - Cr Tim Dark
Dandenong Stadium Advisory Board	Cr Angela Long	Cr Angela Long
Disability Advisory Committee	Cr Roz Blades Cr Angela Long Cr Zaynoun Melhem Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong	Cr Angela Long Cr Zaynoun Melhem Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong
Family Violence Advisory Committee	Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Angela Long Cr Loi Truong	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Angela Long Cr Sophie Tan Cr Loi Truong

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Note * The DMPL Management Services Agreement does not specifically require an 'alternate' Council representative.

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Councillor Representation on Committees, Community Organisations and Associations, Peak Industry Bodies and Regional Organisations - November 2019 – November 2020

Organisation	Past Councillor Representative(s) 2018-2019 16 Nov 2018 – 14 Nov 2019	New Councillor Representative(s) 2019-2020 15 Nov 2019 – Nov 2020
Community Partnership Funding Grants Advisory & Assessment Panel – Building Capacity Grants	-	Mayor of the Day Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Tim Dark Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Zaynoun Melhem
Community Partnership Funding Grants Advisory & Assessment Panel – Strategic Project Grants		Mayor of the Day Cr Peter Brown Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Tim Dark Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Zaynoun Melhem
Community Partnership Funding Grants Advisory & Assessment Panel – Sponsorships		Mayor of the Day Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Tim Dark Cr Matthew Kirwan
Community Support Grants Advisory & Assessment Panel – Community Development	-	Mayor of the Day Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Tim Dark Cr Sophie Tan Cr Loi Truong
Community Support Grants Advisory & Assessment Panel – Arts, Festivals & Events		Mayor of the Day Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Tim Dark
Indian Cultural Precinct Taskforce	-	Mayor of the Day
Leisure Contract Advisory Group	Cr Roz Blades Cr Angela Long Cr Loi Truong	Cr Tim Dark Cr Angela Long Cr Loi Truong
LG Mayoral Taskforce Supporting People Seeking Asylum	Mayor of the Day	Mayor of the Day Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Youhorn Chea <i>(Note: Only the Mayor or their delegate has voting rights)</i>
Multicultural and People Seeking Asylum Advisory Committee	Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan
Positive Ageing Advisory Committee	Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong
Reconciliation Working Group	Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Angela Long	Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Angela Long
Springvale Major Projects Advisory Group (SMPAG)	Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Jim Memeti Cr Sean O'Reilly Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong	Cr Peter Brown Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Jim Memeti Cr Sean O'Reilly Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong
Sustainability Advisory Committee	Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Sophie Tan

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Councillor Representation on Committees, Community Organisations and Associations, Peak Industry Bodies and Regional Organisations - November 2019 – November 2020

Taylor's Road Landfill Community Reference Group #	Cr Angela Long Alternate - Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Angela Long Alternate - Cr Matthew Kirwan
Young Leaders	Ambassador - Cr Roz Blades Ambassador – Cr Zaynoun Melhem Ambassador – Cr Jim Memeti Ambassador - Cr Sean O'Reilly	Ambassador - Cr Tim Dark Ambassador - Cr Zaynoun Melhem Ambassador - Cr Jim Memeti Ambassador - Cr Sean O'Reilly Ambassador - Cr Sophie Tan

Councillor Representative

An essential or mandatory appointment that it is in Council's best interests to engage in, the organisation's constitution requires a Councillor Representative or a Councillor or Council representative is a requirement of Council funding.

Protocols

Council representatives participate as a member of these groups by representing Council's views and to inform Council of key issues related to these organisations/groups. They act as a reference point between the organisation/group and Council as a whole and provide advice to Council or the organisation/group when decisions or major policy matters are discussed.

NB: # denotes alternate councillor required when nominated councillor cannot attend a meeting.

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2.5 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL LIAISONS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES, PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES, REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS (Cont.)

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PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES

Organisation	Past Councillor Representative(s) 2018-2019 16 Nov 2018 – 14 Nov 2019	New Councillor Representative(s) 2019-2020 15 Nov 2019 – Nov 2020
Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA)	Cr Roz Blades	Cr Sophie Tan
Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) #	Cr Sean O'Reilly Alternate - Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Sean O'Reilly Alternate - Cr Matthew Kirwan
Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) #	Cr Matthew Kirwan Alternate – Cr Maria Sampey	Cr Matthew Kirwan Alternate - Cr Maria Sampey

REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND COMMITTEES

Organisation	Past Councillor Representative(s) 2018-2019 16 Nov 2018 – 14 Nov 2019	New Councillor Representative(s) 2019-2020 15 Nov 2019 – Nov 2020
2020 Local Government Mayoral Advisory Panel	Cr Roz Blades	By application to Minister only
Alliance for Gambling Reform	Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Sean O'Reilly Cr Maria Sampey	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Sean O'Reilly Cr Maria Sampey Cr Loi Truong
Eastern Transport Coalition #	Cr Roz Blades Cr Youhorn Chea	Cr Youhorn Chea
Inter Council Aboriginal Consultative Committee (ICACC)	Cr Angela Long Alternate - Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Angela Long Alternate - Cr Matthew Kirwan
Local Governments/Metropolitan Waste Management Forum #	Cr Matthew Kirwan Alternate 1 – Cr Maria Sampey	Cr Matthew Kirwan Alternate - Cr Maria Sampey
RoadSafe South East Inc.	Cr Angela Long	Cr Angela Long
South East Councils Climate Change Alliance (SECCCA) Councillor Advisory Group	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan
South East Region Gas Company (SERGASCo)	Cr Matthew Kirwan	Officer only will now attend
South East Melbourne (SEM)	Mayor of the Day CEO	Mayor of the Day
Welcoming Australia	-	Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Matthew Kirwan

Councillor Representative

An essential or mandatory appointment that it is in Council's best interests to engage in, the organisation's constitution requires a Councillor Representative or a Councillor or Council representative is a requirement of Council funding.

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Protocols

Council representatives participate as a member of these groups by representing Council's views and to inform Council of key issues related to these organisations/groups. They act as a reference point between the organisation/group and Council as a whole and provide advice to Council or the organisation/group when decisions or major policy matters are discussed.

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3 RECOGNITION OF FAITH LEADERS

File Id:

Responsible Officer:

Director Corporate Services

Attachments:

Report Summary

The City of Greater Dandenong is known for its diversity in cultures and faith. The Interfaith Network is a leading organisation which represents a diverse range of faiths from within the City and members have attended Council meetings throughout the last twenty (20) years to offer prayers at the beginning of each Council meeting. The Interfaith Network is represented at the Annual Statutory Meeting along with many other faiths.

At Annual Statutory meetings it has been past practice for a member of the Interfaith Network to pledge its support to the new Mayor and the Greater Dandenong City Council.

3 RECOGNITION OF FAITH LEADERS (Cont.)

Proceedings

The new Mayor acknowledged the role of the all faiths within our diverse community and welcomed all faith leaders attending the Annual Statutory Meeting.

The Mayor invited the President of the Greater Dandenong Interfaith Network, Mrs Agnes Kean to read the Common Statement on behalf of all faith leaders:

COMMON STATEMENT OF THE FAITH COMMUNITIES

We bring greetings from the faith communities to the Mayor, Councillors and people of Greater Dandenong.

We offer to the City of Greater Dandenong our common commitment to seek to live together in peace and goodwill.

We affirm our desire to promote respect and tolerance for the integrity of each other's beliefs, cultures and traditions. This desire arises not only from our common humanity but also from our being people of faith and people of prayer.

We recognise that as neighbours, we have responsibilities to the community, the world and ourselves. We therefore urge all citizens, both religious and non-religious, to put aside intolerance, prejudice and divisiveness, to attain peaceful and fruitful co-existence in our City.

The Mayor accepted the Common Statement on behalf of Council and made an acknowledgement as follows:

I reaffirm Council's desire to promote respect and acceptance for the integrity of all faiths, cultures and traditions of communities in the City of Greater Dandenong, in partnership with the Interfaith Network.

Thankyou to all Faith Community Leaders here tonight.

The Mayor provided all Councillors with an opportunity to acknowledge the faith leaders attending the meeting.

4 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 6.41PM.

Confirmed: / /

CHAIRPERSON