

192ND Meeting

**Erskineville Town Hall
Erskineville**

Tuesday, 2 September 1997

An Extraordinary Meeting of South Sydney City Council was held at the Council Chambers, Erskineville Town Hall, Erskineville, at 6.34 pm on Tuesday, 2 September 1997.

PRESENT

His Worship, The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith (Chairperson)

Councillors - John Bush, Sonia Fenton, John Fowler, Christine Harcourt, Jill Lay, Sean Macken, Greg Waters.

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Welcome to Visitors

At this stage the Mayor welcomed to the meeting, Councillor George Glinatsis, Deputy Mayor of Botany; Councillor Bernadette O'Connor, Botany Council; Mr. Peter Fitzgerald, Acting General Manager, Botany Council; Mr. John Maree, Director of Operational Services, Botany Council; Councillor Henry Tsang, Deputy Mayor of Sydney City Council; Councillor Daryl Hughes, Woollahra Council; Councillor Larry Hand, Leichhardt Council and Councillor Phil Morgans, Marrickville Council.

Leave of Absence - Councillor Deftereos

A request was received from Councillor Deftereos for leave of absence from the Extraordinary Council meeting on 2 September until 29 September 1997.

It was moved by Councillor Fowler, seconded by Councillor Bush:-

That leave of absence be granted to Councillor Deftereos from the Council meeting on 2 September until 29 September 1997.

Carried.

MINUTE BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

26 August 1997

ELECTIONS - MAYOR - ELECTION FOR TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 1998 (E52-00018)

Section 230 (1) of the Local Government Act, 1993, provides that a Mayor elected by Councillors holds the office for one year.

Section 282 (2) provides that the Mayor of an area who is to be elected by the Councillors for the area is to be elected by the Councillors from amongst their numbers.

Clause 120 of the Local Government (Elections) Regulation, 1993, provides that if a Mayor or Deputy Mayor is to be elected by the Councillors of an area, the election is to be in accordance with Schedule 3

A copy of Schedule 3 which sets out the method of submitting nominations and the carrying out of the election is attached.

It might be noted that Clause 3 (2) of Schedule 3 of the (Elections) Regulation, provides that if more than one Councillor is nominated, the Council is to resolve

whether the election is to proceed by preferential ballot, by ordinary ballot or by open voting.

The matter of election of a Councillor to the office of Mayor for the term expiring September 1998 is submitted for consideration.

J.W. Bourke (SGD)
General Manager

Clause (1) of Schedule 3 of the Local Government Act, 1993, indicates that the Returning Officer for the election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor is the General Manager.

In accordance with Schedule 3 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the General Manager as Returning Officer then conducted the election for the office of Mayor.

The General Manager indicated that two nominations has been received, namely, Councillor John Fowler and Councillor Vic Smith.

Both Councillors indicated their acceptance of the nomination.

The General Manager declared nominations closed and indicated that as there was more than one candidate, there would have to be an election and that in accordance with Clause 3 (2) of Schedule 3 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the Council will have to resolve whether the election is to proceed by preferential ballot, by ordinary ballot or by open voting.

It was moved by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Harcourt:-

That the election be held by open voting.

Carried.

The General Manager then conducted the election which resulted as follows, namely:-

Councillor Vic Smith received six votes:
(Councillors Fenton, Harcourt, Lay, Macken, Smith, Waters.);

Councillor John Fowler received two votes:
(Councillors Bush, Fowler.)

The General Manager then declared Councillor Vic Smith elected as the Mayor of South Sydney City Council for the period ending September, 1998.

The Mayor expressed his appreciation to his fellow Councillors, residents and rate payers for their support during his previous term and said that he looked forward to the same continued support for the coming term.

MINUTE BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

26 August 1997

**ELECTIONS - DEPUTY MAYOR - ELECTION FOR TERM
EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 1998 (E52-00018)**

Section 231 (1) of the Local government Act. 1993, provides that the Councillors may elect a person from among their numbers to be Deputy Mayor.

Section 231 (2) provides the person may be elected for the Mayoral term or a shorter term.

Section 231 (3) provides that the Deputy Mayor may exercise any function of the Mayor at the request of the Mayor or if the Mayor is prevented by illness, absence or otherwise from exercising the function or if there is a casual vacancy in the office of Mayor.

Should Council resolved to elect a Deputy Mayor, such election must be conducted in accordance with Schedule 3 of the (Elections) Regulation relating to the Local Government Act, 1993.

The question of Council electing a Councillor to the office of Deputy Mayor for the term expiring September 1998 or a shorter term is submitted for consideration.

J.W. Bourke (SGD)
General Manager

In accordance with Schedule 3 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the General Manager as Returning Officer then conducted the election for the office of Deputy Mayor.

The General Manager called for written nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor for the Mayoral term expiring in September, 1997.

Two nominations were received, namely, Councillor Christine Harcourt and Councillor John Bush.

Both Councillors indicated their acceptance of the nomination.

The General Manager declared nominations closed and indicated that as there was more than one candidate, there would have to be an election and that in accordance with Clause 3 (2) of Schedule 3 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the Council will

have to resolve whether the election is to proceed by preferential ballot, by ordinary ballot or by open voting.

It was moved by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Macken:-

That the election be held by open voting.

Carried.

The General Manager then conducted the election which resulted as follows, namely:-

Councillor Christine Harcourt received six votes:
(Councillors Fenton, Harcourt, Lay, Macken, Smith, Waters);

Councillor John Bush received two votes:
(Councillors Bush, Fowler.)

The General Manager then declared Councillor Christine Harcourt elected as the Deputy Mayor of South Sydney City Council for the period ending September, 1998.

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Harcourt expressed her appreciation to her fellow Councillors and acknowledged that all Councillors worked well together and hoped that they continue to in the next 12 months.

MINUTE BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

26 August 1997

COMMITTEES - STANDING COMMITTEES, SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE COMMITTEES - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS. ETC FOR TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 1998 (C57-00070)

Section 29 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting) Regulation, 1993 prescribed that Council by resolution, establish such Committees as it considers necessary.

Section 29 (2) also prescribes that such a Committee is to consist of the Mayor and such other Councillors as are elected by the Councillors or appointed by the Council.

Section 29 (3) prescribes that the quorum for a meeting of a Committee is to be:-

- (a) such number of members as the Council decides; or
- (b) if the Council has not decided a number a majority of the members of the Committee.

Section 30 prescribes that Council must specify the functions of each of its Committees when the Committee is established, but may from time to time amend those functions.

Section 34 (1) provides that the Chairperson of each Committee of Council must be:-

- (a) the Mayor; or
- (b) if the Mayor does not wish to be a Chairperson of a Committee, a member of the Committee elected by Council; or
- (c) if the Council does not elect such a member, a member of the Committee elected by the Committee.

Council on 4 September 1996, appointed the Standing Committees and other Committees of Council and specified their functions as detailed in Attachment "A" and also appointed representatives to outside Committees as detailed in Attachment "B".

Additional Committees were formed after 4 September 1996 and these have also been included in Attachment "A". and Attachment "B".

The following is now submitted for consideration:-

(A) STANDING COMMITTEES

- (a) That in accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of the Local Government (Meeting) Regulation, 1993, Council appoints the following three Standing Committees for the term expiring in September 1998.
 - (1) Finance Committee
 - (2) Community Services Committee- and that those two Committees meet in tandem
 - (3) Planning and Development Committee
- (b) That the Finance Committee and the Community Services Committee each comprise four members and that the quorum at a meeting be three members.
- (c) That the Planning and Development Committee comprise five members and that the quorum at a meeting be three members.
- (d) That the Finance Committee meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month at the hour of 6.30 p.m. at the Council Chambers, Erskineville Road, Erskineville, and that it be immediately followed by the Community Services Committee meeting.
- (e) That the Planning and Development Committee meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month at the hour 6.30 p.m. at the Council Chambers, Erskineville Road, Erskineville.

(B) ADDITIONAL COMMITTEES

The question of the appointment of the additional Committees other than Standing Committees detailed in Attachment "A" and the quorum for such Committees being the majority of the members is submitted for consideration.

(C) APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSONS AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES

The Chairpersons and members detailed on Committees in attachment "A" accompanying the General Manager's minute were appointed to the Standing Committees and additional Committees for the period ending September 1997, and the representatives on outside Committees detailed in attachment "B" accompanying the General Manager's minute were also appointed for the period ending September 1997.

The question of the appointment of the Chairpersons and members for the period ending September, 1998, is submitted for Council's determination.

(D) FUNCTIONS OF COMMITTEES

The functions for each Committee detailed in attachment "A" are submitted for consideration.

J.W. Bourke (SGD)
General Manager

Moved by Councillor Macken, seconded by Councillor Lay:-

- (1) That Clauses (A) and (B), be approved and adopted;
- (2) That it be noted that the following Committees were deleted from Clauses (C) and (D), namely:-
 - (a) Fire Safety Working Party;
 - (b) Social History Project Steering Committee;
 - (c) Migrant Advisory Committee;
- (3) That in relation to clauses (C) and (D) the following members and Chairpersons be appointed to the Standing Committees and additional Committees and as representatives for outside Committees and the functions of the Committees be as indicated, namely:-

(A) APPOINTMENTS TO COUNCIL'S COMMITTEES, ADDITIONAL COMMITTEES AND FUNCTIONS RELATING THERETO

1. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councillor Sean Macken (Chairperson)
Councillor Margaret Deftereos
Councillor Greg Waters
Councillor Sonia Fenton

FUNCTION

To oversee the following:-

Financial Reporting
Rates
Donations
Staff Matters
Plant and Vehicle Maintenance
Councillors
Management Plan
Works Programme
Asset Purchases and Replacement
Tenders
Security
Public Relations
Tourism Issues
Delegations of Authority
Sub-Committee Reports (Relevant)
Any Matter not Covered by Other Committee

To formulate overall Property Management Policies centered around the following topics:

Property redevelopment potential
Valuation - report and reviews
Rent reviews
Tenancy agreements
Feasibility Studies and Briefs
Building Maintenance programmes
Upgrading of buildings to comply with Ordinance 70.
Land and Buildings - Purchase and Sale
Licences - Footway etc.

2. COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Councillor Sonia Fenton (Chairperson)
Councillor Margaret Deftereos
Councillor Greg Waters

Councillor Sean Macken

FUNCTION

To oversee the following:-
Public Health and Safety
Neighbourhood Watch
Arts and Culture
Libraries
Child Care
Community Housing
Disadvantaged Groups
Recreation and Parks
Environmental (Green) Issues
Sub-Committee Reports (Relevant)

3. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith (Chairperson)
Councillor Christine Harcourt
Councillor Jill Lay
Councillor John Fowler
Councillor John Bush

FUNCTION

To oversee the following:-

Development Applications
Building Applications
Subdivision Applications
Development Control Plans
Heritage Issues
Parking - Planning
Traffic Management Schemes
Local Area Improvement Schemes
Local Environment Plans
Roads
Sub-Committee Reports (Relevant)
Lighting
Roads
-construction
-maintenance
-widening
-closure/sale
-reopening
Footway Widening
Traffic Restraint Measures (Construction)
Dedication of Land

Resumption of Land for road purposes
Stormwater/Drainage
Works Program
Changing fixed building line
Sub-Committee Report (Relevant)

4. GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Comprises all members of Council

FUNCTION

To meet as and when required to discuss matters of a confidential nature and other matters which require all members to be in attendance.

5. CULTURAL COMMITTEE

Councillor Christine Harcourt (Chairperson)
Councillor Sonia Fenton
Councillor John Fowler
Councillor Jill Lay
Director of Health and Community Services
Community Arts Officer
Victoria Harbutt - Arts Representative
Kate Briscoe - Arts Representative
Patricia Parker - Arts Representative
Anne Doran - Community Representative
Joe Holder - Community Representative

FUNCTION

Established for the purpose of nurturing and developing, within the members of the local communities, an understanding and awareness of Culture and Heritage. Paramount is the need to ensure the protection and maintenance of the ethnicity of the various people who reside in or use the facilities of the Local Government area.

6. DONATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE

Councillor Sean Macken (Chairperson)
All other members of Council
Officer representatives in attendance

FUNCTION

To assist Council in the consideration of donations and grants to Community Organisations and to formulate policy with regard thereto.

7. SOUTH SYDNEY ACCESS COMMITTEE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Councillor Sonia Fenton (Chairperson)
Councillor Greg Waters
Representatives from Disability Groups and Organisations
Local residents with disabilities
Nominated Council officer from Public Works and Services Department,
Planning and Building Department, Health and Community Services
Department and Employment Services Department

FUNCTION

A central umbrella committee for information and assistance for people with disabilities who live, work or play within this Council's boundaries. The Committee has an advocacy and development role. Its aim is to achieve community awareness and acceptance for people with disabilities in all aspects of life.

8. REVENUE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Councillor Sean Macken (Chairperson)
Director of Corporate Services
Director of Finance
Finance Manager

Corporate Services Manager
Heads of Department or their nominees as required

FUNCTION

To review Council's Fees and Charges and also looking at other means of revenue raising.

9. PADDINGTON GATEWAY WORKING PARTY

Councillor Sonia Fenton
Councillor Greg Waters
Councillor Margaret Deftereos
Representative from Public Works and Services Department
Representative from Woollahra Municipal Council (Councillors and Staff)
Representative from Sydney Water
Representative from Paddington Chamber of Commerce
Representative from South Paddington Residents Association
Representative from Paddington Historical and Heritage Society
Representative from Paddington Restoration Committee
Representative from Paddington Gateway Business Association
Council's Main Street Officer

FUNCTION

To facilitate and co-ordinate improvements to the amenity and viability of Oxford Street, Paddington, as a neighbourhood shopping centre and as a public asset, through application of Mainstreet Programme principles, and liaison with Woollahra Council and the local Chamber of Commerce as well as issues of concern to the Gateway Community, including safety, traffic and flight paths.

10. KING STREET/ENMORE ROAD MAIN STREETS COMMITTEE

Councillor Jill Lay
Other Councillor observers
Representative from Public Works and Services Department
Representative from Planning & Building Department
Representative from Marrickville Municipal Council (Councillor and Staff)
Representative from Newtown Chamber of Commerce
Representative from Enmore Chamber of Commerce

FUNCTION

To facilitate and co-ordinate improvement to the amenity and viability of the Newtown Shopping Centre (King Street and Enmore Road) through liaison with Marrickville Council, the local Chamber of Commerce, and the application of Mainstreet Programme principles.

11. SOUTH SYDNEY AUSTRALIA DAY COMMUNITY AWARDS COMMITTEE

Councillor Christine Harcourt (Chairperson)
Councillor Sonia Fenton
Director of Health and Community Services
Civic Affairs Manager/Public Officer
Community Worker, Health and Community Services Department
Member of Cultural Committee
Representative from North Ward
Representative from Central Ward
Representative from South Ward

FUNCTION

To meet in the later months of each year to advise and recommend to Council, appropriate nominees for the

Citizen of the Year
Young Citizen of the Year and
Community Event of the Year

12. STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT STEERING COMMITTEE

Councillor Christine Harcourt (Chairperson)
Councillor Sonia Fenton
Councillor John Bush
Representative from Health and Community Services Department
Representative from Planning and Building Department
Representative from Public Works and Services Department

FUNCTION

To help reduce greenhouse gas emissions, prepare for any climatic change brought on by the Greenhouse effect, and to create awareness of the related issues. The Committee is responsible for the development, implementation and continuing review of Council's State of the Environment Reports.

13. MANAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith (Chairperson)
All other members of Council
General Manager
Director of Corporate Services
Director of Employment Services
Heads of Departments

FUNCTION

To annually review Council's Management Plan and carry out an Assessment of and Appraisal of the General Manager and Senior Staff.

14. SOUTH SYDNEY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

Councillor Jill Lay (Chairperson)

FUNCTION

- (i) To examine and recommend to Council on proposals for the control and management of vehicular and pedestrian traffic on public streets in South Sydney, pursuant to the conditions of authority delegated to Council by the Roads and Traffic Authority:
- (ii) To examine and recommend on the traffic generating aspects of proposals for property development in South Sydney (in accordance with the principles of SEPP 11).

15. GAY AND LESBIAN LIAISON COMMITTEE

Councillor Greg Waters (Chairperson)
Councillor Christine Harcourt
Councillor John Fowler
Director of Health and Community Services (or his nominee)
Director of Planning and Building (or his nominee)
Representative from AIDS Council of NSW (ACON)
Representative from Gay Business Association (GBA)
Representative from Gay and Lesbian Rights Lobby (GLRL)
Representative from Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras
Representative from Anti-Violence Project (AVP)
Representative from Team Sydney/Victory Downunder
Representative from People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA)
Representative from Metropolitan Community Church

Representative from Pride
Representative from Eastern and Southern Area Health Service
Representative from Central Sydney Area Health Service

FUNCTION

1. To enhance and improve the existing relationship between South Sydney City Council and South Sydney's Gay and Lesbian Committee.
2. To assist Council in the development of its Social Plan and to meet the future needs of the community.
3. To facilitate Council's response to issues of violence against the community.
4. To provide a forum for the exchange of information between the community and Council.

16. BICYCLE LIAISON COMMITTEE

Councillor Sean Macken (Chairperson)
All other members of Council
Council Officers
Representative from NSW Bicycle Institute

FUNCTION

- (a) To become involved in the formulation of bicycle policies and to review the 1983 Inner Sydney Bike Plan. This is to be followed by implementation of the new routes and general involvement in activities such as new development L.A.T.M.'s. and other proposals which may affect bicycle usage.
- (b) To liaise with representatives or relevant bicycle user groups for the identification and implementation of a sound bicycle route network in South Sydney.
- (c) To promote the use of bicycles as an environmentally-preferred alternative to private motor car transport in South Sydney.

17. SOUTH SYDNEY COMMUNITY TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Councillor Christine Harcourt (Chairperson)
All other members of Council
Director of Health and Community Services or his nominee
Director of Planning and Building or his nominee (as need arises)
The Co-ordinator, South Sydney Community Transport Group
The Co-ordinator, Central Sydney Community Transport Group

Representatives of other community organisations and Government Instrumentalities as may be required from time to time.

FUNCTION

To improve communication and co-ordination between community transport service providers in the South Sydney Local Government Area, and to investigate the opportunities available for improved service provision.

18. COMMUNITY SERVICES TASKFORCE

Councillor Sonia Fenton, (Chairperson)
Councillor Jill Lay
Council's Community Services Manager
Art and Cultural Development Co-ordinator
Community Resources Co-ordinator
Cultural Resources Co-ordinator
Children Services Co-ordinator
Youth Services Co-ordinator
Childrens Program Co-ordinator
Facilities Co-ordinator
Representative of Public Works and Services Department
Community representative from each Leisure Centre
Centre Manager, Sydney City Youth Centre
Director of Health and Community Services or his nominee

FUNCTION

To implement programmes for the development of the youth in the area.

To facilitate a close liaison between Council Departments, planning authorities and the community in the provision of Recreation/Leisure Services in South Sydney and to oversee the implementation of the recommendations made in the 1991 South Sydney Leisure Needs Study.

19. ANNUAL REPORT EDITORIAL COMMITTEE

Councillor Greg Waters (Chairperson)
Councillor Sonia Fenton
General Manager
Media Liaison Manager
Publications Officer

FUNCTION

Responsible for selection of the theme, content, format, design and layout of each year's Annual Report.

20. SCULPTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Ms. Anna Cohn - Sculpture Society of N.S.W.
Mr. Ron Robertson-Swan - Art Gallery of N.S.W.
Ms. Bonita Ely - The University of N.S.W. College of Fine Arts
Ms. Kathleen Ng - South Sydney City Council
Co-ordinator Arts and Cultural Development
Mr. Jim Hutchison - Advisor

FUNCTION

To select sculptures for temporary placement in public places in the South Sydney Local Government Area.

21. CONTRACTS OF EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE

All Members of Council

FUNCTION

To determine the terms of contracts and remuneration for Senior Officer positions.

22. JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Councillor Christine Harcourt (Chairperson) or nominee.
Three Representatives from Management
Five Representatives from Wages Division
Four Representatives from Salaried Division

FUNCTION

To advise Council on all matters arising from the implementation of the Award, but not limited to -

Implementation of the new Award,
training,
performance management systems,
hours of work,
job redesign,
communication and education mechanisms,
award restructuring policies and procedures,

career path planning,
organisational change,
Council agreements,
EEO program.

23. JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR PADDINGTON LIBRARY

Councillor Fenton
Councillor Macken
Councillor Lay

FUNCTION

To oversee the joint service and to make recommendations to both Woollahra and South Sydney Councils on the operation of the service and that the Joint Management Committee to meet quarterly and submit progress reports to Council for consideration.

24. JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR NEWTOWN LIBRARY

Councillor Fenton
Councillor Macken
Councillor Lay

FUNCTION

To oversee the joint service and to make recommendations to both Marrickville and South Sydney Councils on the operation of the service and that the Joint Management Committee to meet quarterly and submit progress reports to Council for consideration.

25. AUDIT COMMITTEE

Councillor Sean Macken (Chairperson)
Councillor Sonia Fenton
The General Manager
Director of Corporate Services
Director of Finance
Corporate Audit Manager

FUNCTION

To consider the Audit Programme, monitor the progress of that program and to receive and consider reports and recommendations from the Internal Auditor.

26. FOOD POLICY IMPLEMENTATION WORKING PARTY

Councillor Christine Harcourt (Chairperson)
Councillor Sonia Fenton
Officer and Community Representatives

FUNCTION

To implement the local food policy.

27. ROAD SAFETY STEERING COMMITTEE

Councillor Jill Lay (Chairperson)
Mr. Ian Thompson, Manager Traffic and Design, Public Works and Services Department;
Community Road Safety Officer, Public Works and Services Department;
Representatives from Council's Community Development Services Branch
Health and Community Services Department (covering youth, elderly and people with disabilities issues);
Co-ordinator of Traffic Operations, Police Service, Sydney District;
Co-ordinator of Traffic Operations, Police Service, Mid-West District;
Co-ordinator of Traffic Operations, Police Service, East District;
Representative, Roads and Traffic Authority, Sydney Region;
Ms. Margaret Bonner, Child Injury Project Officer, Health Promotion Multicultural Health Unit, Eastern Area Health Service;
Mr. Dan O'Brien, Road and Safety Consultant Department of School Education Met East Region.

FUNCTION

To perform an overseeing and co-ordinating role and assist in the development of a road safety action plan to identify key issues and outline initiatives which will form the framework for the activities of the Road Safety Officer.

28. STEERING COMMITTEE FOR HEALTHY OLDER PEOPLE PROJECT

Councillor Sonia Fenton (Chairperson)
H.O.P. Project Worker
Social Worker South Sydney Council
South Sydney Community Health Worker

A nurse from Darlinghurst Community Centre
A Neighbourhood Centre Worker
A representative from the NESB Community
Aboriginal representative
Representative from a community transport group
A Police Older People Liaison Officer
Three senior people from the South Sydney community

FUNCTION

To develop health promotion activities, sustain commitment to health promotion within local council and health services, and promote healthier lifestyles and environments for older people in the South Sydney Local Government Area.

29. ADMINISTRATION BUILDING STEERING COMMITTEE

The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith
All interested Councillors
General Manager
Director of Corporate Services
Director of Employment Services
Director of Finance
Director of Health and Community Services
Director of Planning and Building
Director of Public Works and Services
Director of Organisational Development
Representative from Public Works and Services Department
Representative from Health and Community Services Department
Representative from Corporate Services Department
Representative from Planning and Building Department

FUNCTION

To oversee all matters associated with the proposed construction of a new Administration Centre and the relocation of the Depots.

30. FITZROY GARDENS PLAN OF MANAGEMENT STEERING COMMITTEE

Councillor Greg Waters
Councillor Sonia Fenton
Councillor John Bush
Council Officers
Local Residents

FUNCTION

To oversee and provide input to the Fitzroy Gardens Plan of Management.

31. GREEN SQUARE STEERING COMMITTEE (Council 12.2.97)

Councillor Jill Lay
Councillor Sean Macken
Councillor John Bush

FUNCTION

To oversee matters relating to Green Square.

32. LEGAL COMMITTEE

The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith
Councillor Sonia Fenton
Councillor John Fowler
Councillor Christine Harcourt

FUNCTION

To oversee matters relating to Council's legal services.

33. COMMITTEE TO FORMULATE A NEW POLICY ON LEASE BACK VEHICLES AND DEPARTMENTAL VEHICLES (Council 13.8.97)

The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith (Chairperson)
Councillor Christine Harcourt
General Manager
Director of Employment Services
Director of Finance
Director of Public Works and Services
Corporate Audit Manager

FUNCTION

To investigate the formulation of a new policy on lease back vehicles and departmental vehicles.

34. ENVIRONMENTAL STEERING COMMITTEE (Council 23.7.97)

All Councillors

Representatives from Health and Community Services Department

Representatives from Planning and Building Department

Representatives from Public Works and Services Department

FUNCTION

1. To review all of Council's existing policies which have an ecological sustainability focus, with a view to prepare a synthesis "future directions" paper for Council, establishing Council's position regarding LA 21.
2. To review and evaluate the EMS trial on pest control.
3. To prioritise areas of environmental concern that warrant Council attention.
4. To initiate and oversee the running of pilot projects in South Sydney that can be used as showcase for achieving sustainability at the local level.
5. To co-ordinate and oversee the preparation of all new Council ecological sustainability policies.
6. To advise Council management on all policies of concern to the Committee which impact on more than one department.

(B) APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE COMMITTEES

1. SYDNEY COASTAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Councillor Sonia Fenton

Councillor Margaret Deftereos

Councillor Greg Waters

Representative from Public Works and Services Department

2. AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR FREE ZONE SECRETARIAT

Councillor Sean Macken

Councillor Christine Harcourt

Councillor Sonia Fenton (alternative representative)

3. AUSTRALIAN MAYORAL AVIATION COUNCIL

(Mayor is ongoing member)

The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith or his nominee

4. AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Councillor Margaret Deftereos (Member)

Councillor Sonia Fenton (Member)

Councillor Christine Harcourt (Member)

Councillor Jill Lay (Member)

5. SOUTHERN SYDNEY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (SSROC)

The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith

Councillor Christine Harcourt.

Councillor Jill Lay (alternative representative)

Councillor Sean Macken (alternative representative)

6. SYDNEY COASTAL COUNCIL HARBOURWATCH SUB-COMMITTEE

Councillor Sonia Fenton

Councillor Greg Waters

7. ROADS AND TRAFFIC AUTHORITY CONSULTATIVE FORUM

Councillor Jill Lay (Member Delegate)

Councillor Christine Harcourt (Alternative Member Delegate)

Ian Thompson (Staff Delegate)

8. REGIONAL WASTE BOARD

The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith

9. REGIONAL TOURISM COMMITTEE

The Mayor, Councillor Vic Smith

10. PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE FOR PARRAMATTA ROAD MASTER PLAN (Council 13.8.97)

Councillor Sean Macken
Councillor John Bush
Council's Mainstreet Projects Officer

Carried.

MINUTE BY THE MAYOR

2 September 1997

PUBLIC RELATIONS - ACTION TO OPPOSE TARIFF REDUCTIONS AFFECTING AUSTRALIAN JOBS (2016309)

Correspondence has been received from the Local Government Association seeking support from Council in the issue of tariff reductions that are currently affecting Australian jobs.

The August meeting of the State Executive of the Local Government Association unanimously resolved to support Australian jobs by opposing Government policies that prescribe the ongoing reduction of Australian tariff levels.

An example of their concern is in the manufacturing industry.

The viability of the Australian Textile Clothing and Footwear industry is currently being threatened by recommendations for further reductions in tariff support as outlined in a recent interim report by the Industry Commission. Similar tariff reduction policies threaten other Australian manufacturing industries.

The Local Government Association have urged Councils to show support for continued employment in Australia by making direct representations to the Prime Minister, Mr John Howard and local Federal Members, expressing their concern.

Recommendation:

It is therefore recommended that a letter of protest be forwarded to the Prime Minister and local Federal Members stating Council's opposition to policies that impact on the reduction of Australian tariff levels.

Councillor Vic Smith (SGD)
Mayor

Moved by Councillor Harcourt, seconded by Councillor Macken:-

That the minute by the Mayor, be approved and adopted.

Carried.

MINUTE BY THE MAYOR

26 August 1997

DONATIONS - CRIME AND SAFETY ISSUES IN WOOLLOOMOOLOO (D53-00406)

A number of meetings have been held in recent months to discuss increasing crime and safety concerns in the Woolloomooloo area.

A public meeting is being held tonight in Woolloomooloo to allow the police and other government agencies to explain their response to these concerns and to bring the community together to work out constructive ways forward on these issues.

I am pleased to report back that Council has taken these concerns very seriously and that staff have been working closely with local residents, service providers and other agencies over the last two months to do whatever needs to be done to make Woolloomooloo a safer and more positive place to live and visit.

In the first instance Council's efforts have been aimed at improving the amenity of the physical environment in Woolloomooloo. To do this Council staff conducted an 'audit' of the area to identify specific locations and problems that needed attention. As a result of the audit Council staff have;

- liaised with the Police and the Department of Housing to remove all stolen and abandoned vehicles from the suburb, and developed an ongoing monitoring program to address this problem;
- liaised with the Department of Housing to improve and repair lighting throughout the estate; and
- in addition to providing regular cleansing services conducted a 'spring clean' of the area, targeting key locations like Sydney Place.

Whilst these actions make an important contribution to the perceived 'safety' of the area, and in doing so act as a strong deterrent against crime and other anti-social behaviour, an even more critical response to the problems being experienced relates to the community support services which are being provided in the area. Council, together with the various state government agencies, needs to ensure that the

services being provided in the area are responding to the priority needs within the local community, and are being utilised to the fullest possible extent.

To do this Council is currently in the process of implementing a restructure of the services provided by its Leisure Centre in Woolloomooloo. The aim of the restructure is to refocus the services on the needs of youth and children in the area, which are considered to be the priority target groups, and to ensure that the services offered compliment, and not duplicate those being offered by other agencies.

However, this process of restructuring the Leisure Centre services, which involves extensive retraining of staff and a complete review of programmes offered, is being implemented over a period of time and will not be fully operational until early 1998.

On this basis I am proposing, as an interim response to the current crime and safety problems being experienced in Woolloomooloo, that Council support a jointly funded temporary position to deliver coordinated action on these problems. The position, which would be funded by a range of agencies including the Department of Juvenile Justice and the Department of Housing would work with both government and non-government stakeholders (including local residents and businesses) in the area to develop innovative and sustainable approaches to crime and safety issues. Given that many of the problems currently being experienced in Woolloomooloo involve crime and vandalism by young people a key aspect of this would be working with the range of youth service providers to co-ordinate program design and delivery. In this way the position, would also contribute valuable input into the restructuring of programmes offered by Council at the Leisure Centre.

In addition to making a one off financial contribution of \$10,000 to the salary of the temporary position, which will be funded out of the Community Resources budget for the Woolloomooloo Leisure Centre, I am also proposing that Council provides a one off grant of \$4,400 to reinstate its support for the "*Woolloomooloo Review*" for the remainder of the current financial period.

Local businesses have written to Council offering to contribute dollar for dollar funding to this publication in recognition of the important role it plays in disseminating information about community issues and initiatives, and ultimately in developing community cohesion in the Woolloomooloo area. This partnership funding arrangement would also enable the publication to be produced on a monthly, rather than bi monthly basis, which is ideal given that Woolloomooloo residents do not receive any other local papers.

Recommendation:

That approval be given to:-

- (1) the allocation of a one off grant of \$10,000 to support temporary position to develop programs to address crime and safety issues in Woolloomooloo.

Funds to cover this expenditure are available to budget KRB000166D (\$5000) and KRF000166DO (\$5000);

- (2) a grant of \$2,200 for the Woolloomooloo Review, on the condition that local businesses contribute dollar for dollar funding to ensure the publication is produced on a monthly basis, for which funds to cover this expenditure by Council would have to be allocated out of Section 356 Contingency Funds.

Councillor Vic Smith (SGD)

Mayor

Moved by Councillor Harcourt, seconded by Councillor Lay:-

That the minute by the Mayor, be approved and adopted.

Carried.

At 6.52 p.m. the meeting terminated.

Confirmed at a meeting of South Sydney City Council
held on 1997

CHAIRPERSON

GENERAL MANAGER