

**Item 7**

**Report of the Environment Committee - 10 May 2021**

**Item 7.1**

**Disclosures of Interest**

No Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting of the Environment Committee.

The Environment Committee recommends the following:

## **Item 7.2**

### **Public Exhibition - Environmental Strategy 2021-2025**

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) approve the draft Environmental Strategy 2021 - 2025 (the Strategy), as shown at Attachment A to the subject report, for public exhibition;
- (B) approve the draft Environmental Sustainability Policy, as shown at Attachment B to the subject report, for public exhibition;
- (C) approve the extension of Making Sydney a Sustainable Destination from 2022 to 2025, as shown at Attachment C to the subject report; and
- (D) approve the extension of Sydney's Sustainable Office Buildings Plan from 2022 to 2025, as shown at Attachment D to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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The Environment Committee recommends the following:

### Item 7.3

#### **Project Scope - Bridge Street, Railway Parade and Henderson Road Cycleway, Erskineville and Alexandria**

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) note the Review of Environmental Factors for the Bridge Street, Railway Parade and Henderson Road pop-up cycleway to be retained for a period of up to two years, as shown in Attachment B to the subject report;
- (B) approve the Chief Executive Officer signing the determination associated with the exhibited Review of Environmental Factors for the Bridge Street, Railway Parade and Henderson Road pop-up cycleway for the following reasons:
  - (i) the City is the self-assessment authority for the projects and holds the authority to assess and grant approval to activities under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
  - (ii) the proposed projects identified in the Review of Environmental Factors is an “activity” under Division 17 (Road infrastructure facilities) within State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007. The activity constitutes in part “exempt development” and in part activities that are “development that is permissible without consent” and therefore Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 applies;
  - (iii) the Review of Environmental Factors has been carried out for the projects addressing the environmental impacts of the temporary retention of the pop-up cycleway in accordance with Clause 228(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000; and
  - (iv) subject to compliance with the mitigation measures outlined in each Review of Environmental Factors, the proposed activity will not result in a significant impact on the environment and may be approved under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- (C) note the Bridge Street, Railway Parade and Henderson Road permanent cycleway Review of Environmental Factors, as shown in Attachment C to the subject report;
- (D) approve the concept design for the Bridge Street, Railway Parade and Henderson Road Cycleway as shown in Attachment D to the subject report for detailed documentation and construction tender;
- (E) note that Railway Parade will be reinstated to two-way traffic and a new shared cyclist and pedestrian path will be constructed. Given the narrow width of the road corridor at the bend, the City will look to improve this cycling connection in the future;
- (F) note that the City is currently undertaking an area-wide transport study of Erskineville and Alexandria to be reported back by way of CEO Update, and
- (G) note the estimated project costs as detailed in confidential Attachment G to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried on the following show of hands:

Ayes (9)      The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chung, Kok, Miller, Phelps, Scott, Scully, Thalys and Vithoukas

Noes (1)      Councillor Forster.

Motion carried.)

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**Speakers**

Ms Bastien Wallace (Bicycle NSW), Ms Virginia Castellan and Ms Helen Plesek addressed the meeting of the Environment Committee on Item 7.3.

The Environment Committee recommends the following:

#### **Item 7.4**

#### **Review of Environmental Factors – Pop-Up Cycleway - Moore Park Road and Fitzroy Street**

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) note the Review of Environmental Factors for the Fitzroy Street pop-up cycleway to be retained for a period of up to two years, as shown in Attachment B to the subject report;
- (B) note the Review of Environmental Factors for the Moore Park Road pop-up cycleway to be retained for a period of up to two years, as shown in Attachment C to the subject report;
- (C) approve the Chief Executive Officer signing the determination associated with the exhibited Review of Environmental Factors for the Fitzroy Street pop-up cycleway for the following reasons:
  - (i) the City is the self-assessment authority for the projects and holds the authority to assess and grant approval to activities under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
  - (ii) the proposed projects identified in the Review of Environmental Factors is an "activity" under Division 17 (Road infrastructure facilities) within State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007. The activity constitutes in part "exempt development" and in part activities that are "development that is permissible without consent" and therefore Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 applies;
  - (iii) the Review of Environmental Factors has been carried out for the projects addressing the environmental impacts of the temporary retention of the pop-up cycleway in accordance with Clause 228(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000; and
  - (iv) subject to compliance with the mitigation measures outlined in each Review of Environmental Factors, the proposed activity will not result in a significant impact on the environment and may be approved under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979; and
- (D) approve the Chief Executive Officer signing the determination associated with the exhibited Review of Environmental Factors for the Moore Park Road pop-up cycleway for the following reasons:
  - (i) the City is the self-assessment authority for the projects and holds the authority to assess and grant approval to activities under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
  - (ii) the proposed projects identified in the Review of Environmental Factors is an "activity" under Division 17 (Road infrastructure facilities) within State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007. The activity constitutes in part "exempt development" and in part activities that are "development that is permissible without consent" and therefore Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 applies;
  - (iii) the Review of Environmental Factors has been carried out for the projects addressing the environmental impacts of the temporary retention of the pop-up cycleway in accordance with Clause 228(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000; and

- (iv) subject to compliance with the mitigation measures outlined in each Review of Environmental Factors, the proposed activity will not result in a significant impact on the environment and may be approved under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Councillor Scully, and carried on the following show of hands:

Ayes (6)        The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Kok, Miller, Scott, Scully and Thalís

Noes (4)        Councillors Chung, Forster, Phelps and Vithoukás.

Motion carried.)

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### **Speakers**

Ms Carla Degenhardt, Ms Ann Cairns, Mr Selwyn Shapiro, Ms Bastien Wallace (Bicycle NSW) and Mr Richard Balkin addressed the meeting of the Environment Committee on Item 7.4.

### **Extension of Time**

During discussion on this matter, pursuant to the provisions of clause 8.35 of the Code of Meeting Practice, it was –

Moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Councillor Scully –

That Mr Balkin be granted an extension of time to speak on this matter.

Carried unanimously.

The Environment Committee recommends the following:

## Item 7.5

### Review of Environmental Factors – Pop-Up Cycleway - Dunning Avenue

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) note the Review of Environmental Factors for the Dunning Avenue pop-up cycleway to be retained for a period of up to two years, as provided in Attachment B to the subject report;
- (B) approve the Chief Executive Officer signing the determination associated with the exhibited Review of Environmental Factors for the Dunning Avenue pop-up cycleway for the following reasons:
  - (i) the City is the self-assessment authority for the projects and holds the authority to assess and grant approval to activities under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
  - (ii) the proposed projects identified in the Review of Environmental Factors is an "activity" under Division 17 (Road infrastructure facilities) within State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007. The activity constitutes in part "exempt development" and in part activities that are "development that is permissible without consent" and therefore Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 applies;
  - (iii) the Review of Environmental Factors has been carried out for the projects addressing the environmental impacts of the temporary retention of the pop-up cycleway in accordance with Clause 228(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000; and
  - (iv) subject to compliance with the mitigation measures outlined in each Review of Environmental Factors, the proposed activity will not result in a significant impact on the environment and may be approved under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment Committee this recommendation was moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried on the following show of hands:

Ayes (7)      The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Kok, Miller, Scott, Scully, Thalys and Vithoukias

Noes (1)      Councillor Forster

Motion carried.)

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### Speakers

Ms Bastien Wallace (Bicycle NSW) and Mr Michael Howard addressed the Environment Committee on Item 7.5.

The Environment Committee recommends the following:

## **Item 7.6**

### **Project Scope - College Street and Liverpool Street Cycleways**

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) approve the concept design for the Liverpool Street cycleway as shown in Attachment B to the subject report for detailed documentation and construction tender;
- (B) approve the concept design for the College Street cycleway as shown in Attachment C to the subject report for detailed documentation and construction tender; and
- (C) note the estimated project costs as detailed in Confidential Attachment E to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment Committee, this recommendation was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Miller and carried unanimously.)

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### **Speakers**

Ms Bastien Wallace (Bicycle NSW) addressed the Environment Committee on Item 7.6.

**Item 7.7****Project Scope - Pitt Street North Walking and Cycling Improvements**

The Environment Committee decided that consideration of this matter shall be deferred to the meeting of Council on 17 May 2021.

**Officer's Recommendation**

The officer's recommendation to the Environment Committee was as follows -

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) note the Review of Environmental Factors for the Pitt Street pop-up cycleway to be retained for a period of up to two years, as shown in Attachment B to the subject report;
- (B) approve the Chief Executive Officer signing the determination associated with the exhibited Review of Environmental Factors for the Pitt Street pop-up cycleway;
  - (i) the City is the self-assessment authority for the projects and holds the authority to assess and grant approval to activities under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
  - (ii) the proposed projects identified in the Review of Environmental Factors is an "activity" under Division 17 (Road infrastructure facilities) within State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007. The activity constitutes in part "exempt development" and in part activities that are "development that is permissible without consent" and therefore Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 applies;
  - (iii) the Review of Environmental Factors has been carried out for the projects addressing the environmental impacts of the temporary retention of the pop-up cycleway in accordance with Clause 228(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000; and
  - (iv) subject to compliance with the mitigation measures outlined in each Review of Environmental Factors, the proposed activity will not result in a significant impact on the environment and may be approved under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- (C) note the Pitt Street permanent cycleway Review of Environmental Factors, as shown in Attachment C to the subject report;
- (D) approve the concept design for the Pitt Street North Walking and Cycling Improvements, as shown in Attachment D to the subject report, for detailed documentation and construction tender;
- (E) note the estimated project costs as detailed in confidential Attachment F to the subject report; and
- (F) note that the City has accepted a funding offer from the NSW Government as part of the Transport for NSW Active Transport Program for construction of the project, conditional on the works being commenced in the 2021/22 financial year.

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**Officer's Report**

The officer's report on this matter can be found at Item 7 on the agenda of the meeting of the Environment Committee of 10 May 2021.

**Speakers**

Ms Bastien Wallace (Bicycle NSW), Mr Graham McCabe and Mr Mark Museth addressed the meeting of the Environment Committee on Item 7.

The Environment Committee recommends the following:

### **Item 7.8**

#### **Project Scope - Perry Park Revitalisation Project**

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) endorse the scope of work for the Perry Park Revitalisation Project in Alexandria, as described in the subject report and shown in the Final Concept Plan at Attachment B to the subject report, for progression to relevant approvals, preparation of construction documentation, tender and construction; and
- (B) approve the increase in the overall project budget as outlined in Confidential Attachment E to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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