

Item 5

Matters for Tabling

5.1 Disclosures of Interest

Disclosure of Interest returns that have been lodged in accordance with the City of Sydney Code of Conduct will be tabled.

Recommendation

It is resolved that the Disclosures of Interest returns be received and noted.

5.2 Petitions

(a) **Reject the High-Rise Proposal for Rosehill Street and Cornwallis Street, Redfern**

Councillor Scott gives notice that, at the meeting of Council on Monday, 27 June 2022, she will table and speak to a petition (with 253 signatures) with the following terms:

We, the undersigned, do hereby petition City Council of Sydney to reject the high-rise proposal for Rosehill Street and Cornwallis Street, Redfern.

(b) **Accommodate the Pymont Community Adequately**

Councillor Jarrett gives notice that, at the meeting of Council on Monday, 27 June 2022, she will table and speak to a petition (with 1,369 signatures) with the following terms:

Pymont Community needs a place to continue its activities while the Pymont Community Centre is upgraded over the next 2 years. The venue must be properly accessible and adequately sized.

The cost of hiring an appropriate venue is a small amount compared with the overall budget spend of the City. You say Sydney is a city of villages, but Pymont and its large population, our village, needs more support than your Council is currently giving.

The community has found a venue, and is willing to make it ready for use for most activities. Pymont Cares has offered to move the furniture and equipment needed. Friends of the Pymont Community Centre can make the necessary applications and promote the space to the community. We estimate the cost at less than \$150,000 a year, much less than Council staff have suggested.

A packed community meeting asked Council to:

- lease a space in Pymont which can accommodate all the activities that will not fit into Maybanke, and
- retain the Pymont staff – both in the main centre and in the children's area - in this space.

Council rejected these requests, although half the elected Councillors supported the motion. Please reconsider these requests, to enable the Pyrmont community to continue to connect in a suitable venue, to reduce the loneliness and social isolation that many will otherwise experience.

(c) Support for a Pride Museum at Taylor Square

Councillor Gannon gives notice that, at the meeting of Council on Monday, 27 June 2022, he will table and speak to a petition (with 169 signatures) with the following terms:

The time is now to establish a Pride Museum at Taylor Square.

Since 1980 there have been many attempts to establish a space for the LGBTIQ+ community. We are now presented with the perfect opportunity to create such a space that will be used to unite, celebrate, and educate the whole community.

QTOPIA, with its Patrons Michael Kirby and Ita Buttrose, is leading the way for the development of such a site.

The former Darlinghurst Police Station at Taylor Square is the perfect location for such a space.

Its history, location, and the fact that it is publicly owned makes it the most suitable site. It will also enable the long-term transformation of Taylor Square, which as we all know can be, and should be the beating heart of culture in our city.

As we head towards Sydney World Pride 2023, the 45th anniversary of Mardi Gras and the 40th anniversary of the AIDS pandemic in Australia, there is no better time than now to establish Sydney's own Pride Museum.

We, the undersigned, call on the NSW Government and the City of Sydney to support the establishment of a Pride Museum at the former Darlinghurst Police Station in time for World Pride 2023.

Recommendation

It is resolved that the Petitions be received and noted.