

**Item 13****Questions on Notice****1. City of Sydney's Operational Plan 2023/24 – Community Centres**

By Councillor Jarrett

**Question**

1. What are the total expenses being spent on community centres in the 2023/24 Operational Plan?
2. What is the breakdown of the City's total expenditure on each individual community centre in the 2023/24 Operational Plan?
3. How many City of Sydney staff are employed to work in community centres in the 2023/24 Operational Plan?
4. How many City of Sydney staff were employed to work in community centres in:
  - (a) 2022;
  - (b) 2021;
  - (c) 2020;
  - (d) 2019; and
  - (e) 2018?
5. What are the future staffing levels in each community centre for:
  - (a) 2023/24;
  - (b) 2024/25; and
  - (c) 2025/26?

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## 2. Legal Advice

By Councillor Jarrett

The Lord Mayor indicated at the 15 May 2023 Council meeting that the City of Sydney had received legal advice pertaining to the legality of the Council's endorsement of providing Council facilities in support of the 'yes' campaign for the Voice Referendum to Parliament.

### Question

1. Who does the City engage to provide external legal advice?
2. How much does the City spend on engaging external legal advice annually?
3. What criteria needs to be met for the City to decide to engage external legal advice on a matter?
4. Who provided the legal advice to the City that the Lord Mayor mentioned regarding the Voice Referendum to Parliament at the 15 May 2023 Council meeting?
5. Why weren't Councillors provided the legal advice regarding the Voice Referendum to Parliament prior to the Council meeting at the 15 May 2023?
6. Can Councillors be provided with the legal advice the City obtained in relation to the legality of the Council's endorsement of providing Council facilities in support of the 'yes' campaign for the Voice Referendum to Parliament?

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## 3. City of Sydney's Operational Plan 2023/24 - Staff

By Councillor Jarrett

### Question

1. How many full time or full-time equivalent staff are employed by the City?
2. How many full time or full-time equivalent staff are employed in the:
  - (a) Office of the CEO;
  - (b) Chief Finance Office;
  - (c) Chief Operating Office;
  - (d) City Services;
  - (e) City Life;
  - (f) City Planning, Development and Transport;
  - (g) Legal and Governance;
  - (h) Strategic Development and Engagement; and

- (i) People, Performance and Technology?
3. How many part time staff are employed in the:
- (a) Office of the CEO;
  - (b) Chief Finance Office;
  - (c) Chief Operating Office
  - (d) City Services;
  - (e) City Life;
  - (f) City Planning, Development and Transport;
  - (g) Legal and Governance;
  - (h) Strategic Development and Engagement; and
  - (i) People, Performance and Technology?
4. How many employees are remunerated or have a contract which is valued between \$120,000-\$200,000 per financial year in the:
- (a) Office of the CEO;
  - (b) Chief Finance Office;
  - (c) Chief Operating Office;
  - (d) City Services;
  - (e) City Life;
  - (f) City Planning, Development and Transport;
  - (g) Legal and Governance;
  - (h) Strategic Development and Engagement; and
  - (i) People, Performance and Technology?
5. How many employees are remunerated or have a contract valued over \$200,000 per financial year in the:
- (a) Office of the CEO;
  - (b) Chief Finance Office;
  - (c) Chief Operating Office;
  - (d) City Services;
  - (e) City Life;

- (f) City Planning, Development and Transport;
  - (g) Legal and Governance;
  - (h) Strategic Development and Engagement; and
  - (i) People, Performance and Technology?
6. What is the average number of hours worked by:
- (a) Full time or full-time equivalent employees; and
  - (b) Part time employees?
7. What is the average number of hours working in the office by:
- (a) Full time or full-time equivalent employees; and
  - (b) Part time employees?
8. How many hours were spent on attending conferences in the 2022/23 reporting period by:
- (a) Full time or full-time equivalent employees; and
  - (b) Part time employees?
9. What was the 2022/23 cost of internal and external training?
10. What is the projected 2023/24 cost of internal and external training in the Draft Operational Plan 2023/24?
11. How many consultants did the City employ over the course of 2023/24 and what was the cost to the City of Sydney?
12. How many contract staff did the City employ in 2023/24?
13. How many staff did it take to administer the 2023/24 Operational Plan?
14. How many staff were involved in constructing and administering the Fees and Charges outline within the 2023/24 Operational Plan?

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#### **4. Roslyn Street Upgrade**

By Councillor Gannon

##### **Question**

With respect to the Roslyn Street, Potts Point works planned in the City's 2023/24 Capital Works Program:

1. When will work commence?
2. When are works expected to be complete?
3. What upgrades are taking place?
4. Can a map of upgrades be provided?

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#### **5. Soft Plastic Processing**

By Councillor Scott

On 3 April 2023, City staff advised that the current doorstep recycling service does not currently pick up soft plastics. This was due to the City being unable to find a suitable soft plastics processor to recycle the collected soft plastics from the collection service. The City advised that they manage the processing arrangements for each stream collected from the collection service, including soft plastics. The City stated that it was "looking into available processors that may be available to recycle soft plastics from residents".

##### **Question**

1. What have been the efforts of the City of Sydney to engage with Soft Plastic processors?
2. Have potential soft plastic processors been identified? If not, why?
3. What are the city's plans to process soft plastics in the future?

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## 6. Discussions with the NSW Government about Future Public Housing and Public Land Development in the City of Sydney

By Councillor Ellsmore

### Question

1. In an answer to a Question on Notice tabled at the 13 March 2023 Council meeting, it was advised that the City initiated discussions with the Land and Housing Corporation (or LAHC) concerning eight sites owned by the NSW Land and Housing Corporation in the Pyrmont Peninsula.

Since answers to those questions were tabled, have City staff had any discussions or correspondence with the Land and Housing Corporation about these sites?

If yes, please provide details.

2. In an answer to a Question on Notice tabled at the 3 April 2023 Council meeting, it was advised that the City had discussions and/or correspondence with NSW Government representatives about two planned development applications regarding State-owned or controlled land in NSW, including any pre-DA requests.

Since answers to those questions were tabled, have City staff had any additional discussions or correspondence with NSW Government representatives about these potential projects?

If yes, please provide details.

3. Since April 2023, have City staff had discussions with any NSW Government representatives about any other planned or future development applications or development projects, relating to State-owned or controlled land in NSW, including any pre-DA requests?

If yes, please provide details.

4. Since April 2023, have City staff had discussions with any NSW Government representatives about any other planned or future development applications or development projects, regarding public housing, including any pre-DA requests?

If yes, please provide details.

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## **7. Status of State Government Redevelopment Projects in the City of Sydney - June 2023**

By Councillor Ellsmore

### **Question**

1. What development applications or other form of planning proposals is the City of Sydney currently assessing, where the NSW Government is the landowner or proponent?  
  
Please provide details.
2. What development applications or other form of planning proposals is the City of Sydney currently assessing, where Land and Housing Corporation is the proponent?  
  
Please provide details.
3. What development applications or other form of planning proposals is the City of Sydney currently assessing, where the Transport Asset Holding Entity is the proponent?  
  
Please provide details.
4. What development applications or other form of planning proposals is the City of Sydney currently assessing, where other NSW Government entities or agencies are known to be the landowner or proponent?  
  
Please provide details.
5. Of the development applications and other proposals which the City of Sydney is currently assessing, what are the scheduled or estimated decision dates?

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## **8. Register of Public Dwellings Owned by the City of Sydney**

By Councillor Scott

On 15 May 2023, Council resolved a motion to create a public register of city-owned properties including their address, property classification, zoning and part or whole vacancy status.

### **Question**

1. Has the public register been created? If so, where has it been published?
2. Which of the dwellings on the register are vacant?

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