



City of Nedlands

NOTES

Council Meeting Agenda Forum

Tuesday, 14 November 2023

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Tony Free | Acting Chief Executive Officer

17 November 2023



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Public Question Time

Public Questions are dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

Deputations

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1. Declaration of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 6.01pm and drew attention to the disclaimer on page 2 and advised the meeting is being livestreamed.

2. Present and Apologies and Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)

Councillors	Mayor F E M Argyle (Presiding Member)	
	Councillor B G Hodsdon	Hollywood Ward
	Councillor L J McManus	Hollywood Ward
	Councillor F J O Bennett	Dalkeith Ward
	Councillor H Amiry	Coastal Ward
	Councillor K A Smyth	Coastal Ward
	Councillor R A Coghlan	Melvista Ward
	Councillor B Brackenridge (online)	Melvista Ward

Staff	Mr T G Free	Acting Chief Executive Officer
	Mr M R Cole	Director Corporate Services
	Mr M K MacPherson	Director Technical Services
	Mr R A Winslow	Acting Director Planning & Development
	Mrs N M Ceric	Executive Officer
	Ms L J Kania	Coordinator Governance & Risk

Public There were 13 members of the public present and 5 online.

Press Nil.

Leave of Absence (Previously Approved) None.

Apologies Councillor N R Youngman Dalkeith Ward

3. Public Question Time

Public questions will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

4. Deputations

Deputations by members of the public who had completed Public Address Registration Forms.

Mr Craig Sanderson, spoke in support of item 16.2 - PD48.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application – Addition to Single House at 15 Watt Street, Swanbourne.

Mr Thomas Jaeger, spoke in opposition to item 16.3 - PD49.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application - Residential - Single House at 24A Lisle Street, Mt Claremont.



Dr Sophie Kittson, spoke in support of item 16.3 - PD49.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application - Residential - Single House at 24A Lisle Street, Mt Claremont.

Mr Ben Carter, spoke in opposition to the recommendation for item 16.4 - PD50.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application – Residential – Additions and Alterations to a Single House at 22 Wattle Avenue, Dalkeith.

Mr Mark Scarfone, spoke in support of item 16.4 - PD50.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application – Residential – Additions and Alterations to a Single House at 22 Wattle Avenue, Dalkeith.

5. Requests for Leave of Absence

Any requests from Council Members for leave of absence will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

6. Petitions

Petitions will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

7. Disclosures of Financial / Proximity Interest

The Presiding Member reminded Council Members and Staff of the requirements of Section 5.65 of the Local Government Act to disclose any interest during the meeting when the matter is discussed.

7.1 Councillor Coghlan– Item 20.3 – CEO33.11.23 - Application for Payment of Training Costs – Councillor Coghlan

Councillor Coghlan disclosed a financial interest in item 20.3 – Application for Payment of Training Costs – Councillor Coghlan her interest being that she is the applicant. Councillor Coghlan declared that she would leave the room during discussion on this item.

7.2 Councillor Hodsdon – Item 16.1 – PD47.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application – Additional use of ‘Holiday House’ to ‘Single House’ at 56 Williams Road, Nedlands

Councillor Hodsdon disclosed a proximity interest in Item 16.1 – Consideration of Development Application – Additional use of ‘Holiday House’ to ‘Single House’ at 56 Williams Road, Nedlands, his interest being that he owns a property at 45 Meriwa Street, Nedlands. Councillor Hodsdon declared that he would leave the room during discussion on this item.



8. Disclosures of Interests Affecting Impartiality

The Presiding Member reminded Council Members and Staff of the requirements of Council's Code of Conduct in accordance with Section 5.103 of the Local Government Act. There were no disclosures affecting impartiality.

9. Declarations by Members That They Have Not Given Due Consideration to Papers

Nil.

10. Confirmation of Minutes

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

11. Announcements of the Presiding Member without discussion

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

12. Members Announcements without discussion

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

13. Matters for Which the Meeting May Be Closed

For the convenience of the public, the following Confidential items are identified to be discussed behind closed doors, as the last items of business at this meeting.

Nil.

14. En Bloc Items

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.



15. Minutes of Council Committees and Administrative Liaison Working Groups

15.1. Minutes of the following Committee Meetings (in date order) are to be received:

This is an information item only to receive the minutes of the various meetings held by the Council appointed Committees (N.B. This should not be confused with Council resolving to accept the recommendations of a particular Committee. Committee recommendations that require Council's approval should be presented to Council for resolution via the relevant departmental reports).

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

16. Divisional Reports - Planning & Development

16.1. PD47.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application – Additional use of 'Holiday House' to 'Single House' at 56 Williams Road, Nedlands

Councillor Hodsdon left the room at 6.26 pm.

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

Councillor Hodsdon returned to the room at 6.29 pm.

16.2. PD48.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application – Addition to Single House at 15 Watt Street, Swanbourne

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

16.3. PD49.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application - Residential - Single House at 24A Lisle Street, Mt Claremont

Requests for Further Information

Nil.



16.4. PD50.11.23 - Consideration of Development Application – Residential – Additions and Alterations to a Single House at 22 Wattle Avenue, Dalkeith

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

17. Divisional Reports - Technical Services

17.1. TS17.11.23 – Shirley Fyfe Park Gazebo – Waratah Avenue, Dalkeith

Requests for Further Information

Councillor Bennett – could something similar to our park bench policy be implemented for this project?

17.2. TS18.11.23 – Interstate Travel – Waste Expo Australian 2023 Participation

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

17.3. TS19.11.23 - Establishment and Appointment of Members – Integrated Transport Steering Committee

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

17.4. TS20.11.23 – Stanley Street & Florence Road Cul-de-sacs

Requests for Further Information

Councillor Hodsdon – is the laneway option no longer an option – could we approach Woolworths?

Councillor Smyth - Regarding all Scenarios: other than at the one-way constrictions, is the traffic flow in Florence and Stanley intended to be two-way or one-way?



Councillor Smyth - Regarding Scenario 4: how can the one-way constriction be configured to allow for the new the driveway of the recent 3 lot subdivision at 8 Florence Road? Noting that the driveway for all 3 lots is on the northern boundary abutting the Woolworths development.

18. Divisional Reports – Community Services & Development

18.1. CSD07.11.23 - Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2023 - 2028

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

19. Divisional Reports - Corporate Services

19.1 CPS42.11.23 – Superannuation for Council Members

Requests for Further Information

Councillor Smyth

1. Comparison of Superannuation

What are the projections for staff (KMP) superannuation as incrementally increase to 12% (\$266,460 plus)?

What proportion of this is for payments above the threshold?

Fin Year Super Contributions	Council Members	City Staff
2021.22	\$0	\$266,460
2022-23	\$0	?
2023-24 (Super 11%)	\$33,898	?
2024-25 (Super 11.5%)	\$35,439	?
2025-26 (Super 12%)	\$36,980	?

2. Comparison of Fringe Benefit Tax

What are the projections for staff (KMP) fringe benefits within the salaries (\$2,464,635 plus)?

What is the FBT liability for all staff compared to the estimated \$28,732 for Council? How is Councillor ICT allowance currently taxed?

What is the projected change to FBT liability with the roll-out of Laptop (portable workstations) to all staff?



3. Savings from Council Reduction

Regarding Special Council Meeting Agenda 13 February 2023 - Item 8. CEO01.02.23 Review of Wards and Representation - Special Council Meeting Agenda 13 February 2023 “Budget/Financial Implications The proposed reforms may result in a reduction in costs. Based on the 2022/23 Councillor fees and allowances, a reduction in Councillor numbers from 12 to 8 would save the City of Nedlands approximately \$110,000 per annum.”

Has this estimated savings been realised bringing the overall cost of Mayor and 8 Councillors to approximately \$320K the equivalent of our CEO package?

**CITY OF NEDLANDS
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

(b) Key Management Personnel (KMP) Compensation

The total of compensation paid to KMP of the City during the year are as follows:

	2022 Actual \$	2021 Actual \$
Short-term employee benefits	2,464,635	2,392,592
Post-employment benefits	266,460	248,499
Employee - other long-term benefits	54,117	41,308
Employee - termination benefits	76,322	187,243
Council member costs	428,662	389,014
22(a)	3,290,196	3,258,656

Short-term employee benefits
These amounts include all salary and fringe benefits awarded to KMP except for details in respect to fees and benefits paid to council members which may be separately found in the table above.

Post-employment benefits
These amounts are the current-year's cost of the City's superannuation contributions made during the year.

Other long-term benefits
These amounts represent annual leave and long service leave entitlements accruing during the year.

Termination benefits
These amounts represent termination benefits paid to KMP (Note: may or may not be applicable in any given year).

Council member costs
These amounts represent payments of member fees, expenses, allowances and reimbursements during the year.

19.2 CPS43.11.23 - Monthly Financial Report - September 2023

This item will be dealt with at the Council Meeting.

19.3 CPS44.11.23 - Monthly Investment Report - September 2023

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19.4 CPS45.11.23 - List of Accounts Paid - September 2023

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19.5 CPS46.11.23 - Monthly Financial Report – October 2023

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19.6 CPS47.11.23 - Monthly Investment Report - October 2023

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19.7 CPS48.11.23 - List of Accounts Paid - October 2023

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20. Reports by the Chief Executive Officer

20.1 CEO31.11.23 - Review of Register of Delegated Authority

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

20.2 CEO32.11.23 – Proposed Parking Amendment Local Law

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

20.3 CEO33.11.23 – Application for Payment of Training Costs – Councillor Coghlan

Councillor Coghlan left the room at 7.15pm.

Requests for Further Information

Mayor Argyle – What is the current budget allocation for Elected Member training? Is this budget allocated per Council Member?



20.4 CEO34.11.23 – Register of Outstanding Council Resolutions

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

20.5 CEO35.11.23 – City of Nedlands Council Plan 2023-33 for Adoption

Requests for Further Information

Nil.

21. Council Members Notice of Motions of Which Previous Notice Has Been Given

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

22. Urgent Business Approved By the Presiding Member or By Decision

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

23. Confidential Items

Confidential items to be discussed at this point.

Nil.

24. Declaration of Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 7.17 pm.