



# **MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting  
Tuesday, 11 July 2023**

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**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS DARRANDIRRA, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY  
CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN  
ON TUESDAY, 11 JULY 2023 AT 5:30PM**

**PRESENT:**

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis  
Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris  
Councillor Kim Farrar  
Councillor Sylvia Klonaris  
Councillor Brian O'Gallagher  
Councillor Mick Palmer  
Councillor Peter Pangquee  
Councillor Ed Smelt  
Councillor Amye Un  
Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

**OFFICERS:**

Simone Saunders (Chief Executive Officer)  
Matt Grassmayr (General Manager Community)  
Steve Thacker (General Manager Corporate)  
Alice Percy (General Manager Innovation)

**APOLOGY:**

Councillor Morgan Rickard, Councillor Vim Sharma

**GUESTS:**

Nil

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21.1 Adjournment of Meeting and Media Liaison..... 20

## 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We the members of City of Darwin acknowledge that we are meeting on Larrakia Country.

We recognise and pay our respects to all Larrakia people, Traditional Owners and Custodian Elders of the past and present.

We support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future.

We are committed to working together with all Larrakia to care for this land and sea for our shared future.

## 2 THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever.

Amen

*Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe was not present at the commencement of the meeting at 5.32pm.*

## 3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

### RESOLUTION ORD374/23

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5.32pm.

**CARRIED 9/0**

## 4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### 4.1 APOLOGIES

#### RESOLUTION ORD375/23

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Mick Palmer

THAT the apology from Councillor Morgan Rickard and Councillor Vim Sharma, be received.

**CARRIED 9/0**

### 4.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

Nil

**4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED**

**RESOLUTION ORD376/23**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un

Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

1. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Councillor Brian O’Gallagher for 25 July 2023.
2. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Councillor Mick Palmer for 25 July 2023.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**5 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE**

**5.1 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE GRANTED**

Nil

**5.2 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUESTED**

**RESOLUTION ORD377/23**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un

Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

THAT Council note that the following members request Electronic Meeting Attendance:

- Councillor Brian O’Gallagher for the 25 July 2023.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF**

**6.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

Nil

**6.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF**

Nil

*Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe joined the meeting at 5:33pm.*

**7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION ORD378/23**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un  
 Seconded: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 June 2023 be confirmed.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**8 MOVING OF ITEMS**

**8.1 MOVING OF OPEN ITEMS INTO CONFIDENTIAL**

Nil

**8.2 MOVING OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS INTO OPEN**

Nil

**8.3 MOVING CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS TO OPEN AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**

**26.1 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE GRANTS 2023/24**

**RESOLUTION ORD396/23**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt  
 Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report entitled Environment & Climate Change Grants 2023/24 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the following projects for funding under the Environment & Climate Change Grants 2023/24:

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Amount Recommended</b>
Stuart Park Childcare	\$21,000
Childbirth Education Australia	\$7,475
Biodiversity Watch	\$9,020
Landcare NT	\$10,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$47,495</b>

3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**26.2 UNSOLICITED PROPOSAL - ADVERTISING****MOTION**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

1. THAT the report entitled Unsolicited Proposal – Advertising be received and noted.
2. THAT Council note that City of Darwin officers have completed an initial review of the unsolicited proposal received at **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council do not endorse the unsolicited proposal as the proposal does not comply with the Unsolicited Proposal Policy 0088.100.E.R.
4. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
5. THAT the documents remain confidential, and that these decisions be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**AMENDMENT****RESOLUTION ORD397/23**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Mick Palmer

1. THAT the report entitled Unsolicited Proposal – Advertising be received and noted.
2. THAT Council note that City of Darwin officers have completed an initial review of the unsolicited proposal received at **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council do not endorse the unsolicited proposal as the proposal does not comply with the Outdoor Advertising Signs Code Policy.
4. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
5. THAT the documents remain confidential, and that these decisions be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 7/2**



**26.3 REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL DECISIONS****RESOLUTION ORD398/23**

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Councillor Ed Smelt

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Confidential Decisions be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve to move certain decisions at **Attachment 1**, made between 1 October 2022 to 31 December 2022 from Confidential to Open.
3. THAT Council approve to move certain decisions at **Attachment 2**, made between 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023 from Confidential to Open.
4. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
5. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 9/0****27.1 UNCONFIRMED CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES - RISK MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE (RMAC) - 23 JUNE 2023****RESOLUTION ORD399/23**

Moved: Councillor Kim Farrar

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

1. THAT the report entitled Unconfirmed Confidential Minutes – Risk Management and Audit Committee (RMAC) – 23 June 2023, be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 9/0****27.2 CASUARINA AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE 100% DESIGN PRESENTATION AND PROJECT UPDATE****RESOLUTION ORD400/23**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Amye Un

1. THAT the report entitled Casuarina Aquatic and Leisure Centre 100% Design Presentation and Project Update be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
3. THAT this report, attached documents and this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**27.3 UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING LEGAL MATTER****RESOLUTION ORD401/23**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

1. THAT the report entitled Update on Outstanding Legal Matter be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 9/0****28.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE - MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING AND LOGISTICS****RESOLUTION ORD402/23**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

1. THAT the report entitled Incoming Correspondence - Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019.
3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 9/0****9 MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE / LORD MAYORAL MINUTE**

Nil

**10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

**11 PETITIONS**

Nil

**12 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

Nil

**13 NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

**14 ACTION REPORTS****14.1 PLAY SPACE STRATEGY 2023-2030****RESOLUTION ORD379/23**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT the report entitled Play Space Strategy 2023-2030 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the Play Space Strategy 2023-2030.

**CARRIED 10/0****14.2 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION OUTCOME - WALKWAY 29 - LEE POINT ROAD TO KAILIS STREET WANGURI****RESOLUTION ORD380/23**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT the report entitled Community Consultation Outcome – Walkway 29 Lee Point Road to Kailis Street Wanguri be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the night-time closure of Walkway 29 from 9:30pm to 5:30am, seven days per week.

**CARRIED 10/0****14.3 REVIEW OF RISK MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE****RESOLUTION ORD381/23**

Moved: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Risk Management and Audit Committee (RMAC) Terms of Reference be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts the reviewed RMAC Terms of Reference at **Attachment 2**.

**CARRIED 10/0**

#### 14.4 CBD SPEED LIMIT REVIEW

##### MOTION

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Amye Un

1. THAT the report entitled CBD Speed Limit Review be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr in zone blue in **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr in zone yellow in **Attachment 1**.
4. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr on the Bennett Street section of zone orange in **Attachment 1**.
5. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr on The Esplanade section of zone orange in **Attachment 1**.
6. THAT Council endorse for City of Darwin officers to seek a review of the speed limit along Garramilla Boulevard between Cavenagh Street and McMinn Street from the Northern Territory Government
7. THAT Council provide in principle support to defer any decision to change the speed limits on Daly Street and McMinn Street, until further analysis and discussions are undertaken by Officers.
8. THAT Council note that the recommendation to reduce the speed limit is due to predicted economic, social, and environmental benefits, the measured operating speeds being near or below 40km/hr, and community feedback, and that any changes will commence on the 1 November 2023.

##### AMENDMENT

##### RESOLUTION ORD382/23

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Councillor Ed Smelt

1. THAT the report entitled CBD Speed Limit Review be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr in zone blue in **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr in zone yellow in **Attachment 1**.
4. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr on the Bennett Street and Herbert Street section of zone orange in **Attachment 1**.
5. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr on The Esplanade section of zone orange in **Attachment 1**.
6. THAT Council endorse for City of Darwin officers to seek a review of the speed limit along Garramilla Boulevard between Cavenagh Street and McMinn Street from the Northern Territory Government
7. THAT Council provide in principle support to defer any decision to change the speed limits on Daly Street and McMinn Street, until further analysis and discussions are undertaken by Officers.
8. THAT Council note that the recommendation to reduce the speed limit is due to predicted economic, social, and environmental benefits, the measured operating speeds being near or

below 40km/hr, and community feedback, and that any changes will commence on the 1 November 2023.

**CARRIED 10/0**

## **AMENDMENT**

### **RESOLUTION ORD383/23**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Mick Palmer

1. THAT the report entitled CBD Speed Limit Review be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr in zone blue in **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr in zone yellow in **Attachment 1**.
4. THAT Council endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km/hr on the Bennett Street and Herbert Street section of zone orange in **Attachment 1**.
5. THAT Council does not endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km on the Esplanade section.
6. THAT Council provide in principle support to defer any decision to change the speed limits on Daly Street and McMinn Street, until further analysis and discussions are undertaken by Officers.
7. THAT Council provide in principle support to defer any decision to change the speed limits on The Esplanade, until further analysis and discussions are undertaken by Officers.
8. THAT Council note that the recommendation to reduce the speed limit is due to predicted economic, social, and environmental benefits, the measured operating speeds being near or below 40km/hr, and community feedback, and that any changes will commence on the 1 November 2023.

In Favour: Members Kim Farrar, Brian O'Gallagher, Peter Pangquee, Ed Smelt, Amye Un, Kon Vatskalis and Rebecca Want de Rowe

Against: Members Jimmy Bouhoris, Sylvia Klonaris and Mick Palmer

**CARRIED 7/3**

## **NOTE:**

Councillor Ed Smelt did not endorse:

5. THAT Council does not endorse the reduction of Central Business District speed to 40km on the Esplanade section.

**14.5 REVIEW OF ELECTED MEMBERS EXPENSES, FACILITIES AND SUPPORT POLICY****RESOLUTION ORD384/23**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Elected Members Expenses, Facilities and Support Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the revised Elected Members Expenses, Facilities and Support Policy 0017.100.E.R. which aligns to the *Local Government Act 2019* and associated Ministerial determinations related to Elected Member allowances.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**15 RECEIVE & NOTE REPORTS****15.1 UNCONFIRMED OPEN MINUTES - RISK MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE (RMAC) - 23 JUNE 2023****RESOLUTION ORD385/23**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT the report entitled Unconfirmed Open Minutes - Risk Management & Audit Committee (RMAC) – 23 June 2023 be received and noted.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**16 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES****RESOLUTION ORD386/23**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

THAT the following Reports of Representatives be received and noted.

**16.1**

Councillor Ed Smelt reported on attending the NAIDOC march on Friday and the NAIDOC ball on Saturday night. It was a great opportunity for celebration, but also for reflection on what needs to come next in supporting our First Nations people towards self-determination. Thank you to the Executive Manager of Community and Cultural Services, Angela O'Donnell and staff for organising Elected Member attendance at the NAIDOC ball.

**16.2**

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis would like to thank City of Darwin staff for organising all these events, it is great that the City of Darwin has a presence in these activities during the dry season. The Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis also attended the Irish Music Festival, it was a great event and they thanked the City of Darwin for our support.

**16.3**

Councillor Peter Pangquee reported on attending the Reconciliation Advisory Committee Meeting with the Chief Executive Officer, Simone Saunders. The committee are looking for new members externally, so there will be recruitment in the next month. Councillor Peter Pangquee also attended the NAIDOC ball, City of Darwin sponsored the 'Lifetime Achievement Award', with Regina Bennett being the recipient, who was responsible for initially setting up the first alcohol rehabilitation centres in Darwin for Aboriginal people.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**17 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS****17.1 MALAK GREENBELT****RESOLUTION ORD387/23**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

**Question:**

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris reported on the greenbelt in Malak and a request from a resident in the community for kangaroo sprinklers to be established in these locations, with the concern of increased activity due to the implementation of the Ninja Warrior park.

**Answer:**

The General Manager Community, Matt Grassmayr took the question on notice, and advised that there is irrigation going into the Malak greenbelt, with the priority and focus on playspaces.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**17.2 REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE TO RESPOND TO EMAIL****RESOLUTION ORD388/23**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt  
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

**Question:**

Councillor Amye Un received an email from a resident and would like to thank the Chief Executive Officer, Simone Saunders for responding to the email. Councillor Amye Un has now received a second email.

**Answer:**

The Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis advised Councillor Amye Un to forward the email to the Chief Executive Officer for response.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**18 GENERAL BUSINESS****18.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE - MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING AND LOGISTICS - DEFENCE ACCOMMODATION PRECINCT****RESOLUTION ORD389/23**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un  
Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

THAT the report entitled Incoming Correspondence - Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics - Defence Accommodation Precinct be received and noted.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**18.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SERVICES | TONY MIAOUDIS****RESOLUTION ORD390/23**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un  
Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris enquired about how to put forward a request for the City of Darwin to recognise and acknowledge one of our longest serving advisory committee members for our Sister City Committee, Tony Miaoudis.

The Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis advised that the City of Darwin could provide a letter with recognition and acknowledgement of his services, with promotion and article on the City of Darwin website.

**CARRIED 10/0**



**18.3 JINGILI CEMETERY | WALL MEMORIAL****RESOLUTION ORD391/23**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Councillor Kim Farrar would like to provide positive feedback to the General Manager Community, Matt Grassmayr and the team for the email received from a resident, who reported that they could now put flowers on the memorial wall at Jingili Cemetery with the vases provided by the team.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**18.4 FANNIE BAY PLAYGROUND****RESOLUTION ORD392/23**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Councillor Ayme Un received an email from a resident regarding the removal of a Fannie Bay playground and how they were very disappointed and requested for the Council to put in another playground in the area.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**18.5 WOOLWONGA COURT, ANULA | FOOTPATHS****RESOLUTION ORD393/23**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Councillor Brian O’Gallagher would like to thank the Executive Manager Program Management, Nik Kleine and his team for their work at Woolwonga Court, Anula for the footpaths. Residents were impressed with the consultation, construction and the speed for delivering the footpaths.

**CARRIED 10/0**

**19 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING****RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 25 July 2023, at 5:30pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers Darrandirra, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

**20 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT pursuant to Section 99 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 51 of the Local Government (General) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act:

**26.1 Environment and Climate Change Grants 2023/24**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

**26.2 Unsolicited Proposal - Advertising**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

**26.3 Review of Confidential Decisions**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i), 51(c)(ii) and 51(c)(iii) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law and information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

**27.1 Unconfirmed Confidential Minutes - Risk Management and Audit Committee (RMAC) - 23 June 2023**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

**27.2 Casuarina Aquatic and Leisure Centre 100% Design Presentation and Project Update**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

**27.3 Update on Outstanding Legal Matter**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(d) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

**28.1 Incoming Correspondence - Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(e) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with subject to subregulation 51(3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

**21 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON**

**21.1 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON**

**RESOLUTION ORD394/23**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 6.25pm

**CARRIED 10/0**

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 7.53pm

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 7.53pm

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 July 2023.**

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**CHAIR**