

**CONFIRMED MINUTES**  
**OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF PENRITH CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**ON MONDAY 18 DECEMBER 2017 AT 7:04PM**

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

The meeting opened with the National Anthem.

**STATEMENT OF RECOGNITION**

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor John Thain read a statement of recognition of Penrith City's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage.

**PRAYER**

The Council Prayer was read by the Rev Neil Checkley.

**PRESENT**

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor John Thain, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Tricia Hitchen, and Councillors Bernard Bratusa, Todd Carney, Marcus Cornish, Kevin Crameri OAM, Greg Davies, Aaron Duke, Ross Fowler OAM, Karen McKeown, Kath Presdee and Ben Price.

**APOLOGIES**

337 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Aaron Duke seconded Councillor Karen McKeown that apologies be received from Councillors Jim Aitken OAM, Mark Davies and Joshua Hoole.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Ordinary Meeting - 27 November 2017**

338 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Aaron Duke seconded Councillor Greg Davies that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 27 November 2017 be confirmed.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**1 Report and Recommendations of the Policy Review Committee  
Meeting held on 11 December 2017**

339 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Mark Davies seconded Councillor Karen McKeown that the recommendations contained in the Report and Recommendations of the Policy Review Committee meeting held on 11 December, 2017 be adopted, with the exception of Item 7 – Amending Precinct Plan and Infrastructure Planning for the Central Precinct, St Marys Release Area.

**1 Report and Recommendations of the Policy Review Committee Meeting held on 11 December 2017 - Item 7 - Amending Precinct Plan and Infrastructure Planning for the Central Precinct, St Marys Release Area**

340 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Ross Fowler OAM seconded Councillor Karen McKeown that the recommendations contained at Item 7 - Amending Precinct Plan and Infrastructure Planning for the Central Precinct, St Marys Release Area - Report and Recommendations of the Policy Review Committee meeting held on 11 December, 2017 be adopted.

In accordance with Section 375A of the Local Government Act 1993, a DIVISION was then called with the following result:

**For**

**Against**

Councillor Kath Presdee  
Councillor Ben Price  
Councillor Greg Davies  
Councillor Todd Carney  
Councillor Aaron Duke  
Councillor Karen McKeown  
Councillor Kevin Crameri OAM  
Councillor Ross Fowler OAM  
Councillor Tricia Hitchen  
Councillor Bernard Bratusa  
Councillor Marcus Cornish  
Councillor John Thain

**2 Reports and Recommendations of the Local Traffic Committee held on 4 December 2017**

341 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Ross Fowler OAM seconded Councillor Karen McKeown that the recommendations contained in the Report and Recommendations of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 4 December, 2017 be adopted.

**DELIVERY PROGRAM REPORTS**

**OUTCOME 1 - WE CAN WORK CLOSE TO HOME**

**1 Real Festival 2017**

342 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Karen McKeown seconded Councillor Bernard Bratusa

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Real Festival 2017 be received.
2. The sponsors be thanked for their contributions to the 2017 Real Festival.

**OUTCOME 4 - WE HAVE SAFE, VIBRANT PLACES**

**2 Cemeteries Strategy and Business Review**

343 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Bernard Bratusa seconded Councillor Ross Fowler OAM

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Cemeteries Strategy and Business Review be received
2. Council endorse the recommendations in the Cemeteries Strategy and Business Review, and associated masterplans and it be acknowledged that the Strategy relates to local cemeteries.
3. Council endorse the amended Cemeteries Policy and it be acknowledged that the Strategy relates to local cemeteries.
4. Council write to the NSW Premier, Minister for Planning and Minister for Lands and all Local Members requesting the NSW Government investigate and establish an effective intergenerational Statewide cemeteries/crematoria strategy, focussing on major growth areas, in particular the Greater Sydney Metropolitan Area.
5. Council call on the NSW Government to convene a summit involving all stakeholders, inclusive of councils, with a view to formulating a cemeteries/crematoria strategy.
6. A further report be presented to the Policy Review Committee regarding not providing lawn sections only in Council cemeteries for future burial sites/plots.

**OUTCOME 6 - WE ARE HEALTHY AND SHARE STRONG COMMUNITY SPIRIT**

**3 Youth Week 2018**

344 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Greg Davies seconded Councillor Ross Fowler OAM

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Youth Week 2018 be received.
2. Council endorse the three recommended projects and funding amounts to the total value of \$7,126 as outlined in Table 1 of this report.

**OUTCOME 7 - WE HAVE CONFIDENCE IN OUR COUNCIL**

**4 2018-19 Operational Plan - Budget Preparation and Settings**

345 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Greg Davies seconded Councillor Ross Fowler OAM

That:

1. The information contained in the report on 2018-19 Operational Plan - Budget Preparation and Settings be received.

2. Council make initial identification of particular matters to be considered in the preparation of the Draft 2018-19 Operational Plan.
3. Preparation of the Draft 2018-19 Operational Plan continue in the terms discussed in this report and outlined in the Annual Budget Guidelines attached.

**5 Decision Making Arrangements for the Christmas / New Year Council Recess**

346 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Greg Davies seconded Councillor Ross Fowler OAM

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Decision Making Arrangements for the Christmas / New Year Council Recess be received
2. Development Applications which would normally warrant reporting to Council between 19 December 2017 and 5 February 2018 inclusive be determined under the General Manager's delegation by the General Manager, after consultation with the Mayor, or in his absence the Deputy Mayor.
3. A report be presented to the Ordinary Council Meeting (if required) to be held on 5 February 2018 relating to the operations of the organisation during this period should any determinations be made.

**7 Borrowing Program 2017/18**

347 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Greg Davies seconded Councillor Ross Fowler OAM

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Borrowing Program 2017/18 be received
2. Council be advised that CBA was the successful lender for the \$4,097,648.22 CBD Drainage LIRS renewal loan.

**8 Summary of Investments & Banking for the period 1 November to 30 November 2017**

348 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Greg Davies seconded Councillor Ross Fowler OAM

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Summary of Investments & Banking for the period 1 November to 30 November 2017 be received
2. The certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer and Summaries of Investments and Performance for the period 1 November 2017 to 30 November 2017 be noted and accepted.
3. The graphical investment analysis as at 30 November 2017 be noted.

**6 2018 Australian Local Government Women's Association NSW Annual State Conference**

349 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Karen McKeown seconded Councillor Kath Presdee

That:

1. The information contained in the report on 2018 Australian Local Government Women's Association NSW Annual State Conference be received
2. Councillors Kath Presdee and Karen McKeown be Council's delegates to attend ALGWA's NSW Annual State Conference, to be held in Gundagai from Thursday, 15 March to Saturday 17 March 2018, with any other available Councillors to be in attendance.

**REQUESTS FOR REPORTS AND MEMORANDUMS**

**RR 1 Weed Infestation - Old Bathurst Road, Emu Plains**

Councillor Kevin Crameri OAM requested that, with regard to the request he submitted at Council's Ordinary meeting of 27 November 2017 relating to the weed infestation of Apple of Sodom at the Correctional Facility in Old Bathurst Road, Emu Plains, he be first provided with any material including letters and any photographs, before this information is sent to recipients as outlined in his request.

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed the time being 7:38pm.

I certify that these 5 pages are the Confirmed Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Penrith City Council held on 18 December 2017.

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Chairperson

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Date