



PITTWATER COUNCIL

# **Pittwater Council Minutes**

## **Council Meeting**

held at Mona Vale Memorial Hall, Mona Vale  
on

**2 May 2011**

Commencing at 6.30pm.

## **ATTENDANCE**

### **Members**

Rose, H (Mayor & Chairperson)  
Townsend, J (Deputy Mayor)  
Giles, P  
James, D  
Dunbar, B  
Grace, B  
Hegarty, J  
Hock, P  
White, I

### **Officers**

Ferguson, M (General Manager)  
Dyce, L (Acting Director, Environmental Planning & Community)  
Beharrell, M (Acting Director, Urban & Environmental Assets)  
Hardie, P (Principal Officer, Coast & Estuary)  
Robins, R (Acting Manager, Administration & Governance)  
Tasker, P (Administration Officer)  
McPherson, S (Administration Officer/ Minute Secretary)

# Council Meeting

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**Notes:**

1. The Council Meeting commenced at 6.30pm and adjourned at 6.34pm, recommenced at 6.46pm and concluded at 6.49pm.
  2. The Natural Environment Meeting commenced at 6.35pm and concluded at 6.45pm.
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**Council Meeting**

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**1.0 Apologies - Nil**

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**2.0 Declarations of Pecuniary and Conflict of Interest including any Political Donations and Gifts - Nil**

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**3.0 Confirmation of Minutes**

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**COUNCIL DECISION**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 April 2011 copies of which were circulated to all Councillors be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting.

(Cr White / Cr Hegarty)

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**4.0 Business by Exception (All items on the Agenda) - Nil**

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**5.0 Public Addresses - Nil**

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**6.0 Mayoral Minutes - Nil**

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**7.0 Council Meeting Business**

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<b>C7.1</b>	<b>Notice of Motion - ICAC Investigation into the Purchasing of Currawong</b> (Motion submitted by Cr Townsend)
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**COUNCIL DECISION**

That Council be kept informed and updated on any requests made by ICAC for Council information or representation arising out of the investigation.

(Cr Townsend / Cr Rose)

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<b>Community, Recreation and Economic Development Committee</b>
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<b>8.0</b>	<b>Community, Recreation and Economic Development Committee Business - Nil</b>
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**Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)**

That the Council Meeting be adjourned and the Natural Environment Committee Meeting now commence.

(Cr Giles / Cr White)

**Note:**

1. The Council Meeting adjourned at 6.34pm and the Natural Environment Committee Meeting commenced at 6.35pm.
2. Cr Rose remained in the Chair.

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<b>Natural Environment Committee</b>
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<b>9.0</b>	<b>Natural Environment Committee Business</b>
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<b>C9.1</b>	<b>Pittwater Foreshore Floodplain – Mapping of Sea Level Rise Impacts – Public Exhibition of Draft Final Report and Mapping</b>
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**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the tabled Draft Final Report and associated draft mapping for the Pittwater Foreshore Floodplain - Mapping of Sea Level Rise Project be placed on public exhibition for a period of five (5) weeks, from Friday 6 May 2011 to Friday 10 June 2011.
2. That the activities of the Community Engagement, Information and Feedback Strategy that will be carried out during and following the public exhibition be noted.

(Cr James / Cr Hock)

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<b>C9.2</b>	<b>Adoption of Risk Management Policy for Coastal Risk Public Buildings and Assets in Pittwater</b>
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**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That the Risk Management Policy for Coastal Public Buildings and Assets in Pittwater, as amended following public exhibition and stakeholder consultation, be adopted.

(Cr White / Cr James)

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**Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)**

That the Natural Environment Committee Meeting be adjourned and the Council Meeting now recommence.

(Cr Giles / Cr Dunbar)

**Notes:**

1. The Natural Environment Committee Meeting adjourned at 6.45pm and the Council Meeting recommenced at 6.46pm.
2. Cr Rose remained in the Chair.

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### 10.0 Adoption of Natural Environment Committee Recommendations

#### COUNCIL DECISION

That the recommendations of the Natural Environment Committee comprising all Council members be, and are hereby, adopted.

(Cr Giles / Cr Townsend)

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### 11.0 Councillor Questions

#### Question - Councillor Townsend

- Which development site is draining its run off into the wetlands?
- Has Council assessed whether there is any damage to the wetlands from the run-off?
- Is a suitably qualified person from Council conducting daily inspections of development in the vicinity of the wetlands to ensure there is no environmental damage to the wetlands occurring?

#### Answer

The Acting Director, Environmental Planning and Community responded as follows:

Council's Rangers and Development Compliance Officers currently carry out daily site inspections on 3 locations in Warriewood Valley involving large scale earthworks;

- 14-18 Boondah Road,
- 61 Warriewood Road, and
- 2 Daydream Street.

While each of these sites drains into the Warriewood Valley creek system, only the site at 14 - 18 Boondah Road drains directly into the Wetlands.

Since commencement of work on these respective sites, Council has issued four penalty notices.

Inspections will continue on a daily basis, both in relation to general development compliance and compliance with the Clean Water provisions of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act.

In order to ensure that the appropriate level of expertise is applied to this inspection regime in relation to the potential for environmental damage to the Warriewood Wetlands (as a result of run-off from development sites), appropriately qualified Urban Infrastructure Division staff will accompany Council's Rangers and Development Compliance Officers in relation to the above mentioned sites daily and follow during wet weather periods to ensure that, should there be any impact on the Warriewood Valley creek system or the Warriewood Valley Wetlands, an immediate response can be implemented.

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**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS  
THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 6.49pm  
ON MONDAY 2 MAY 2011**