



Pittwater Council Minutes

Council Meeting

held at Mona Vale Memorial Hall, Mona Vale
on

7 April 2015

Commencing at 6.30pm.

ATTENDANCE

Members

Townsend, J (Mayor & Chairperson)
Ferguson, K (Deputy Mayor)
Grace, B
Griffith, S
Hegarty, J
McTaggart, A
Millar, K
White, I
Young, S

Officers

Ferguson, M (General Manager)
Godfrey, L (Acting Director, Environmental Planning & Community)
Hunt, C (Director, Urban & Environmental Assets)
Lawrence, W (Manager, Administration & Governance)
Pigott, A (Manager, Planning and Assessment)
Cordoba, L (Urban Special Projects Leader)
Mulroney, J (Manager, Corporate Strategy & Community Engagement)
Steele, J (Senior Communications Officer)
Jones, M (Chief Financial Officer)
McPherson, S (Administration Officer/ Minute Secretary)

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Notes:

1. The Council Meeting commenced at 6.30pm and adjourned at 9.11pm, recommended at 9.51pm and concluded at 9.52 pm.
2. The Connecting Communities Committee Meeting commenced at 9.12pm and concluded at 9.17pm.
3. The Natural Environment Committee Meeting commenced at 9.18pm and concluded at 9.50pm.

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1.0 Apologies

Nil.

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

Cr Millar declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item C10.1 – Review of Pittwater 21 DCP (Amendment 16) Warriewood Valley Specific Controls and took part in the discussion and voting on this item. The reason provided by Cr Millar was:

“I Live in Warriewood Valley. I have participated in the debate of the Warriewood Valley Strategic Review and I see this as an extension of that process”.

3.0 Confirmation of Minutes

COUNCIL DECISION

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16 March 2015, 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 Millar / Cr Ferguson)

C8.3	Notice of Motion – Public Exhibition - Fit for the Future - Motion Submitted by Cr Grace
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COUNCIL DECISION

That the Notice of Motion as submitted be formally withdrawn.

(Cr Grace / Cr Griffith)

4.0	Public Addresses
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C8.1 - Notice of Motion – Community Consultation – Motion Submitted by Cr Grace – With the leave of the Council Ms Lynne Czinner, Mr Peter Mayman and Mr Storm Jacklin spoke in support of the recommendation on this item.

C8.2 - Notice of Motion – Telephonic Consultation – Motion Submitted by Cr Grace – With the leave of the Council Mr Peter Mayman and Mr Storm Jacklin spoke in support of the recommendation on this item.

C8.4 - Notice of Motion – Pittwater Council Fit for the Future – Motion Submitted by Cr Grace – With the leave of the Council Ms Lynne Czinner, Mr Peter Mayman and Mr Storm Jacklin spoke in support of the recommendation on this item.

C8.5 – NSW Government’s Fit for the Future Local Government Reforms – With the leave of the Council Ms Lynne Czinner, Mr Peter Mayman and Mr Storm Jacklin spoke against the recommendation on this item.

8.0	Council Meeting Business
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C8.4	Notice of Motion - Pittwater Council - Fit for the Future - Motion Submitted by Cr Grace
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COUNCIL DECISION

1. That Council confirms that Pittwater Council is completely sustainable and Fit for the Future in its current form and structure in relation to the current criteria set out in the local government reform proposal – Fit for the Future.
2. That having reviewed all current documentation included in the KPMG report Councils position is as follows:

“Pittwater to maintain the status quo that is to remain as we are without any boundary changes”.

3. That in any correspondence with the community in the consultation process it be prominently noted, that Council is Fit for the Future.

(Cr McTaggart / Cr Griffith)

Note:

A division was duly taken resulting in the following voting:

Aye (For)

Cr Ferguson
Cr Griffith
Cr Grace
Cr Hegarty
Cr McTaggart
Cr Millar
Cr Townsend
Cr White
Cr Young

No (Against)

Nil.

C8.1	Notice of Motion - Community Consultation - Motion Submitted by Cr Grace
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COUNCIL DECISION

1. That when community opinion, public survey or community engagement be carried out to ascertain community views in relation to the State Government Fit for the Future, Council review inter-alia the contents, form, time and extent of any pamphlet, information pack, map or survey before it is distributed to the community for comment.
2. That a workshop be held by 15 April 2015 to implement Part 1 above and if necessary, an extraordinary meeting be held as soon as possible to determine the matter should an agreement not be reached.

(Cr Grace / Cr Griffith)

Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)

That Cr Griffith be granted an extension of time to complete her address to the meeting on this item.

(Cr Millar / Cr Hegarty)

C8.2	Notice of Motion - Telephonic Consultation - Motion submitted by Cr Grace
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COUNCIL DECISION

That in any telephonic consultation in relation to Fit for the Future, Council review inter-alia the company or person conducting the consultation, the wording of the questions, the number of questions, the content of the questions, the cost of the consultation, the duration and the extent of the consultation.

(Cr Grace / Cr Hegarty)

Note:

A division was duly taken resulting in the following voting:

Aye (For)	No (Against)
Cr Ferguson	Cr White
Cr Griffith	
Cr Grace	
Cr Hegarty	
Cr McTaggart	
Cr Millar	
Cr Townsend	
Cr Young	

5.0 Councillor Questions with Notice

Nil.

6.0 Mayoral Minutes

Nil.

7.0 Business by Exception

Nil.

C8.5 NSW Governments Fit For The Future Local Government Reforms

COUNCIL DECISION

1. That Council confirms and strengthens its previous resolutions of 13 October 2014 and 7 April 2015 and it be included in all community consultation:
 - “(a) That Council is opposed to any proposed merger of Manly, Warringah and Pittwater into one Council.
 - (b) That Council remains committed to a strong independent Pittwater Council providing local representation and delivery of local services to the people of Pittwater on the existing boundaries.
 - (c) That Council confirms that Pittwater Council is completely sustainable and Fit for the Future in its current form and structure in relation to the current criteria set out in the local government reform proposal – Fit for the Future.

2. That the General Manager implement an extensive community engagement process in accordance with Councils decisions of 7 April 2015 (C8.1 and C8.2) to allow the community to consider three of the options outlined in the KPMG Summary Report, that being the following:
- Option 1: No Merger - This option involves no merger of Councils on the Northern Beaches.
 - Option 2: Greater Pittwater Council and Greater Manly Council - This option involves boundary changes and splits the existing Warringah Council.
 - Option 3: A single Northern Beaches Council comprising the current local government areas of Pittwater, Warringah and Manly.
3. That a further report be presented to the Council meeting of 1 June, 2015 outlining the results of the community engagement process.

(Cr McTaggart / Cr Ferguson)

Note:

A division was duly taken resulting in the following voting:

Aye (For)	No (Against)
Cr Ferguson	Nil.
Cr Griffith	
Cr Grace	
Cr Hegarty	
Cr McTaggart	
Cr Millar	
Cr Townsend	
Cr White	
Cr Young	

FURTHER COUNCIL DECISION

That the General Manager facilitate a public meeting in regards to Fit for the Future incorporating a presentation from KPMG of their report in summary form.

(Cr Young / Cr Griffith)

Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)

That Cr Townsend be granted an extension of time to complete her address to the meeting on this item.

(Cr Millar / Cr Hegarty)

Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)

That the Council Meeting be adjourned and the Connecting Communities Committee Meeting now commence.

(Cr Hegarty / Cr Ferguson)

Notes:

1. The Council Meeting adjourned at 9.11pm and the Connecting Communities Committee Meeting commenced at 9.12pm.
2. Cr Millar assumed the Chair.

Connecting Communities Committee

9.0 Connecting Communities Committee Business

C9.1 Use of Delegated Functions - 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the information relating to the approval and refusal of applications made under delegation for the period 1 April 2014 through to 31 March 2015 be noted.

(Cr Hegarty / Cr Townsend)

C9.2 Minutes of the Pittwater Traffic Committee Meeting held on 18 March 2015

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Traffic Committee recommendations contained in the Minutes of the Meeting of 18 March 2015 be adopted.

(Cr Townsend / Cr Ferguson)

Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)

That the Connecting Communities Committee Meeting be concluded and the Natural Environment Committee Meeting now commence.

(Cr White / Cr Hegarty)

Notes:

1. The Connecting Communities Committee Meeting concluded at 9.17pm and the Natural Environment Committee Meeting commenced at 9.18pm.
2. Cr White assumed the Chair.

Natural Environment Committee

10.0 Natural Environment Committee Business

C10.1 Review of Pittwater 21 DCP (Amendment 16) Warriewood Valley Specific Controls

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council endorse the exhibition of changes to the Pittwater 21 Development control Plan (Amendment 16) for 28 days.
2. That the outcomes of the public exhibition for Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan (Amendment 16) be reported back to Council.
3. That the following changes to the tabled document be made prior to undertaking the exhibition:
 - Control A4.16 (2nd last paragraph)
Retain the following wording – “Land affected in the Warriewood Valley Urban release Area is shown on the natural environment maps held in the offices of Council.”
 - Control B3.21 (uses to which this control applies)
Delete the word “Area”.
 - Control B6.6
Bicycle storage
 - Delete “residential development” – replace with “multi dwelling housing and/or residential flat building”.
 - Delete “per 3 dwellings”. Replace with “per 2 dwellings”.Motor Cycle Parking
 - Delete “per 100 motor vehicle spaces”. Replace with “per 75 motor vehicle spaces”Retail Premises
 - Retain “appropriately signposted”Restaurants and Cafes
 - Retain “appropriately signposted”
 - Control C5.22 (Variations – 1st paragraph)
“As Built Rating”

(Cr Millar / Cr Ferguson)

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C10.2	Minutes of the Ingleside Community Reference Group - 4 March 2015
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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Ingleside Community Reference Group meeting of 4 March 2015 be noted.

(Cr Townsend / Cr White)

C10.3	Minutes of the Avalon to Palm Beach Floodplain Risk Management Study & Plan Community Working Group held on 5 March 2015
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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the information provided in the report on the Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Avalon to Palm Beach Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan Working Group be noted.

(Cr McTaggart / Cr Griffith)

Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)

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

(Cr White / Cr Young)

Notes:

1. The Natural Environment Committee Meeting concluded at 9.50pm and the Council Meeting recommenced at 9.51pm.
2. Cr Townsend assumed the Chair.

Council Meeting

11.0	Adoption of Connecting Communities Committee Recommendations
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COUNCIL DECISION

That the recommendations of the Connecting Communities Committee on Items C9.1 and C9.2 comprising all Council members be, and are hereby, adopted.

(Cr White / Cr Ferguson)

12.0 Adoption of Natural Environment Committee Recommendations

COUNCIL DECISION

That the recommendations of the Natural Environment Committee on Items C10.1, C10.2 and C10.3 comprising all Council members be, and are hereby, adopted.

(Cr Ferguson / Cr Griffith)

Note:

Cr Millar declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item C10.1 – Review of Pittwater 21 DCP (Amendment 16) Warriewood Valley Specific Controls and took part in the discussion and voting on this item. The reason provided by Cr Millar was:

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**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 9.52PM ON
MONDAY, 7 APRIL 2015**