

CAMDEN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL

16 FEBRUARY 2010

PRESENT

Cr Patterson (Mayor/Chairperson), Cr Anderson, Cr Cagney, Cr Campbell, Cr Cottrell, Cr Dewbery, Cr Funnell, Cr Symkowiak, Cr Warren

STAFF

General Manager, Director Governance, Director Development and Health, Manager Environmentally Sustainable Design, Manager Capital Works, Acting Manager Environment and Health (Team Leader - Environment), Manager Employee & Community Relations, Manager Development, Manager Assets, Senior Governance Officer.

APOLOGIES

Resolution: There were no leave of absence to be granted.

EX01/10 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Resolution: There were no declarations to be noted.

EX02/10 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES

Resolution: There were no public addresses to be noted.

EX03/10 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

EX01 2010/11 DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN & BUDGET

Resolution: **MOTION**

Moved Councillor Symkowiak, Seconded Councillor Funnell that Council:

- i. adopt the 2010/11 Draft Budget and Management Plan for the purpose of placing the necessary information on exhibition for public comment,
- ii. approve the public exhibition of the Community Infrastructure Renewal Program, which proposes Council make application to the Minister for Local Government for a

4.50% rate increase under Sec 508(2)(Category 2) of the Local Government Act,

- iii. approve the transfer of \$744,300 from the Working Funds Reserve to fund the 2010/11 budget.
- iv. endorse the continuation of the Stormwater Management Levy as outlined in this report and program of works in the 2010/11 Draft Management Plan,
- v. note the following exhibition period and locations: Exhibition Period: The exhibition period commences Wednesday 17 February 2010 and is open for a period of 4 weeks, closing Tuesday 16 March 2010. Exhibition Locations:

Camden and Narellan Office – Customer Service Counter,
Camden and Narellan Library,
Cobbitty, Harrington Park, Catherine Field, Rossmore and Leppington Shops.

The Draft Management Plan and Budget will also be electronically available on Council's website.

- vi. as part of the community consultation program, a letterbox drop a newsletter be sent to all households advising them of the proposed rate increase to implement the Community Infrastructure Renewal Program. The estimated cost of \$3,000.00 is to be funded from the 2009/10 Budget surplus.

EX04/10 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.
(Councillors Anderson, Campbell and Cagney voted against the Motion)

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Subdivision Mount Annan.

Cr Cagney referred to a small subdivision off Mt Annan Drive, near the Flower Power Garden Centre and requested to be advised the responsibility to construct footpaths in the vicinity of the subdivision.

The Mayor stated the question will be taken on notice and a response provided.

Area between Stenhouse Drive and Community Park

Cr Cagney drew attention to the practice over the Christmas period of work trucks and larger vehicles parking across the nature strip in this location. As children are now back at school, children have to walk on the road to move around these vehicles.

The Mayor stated the question will be taken on notice and a response provided.

Question without Notice – Previous Meeting – Cr Cotterill

Cr Symkowiak referred to the Question without Notice asked by Cr Cotterill last meeting and requested the Mayor advise if he had been contacted since the meeting on the issue.

The Mayor stated he had not been contacted.

Cr Symkowiak requested Cr Cotterill advise that since the issue was so important to raise in Questions without Notice last meeting and nothing has been done about it.

POINT OF ORDER

Cr Campbell raised a point of order in that recently Councillors were reminded of what are appropriate questions and how Questions without Notice should be used and the question is out of order.

The Mayor stated under the Rules, a Councillor may ask a question and ruled that Council should hear the question.

Cr Symkowiak stated that since the question was raised last meeting and given nothing has been done about it and the Mayor has not been approached on the issue, was Cr Cotterill wasting Council's time in asking that question in a public forum as the issue does not exist and if it does, when will Cr Cotterill intend approaching the Mayor.

When requested by the Mayor, Cr Cottrell made no comment on the matter.

Cr Funnell stated he wished to congratulate Council staff for deciphering the inaudible and incoherent question without notice raised by Cr Cottrell.

Question without Notice – Previous Meeting – Cr Cotterill

Cr Dewbery referred to the Question without Notice and asked to be advised if the Question was concerning a personal issue or to extract information from the Mayor at the time. What was the purpose of the question?

POINT OF ORDER

Cr Anderson raised a Point of Order and stated the Minutes of the last meeting provides the question and answer and there is not need to discuss the matter at this time. The Mayor upheld the point of order.

The Mayor stated the matter had been followed up with Cr Cotterill with an email following the meeting and will be followed up further.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.45PM.