

Moreland City Council

## COUNCIL AGENDA

WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY 2009

COMMENCING 7PM

COUNCIL CHAMBER, MORELAND CIVIC CENTRE  
90 BELL STREET, COBURG

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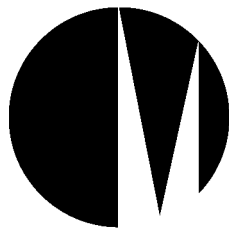
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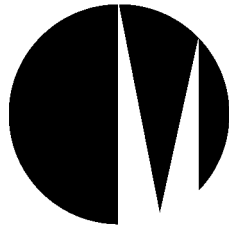
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## **INFORMATION ABOUT COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Moreland City Council encourages its citizens to participate in the local government of Moreland. Accordingly, these notes have been developed to help citizens better understand Council meetings. All meetings are conducted in accordance with Council's local legislation on Governance.

1. **WELCOME** The Mayor, who chairs the meeting, formally opens the meeting, delivers an acknowledgement of country and welcomes all present.
2. **APOLOGIES** Where a Councillor is not present, his/her absence is noted in the Minutes of the meeting.
3. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES** The minutes of the previous meeting are placed before Council to confirm the accuracy and completeness of the record.
4. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND/OR CONFLICT OF INTERESTS** Under the *Local Government Act 1989*, a Councillor has a duty to disclose any direct or indirect pecuniary (financial) interest, s/he may have in any matter to be considered by Council that evening.
5. **PETITIONS** Council receives petitions from citizens on various issues. Any petitions received since the previous Council meeting are tabled at the meeting and the matter referred to the appropriate Council Director for consideration.
6. **MAYOR & COUNCILLORS CORRESPONDENCE** A list of correspondence received since the last meeting is considered by Councillors.
7. **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE TO COUNCIL** Council considers reports from Committees that Councillors represent Council on.
8. **QUESTION TIME** This is an opportunity (30 minutes), for citizens of Moreland to raise questions with Councillors.
9. **"ON NOTICE" ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING** Items raised during Question Time at the previous Council meeting that were not able to be answered are responded to.
10. **COUNCILLORS ITEMS** Councillors may raise issues or matters of interest that are not listed on the meeting Agenda.
11. **COUNCIL REPORTS** Detailed reports prepared by Council's Administration are considered by Councillors and a Council position is adopted on the matters considered. The Mayor can invite firstly Councillors, secondly Officers, and then citizens in attendance to identify Council reports which should be given priority by the meeting and considered in the early part of the meeting.
12. **LATE REPORTS** Reports have not been submitted by such time that the Council Agenda is photocopied. These reports are identified in the Table of Contents and have been distributed separately. Copies of Late Reports are available at the Council Meeting.
13. **URGENT BUSINESS** The Chief Executive Officer or Councillors, with the approval of the meeting, may submit items of Urgent Business (being a matter not listed on the agenda) but requiring a prompt decision by Council.
14. **CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS** Whilst all Council and Committee meetings of Council are open to its citizens, Council has the power under the *Local Government Act* to close its meeting to the general public in certain circumstances which are noted where appropriate on the Council Agenda. Where this occurs, members of the public leave the Council Chamber or Meeting room while the matter is being discussed.
15. **CLOSE OF MEETING** The Mayor will formally close the meeting and thank all present.
16. **NEXT MEETING DATE** The next Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 11 February 2009 commencing at 7pm, at the Glenroy Senior Citizens Centre, 11 Cromwell Street, Glenroy.



**1. WELCOME**

**2. APOLOGIES**

**3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 17 December 2008 be confirmed.

**4. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND/OR CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

**5. PETITIONS**

**(D09/2990) FAWKNER LEISURE CENTRE MEMBERSHIP**

A petition has been received containing 27 signatures objecting to the changes made to the “Healthy Hearts” membership entitlements.

Recommendation:

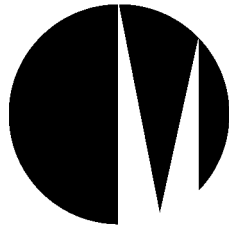
1. The petition be received and noted.
2. The petition be referred to the Director Social Development for consideration.
3. Any proposed action is emailed to all Ward Councillors, relevant Portfolio Councillors and Councillors Responsible For, allowing seven clear days for Councillor feedback.
4. The first named signatory to the petition be advised of this action.

**(D09/9614) HUTCHISON PLACE PARK**

A petition has been received containing 42 signatures. The petitioners request Council to review, upgrade and develop Hutchison Place Park, to allocate a name to the park, to upgrade existing facilities and to redevelop the play area.

Recommendation:

1. The petition be received and noted.
2. The petition be referred to the Director City Infrastructure for consideration.
3. Any proposed action is emailed to all Ward Councillors, relevant Portfolio Councillors and Councillors Responsible For, allowing seven clear days for Councillor feedback.
4. The first named signatory to the petition be advised of this action.



**(D09/480) 90 REYNOLDS PARADE, PASCOE VALE SOUTH – MPS/2008/749**

A petition has been received containing 19 signatures objecting to the proposed townhouse development at 90 Reynolds Parade, Pascoe Vale South.

Recommendation:

1. The petition be received and noted.
2. The petition be referred to the Director City Development for consideration.
3. The first named signatory to the petition be advised of this action.
4. The Ward Councillors, Cr Matthews-Ward, Cr Kavanagh, Cr Yildiz and Cr Erdogan, will be advised of any consultative meeting arranged to discuss the planning permit application and will be advised of the outcome in this matter.

**(D08/187884) 23 PARK STREET, PASCOE VALE - MPS/2008/713**

A petition has been received containing 22 signatures objecting to the proposed construction of four double-storey dwellings at 23 Park Street, Pascoe Vale.

Recommendation:

1. The petition be received and noted.
2. The petition be referred to the Director City Development for consideration.
3. The first named signatory to the petition be advised of this action.
4. The Ward Councillors, Cr Matthews-Ward, Cr Kavanagh, Cr Yildiz and Cr Erdogan, will be advised of any consultative meeting arranged to discuss the planning permit application and will be advised of the outcome in this matter.

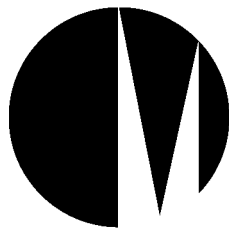
**(D08/188402 AND D08/19104) 31 - 33 ALPINE GROVE, PASCOE VALE**

Two petitions have been received containing a total of 49 signatures objecting to the proposed development of land for eleven dwellings (consisting of seven double storey dwellings and four single storey dwellings) at 31-33 Alpine Grove, Pascoe Vale.

Recommendation:

1. The petition be received and noted.
2. The petition be referred to the Director City Development for consideration.
3. The first named signatory to the petition be advised of this action.
4. The Ward Councillors, Cr Matthews-Ward, Cr Kavanagh, Cr Yildiz and Cr Erdogan, will be advised of any consultative meeting arranged to discuss the planning permit application and will be advised of the outcome in this matter.

**6. MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS' CORRESPONDENCE**



**7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE TO COUNCIL**

Nil.

**8. QUESTION TIME**

**9. "ON NOTICE" ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING**

Nil.

**10. COUNCILLORS' ITEMS**

**11. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**CORPORATE SERVICES**

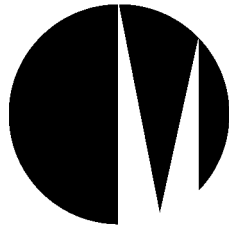
<b>DCS1</b>	<b>FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT - PERIOD ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2008 (D08/190221)</b>	<b>1</b>
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**CITY DEVELOPMENT**

<b>DCD1</b>	<b>AMENDMENT C82 TO THE MORELAND PLANNING SCHEME - REMOVING, ADDING AND VARYING THE EXTENT OF AFFECTED PROPERTIES TO THE PUBLIC ACQUISITION OVERLAY - SCHEDULE 1, BELL STREET AND SYDNEY ROAD - CONSIDERATION OF PANEL REPORT (D08/182986)</b>	<b>14</b>
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**CITY INFRASTRUCTURE**

<b>DCI1</b>	<b>OHEA STREET - INTERSECTION SAFETY ASSESSMENTS (D09/144)</b>	<b>43</b>
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**SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

<b>DSD1</b>	<b>PARTNERSHIP GRANT FUNDING (D09/3072)</b>	<b>61</b>
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**12. LATE REPORTS**

**13. URGENT BUSINESS REPORTS**

**14. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**

**DCI6 PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE (D09/1066)**

*Pursuant to section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 this confidential report will not be publicly disclosed because it relates to a matter, which the Council considers, would prejudice the Council.*

**DCI7 PURCHASE OF LAND PROPOSAL (D08/174358)**

*Pursuant to section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 this confidential report will not be publicly disclosed because it relates to contractual matters.*



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**Offer the new council a briefing on Pentridge Design Guidelines and Masterplan and tour of the site**

Author

VALAD PROPERTY GROUP

D08/178689 Scanned Document Date Registered 9/12/2008 at 1:22 PM

**Details of a campaign to educate Victorians about gas and electricity choice**

Author

ESSENTIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

D08/179987 Scanned Document Date Registered 10/12/2008 at 11:44 AM

**Further to flooding problems facing local government, information enclosed and details of Joint Floodplain Management Conference in Albury 17-20/2/09**

Author

FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES

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**Copy of minutes from Glenroy Chamber of Commerce November meeting**

Author

ORIGIN ENERGY SHOP

D08/182137 Scanned Document Date Registered 12/12/2008 at 12:13 PM

**Further to Councils concerns in relation to decision taken by VicRoads to extend clearway times**

Author

MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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**Brunswick Cycling Club welcome opportunity to discuss possibility of obtaining funding support**

Author

BRUNSWICK CYCLING CLUB INC

D08/182153 Scanned Document Date Registered 12/12/2008 at 12:19 PM

**Congratulating Mrs Stella Kariofyllidis on her recent election as Councillor at Moreland City Council**

Author

CONSULATE GENERAL OF GREECE

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**Response to letter 10/10/08 concerning differences between Council and VicRoads as to implementation of VicRoads extended clearways policy**

Author

MINISTER FOR ROADS AND PORTS

D08/182773 Scanned Document Date Registered 15/12/2008 at 11:56 AM

**Enclosed latest copy of the VLGA Bulletin with details of learning and development courses and member benefits**

Author

VICTORIAN LOCAL GOVERNANCE ASSOC



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**Details of Warner Groups Graffiti Education Awareness Program**

Author

WARNER GROUP PTY LTD

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**Invitation to unveiling of a monument dedicated to Italian migrants followed by a Concert on 19/12/08 at 8:00pm in the Agri Room Federazione Lucana 3 Cameron Street Brunswick also Gala Night on 20/12/08 at 6:30pm Oak Court Reception Oakover Road Preston**

Author

FEDERAZIONE LUCANA INCORPORATED

D08/184250 Scanned Document Date Registered 16/12/2008 at 12:02 PM

**Concerns raised over parking restrictions placed in and around Greenwood Street Pascoe Vale**

Author

NORTH WESTERN MENTAL HEALTH

D08/184260 Scanned Document Date Registered 16/12/2008 at 12:05 PM

**On behalf of Coburg Traders Association welcoming Councillors and look forward to working together**

Author

COBURG TRADERS ASSOCIATION

D08/184908 Scanned Document Date Registered 17/12/2008 at 12:37 PM

**Urgent actions required on poisonous imported food from China**

Author

QUIT CCP GLOBAL SERVICE CENTRE

D08/186946 Scanned Document Date Registered 18/12/2008 at 11:24 AM

**Advice Moreland City Council is eligible to receive \$734,000 under the Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program**

Author

MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE

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**On behalf of Ms Carmel Tornatore concerning the lack of affordable housing in Moreland**

Author

THOMSON, KELVIN

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**Concerning planning initiatives for residential aged care**

Author

MINISTER FOR PLANNING

D08/186962 Scanned Document Date Registered 18/12/2008 at 11:33 AM

**Express concerns in relation to John Fawkner Private Hospital**

Author



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**Celebrating a belated Christmas and New Year on 30/1/09 from 6:00pm at 274 High Street Thomastown**

Author

MINISTER FOR ENERGY AND RESOURCES

D08/187888 Scanned Document Date Registered 19/12/2008 at 12:16 PM

**Response in relation to the White Ribbon Day Campaign**

Author

MINISTER FOR HOUSING

D08/187952 Scanned Document Date Registered 19/12/2008 at 1:50 PM

**Congratulating Cr Tapinos on being elected Mayor of Moreland City Council**

Author

MIKAKOS, JENNY

D08/187963 Scanned Document Date Registered 19/12/2008 at 1:58 PM

**Enclosed copy of the MAV New Councillor Resource Guide and registration form for Councillor Fundamentals workshops**

Author

Municipal Association of Victoria

D08/188474 Scanned Document Date Registered 22/12/2008 at 12:13 PM

**Opportunity for Council to work with Neighbourhood Watch to Create a Safer Community**

Author

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH VICTORIA POLICE CENTRE

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**Congratulating Councillor Tapinos on his appointment to local council 2008**

Author

MERCURY EXECUTIVE RECRUITMENT

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**Invitation to apply for membership with the Australian Local Government Women's Association invoice form also enclosed**

Author

AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMENS ASSOCIATION

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**Advice Prime Minister Hon Kevin Rudd MP will give the 2009 John Batman Oration at Australia Day Luncheon on 22/1/09 invitation card also enclosed**

Author

Department of Premier & Cabinet

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**Advice councils application for a grant under Collaborative Procurement Program has been successful**

Author

MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT



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**On behalf of resident concerning overgrown naturestrip tree**

Author  
THOMSON, KELVIN

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**Would like to meet with council to discuss women's health needs in Moreland and local government's role in promoting women's health**

Author  
WOMENS HEALTH IN THE NORTH

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**Convey warmest congratulations on recent election as Mayor of Moreland and look forward to working together on the Tram Development Group**

Author  
YARRA TRAMS

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**On behalf of resident concerning industrial vehicles in her street**

Author  
THOMSON, KELVIN

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**On behalf of resident in relation to parking infringement 2502172 issued on 17/12/08**

Author  
THOMSON, KELVIN

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**Copy of letter from Minister for Sport James Merlino MP to Kelvin Thomson MP in relation to Moreland City Councils application for funding for CB Smith Reserve**

Author  
THOMSON, KELVIN

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**Congratulating Councillor Tapinos on being elected Mayor of Moreland**

Author  
ARABIC ELDERLY PENSIONERS GROUP

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**Concerning proposed funding for the Pascoe Vale Sports Club and associated facilities**

Author  
THE PRACTICE

D08/190483 Scanned Document Date Registered 29/12/2008 at 12:17 PM

**Congratulating Councillor Tapinos on election to the office of Mayor**

Author  
MACARTHUR MANAGEMENT SERVICES



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**Congratulating Councillor Tapinos on election both to Council and position of Mayor**

Author  
COBURG HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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**Background and introduction to the Civil Contractors Federation**

Author  
CIVIL CONTRACTORS FEDERATION

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**Seeking council owned property to rent at sustainable rates**

Author  
MELBOURNE BUDDHIST CENTRE

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**Letter regarding 124 Rennie Street Coburg**

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**Pleased to note the re-election of Councillor Matthews-Ward at recent Moreland elections**

Author  
FEENEY, DAVID

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**Copy from Kelvin Thomson MP of Adjournment 4/12/08 Environment and Private Members' Business 1/12/08 Murray-Darling Basin Management Plan**

Author  
THOMSON, KELVIN

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**Concerns raised on behalf of constituents over a house occupied by a large number of foreign students**

Author  
THOMSON, KELVIN

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**Enclosed copy of article on Medicare Dental Scheme also newspaper clipping from death notices dated 1/1/09**

Author

D09/1422 Scanned Document Date Registered 6/01/2009 at 11:57 AM

**Congratulating Councillor Erdogan on recent local council elections**

Author  
SELIMIYE FOUNDATION LIMITED

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**Request council develop a program to ensure local roads are made safe particularly around Reynard Street and Willow Grove Coburg**

Author  
COVERDALE, ROSS



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**Opportunity to participate in training modules designed to generate awareness and understanding of roles and responsibilities of councillors**

Author  
MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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**Petition enclosed in relation to changes to membership entitlements at Fawkner Leisure Centre**

Author

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**Invitation to the Greek Festival of Coburg on 8/2/09 from 11:45am at Coburg Lake Reserve Murray Road**

Author  
GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AUSTRALIA

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**Request assistance - speed hump - Cardinal Road Glenroy - January 09**

Author

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**The Miss Lebanon Australia Beauty Pageant 2009 02/05/09 from 8 00pm at Grand Westella Ballroom 12 Bridge Street Lidcombe NSW**

Author  
MISS LEBANON AUSTRALIA BEAUTY PAGEANT

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**Invitation to attend Battle of Crete - May 1941 Commemoration of the Contribution of the Hellenes to the Australian War Effort in the 20th Century 23/05/09 from 7 00pm at St Kilda Town Hall RSVP 30/04/09**

Author  
HELLENIC RSL SUB BRANCH

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**1200TH Consecutive Novena Celebrations to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 25/01/09 from 2:30 pm at St Fidelis Catholic Church**

Author  
ST FIDELIS CHURCH

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**Congratulations and best wishes of the Newly Elected Council**

Author  
THE DON BOSCO BRUNSWICK YOUTH FOUNDATION INC

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**Congratulations to Cr Lambros Tapinos on election as Mayor of Moreland Council**

Author  
CITY OF WHITTLESEA



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**Request for questionnaire to be completed in relation to Review of the Disabled Persons  
Parking Scheme (DPPS)**

Author

Municipal Association of Victoria

# **DCS1 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT - PERIOD ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2008 (D08/190221)**

## **Director Corporate Services**

### **Finance**

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#### **Executive Summary**

Director Corporate Services presenting the Financial Management Report for the financial year-to-date (YTD) period ending 30 November 2008.

The operating result for Council is positive by \$1.508M, with revenue above budget by \$0.770M and expenditure under budget by \$0.738M.

At this point in the financial year, a significant proportion of the operating variance is related to budget timing, which are forecast to be resolved during the financial year.

As previously advised a number of unfilled vacancies exist throughout the organisation. This has created an under spend in employee costs, which is being considerably offset by the use of agency staff to resolve the staffing shortage.

An overall budget review is currently being undertaken to identify both permanent savings and shortfalls, some of which are disclosed in Attachment 1 to the report.

Attachment 1 also outlines high level favourable and unfavourable category results and comments on the closing cash position and capital performance. A brief snapshot of each Department is also provided in (Attachment 1 Section 4).

#### **Recommendation**

Council resolves to receive the Financial Management Report for year to date 30 November 2008.

## REPORT

### 1. Policy Context

This report supports Council's continuing commitment to open and accountable management of the financial resources of Moreland on behalf of its ratepayers.

### 2. Background

The Financial Management Report ([Attachment 1](#)) provides Council's financial results for the year-to-date (YTD) period, ending 30 November 2008. The actual results are compared to the Budget. Commentary has been provided in [Attachment 1](#).

### 3. Issues

#### 3.1 Operating Budget

The operating result shown in the attached Financial Management Report is favourable to budget by \$1.508M.

Revenue is \$0.770M favourable, due primarily to favourable positions in Statutory Fees and Fines, and Other Revenue income, which are offset by the timing and unbudgeted nature of income in other revenue categories, in particular grant funding sources.

Further commentary has been provided in [Attachment 1 Section 1](#).

Expenditure is \$0.738M favourable, due primarily to a combination of savings identified within the Employee Benefits and Financial Expenses categories which are offset by an enduring overspend arising from the engagement of contractors to fill vacant positions and the timing of project and business expenditure across the organisation.

Further commentary has been provided in [Attachment 1 Section 1](#).

#### 3.2 Capital Works Budget

Overall capital program spending was \$1.139M behind budget year to date.

Summary information has been provided in [Attachment 1 Section 2](#).

#### 3.3 Cash and Assets

The cash balance has increased by \$3.589M from the prior month.

Summary information has been provided in [Attachment 1 Section 3](#).

### 4. Consultation

The Finance & Business Systems Branch has prepared this report based on information provided by Managers and reviewed by Directors.

### 5. Financial and Resources Implications

The overall corporate objective is to deliver the 2008-2009 budget outcomes as closely as possible in line with the adopted budget targets.

# DCD1 AMENDMENT C82 TO THE MORELAND PLANNING SCHEME - REMOVING, ADDING AND VARYING THE EXTENT OF AFFECTED PROPERTIES TO THE PUBLIC ACQUISITION OVERLAY - SCHEDULE 1, BELL STREET AND SYDNEY ROAD - CONSIDERATION OF PANEL REPORT (D08/182986)

Director City Development

Strategic Planning Unit

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## Executive Summary

Director City Development reporting on the recommendations of the independent Panel appointed to consider Amendment C82 to the Moreland Planning Scheme.

Amendment C82 proposes to remove, add and vary the extent of the existing Public Acquisition Overlay 1 to ensure that land required for future road widening of Bell Street and public transport works on Sydney Road is reserved and secured (Attachment 1).

The reason for the amendment was firstly identified as part of the Central Coburg Structure Plan. Council adopted the Central Coburg Structure Plan on 9 August 2006 (DCD74). Two public transport initiatives, namely the Smart Bus service in Bell Street and tram super stop upgrade in Sydney Road were identified as fundamental to the successful implementation of the plan. In December 2007, Council initiated a planning scheme amendment to facilitate the reservation of land for future compulsory acquisition and to enable provision of these services (DCS47).

The amendment was publicly exhibited as per the requirements of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and 14 submissions were received, seven of which did not object to the amendment. The remaining seven submissions were referred for consideration by an independent Panel appointed by the Minister for Planning (DCD61).

As there were no submitters who wished to be heard at a public hearing, the Panel opted to proceed with an on-the-papers desktop process. Council received the Panel's report on 9 December 2008 (Attachment 2).

The Panel supported the amendment with a minor change previously endorsed by Council (DCD61) which recommended that Council proceed to adopt the amendment. The findings of the Panel are supported and therefore, it is recommended that Council adopt the amendment with changes and refer it to the Minister for Planning for approval.

## Recommendation

Council resolve:

1. To note the recommendation of the Amendment C82 Panel Report dated December 2008 (Attachment 2).
2. To adopt Amendment C82 with changes as recommended in the Panel's report, pursuant to section 29(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.
3. To submit Amendment C82 to the Minister for Planning for approval pursuant to section 31(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

## **1. Policy Context**

Amendment C82 supports the commitments that form part of the Central Coburg 2020 Structure Plan adopted by Council in August 2006.

The amendment will facilitate key features of the plan that aim to improve access to public transport, improve pedestrian amenity, enhance movement systems around the centre, provide for new dwellings, provide new commercial and retail floor space and create new jobs for Moreland residents.

The subject area and surrounds have been identified by *Melbourne 2030* as a Principal Activity Centre. The future development of this area is vital in strengthening the role of Central Coburg as an activity centre of a principal order status. The directions in *Melbourne 2030* attribute a metropolitan significance to Central Coburg and in doing so provide justification and a strategic basis for the actions to be achieved under the Central Coburg 2020 Structure Plan.

The amendment also complies with the State and Local Planning Policy. In particular, the amendment will help the needs of existing and future communities by making suitable provision for land use and transport integration. It will help provide convenient access to all available modes of transport, safe pedestrian routes and encourage multi-purpose trips to the centre. It will also assist consolidation of urban development and integrate land use and transport within the Coburg Principal Activity Centre.

## **2. Background**

### **Public Acquisition Overlay 1**

The existing Public Acquisition Overlay 1 (PAO1) dates back to the 1950's and applies to the north of the Bell Street road reserve. It was intended to accommodate the construction of a road 'bypass' between Bell Street and Sydney Road (which was formally known as the Urquhart Bypass).

The existing PAO1 was established when the Pentridge Prison was still operating and was to be used as a separation from the penitentiary activities. VicRoads no longer require the existing PAO1 for the purpose of constructing a bypass to the Bell Street – Sydney Road intersection.

The existing PAO1 remains a constraint on several properties that results in uncertainty for owners seeking to potentially upgrade or redevelop their site and contributes to a deteriorating neighbourhood.

Since the closure of the Pentridge Prison and redevelopment of the area, a civic connection to Urquhart Street and the Pentridge development is preferred. This connection is identified in the Central Coburg 2020 Structure Plan as a future link from Urquhart Street to Ross Street. This will enable permeability to, from and through the precinct and to other activity and public transport nodes.

### **Amendment Process to Date**

In December 2007, Council sought authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare and exhibit a planning scheme amendment to remove, add and vary the extent of the PAO1. The relevant properties affected by the PAO1 can be found at **Attachment 1**. Council received authorisation from the Minister for Planning on 10 April 2008.

The amendment was placed on public exhibition from 29 May 2008 to 30 June 2008. Exhibition included individual letters to affected owners/occupiers, notices in the local newspapers, information displays and information sessions. Following the exhibition period, fourteen submissions were received to the amendment.

Due to an administrative error the amendment was required to be re-exhibited. Re-exhibition of the amendment was undertaken from 26 June 2008 to 1 August 2008. This comprised individual and public consultation meetings with affected landowners including Ward Councillors, VicRoads officers and Council officers. No additional submissions were received and no submissions were withdrawn as part of the re-exhibition process.

Council considered submissions to the amendment and resolved to request the Minister for Planning to appoint an independent Panel to consider the submissions at its meeting on 10 September 2008 (DCD61).

### **Panel Process**

Following appointment of the Panel, a directions hearing was held on 5 November 2008 to discuss administrative matters for the Panel hearing. Only one submitter requested to be heard at this directions hearing.

At the hearing, the Panel directed that Council and VicRoads officers meet with the submitter to discuss matters they had raised but which were not directly related to the amendment.

Council and VicRoads officers met with the submitter on 19 November 2008. As a result of this meeting, the only submitter wishing to be heard by the Panel withdrew their submission on 24 November 2008.

This withdrawal resulted in the Panel adopting an on-the-papers approach in considering submissions and issues without the need for a formal public Panel hearing.

Council received the report of the Panel on 9 December 2008. A copy of the Panel's report can be found in **Attachment 2**.

In accordance with section 26 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, the Panel's report was circulated to all submitters within 28 days of receiving the report.

## **3. Issues**

### **Panel Considerations**

As part of the on-the-papers approach, the Panel considered: all exhibited documents; relevant Council meeting reports and minutes; all written submissions lodged in response to exhibition of the amendment; key strategic reports including the Central Coburg 2020 Structure Plan; Council's submission to the panel; and an expert traffic evidence report from GTA Consultants.

The Panel concluded that the amendment should be adopted as it conforms with state and local strategies and policies about access and mobility and that it should not unreasonably affect any land development proposals and opportunities.

The Panel noted that VicRoads, as the acquiring authority eventually needing the land, has compensation and reinstatement obligations pursuant to the *Land Acquisition and Compensation Act 1986*. These obligations should address any owner or occupier concerns.

The Panel's final recommendation was that Council should adopt Amendment C82 subject to the removal of a small part of the proposed PAO1 at 551 – 553 Sydney Road from the amendment. This change is consistent with the previous Council report (DCD61) that considered submissions to the amendment and that resolved to modify the alignment of the PAO1.

## **Strategic Implications**

The amendment has both strategic and statutory implications. Its strategic role is that by applying the public acquisition overlay, the area of land that is required for future road widening to facilitate improved public transport is identified and reserved. The statutory role played by the amendment is that it effectively reserves land for a public purpose and therefore enables, if necessary, the compulsory acquisition of that land by the Acquiring Authority (Roads Corporation).

## **Human Rights Consideration**

The implications of this report have been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.

## **4. Consultation**

Amendment C82 was exhibited to the public in accordance with the requirements of section 19 the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

Public and individual consultation meetings were conducted as detailed in section 2 of this report.

Internal consultation relating to the amendment and Panel process has been undertaken with officers from The Coburg Initiative, the Activity Centres Project Team, Asset Planning Branch and the Finance Branch.

The Portfolio Councillor City Development, Cr Connellan, has been consulted throughout the amendment process.

## **5. Financial and Resources Implications**

Administrative costs associated with processing Amendment C82 will be met by the Strategic Planning Unit and The Coburg Initiative Branch budget for the 2008/09 financial year.

Roads Authority (VicRoads) has confirmed with Council in writing that it will be the acquiring authority for the purposes of the *Land Acquisition and Compensation Act 1986* and the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

## **DCI1 OHEA STREET - INTERSECTION SAFETY ASSESSMENTS (D09/144)**

### **Director City Infrastructure**

### **Asset Planning / Transport**

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#### **Executive Summary**

Council recently reconstructed Ohea Street, Coburg, between Sussex Street and Higinbotham Street (Stage 1) and as part of this has included a two-way off-road bicycle path on the southern side of the road. Stage 2, between Higinbotham Street and Sydney Road, is currently being constructed.

Council undertook extensive consultation with the community when developing the concept plans for the project, which initially included bicycles having right of way along Ohea Street, across each side street. However, as the detailed plans were developed the issue of Austroads design standards and the possible risk to Council with providing non-standard infrastructure became an issue. Accordingly, Council implemented the design as per the AustRoad Guide Part 14 Bicycles. This required bicycle riders to give way at side streets.

Council officers have concerns with vehicles turning off Ohea Street and having insufficient room to store between Ohea Street and the bicycle path.

The community including the Moreland Bicycle Users Group (Moreland BUG) have raised issues with bicycles not having right of way along the path and also the possible mixed messages regarding vehicles having to Give Way to pedestrians when turning but not necessarily having to give way to cyclists.

As a result, Council appointed a consultant to review the operation of the intersections on Ohea Street and make a recommendation as to the most appropriate solution.

The recommendation is to give the bicycle path priority at each intersection.

#### **Recommendation**

Council resolve:

1. To adopt the intersection priority for Ohea Street as identified in Attachment 1 to the report as recommended by the consultant.
2. Advise the abutting residents/occupiers and the Moreland Bicycle Users Group of the outcome of this report.
3. To write to the appropriate authorities seeking amendments to the Road Rules to clearly designate priority for these facilities.
4. Modify the signage and linemarking on Ohea Street to give priority to cyclists travelling along the bicycle path at indicated in Attachment 1 to the report.

## **1. Policy Context**

Council's Road Safety Strategy includes an objective of improving Road Safety through traffic and transport management where appropriate. Council's Integrated Transport Strategy seeks to promote sustainable transport modes above other modes of transport where appropriate.

## **2. Background**

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Council officers have concerns with vehicles turning off Ohea Street and having insufficient room to store between Ohea Street and the bicycle path.

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As a result, Council appointed a consultant to review the operation of the intersections on Ohea Street and make a recommendation as to the most appropriate solution.

## **3. Issues**

The consultant undertook a number of tasks including a Road Safety Audit, Risk Assessment (in accordance with AS4360), a literature review and a review of the Road Rules and all relevant Australian Standards including the Austroads Traffic Engineering Manual for Bicycles.

The consultant identified three options. These were:

1. Priority given to motor vehicles (the current situation)
2. Priority given to cyclists
3. Priority not explicitly defined.

The third concept relies on road users making their own assessment of who has right of way. The consultant considered that the novelty of the treatment could cause significant confusion to road users as to who has right of way. Therefore, this was not investigated any further.

The consultant identified the following recommendation:

"In identifying Council's recommended option, Council has considered the following issues in order of importance:

- Road user safety (motor vehicles, cyclists, pedestrians)
- Cyclist level-of-service
- Motor vehicle level-of-service.

The term 'level-of-service' is used to describe the quality of provision for the user. For example, being required to stop at every cross-street would adversely impact on the level-of-service for cyclists (but positively impact on level-of-service for motorists, who would not need to yield at the bicycle path).

None of the alternatives are superior on all criteria. Indeed, there is a degree of judgement, which must be applied given the innovative nature of the treatment – and each site offers unique challenges. Both of these factors serve to limit the ability of guidelines to be used prescriptively at any one site.

The consultant's recommended solution would be for cyclists to be given priority (option 2). It recommends this solution for the following reasons:

- Visual cues (namely the coloured pavement across the side street) imply priority to cyclists and pedestrians
- Physical cues (namely the vertical elevation which provides a seamless crossing for cyclists but presents a slight vertical inclination to motor vehicles) imply priority to cyclists and pedestrians
- The number of intersections is such that requiring cyclists to give way at all side streets would lead to a loss in level-of-service to cyclists. However, Council does recognise that prudence would dictate that cyclists should still proceed across side streets slowly enough to stop should a car driver not give way
- Motor vehicle volumes, and cyclist volumes, are currently sufficiently low that the degraded level-of-service for motor vehicles would be minimal
- Motor vehicle speeds are sufficiently low that there should be adequate time and space for a vehicle to yield to a pedestrian or cyclist
- Sufficient stacking space is provided between Ohea Street and the bicycle path for a car to be able to give way to cyclists (when leaving Ohea Street) or motor vehicles and cyclists (when joining Ohea Street)
- Current council policies support greater use of cycling.

It is the consultant's view that motor vehicle volumes are sufficiently low, and speeds sufficiently low, that the potential for accidents is low. However, some form of reinforced priority is justified given:

- The limited cycling culture in Australia leading to a lack of awareness from motor vehicles of the presence of cyclists
- The unusual (by Australian standards) design treatment, where cyclists may be anticipated to be approaching from either direction along a path adjacent to the road
- The limited physical reinforcement provided by the raised pavement.

The consultant's recommended treatment seeks through a combination of appropriate signs and road markings to reinforce the priority already implied by the existing visual and physical cues. The treatment is non-standard in that it is not implied by any existing guidance or standard or widely used. However, the approach is considered defensible given that it is consistent with the (currently) non-standard nature of the treatment and that the other visual and physical cues imply priority to cyclists and pedestrians. In the consultants view the guidance and existing road rules should not be considered as prescriptive for innovative treatments of this type.

The treatments recommended are shown in **Attachment 1**. The treatment has the following components:

- Give way signs for motor vehicles immediately prior to crossing the bicycle and pedestrian path from side streets complemented by 'Watch for bicycles' signs
- Warnings of cyclists and pedestrians for vehicles turning off Ohea Street
- Give way markings (or on streets with poor sightlines such as Flinders Street) on the side street ahead of the bicycle and pedestrian path

This treatment is probably 'sign heavy' in that it relies on a significant number of regulatory and advisory road signs. The coloured surface of the path is the strongest indicator to motor vehicles that they should yield; the signs and line markings will serve to reinforce this message but more importantly are likely required because of the innovative nature of the treatment. Once the treatment has been implemented for some time, and should a similar approach be used elsewhere in Melbourne, then fewer signs should be required.

#### **Human Rights Consideration**

The implications of this report have been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.

#### **4. Consultation**

The Portfolio Councillor City Infrastructure, Cr Kavanagh, the Councillor Responsible For Sustainable Transport, Cr Archer and the Deputy Mayor, Cr Matthews-Ward, have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

#### **5. Financial and Resources Implications**

The modifications to the signage and line marking can be funded from the 2008/2009 Capital Works program.

## **DCI2 GREENWOOD STREET, PASCOE VALE SOUTH – REVIEW OF PARKING RESTRICTIONS (D08/191304)**

### **Director City Infrastructure**

### **Asset Planning**

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#### **Executive Summary**

At Council meeting of 13 August 2008, Council resolved to install two hour parking restrictions on both sides of Greenwood Street between properties 5 and 30. The restrictions are effective from 9am until 5pm Monday to Friday.

The restrictions were installed on 18 September 2008.

Since this time Council has received two submissions from local businesses seeking the removal of the restrictions and two submissions from residents, who own properties in the unrestricted northern end of Greenwood Street, opposing the current arrangement.

The residents within the newly restricted southern half of Greenwood Street appear to be satisfied with the current arrangement, as no further correspondence has been received since the three petitions for the installation of the restrictions.

To assess the impacts of the newly installed parking restrictions in Greenwood Street, a five-day parking survey was carried out for the area. The survey revealed that all parking sites were being utilised but none were at capacity. The local businesses provide a total of 97 vehicle parking spaces that were at 63% occupancy. The 160 on-street parking bays for the block were at 40% occupancy.

The original bottleneck of parking in the area used to occur at the southern end of Greenwood Street. With the restrictions, this is now at 19% occupancy, while the unrestricted northern end is at 47% occupancy.

The results indicate that:

- The current restrictions can provide residents with an on-street parking bay within 150m of their homes
- Workers in the area have got access to unrestricted parking within the same block
- There are short term pay and free parking bays close to the shops
- There is an all day fee parking alternative for commuters in the Piedemontes' car park

#### **Recommendation**

Council resolve to:

1. Retain the location of the two-hour parking restrictions on both sides of Greenwood Street between properties 5 and 30 (Refer Attachment 1).
2. Maintain the current parking arrangement in Greenwood Street, Lansdowne Street and the adjoining section of Ohea Street for a minimum period of two years unless there is a significant change to the current parking occupancies presented in the attached survey.

## **1. Policy Context**

Council's Parking Strategy highlights user priority when allocating parking restrictions for streets that are not shopping strips or industrial areas. This includes:

- Residents having high priority (by using 2P and 1P restrictions with parking permit exemption)
- Local employees and commuters having lower priority.

## **2. Background**

Council has investigated parking in Greenwood Street on three separate occasions at the request of residents. In 1998 "No Stopping" signage was installed at the southern end of Greenwood Street to reduce congestion between the IGA car park and Bell Street.

In 2005 and again in 2006, hockey stick line marking was installed to assist with access to properties in Greenwood Street.

Nearby Lansdowne Street (parallel to Greenwood Street on the opposite side of the IGA car park) already has one hour parking restrictions down one side and has been made one way at its southern end where it intersects Bell Street.

A Council officer undertook inspections of parking occupancy on 28 May, 16 June and 14 July 2008. On each visit, parking occupancy was 80% or greater between Bell Street and 24 Greenwood Street (Refer Attachment 2). North of 24 Greenwood Street, parking occupancy was low. It was observed that parking occupancy was high in the IGA supermarket car park.

At Council's meeting of 13 August 2008, Council resolved to install two hour parking restrictions on both sides of Greenwood Street between properties 5 and 30. The restrictions will be effective from 9am until 5pm Monday to Friday.

The restrictions were installed on 18 September 2008.

Since the installation of restrictions in Greenwood Street, Piedmontes Supermarket has installed meter parking in its 74-space car park. This private car park used to have unmetered two hour parking restrictions. This car park is still free for Piedmontes' customers who stay for less than 2 hours, and they have also set aside 26 parking bays for commuters with a maximum stay of 12 hours.

## **3. Issues**

Since this time, Council has received submissions from two local businesses that operate from Bell Street seeking the removal of the restrictions and two residents, who own properties in the unrestricted northern end of Greenwood Street, have made submissions opposing the current arrangement.

The residents within the newly restricted southern half of Greenwood Street appear to be satisfied with the current arrangement considering they were very vocal about the issue (including the submission of three petitions) prior to the installation of the restrictions.

To assess the impacts of the newly installed parking restrictions in Greenwood Street, a five day parking survey was carried out for the area shown on the attached plan. This included a lunch time and an evening parking occupancy count for Greenwood Street, Ohea Street, Lansdowne Street, Bell Street and the private car parks (Piedmontes, Family Medical Centre, Pharmacy and Florist).

The survey revealed that all parking sites were being utilised but none were at capacity. Of the two survey times, the lunch time counts had higher parking occupancy than the evening counts. As such, the following statistics are based on lunch time parking occupancies (12pm - 1pm). The local businesses provide a total of 97 vehicle parking spaces that were at 63% occupancy. The 160 on-street parking bays for the block were at 40% occupancy.

The original bottleneck of parking in the area used to occur at the southern end of Greenwood Street. With the restrictions, this is now at 19% occupancy, while the unrestricted northern end is at 47% occupancy.

The results indicate that:

- The current restrictions can provide residents with an on-street parking bay within 150m of their homes
- Workers in the area have got access to unrestricted parking within the same block
- There are short term pay and free parking bays close to the shops
- There is an all day fee parking alternative for commuters in the Piedemontes car park

#### **Human Rights Consideration**

The implications of this report have been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.

#### **4. Financial and Resources Implications**

No additional works proposed.

**DCI3      PROPOSED GARBAGE COLLECTION PARKING  
RESTRICTIONS - RICHARDSON STREET, BRUNSWICK  
(D08/138549)**

**Director City Infrastructure**

**Asset Planning**

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**Executive Summary**

Parking restrictions are proposed in Richardson Street, Brunswick on garbage collection days to make access for garbage collection safer and easier.

Richardson Street is a no through road, which runs off George Street and is approximately six metres wide. The way vehicles park within the street has caused difficulties for garbage collection by not leaving adequate space for the safe passage of the trucks. The vehicles, which park within the street, belong mainly to local residents.

Given this, Council is proposing “No Stopping” restrictions on Thursday, 10am – 1pm on the north side of Richardson Street between 10 George Street and 9 Richardson Street and on the south side, between 12 and 26 Richardson Street, Brunswick to facilitate waste and recycling collections.

**Recommendation**

Council resolve:

1. To install “No Stopping” restrictions on Thursday, 10am – 1pm on the north side of Richardson Street between 10 George Street and 9 Richardson Street and on the south side, between 12 and 26 Richardson Street, Brunswick.
2. To advise residents of Council’s decision.

### 1. Policy Context

The application of the User Priority Guidelines within Council's Parking Strategy highlights that kerbside space required for the following, takes precedence over all other uses:

- Traffic safety reasons
- Pedestrian crossings
- Emergency services
- Access to private off-street parking and
- Council Services such as street mechanical sweeping and waste collection

### 2. Background

Residents of Richardson Street, Brunswick have been approached previously by Council to assist in solving this issue, by requesting that they park their vehicles in such a way to allow the safe passage of the garbage trucks. This process has not resulted in a permanent solution to the issue and it is now proposed to install parking restrictions on the day of collection.

### 3. Issues

Parking restrictions are proposed between 10am – 1pm on Thursdays, in order to minimise inconvenience to the local residents, but allow safe access for the garbage trucks. By 10am, the on-street parking will be at its lowest occupancy, enabling the trucks to manoeuvre in and out of the street, while causing minimal disruption to the local residents.

During consultation the residents raised a number of issues regarding the proposed restrictions, which included that the garbage bins could be pushed by residents to the top of the street and then later returned by the garbage truck drivers. In addition, it was claimed that the company picking up the recycling bins were using the same size trucks, yet never seemed to have any problems with access.

It is not appropriate for the truck drivers to empty the bins from the head of the street and then return them to the residences. This would add considerable time to the collection route and also means that the truck would be parked at the intersection while this was being done, potentially causing a traffic hazard. In regard to the claim that the recycle truck does not have any problems, this can be due to the vehicles entering the street at different times and the layout of the parked vehicles within the street potentially being different. It must also be noted that this issue does not occur every week.

By introducing the parking restrictions,

- It will make access for garbage trucks safer and easier, while maintaining minimal disruptions to on-street parking, as the majority of the residents residing within the street will be at work
- Encourage residents to better use on-street parking

#### Human Rights Consideration

The implications of this report have been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.

#### **4. Consultation**

A total number of 21 circulars were sent to the owners and occupiers in Richardson Street, Brunswick.

Of the nine responses, four supported the restrictions and five opposed the restrictions. Under normal circumstances, the restrictions as stated above would not be installed. However, in accordance with the User Priority Guidelines within Council's Parking Strategy, it is necessary to install "No Stopping" restrictions as mentioned above in order to provide a passage for the garbage trucks to continue to operate in a safe manner.

#### **5. Financial and Resources Implications**

The works can be funded from the signs and furniture budget.

**DCI4 MITCHELL STREET, BRUNSWICK EAST - PROPOSED  
ALTERATION TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS (D09/1098)**

**Director City Infrastructure**

**Asset Planning/Transport Unit**

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**Executive Summary**

To address difficulties experienced by Burson Automotive in the conduct of its business, it is proposed to amend the commencement time of the recently introduced Permit Zone parking restrictions from 5pm to 6pm over the section of Mitchell Street as shown in Attachment 1 to the report.

**Recommendation**

Council resolve:

1. To amend the recently introduced Permit Zone parking restrictions on the north side of Mitchell Street between Holmes Street and the first laneway to the east so that they commence at 6pm in lieu of 5 pm.
2. Advise in writing the residents of the circularised area the outcome of this report.

**1. Policy Context**

One of the Parking Strategy's principles is to "Manage parking and parking infrastructure, through the municipality, in an equitable and balanced manner."

**2. Background**

Council during its meeting held on 13 August 2008, resolved that Permit Zone (5pm to 11pm all days) parking restrictions be introduced on both sides of Mitchell Street between Holmes Street and no. 141 Mitchell Street.

Since the introduction of these parking restrictions, a business run by Burson Automotive Pty Ltd has experienced difficulty with the restrictions for its customers and delivery drivers as its trading period finishes at 5.30pm Monday to Friday, a half hour after the restrictions come into force. This business is located on the north side of Mitchell Street between Holmes Street and the first laneway to the east. No other properties, including residences share this frontage with Burson Automotive.

**3. Issues**

The recently introduced Permit Zone parking restrictions have impacted upon the business of Burson Automotive. Altering the commencement time of these restrictions by one hour will assist Burson Automotive and yet will have minimal impact on the recently introduced Permit Zone parking restrictions in Mitchell Street.

**Human Rights Consideration**

The implications of this report have been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.

**4. Consultation**

Given that Burson Automotive abuts the full length of the proposed amended Permit Zone parking restrictions in Mitchell Street, it is not necessary to consult with residents over the proposed amendment of these restrictions.

**5. Financial and Resources Implications**

Costs associated with installation of the required signage will be met within the existing budget.

## **DCI5 PROPOSED TEMPORARY PARKING RESTRICTIONS – LYNCH ROAD, FAWKNER (D08/129367)**

### **Director City Infrastructure**

### **Asset Planning**

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#### **Executive Summary**

Council has received several requests from the residents of Lynch Road, Fawkner, to alleviate parking congestion between Winn Grove and Mutton Road.

The requests identify buses and patrons of the Quang Duc Buddhist Temple, during major events, to be the main cause of congestion.

In August, Council circularised the residents seeking their approval for temporary parking restrictions during these major events (six - eight times per year). “No Stopping” signs were proposed between Winn Grove and Lock Street, on the north side of Lynch Road. A “Bus Zone” was also proposed on the south side, directly opposite 78 Lynch Road.

Of the 12 responses, four supported the restrictions, and eight opposed the restrictions, proposing alternative arrangements.

#### **Recommendation**

Council resolve:

1. To install temporary “No Stopping” signs on the north side of Lynch Road between Winn Grove and Lock Street along with a “Bus Zone” on the south side, directly opposite 78 Lynch Road, which would be installed and removed at the times of the large congregation (six - eight times per year).
2. To write to the Buddhist Temple and residents within the area circularised, advising them of the outcome.

## **1. Policy Context**

Council's Parking Strategy highlights user priority when allocating parking restrictions for streets that are not shopping strips or industrial areas. This includes:

- Residents having high priority (by using 2P and 1P restrictions with parking permit exemption)
- Local employees and Commuters having lower priority.

## **2. Background**

This is the first time this issue in Lynch Road has been raised. The Buddhist Temple currently holds six – eight large congregations each year. At these times, buses park along the length of the street. This causes increased pollution due to running engines, noise and congestion. Currently, no parking restrictions exist in the area. The residents along Lynch Road believe that they are unduly impacted by the unplanned parking arrangements at these events.

## **3. Issues**

It is proposed to install temporary "No Stopping" signs on the north side of Lynch Road between Winn Grove and Lock Street along with a "Bus Zone" on the south side, directly opposite 78 Lynch Road, which would be installed and removed at the times of the large congregation.

By introducing the parking restrictions,

- It will encourage patrons of the Temple to utilise the on-site parking more efficiently
- Disperse the bus crowding in front of the temple across a wider area
- Allow residents to better use on-site parking

### **Human Rights Consideration**

The implications of this report have been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.

## **4. Consultation**

A total number of 76 circulars were sent to the occupiers in Lynch Road, Fawkner.

Of the 12 responses, four supported the restrictions and eight opposed the restrictions, proposing alternative arrangements. Although this would normally conclude in the proposed restrictions not being installed, Council officers strongly believe that the above-mentioned restrictions would be the only logical solution to an issue at this scale. Furthermore, the response rate to the circular was low.

## **5. Financial and Resources Implications**

The works can be funded from the signs and furniture budget.

## **DSD1 PARTNERSHIP GRANT FUNDING (D09/3072)**

**Director Social Development**

**Youth and Leisure Services**

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### **Executive Summary**

The Partnership Grants program provides financial support to locally based not-for-profit groups and organisations to develop and implement initiatives, which enrich the social fabric of Moreland and promote active community participation. Specifically, the program aims to encourage community organisations to develop sustainable facilities in a co-ordinated approach with Council.

This report considers the following requests for funding from the 2008/2009 program:

- Pascoe Vale Soccer Club – Players Race / Portable Goals \$10,982

### **Recommendation**

Council resolve to contribute a total of \$10,982 as a one off payment from the 2008/2009 Partnership Funding Program for the Pascoe Vale Soccer Club – Players Race / Portable Goals project.

## **1. Policy Context**

This report is consistent with the Council Plan 2007-2011 and addresses the following key priorities of the 2008 Mayor's Speech:

- Maintain the value of the general community grants, sustainability grants and cultural grants programs run by Council.
- Improve sport and recreation opportunities for young people and women of all ages.
- Consider opportunities to increase the utilisation of sporting facilities.

## **2. Background**

Grants of up to \$40,000 are available under the Partnership Program. Groups and organisations are required to contribute at least 25% of the total project cost including any documented in-kind support. Applications can be submitted at any time during financial year until funds are expended.

### **Eligibility Criteria – Partnership Grants**

The following eligibility criteria is specific to the Partnership grant category, however applications must also meet the overall Moreland Community Development Grants Program requirements.

#### **What will be funded?**

- Program and meeting space,
- Disability access,
- Facilities for junior or female use,
- Sports facilities development,
- Projects promoting efficient and sustainable use of natural resources,
- Projects promoting active physical participation; and,
- Projects encouraging interaction of all age groups including joint use facilities, associated facilities for families and carers e.g., shade, seating, toilets and change facilities.

#### **What will not be funded?**

- Applications which do not meet the Moreland Community Development Grants Program requirements,
- Projects or groups which have previously received a Partnership grant,
- Projects which require ongoing support or funding,
- Applications which do not include a financial statement or evidence of an ability to maintain new infrastructure,
- Requests for retrospective funding where projects have commenced or are completed prior to receiving funding approval,
- Facilities where little or no public access is available,
- Applications where the recipient organisation/s promote or benefit directly from electronic gaming machines,
- Purchase of land,
- Routine or cyclical maintenance works to existing facilities,
- Repair of facilities damaged by vandalism, fire or other natural disasters where the act should be covered by insurance,
- Requests for ongoing operational costs including the replacement of sporting equipment; and,
- The cost associated with the purchase of community transport or any other vehicle.

### 3. Issues

#### Pascoe Vale Soccer Club

Project Description: Construction of players race and purchase of compliant portable goals which meet Australian Safety Standards for junior soccer training at Hosken Reserve.

The Pascoe Vale Soccer Club has been promoted to compete in the Victorian State League Division One competition. The Football Federation Victoria has a regulation that facilities of teams that compete in division one must have provision of an enclosed player's race.

With the promotion to Division one, the club is experiencing a growth of junior members and would like to purchase a set of portable goals to meet the demand and provide the equipment and facilities for junior members to train and improve their skills.

These projects have been developed and designed in consultation with Council's Recreation, and Open Space Units. Council has received a compliant funding application including full quotation and nomination of an appropriately qualified project manager.

#### Human Rights Consideration

The implications of this report have been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.

### 4. Consultation

The Portfolio Councillor Social Development, Cr Pryor, and Councillors Responsible For Recreation and Leisure, Cr Kavanagh and Cr Erdogan, have been consulted in the preparation of this report. Council's Open Space has also been included in the assessment of the project application.

### 5. Financial and Resources Implications

Council allocated \$170,000 to the 2008/2009 Partnership Grant Program. A total of \$83,000 remains uncommitted. Applications for projects outlined in this report seek total funding of \$10,982.

Project	Amount Requested	Club Contribution	Other Contribution	Total Project Cost
Pascoe Vale SC Players Race & Portable Goals	\$10,982	\$4,000		\$14,982

A decision to fund the project requests will leave a balance of \$72,018 available in the 2008/2009 program.

## **DSD2 COBURG CITY OVAL FACILITY REFURBISHMENT (D09/3607)**

### **Director Social Development**

### **Youth and Leisure Services**

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#### **Executive Summary**

This report seeks in-principle support from Council to jointly fund the refurbishment of the Coburg City Oval office accommodation, grandstand and statistics / media facilities. An offer to partially fund the refurbishment from AFL Victoria requires Council to agree to providing a suitable playing and administration base for the Coburg Football Club for a minimum five year period.

The long term future of both the City Oval precinct and Coburg Football Club cannot be guaranteed. A spatial master plan for the development of the Coburg Initiative area is not expected to be finalised before the end of the 2009 calendar year. As such, the current proposal looks to guarantee the short-term future of the Coburg Football Club, its administration base and use of City Oval as an AFL Victoria and TAC Cup competition training and playing venue for the next five years, or until suitable alternate locations can be established.

Council currently has \$30,000 allocated within the 2008/2009 capital works program for works to be undertaken at City Oval. This report seeks an additional \$95,000 funding commitment from Council subject to an additional \$125,000 being received from the AFL and or State Government to enable the project to proceed. The Coburg Football Club and AFL Victoria have already agreed to contribute \$80,000 to the project.

#### **Recommendation**

Council resolve:

1. To contribute a maximum \$125,000 from the 2008/2009 and 2009/2010 capital works program to reinstate the office accommodation, grandstand seating area, statistics and media area of Coburg City Oval subject to an additional \$125,000 contribution being received from AFL Victoria and or State Government to the project.
2. To commit to maintaining an administration and playing venue suitable for AFL Victoria and TAC Cup use for a minimum of 5 years subject to a minimum cash and in-kind contribution of \$205,000 being received to reinstate the City Oval office accommodation, grandstand seating area, statistics and media area.

## REPORT

### 1. Policy Context

This report is consistent with 2007-2011 Council Plan and addresses a number of key priorities contained within the 2008 Mayor's Speech including:

- Improve sport and recreation opportunities for people of all ages.
- Consider opportunities to increase the utilisation of sporting facilities; and,
- Improving social conditions and the physical environment.

### 2. Background

The Coburg Football Club has occupied space within Moreland City Council offices since a fire destroyed their office accommodation located in the City Oval grandstand in early 2004. It is understood the football club spent approximately \$25,000 re-fitting unused sections of the City office building to occupy as temporary offices.

Initial attempts to relocate the club back to the grandstand area in 2006 failed on the basis that AFL Victoria funding contributions at that time were tied to exclusive AFL Victoria and TAC Cup competition use of the facility. As a result, the club has remained within Council's office building and sections of the grandstand destroyed in the fire remain unoccupied including the office space and areas of grandstand seating.

Council officers and the Coburg Football Club, in consultation with AFL Victoria and the State Government have developed a proposal to relocate the Coburg Football Club, Calder Cannons Football Club and administration of the Essendon and District Football League to the City Oval grandstand under a joint funding proposal without funding being tied to exclusive use of the facility and oval. Details of the funding proposal are contained within the finance section of this report.

Under the proposal, the City Oval grandstand offices would be refurbished, grandstand terracing reinstated as well as minor improvements being undertaken to the media and statistics buildings to ensure the venue remains a suitable Victorian Football League (VFL) venue. An \$80,000 cash and in-kind funding confirmation has been received from both the Coburg Football Club and AFL Victoria on this basis. Re-location of the Coburg Football Club to the City Oval grandstand will also enable the Coburg Initiative project team to occupy the offices currently used by the football club and to allow the re-use of the Councillors' lounge.

### 3. Issues

#### Re-location alternatives

As part of this process, a number of alternative re-location options have been considered, including:

Option	Consideration
Re-location of alternative Council business units to make room for the Coburg Initiative Team.	Operational efficiencies and cost to prepare alternative accommodation within Moreland City operating environment including telephone, IT and administration. Office re-fit costs

Option	Consideration
Re-location of Coburg Initiative Project team to alternative accommodation including portable office accommodation and leased office space.	As above and access to key Council staff.
Re-location of the Coburg Football Club to alternative locations including another sporting pavilion, portable office accommodation and or leased office space.	Seen as a short-term solution at considerable cost including up to \$40,000 p.a for leased office accommodation, excluding any office re-fit. No external funding available.
Advise Coburg Football Club and Calder Cannons Football Club that Council cannot fund or guarantee a playing or training venue.	Community and club existence.

### **Preferred Re-location Option**

The preferred option is to reinstate the office accommodation at the City Oval grandstand and relocate the Coburg Football within that building to enable the Coburg Initiative project team to utilise the space currently occupied by the football club.

As part of the negotiation with the football club, both the Coburg Football Club and AFL Victoria have both agreed to contribute to the project and support Council in a joint funding submission to the AFL and Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV). In this regard, preliminary discussion has been held with the AFL and SRV regarding a possible matching funding contribution to the project on the basis the ground be available for VFL matches for the next five years (until 2013).

Under the proposal, office accommodation would be provided to the Coburg Football Club, Calder Cannons, Essendon and District Football League and Coburg Cricket Club under a leased arrangement. The complex would essentially form the administrative basis of AFL football in the north-west region as presented by AFL Victoria and Coburg Tigers representatives at a Councillor Information and Discussion Workshop held 10 September 2008.

### **Facility Conditions**

In accordance with a recent AFL Victoria facility study, ground and facility conditions at City Oval are rated as the worst in the AFL Victoria competition, and second worst in the TAC cup competition. It is recognised that even a short-term commitment to AFL Victoria or TAC Cup competition football requires an immediate financial contribution to ensure the venue can be used.

### **Coburg Initiative**

The future of the City Oval precinct cannot be guaranteed beyond the adoption of a spatial master plan currently being prepared for the central Coburg precinct as part of the Coburg Initiative. In accordance with current project timelines and subject to Council confirmation of the project, a central Coburg spatial master plan is not expected to be adopted until late in the current year. In this regard, Council cannot guarantee access to the venue beyond a decision on the future allocation of space and decision to proceed with the Coburg Initiative.

The Coburg Football Club, together with other community organisations, will have an opportunity to be involved in the development of the spatial masterplan.

#### 4. Consultation

Ongoing consultation has been held between various Council departments including Property Services, Coburg Initiative, Recreation and the Coburg Football Club. AFL Victoria and AFL Victoria have also had preliminary discussion with the AFL and Sport and Recreation Victoria.

Written confirmation has been obtained from both the Coburg Football Club and AFL Victoria supporting the project and pledging financial support to the project subject to funding confirmation from Moreland City Council and either the AFL or State Government as detailed in the finance section of this report.

#### Human Rights Consideration

The implications of this report have been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.

#### 5. Financial and Resources Implications

Proposed funding model

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Confirmed</b>	<b>Unconfirmed</b>	<b>Total</b>
Moreland City Council	30,000*	95,000	125,000
Coburg Football Club (in-kind)	30,000		30,000
AFL - Victoria	50,000		50,000
AFL Vic / Sport & Rec Vic		125,000	175,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$110,000</b>	<b>\$220,000</b>	<b>\$330,000</b>

\*Existing 2008/2009 capital works budget.

If confirmed, it is possible that additional projects may be considered for further funding including an upgrade to the playing surface. AFL Victoria has indicated its preparedness to consider providing significant funds toward this project should the venue be confirmed as an AFL Victoria and TAC Cup competition venue for the next 5 years.