

10.1. Matters Outstanding to 28 July 2025

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to update Council regarding the status of resolutions arising from Mayoral Minutes, Notices of Motion, and Questions Without Notice.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- Each month, a report is presented to Council on the status of resolutions arising from Mayoral Minutes, Notices of Motion, and Questions Without Notice.
- The attached table has been updated to include resolutions up to the 28 July 2025 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the report be received.

Background

The previous report to Council on this matter was presented on 28 July 2025.

Report

Attached is the updated table of outstanding resolutions for the information of Council.

Consultation requirements

Community engagement is not required.

Financial/Resource Implications

There are no financial implications to this report.

Legislation

It is a requirement under the Local Government Act that lawful decisions of the Council are implemented without undue delay.

Meeting date	Item Reference	Resolved Action	CPE	Target Date	OPEN	Current Status (25 August 2025)
13/05/2024	11.1. Notice of Motion 06/24 - May Gibbs Lookout	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> THAT Council produce a report looking into the feasibility of creating a lookout over the city, in Phillips Street Neutral Bay. THAT the report also consider the feasibility of creating a May Gibbs theme in the Phillips Street playground. 	OSI	Oct-25	OPEN	Phillips St Park is noted for renewal in the recently adopted Open Space and Recreation Strategy. Council will look to incorporate the legacy of May Gibbs into the design of the playground renewal, pending permission to use May Gibbs copyright. Council continues to investigate the timeline for May Gibbs residence at the Derry House (12 Phillips Street, Neutral Bay) for updating the listing information. A report will be brought to the Council once the listing information is updated.
27/05/2024	11.1. Notice of Motion 07/24 - Accessibility and Inclusion budgetary allowance	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> THAT, as part of Council's financial strategy going forward, Council quarantine an agreed annual budget amount sufficient to fund initiatives, infrastructure, and services that will advance accessibility and inclusion within our Local Government Area and ensure that Council meets its obligations in accordance with the requirements of the Disability Inclusion Act 2014. THAT, once the agreed annual budget has been determined, Council include a progress update in its annual report for this important area. THAT Council adopt the recommendation from the recent meeting, and agree to rename the Committee as the "Access and Inclusion Committee". 	COS	Jul-25	OPEN	Access and inclusion actions and improvements have been included within the Delivery program and Operational Plan. They are currently subject to funding and will be considered in line with Council's next revision of LTFP. Access and Inclusion activities will be reported in Council's Annual report on an ongoing basis. CLOSE for next report
24/06/2024	8.2 MM02: Diverse and Affordable Housing - Memorandum of Understanding with Homes NSW	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> THAT Council seek to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Homes NSW to expedite the delivery of new and refurbished social and affordable housing within the North Sydney LGA. THAT a report on funding options for the Parraween Street park / community centre / affordable housing project be provided to Council. THAT Council urgently seek from the NSW State Government its response to Council's request of 11 December 2023, for the Government to amend the Voluntary Planning Agreement offer on the Metro site at 52 McLaren Street, North Sydney, to provide affordable housing, at a minimum of 30% and ideally 100%, and appropriate community spaces in perpetuity as part of the Gateway Determination. 	P&E	Jul-26	OPEN	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Further advice to be contained in future Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme. Parraween Street project identified as a deferred/delayed project in Council's Operational Plan. Completed with a further written request sent to the Minister for Planning on 15 July 2025 following Council's consideration of the post exhibition report for 52 McLaren Street. To date, no response from the Minister for Planning has been received.
22/07/2024	11.1. Notice of Motion 10/24: Report on LGNSW Conference - Destination and Visitor Economy - Cr Santer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> THAT Council notes the report below on the outcomes of the Conference - Destination and Visitor Economy - held in Wagga Wagga in June 2024. THAT in view of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the potential for identifiable visitor tourism sites in the North Sydney Local Government Area; the opportunity for the establishment of a viable tourism industry here; and the potential revenue increases for existing businesses and Council; THAT Council undertake a program of identifying potential tourism destinations and local business opportunities, in consultation with the State and Federal Governments, inbound tour operators, domestic wholesalers, and accommodation providers, with a view to establishing a tourism industry in North Sydney. THAT Council approach Destination NSW in particular to obtain a briefing on the initial process to establish the industry here. THAT this report be included in Council's overall economic strategy. 	CEO	Sep-25	OPEN	The NoM has been considered in drafting of the Economic Development Strategy which includes an objective to increase tourism and entertainment spend through a range of actions. These actions are subject to funding. CLOSE for next report
28/10/2024	11.3. Notice of Motion 18/24: Establishment and promotion of a Visitor Economy in North Sydney	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> THAT Council note the following report on the outcomes for North Sydney of a recent NSW Visitor Economy Forum conducted by Destination NSW (DNSW); THAT Council staff liaise with DNSW to organise a Councillor briefing session. THAT Council seek to establish with DNSW and other relevant public and private tourism industry bodies, appropriate tourism destination experiences, including tour guide and hospitality products, in the North Sydney and North Shore region. THAT Council develop a visitor economic plan to inform the North Sydney Economic Development Strategy. 	CEO	Sep-25	OPEN	The NoM has been considered in drafting of the Economic Development Strategy which includes an objective to increase tourism and entertainment spend through a range of actions. These actions are subject to funding. CLOSE for next report

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9/12/2024	MM01: Invitation to non-rateable educational institutions to voluntarily pay rates, and preparation of a policy to guide and regulate intensive "operational"/timetabled use of Council parks by private schools	<p>1. THAT Council notes:</p> <p>a) the North Sydney Local Government Area is one of the densest education precincts in the country, with 21 primary and secondary schools and two universities within the 10.5km2 boundary;</p> <p>b) the ever-increasing demand for public open space within our local government area for use by residents, students, workers, and visitors, and that demand for public spaces will only continue to increase with current housing targets;</p> <p>c) the intensive, "operational" or scheduled/timetabled use of St Leonards Park and Ted Mack Civic Park by Marist Catholic College during the ongoing construction period on its campus as an alternative "playground" for recess and lunchtime recreation by students;</p> <p>d) there was no notice to, nor any agreement with, Council for the use of St Leonards and Ted Mack Parks in this regular, scheduled manner by Marist Catholic College;</p> <p>e) the imminent opening of the 1,500 student Reddam House North Shore Campus on McLaren Street North Sydney in January/February 2025, and that the campus has a lack of playground spaces and will likely rely on local parks for student recreation; and</p> <p>f) schools and other educational institutions are exempt from paying rates.</p> <p>2. THAT Council invite private schools and the Australian Catholic University to voluntarily pay rates (or an equivalent in-kind contribution) on their property holdings within the North Sydney local government area to contribute to maintenance of Council assets including roads, footpaths, and open space.</p> <p>3. THAT Council publish a "Roll of Honour" on Council's website and social media platforms recording those educational institutions that voluntarily contribute.</p> <p>4. THAT Council urgently prepare a policy to guide "operational" use of Council parks by private schools as extended playgrounds including consideration of Council's public liability risk, costs of maintenance and repair, and the cumulative impacts of such use on Council parks including wear and tear and clashes with other users (residents, workers, visitors, and other schools who do not use parks for scheduled playground activities), by the start of the</p>	COS	Aug-25	OPEN	The invitation to schools was made and responded to. No schools were able to commit to voluntary rates and therefore no recognition required. A Draft Policy has been developed and is currently on exhibition in relation to commercial and operational use of parks and open spaces. CLOSE for next report
10/02/2025	11.2. Notice of Motion 2/25: North Sydney Parkrun - Crs Carr & Keen	1. THAT Council prepare a report analysing the extent of usage of St Leonards Park by community groups, fitness groups and other users, including but not limited to ParkRun.	OSI	Aug-25	OPEN	Report presented to on 11 August 2025 Council meeting CLOSE for next report
10/02/2025	11.3. Notice of Motion 3/25: Preventing net loss of housing units in development projects - Cr Welch	<p>1. THAT North Sydney Council resolves to:</p> <p>i. investigate the introduction of a policy or planning control to ensure that developers cannot redevelop properties with fewer residential units than were originally demolished.</p> <p>ii. request Council staff to prepare a report outlining the legal and procedural steps required to implement this policy, including necessary amendments to planning controls, consultation requirements, and alignment with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (NSW).</p> <p>iii. advocate to the State Government for legislative support to ensure consistency in such policies across local government areas, preventing a net loss of housing stock in redevelopment projects.</p>	P&E	Sep-25	OPEN	Further research underway for most efficient implementation pathway. Follow up meeting with Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure requested for August 2025. This is yet to occur.
10/03/2025	11.4. Notice of Motion 10/25: Review of Heritage Pubs - Cr Holding	<p>1. THAT Council undertake a review of heritage pubs across the North Sydney Local Government Area in order to enhance recognition of the role, history and contribution of pubs and with the intention to protect the enduring viability of venues.</p> <p>2. THAT as part of the review Council officers set up a round table to meet with interested pub proprietors and stakeholders to review the heritage inventories for the pubs to ensure they are an appropriate representation of each premises.</p> <p>3. THAT following the review, a report be provided to Council with recommendations on the potential for listing as heritage items including as a group of items.</p>	P&E	Sep. 2025	OPEN	This work is being delayed by the deployment of resources to the influx of SSDA and Housing Delivery Authority demands on staff time.
28/04/2025	MM01: Keep Royal North Shore Hospital land in public hands	<p>1. THAT Council call on the State Government not to sell off vital public land within an essential hospital precinct to developers.</p> <p>2. THAT Council write to Willoughby City Council, Lane Cove Council, and NSROC, seeking that they join North Sydney Council in lobbying the State Government to retain public ownership of the Royal North Shore Hospital precinct land.</p>	CEO	Jul-25	OPEN	Letter emailed to Premier Minns urging not to sell vital public land was copied to Minister Scully, Planning, Minister Park, Minister for Health, Minister Jackson, Minister for Housing. Letters have been sent to NSROC, Willoughby and Lane Cove, neighbouring councils supportive. CLOSE for next report

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28/07/2025	8.1. MM01: ALGA National General Assembly and Australian Council of Local Government	8.1. MM01: ALGA National General Assembly and Australian Council of Local Government	CEO	Aug-25	OPEN	No further action required. CLOSE for next report
28/07/2025	8.2. MM02: Rate-exempt schools and educational institutions	1. THAT Council calls on the State Government to implement the recommendations of the recent Upper House Inquiry into the ability of local governments to fund infrastructure and services, particularly an urgent review of rate exemptions and concessions under the Local Government Act 1993 and, if necessary, urgently amend the Act to exempt voluntary contributions to councils from operation of s83C of the Education Act 1990; and 2. THAT Council seeks to refresh and reinvigorate the Memorandum of Understanding with Australian Catholic University. 3. THAT Council seek legal advice within its current legal budget in relation to the operation of s83C of the Education Act 1990 and the common law regulations, and any relevant Commonwealth regulations in relation to voluntary payments or contributions in cash or in kind.	CEO	Oct-25	OPEN	1. Letter sent to the Minister for Education . 2. Review of MoU with ACU underway. 3. Legal advice being prepared by Council's Solicitor
28/07/2025	.3. MM03: Blues Point Foreshore Masterplan	1. THAT Council withdraw the current Development Application for 1 Henry Lawson Avenue, McMahons Point. 2. THAT a report be presented to Council outlining the process, costs and next steps for the development of a Masterplan for the Blues Point foreshore precinct.	P&E	Oct-25	OPEN	1. The request to withdraw the Development Application for 1 Henry Lawson Avenue, McMahons Point has been submitted, and confirmation of withdrawal was received on 31 July 2025. 2. A report will be prepared and targeted for October 2025.
28/07/2025	11.1. Notice of Motion 15/25: Recognition of Luke Simmons, Norths Collective	1. THAT Council formally acknowledges and extends its sincere thanks to Luke Simmons for his leadership and dedicated service to Norths Collective and especially for the support provided by the Club, to the wider community of North Sydney.	CEO	Aug-25	OPEN	Letter of thanks from Mayor has been sent to Mr Simmons. CLOSE for next report
28/07/2025	11.2. Notice of Motion 16/25: DV Safe Phone initiative	1. THAT North Sydney Council looks to partner with DV Safe Phone to collect used phones that are then refurbished and donated to agencies that assist survivors of domestic violence. 2. THAT a report comes to Council that includes consideration of collaboration with other organisations, including the Mercy Foundation.	P&E	Nov-25	OPEN	This will be scoped and a report to be prepared for the October 2025 Council meeting.