



Council Chambers
1 May 2026

An Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Cammeraygal lands at the Council Chambers, North Sydney at 7.00pm on Monday 11 May 2026. The agenda is as follows.

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- 1. Opening of Meeting**
 - 2. Acknowledgement of Country**
 - 3. Apologies and applications for leaves of absence or attendance by audio-visual link by councillors**
 - 4. Confirmation of Minutes**
 - 5. Disclosures of Interests**
 - 6. Items by Exception**
 - 7. Mayoral Minutes**
Nil
 - 8. Reports of Committees**
 - 8.1 Traffic Committee Minutes - 10 April 2026
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9. Reports to Council

- 9.1 Matters Outstanding to 13 April 2026
- 9.2 Investment and Loan Borrowings Report as at 31 March 2026
- 9.3 Strategic Asset Management Plan - post-exhibition report
- 9.4 Crows Nest Transport Orientated Development (TOD) - proposed grant funding application
- 9.5 North Sydney Olympic Pool Redevelopment Project Update

10. Notices of Motion/Questions with Notice

Nil

11. Matters of Urgency

Raised by Councillors

12. Closure of Meeting

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TO: The Mayor Zoë Baker, and Councillors Antonini, Beregi, Carr, Holding, Hoy, Keen, Santer, Spenceley, and Welch

MEETING OF COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 11 MAY 2026

1. OPENING MEETING

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

3. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

THAT THE MINUTES of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 13 April 2026 be taken as read and confirmed.

5. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

6. ITEMS BY EXCEPTION

7. MINUTES OF THE MAYOR

Nil

8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

8.1 Traffic Committee Minutes - 10 April 2026

Report of Peita Rose, Governance Officer

This report presents the Minutes of the last meeting of the Traffic Committee held on 10 April 2026 for Council adoption.

Recommending:

1. THAT the Minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting dated 10 April 2026 be received.

9. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

9.1 Matters Outstanding to 13 April 2026

Report of Ian Curry, Acting Service Unit Manager Corporate Governance

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.

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 13 April 2026 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Recommending:

1. THAT the report be received.

9.2 Investment and Loan Borrowings Report as at 31 March 2026

Report of Lu Chen, Financial Controller, and Aigul Utegenova, Chief Financial Officer

The purpose of this report is to provide details of the performance of Council's investments and loans for the month ending 31 March 2026.

All investments have been made in accordance with the Local Government Act and Regulations and Council's *Financial Investments Policy*.

For the month of March, the total investment portfolio (which includes Term Deposits and Bonds) provided a return of +0.36% (actual), or +4.30% p.a. (annualised), outperforming the AusBond Bank Bill Index return of +0.32% (actual) or +3.81% p.a. (annualised).

Returns on investments exceeded the March YTD budget by \$1,604,946. This result includes fees paid to Council's investment advisers for the period.

Recommending:

1. THAT the report on investments held at 31 March 2026, prepared in accordance with clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, and the information on Loan Borrowings, be received.

9.3 Strategic Asset Management Plan – post-exhibition report

Report of Jake Pike, Asset Management Coordinator, and Sam Clark, Engagement Specialist

This report presents the outcome from the public exhibition of the draft Strategic Asset Management Plan.

At its meeting of 9 February 2026, Council resolved to place the draft Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP) on public exhibition.

The draft SAMP was placed on public exhibition on 17 February 2026.

The exhibition period closed 18 March 2026. One written submission was received.

Recommending:

1. THAT Council note the contents of this report and the community feedback received in relation to the draft Strategic Asset Management Plan.

2. THAT Council adopt the Strategic Asset Management Plan 2026–2036.

9.4 Crows Nest Transport Orientated Development (TOD) - proposed grant funding application

Report of Eoin Cunningham, Service Unit Manager Traffic & Transport Operations
This report seeks Council endorsement of a grant application to the NSW Government to support walking, cycling, and streetscape upgrades within the Crows Nest TOD precinct, consistent with Council's Integrated Transport Strategy and Bike Plan.

The NSW Government has established the Transport Orientated Development Community Infrastructure grant program, with \$9.18 million available to deliver active transport infrastructure to support development for the Crows Nest TOD Precinct. It is proposed to submit a grant funding application to plan, design, and deliver walking, cycling, and streetscape upgrades to connect St Leonards railway station, Crows Nest Metro Station, and travel through the centre of the Crows Nest TOD development precinct.

The proposed walking, cycling, and streetscape upgrades align with Council's *Integrated Transport Strategy* and *Bike Plan* as well as the Crows Nest TOD Design Guide.

Council staff have worked with external Programmers and Quantity Surveyors to assess the feasibility of delivering the proposed projects within the mandated timeframes and available budget envelopes to inform the grant application.

Recommending:

- 1. THAT** Council note and support the submission of a grant application for the development of walking, cycling, and streetscape upgrades along the following routes:
 - Chandos Street, from Christie Street to Oxley Street (within Willoughby Council);
 - Oxley Street, from Chandos Street to Clarke Street;
 - Clarke Street, from Oxley Street to Willoughby Road;
 - Hume Street, from Clarke Street to Nicholson Street;
 - Nicholson Street, from Hume Street to Shirley Street;
 - Nicholson Street, from Hume Street to Oxley Street; and
 - Nicholson Street, from Oxley Street to Christie Street (within Lane Cove Council).
 - 2. THAT** Council seek written support from Willoughby Council and Lane Cove Council for the proposed grant application submission.
 - 3. THAT** Council provide delegation to the CEO to agree to amendments to the scope of the grant submission pending further development of scope, program, costs, and agreements with Willoughby and Lane Cove Councils.
 - 4. THAT** Council resolve that the document which forms Attachment 3 to this report be considered confidential, as per section 11(3) of the Local Government Act, due to its content being classified under section 10A(2)(d) as commercial information of a sensitive nature. Disclosure of this information could potentially harm the commercial interests of the contributing party, compromise the competitive process, and, by extension, affect the public interest by deterring future tender participation and undermining the Council's ability to secure economically advantageous agreements.
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9.5 North Sydney Olympic Pool Redevelopment Project Update

Report of Gary Parsons, Director Open Space & Infrastructure

This report provides Council with an update on the redevelopment of the North Sydney Olympic Pool.

All construction works are complete. Council's contractor, Icon, is now focused on finalisation of operations and maintenance manuals, and the rectification of defects. Icon has indicated that they will have completed all outstanding items required to achieve Practical Completion by mid-May 2026. This is required to achieve Contractual Practical Completion and formal handover of the facility to Council.

Preliminary handover of selected areas within the facility has been arranged, enabling Council to commence installation of furniture and fittings. Fit-out works in the gym, program rooms, and staff office spaces are complete.

There are currently \$11,373,174 of variation claims that are still to be agreed or submitted. This figure represents the value of the variation claimed by Icon and not the amount that will necessarily be agreed or paid by Council.

The revised construction contract sum as of 31 March 2026 is \$93.6m and total project costs remain within forecast costs to completion of \$122m.

Recommending:

1. THAT the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A of the Local Government Act:

(c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and because consideration of the matter in open Council would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest as it would affect Council's ability to obtain value for money services.

2. THAT the confidential report be treated as confidential and remain confidential unless Council determines otherwise.

3. THAT Council note the contents of this report in relation to the redevelopment of the North Sydney Olympic Pool.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

11. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil

12. CLOSURE
