CITY OF NEWCASTLE

Minutes of the Public Voice Committee Meeting held in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor City Hall, 290 King Street, Newcastle on Tuesday 16 May 2017 at 5.38pm.

PRESENT
The Lord Mayor (Councillor N Nelmes), Councillors D Clausen, D Compton, T Doyle, M Osborne, S Posniak, A Rufo and S Waterhouse.

IN ATTENDANCE
J Bath (Interim Chief Executive Officer), G Cousins (Director Corporate Services), K Liddell (Acting Director Infrastructure), P Chrystal (Director Planning and Regulatory), E Kolatchew (Acting Manager Legal and Governance), M Blackburn-Smith (Manager Development and Building), J Gaynor (Manager Strategic Planning), Nathaniel Bavinton (Smart City Coordinator) and A Knowles (Council Services/Minutes/Webcast).

MESSAGE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
The Lord Mayor read the message of acknowledgement to the Awabakal and Worimi peoples.

PRAYER
The Lord Mayor read a prayer and a period of silence was observed in memory of those who served and died so that Council might meet in peace.

APOLOGIES

MOTION
Moved by Cr Rufo, seconded by Cr Doyle

The apologies submitted on behalf of Councillors Dunn, Luke and Robinson be received and leave of absences granted.

Carried

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS
The Lord Mayor called for declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests.

Councillor S Posniak
Councillor Posniak declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest as one of the Public Voice presenters, Ms Lyndall Ryan, was a member of the same Labor Party branch.

Councillor D Compton
Councillor Compton declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant conflict of interest as his building firm was from time to time called to tender on projects for EJE Architecture, noting that one of the Public Voice presenters, Mr Barney Collins, was Director of EJE Architecture. Councillor Compton remained in the Chamber for the matter as he was not tendering on the items being discussed.
PUBLIC VOICE SESSIONS

ITEM-1
PV 16/05/17 - DA 2015/10304 - 123 KING STREET NEWCASTLE - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO BUILDING FOR ADAPTIVE RE-USE AS SIX STOREY MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT WITH THREE COMMERCIAL TENANCIES, PARKING AT GROUND LEVEL AND TWENTY FIVE RESIDENTIAL UNITS


Mr Barney Collins, from EJE Architecture and Mr John Carmody representing the DA Applicant addressed Council in support of the Development Application.

ITEM-2
PV 16/05/17 - DA2016/01283 - 65, 71-73 & 75 BRUNKER ROAD BROADMEADOW - DEMOLITION OF BUILDINGS, ERECTION OF FOUR STOREY MULTI - UNIT DEVELOPMENT WITH 38 RESIDENTIAL UNITS, 42 GROUND FLOOR PARKING BAYS AND ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS.

Ms Jenny Sceponavic and Mr Paul Colley addressed Council in relation to the Development Application.

Mr Michael Noonan, Development Manager GWH Build and Ms Helen Shepherd, Town Planner GWH Build, representing the DA Applicants, addressed Council in support of the Development Application.

Councillor Osborne suggested the applicants and Councillor Officers review the overshadowing concerns raised.

Council requested that the parties consider mediation as an option.

The meeting concluded at 6.58pm