

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 July 2019 at 5.34pm.

PRESENT

The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor D Clausen), Councillors M Byrne, J Church, C Duncan (*retired 5.58pm*), K Elliott, J Mackenzie, A Robinson, A Rufo and P Winney-Baartz.

IN ATTENDANCE

J Bath (Chief Executive Officer), D Clarke (Director Governance), B Smith (Director Strategy and Engagement), F Leatham (Director People and Culture), K Liddell (Director Infrastructure and Property), A Murphy (Director City Wide Services), E Kolatchew (Manager Legal), M Bisson (Manager Regulatory, Planning and Assessment), A Knowles (Council Services/Minutes) and K Sullivan (Council Services/Webcasting).

MESSAGE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

PRAYER

The Deputy 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 Winney-Baartz, seconded by Cr Duncan

The apologies submitted on behalf of the Lord Mayor, Councillor Nelmes and Councillors Dunn, Luke and White be received and leave of absence granted.

Carried

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

The Deputy Lord Mayor called for declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests.

Councillor Church

Councillor Church declared a significant pecuniary interest in Item 2 - DA2017/01376 - 495-501 Hunter Street and 364 King Street Newcastle, stating that one of his clients owned a neighbouring property and managed the conflict by leaving the Chamber for discussion on the item.

PUBLIC VOICE SESSIONS

**ITEM-1 PV 16/07/19 - DA2018/00609 - 147 BEAUMONT STREET,
HAMILTON - DEMOLITION OF DWELLING AND
OUTBUILDING, ERECTION OF THREE STOREY, 16 ROOM
BOARDING HOUSE AND ASSOCIATED FENCING**

Mr Chris Speek, Valley Planning addressed Council on behalf of the objectors and outlined concerns and objections to the development application.

Mr Kevin Doodney, Future Housing Taskforce and Mr Hugh Jones, Le Motte Group on behalf of the DA applicant, addressed Council in support of the development application.

Councillor Clausen declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 1- DA2018/00609 - 147 Beaumont Street, Hamilton stating that he was the secretary of an organisation of which Councillor Paul Le Mottee (Port Stephens Council), Managing Director Le Mottee Group was the Chairperson, and the relationship was such that he had no business interest in the item.

Councillor Duncan retired from the Chamber at the conclusion of this item.

**ITEM-2 PV 16/07/19 - DA2017/01376 - 495-501 HUNTER STREET &
364 KING STREET NEWCASTLE - DEMOLITION OF
BUILDINGS, ERECTION OF 15 STOREY MIXED USE
DEVELOPMENT INCL. THREE COMMERCIAL/RETAIL
TENANCIES & 87 RESIDENTIAL UNITS, ASSOC.
CARPARKING & SITE WORK**

Mr Paul McLean, Resolve Planning and Ms Lorraine Mordue addressed Council and outlined concerns and objections to the development application.

Mr David Wolski, Wolksi Choppin Architecture on behalf of the DA applicant, addressed Council in support of the development application.

The meeting concluded at 6.26pm