



Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council

Thursday 18 December 2025

4:00 PM

**Yass High School
Grampian Street, Yass**

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Present

Councillors Jasmin Jones (Mayor), Cecil Burgess, Kristin Butler (Deputy Mayor), Alvaro Charry, Fleur Flanery, Adrian Cameron, David Rothwell, David Carter and Allan McGrath.

Officers also present were Gayleen Burley (Chief Executive Officer), Andrew Neil (Director of Planning & Environment), Nathan Cooke (Director of Infrastructure & Assets), Peta Gardiner (Director of Corporate & Community), Jason McGuire (Chief Financial Officer), Caitlin Flint (Senior Advisor Governance), Chloe Johnson (Executive Support Officer) and Katie Yeo (Learning & Development Officer).

Public Forum

The public forum held prior to the meeting heard from the following speakers in relation to the items on the agenda as listed.

Presentations to Council – Items on the Meeting Agenda

- **Stephen Coates – Item 6.12 Chair's Annual Report – Audit Risk and Improvement Committee**

No	Item Number	Title	Name	For or Against
1	6.2	16-18 Cusack Place Planning Proposal	Craig McGaffin	For
2	6.2	16-18 Cusack Place Planning Proposal	Maree Halley	Against
3	6.4	Draft Yass Valley Cemeteries Management Plan and Masterplans	Jaqui Stol	For
4	6.4	Draft Yass Valley Cemeteries Management Plan and Masterplans	Anneke Myers	Against
5	6.13	Tabling of petition	Susan O'Leary	For

Council Meeting - The Mayor declared the meeting open at 4.55pm

Minute of Silence for the Bondi Victims – Mayoral Minute

Acknowledgement of Country

Yass Valley Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land, the Ngunnawal people. We acknowledge and respect their continued connection to land, waters, skies and community. Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 23 June 2025

We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Yass Valley Local Government Area.

Prayer

1. Councillor Request for Attendance via Audio-Visual

Nil

2. Apologies

Nil

3. Declaration of Interest/Disclosures

Nil

4. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 November 2025 covered by resolution numbers 372-413 inclusive, copies of which had been circulated to all Councillors, be taken as read and confirmed.

(Burgess/Charry) 414

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

5. Mayoral Minute

5.1. MAYORAL MINUTE - RESPONSE TO TERRORIST ATTACK AT BONDI BEACH ON 14 DECEMBER 2025

RESOLVED that Yass Valley Council:

1. ***Acknowledges the massacre that occurred at Bondi on December 14, 2025.***
2. ***Offers sincere condolences to the families and loved ones of the victims of the tragedy at Bondi Beach.***
3. ***Notes that this tragedy occurred on the first day of Hanukkah, a significant Jewish celebration.***
4. ***Notes that this was a deliberate, antisemitic attack targeting Jewish Australians and attendees at the 'Hanukkah by the Sea' event, and has been confirmed by ASIO as a terrorist incident.***
5. ***Unequivocally condemns this act of violence and terrorism.***
6. ***Notes that this event is the deadliest mass shooting in Australia since 1996 and has so far claimed the lives of fifteen innocent people.***
7. ***Acknowledges the significant impact and distress this event has caused within the Jewish and broader Australian community.***
8. ***Commends the actions of first responders, police, paramedics, health workers, surf lifesavers, attendees, and members of the public who intervened and whose brave actions saved lives.***
9. ***Extends its support to Waverley Mayor Will Nemesh, Waverley Council, the Jewish community, and all those affected by these events.***
10. ***Reaffirms that Yass Valley is a place that welcomes people from all cultures, religions, and communities.***
11. ***Acknowledges that Yass Valley Council has marked this tragedy by flying its flags at half mast as a mark of respect for the victims.***
12. ***Share with the community that Yass Valley Council, with the support of the Yass RSL Subbranch, will light the Yass Soldiers' Memorial Hall blue over the Jewish Sabbath and until Monday, demonstrating our solidarity with and support for the Jewish Community.***

13. Shares with the community that Yass Valley Council, with the support of the Yass RSL Subbranch and the Combined Churches of Yass, will hold a candle-lighting vigil between 6:45 PM and 8:00 PM in the shrine foyer of the Yass Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Comur Street, YASS, on Sunday, December 21st - inviting the public to pass through the shrine, light a candle, offer prayers / spend time in quiet reflection.

(Jones) 415

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

Suspension of Standing Orders

RESOLVED that Standing Orders be suspended in order to bring forward the following items to be dealt with at this time:

- ***Item 6.3 Development Application Update – October & November 2025***
- ***Item 6.5 Request to Sell 13 Dutton Street, Yass***
- ***Item 6.6 YVC-IA-33-2025 – Electric Vehicle Charging Stations- Crago Mill Precinct***
- ***Item 6.7 Yass Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project – Implementation – Bi-Monthly Update Report***
- ***Item 6.9 Investment and Borrowing Report***
- ***Item 6.11 Chair's Annual Report - Audit Risk and Improvement Committee***
- ***Item 6.12 Review of Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Terms of Reference***

(Flanery/Carter) 416

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

Grahame Jarvis from AEC Group joined the meeting via Teams for item 6.1 only.

6. Reports to Council

6.1 PARKWOOD BORDER ARRANGEMENTS

SUMMARY

Ongoing planning has been undertaken regarding the development of the Parkwood precinct. Currently, Council has no official position regarding whether Parkwood remains within Yass Valley Council (YVC) or whether it is supportive of a border change. This report outlines the findings of the AEC Group report into the long-term financial modelling of the Parkwood Development and recommends that Council resolves to retain Parkwood within the Local Government Area (LGA).

RESOLVED that:

1. ***Council note the long-term financial modelling undertaken by AEC Group which demonstrates that retaining Parkwood within the Yass Valley Council Local Government Area delivers a net financial benefit to Council when supported by appropriate funding mechanisms.***
2. ***Parkwood remain within the Yass Valley Council Local Government Area.***

3. *The Mayor and CEO write to the NSW and ACT Governments advising of Council's official position to retain Parkwood within the Yass Valley Council Local Government Area.*
4. *Council seeks to maintain a level of services to Parkwood commensurate with community expectations, to be funded through a Parkwood-specific Special Rate Variation (pending IPART or Ministerial approval), without reliance on general rate revenue and without broader financial impact on existing Yass Valley ratepayers.*

(Charry/Carter) 416

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.2 PLANNING PROPOSAL 2025-1002 - 16-18 CUSACK PL, YASS - POST EXHIBITION

SUMMARY

To present the outcome from the public exhibition and agency consultation of the Planning Proposal for the rezoning of land at 16-18 Cusack Place, Yass. The planning proposal aims to amend the Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013 to rezone the land from R5 Large Lot Residential to part R1 General Residential and part C2 Environmental Conservation with a corresponding lot size for the R1 General Residential land of 700m². As the C2 Environmental Conservation zone is a closed zone with very limited, specific permissible uses, which do not include dwellings, businesses, industries and the like, a minimum lot has not been included for the land zoned C2 Environmental Conservation.

RESOLVED that:

1. *Planning proposal PP2025-1002 relating to Lots 2 - 4 DP1185025, 16-18 Cusack Place, Yass be adopted.*
2. *The Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013 is amended by Council as the local plan making authority.*

(McGrath/Rothwell) 418

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, D Carter, A Charry, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillors A Cameron and F Flanery

6.3 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION UPDATE - OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 2025

SUMMARY

To present details of council's performance against the expectations set by the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure and details of applications lodged and determined in October and November 2025.

RESOLVED that report on applications for October and November 2025 be noted.

(Flanery/Carter) 417

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.4 DRAFT YASS VALLEY CEMETERIES MANAGEMENT PLAN AND MASTERPLAN

SUMMARY

Providing the outcomes of the public exhibition period for the Draft Yass Valley Cemeteries Management Plan and Masterplans. Recommending adoption of the Yass Valley Cemeteries Management Plan, Masterplans, Memento Policy and Memorial Policy.

RESOLVED that:

- 1. Council adopts the Draft Yass Valley Cemeteries and Bush Cemeteries Management Plan and Masterplans, as amended to reflect submissions.***
- 2. Council adopts the Draft Memento Policy and the Draft Memorial Policy.***

(Flanery/Burgess) 418

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.5 REQUEST TO SELL 13 DUTTON STREET, YASS

SUMMARY

To recommend the sale of 13 Dutton Street, Yass. This land has previously been identified as surplus to Council's needs.

RESOLVED that this item be classified CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2)(dii) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest.

(Flanery/Carter) 421

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.6 YVC-IA-33-2025 - ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS - CRAGO MILL PRECINCT

SUMMARY

Providing advice on the outcome of YVC-IA-33-2025 – Expressions of Interest (EOI) – Electric Vehicle Charging Stations within the Crago Mill Precinct.

RESOLVED that this item be classified CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2)(di) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the

commercial position of the person who supplied it and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest.

(Flanery/Carter) 419

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.7 YASS WATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE PROJECT - IMPLEMENTATION - BI-MONTHLY UPDATE REPORT

SUMMARY

To provide Council with an update on the Yass Water Treatment Plant Upgrade and Water Reticulation Improvement Projects.

RESOLVED that Council notes the updated report and work completed on the Yass Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project.

(Flanery/Carter) 420

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.8 ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

SUMMARY

As part of our energy/net zero review, Council has been made aware of an opportunity by the Canberra Region Joint Organisation (CRJO) to join a group energy contract with the Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) program for Energy & Environmental Risk Solutions (PEERS) (Council Group), which will commence in 2027.

RESOLVED that this item be classified CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2)(di) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest.

(Carter/McGrath) 421

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillor A Cameron

6.9 INVESTMENT AND BORROWING REPORT

SUMMARY

In accordance with clause 212 *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*, this report provides a summary of Council's investments for the period 1 to 30 November 2025. In accordance with paragraph (1) (b), it can be certified that the investments listed have been made in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and Council's Investment Policy.

RESOLVED that the Investment & Borrowings Reports, covering the period 1 to 30 November 2025 be noted.

(Flanery/Carter) 422

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.10 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

SUMMARY

This monthly financial report provides information about Council's financial position at the end of November 2025 with the full year and year-to-date budgets reflecting the budgets adopted as part of the First Quarter Budget Review (QBR1). The report also includes a variance analysis against the full-year and budget year to date. An Investment and Borrowing Report is prepared and is presented to Council as a separate report.

RESOLVED that the Monthly Financial Report for November 2025 be noted.

(Flanery/Carter) 423

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.11 CHAIR'S ANNUAL REPORT - AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

SUMMARY

In accordance with the Terms of Reference of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) the Chair is to present an Annual Report on its activities to Council. This report is prepared in relation to the 2025 calendar year.

RESOLVED that the Audit, Risk and Improvement Annual Report be received and noted.

(Flanery/Carter) 424

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A

McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.12 REVIEW OF AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

SUMMARY

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee provides independent assurance to Council by monitoring, reviewing and providing advice about how Council is run. The reviewed Terms of Reference set out the committees objectives, authority, composition and tenure, roles and responsibilities and reporting and administrative arrangements.

RESOLVED that the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Terms of Reference, as attached to this report, be endorsed by Council.

(Flanery/Carter) 428

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.13 TABLING OF PETITION

SUMMARY

On 9 December 2025, Council received a Petition from Annemarie Doyle. The Petition is now being tabled in accordance with Council's Petition Policy.

RESOLVED that the petition be received and noted.

(Cameron/Flanery) 425

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.14 PROCUREMENT UPDATE

SUMMARY

Council engaged in a procurement process to clear waste piles from the Yass, Murrumbateman and Gundaroo Waste Transfer Stations which has resulted in a significant variance of from the quote provided by the preferred Contractor. This report seeks to address the process undertaken in line with legislation and Council's adopted Policies.

RESOLVED that item is classified CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2)(g) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest.

(Cameron/Rothwell) 426

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

6.15 POST-EXHIBITION REPORT - CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

SUMMARY

The Minister for Local Government released the 2025 Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in NSW on 29 August 2025, with the background of consultation, draft Meeting Code and resources published on the OLG website: [Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in NSW – Office of Local Government NSW](https://www.localgovernment.nsw.gov.au/our-work/model-code-of-meeting-practice-for-local-councils-in-nsw)

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Rescind the Livestreaming Council Meetings Policy (CA-CP-03).***
- 2. Note that the draft Code of Meeting Practice was publicly exhibited for 42-days and no submissions were received.***
- 3. Amend Clause 3.12 to state: A councillor may, by way of a notice submitted under clause 3.10, as a question for response by the Chief Executive Officer about the performance or operations of the council. These must be submitted in writing by 12:00pm on the Wednesday a week prior to the meeting is to be held.***
- 4. Adopt the Code of Meeting Practice as attached to this report to ensure compliance with the requirement of the Office of Local Government.***

(McGrath/Carter) 431

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

7. Notice of Motion

Nil

8. Questions with Notice

8.1 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE - CR ADRIAN CAMERON

Question 1

At the October 23 2025 YVC Meeting during discussions on Item 6.6; approximately 1.12.20 on the video recording, the following comment was made in reference to the previous Yass Valley Council Sustainability Advisory Committee:

- 'I saw... this committee, in the last term, with no disrespect, as a means to undermine the councillors and the elected body.'***

This is an unsubstantiated allegation, which now forms part of the record of the meeting. It was also used in support of the motion to remove that committee from the current term of council.

How can this unsubstantiated allegation be corrected and/or removed from the official record of that council meeting?

Response

The purpose of the requirement to publish recordings of meetings on Council's website is to promote transparency and ensure accountability to the community for the content of debate and decision making at meetings. Recordings of meetings should not be censored to remove content that others may disagree with or object to. Content may only be removed from recordings where compelling grounds exist, for example, where Council has received legal advice that the content is potentially defamatory and may leave the Council legally exposed.

The Minutes of the 23 October 2025 Council Meeting, where this item was considered, have since been adopted.

Question 2

A number of questions have been raised with me about the costs of managing rubbish by Yass Valley Council, in particular, green waste. In 2023, our Sustainability Advisory Committee raised a number of questions about the Yass Valley Council Waste Management Policy which remain unanswered.

Would you please advise on the status of this Waste Management Policy? What is happening with green waste going to the Yass Valley Council Waste Transfer Station? Does the income raised meet the current costs of managing this waste? What other strategies have been investigated as alternative strategies that might ensure better management of green waste?

Response

Green waste at Council Waste Transfer Stations is stockpiled, and once there is sufficient volume Council engages a contractor to shred the material which is then transferred to various processing facilities. Currently, income for processing greenwaste does not cover the cost of removal.

Recently, Council staff have developed a waste operations plan to address the management of Yass Valley Council's waste. This plan is currently in draft but takes on some of the recommendations provided in the 2018 service review which are currently guiding priorities of implementation. Council is currently seeking a consultant to undertake a full Waste Services Review to guide Council's waste management practices. This review will include how Council currently manages its green waste and the implementation of FOGO. The waste service review is planned to be completed this financial year.

Once the review is completed, Council will be in a better position to develop a robust Waste Policy and Strategy which will be presented to Council for endorsement at a future Council meeting.

RESOLVED that the Questions with Notice be noted.

(Cameron/Flanery) 431

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

9. Minutes and Recommendations of Council Committees

Nil

10. Confidential Matters

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to Section 10A of the Local Government Act, 1993 the following items on the agenda be classified as CONFIDENTIAL and considered in the Closed Meeting of Council in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act for the reasons as specified:

10.1 Request to sell 13 Dutton Street, Yass
Item 10.1 is confidential in accordance with section s10(A)(2)(dii) of the Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

10.2 YVC-IA-33-2025 - Electric Vehicle Charging Stations - Crago Mill Precinct
Item 10.2 is confidential in accordance with section s10(A)(2)(di) of the Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

10.3 Electricity Supply
Item 10.3 is confidential in accordance with section s10(A)(2)(di) of the Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

10.4 Procurement Update
Item 10.4 is confidential in accordance with section s10(A)(2)(g) of the Local Government Act because it contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance contrary to the public interest and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

Closed Council commenced at 6.21 pm.

At 6.22pm Councillor Flanery left the Chambers.

At 6.25pm Councillor Flanery returned to the Chambers.

10.1 REQUEST TO SELL 13 DUTTON STREET, YASS

SUMMARY

To recommend the sale of 13 Dutton Street, Yass. This land has previously been identified as surplus to needs and investment lands.

RESOLVED that Council:

1. *Approve Lot 9 DP 1099562, 13 Dutton Street, Yass to be disposed by open market (including auction) sale.*
2. *Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate a sale at the appraisal value or higher.*
3. *Requests that the Chief Executive Officer to bring a final offer back to Council for resolution, in accordance with Section 377(1)(h) of the Local Government Act (NSW) 1993.*
4. *Approves the proceeds of the sale of 13 Dutton Street, Yass being placed in a newly established Commercial Property Development Internally Restricted Fund with purpose being to facilitate and fund the following:*
 - a. *Development of a Yass Valley Council Property Strategy.*
 - b. *Undertaking studies, assessments or proposals for commercial development or sale of Council land.*
 - c. *Activities relating to commercial property development.*

(Rothwell/Charry) 432

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

10.2 YVC-IA-33-2025 - ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS - CRAGO MILL PRECINCT

SUMMARY

Providing advice on the outcome of YVC-IA-33-2025 – Expressions of Interest (EOI) – Electric Vehicle Charging Stations within the Crago Mill Precinct.

RESOLVED that Council note that the Expression of Interest submitted by NRMA to install, operate and maintain electric vehicle charging stations, at no cost to Council plus pay Council an annual fee per charging station, within the Crago Mill Precinct is proposed to be accepted on the basis of a 5-year initial period with an option for an additional 5 years.

(Charry/McGrath)433

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

10.3 ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

SUMMARY

As part of our energy/net zero review, Council has been made aware of an opportunity by Canberra Region Joint Organisation (CRJO) to join a group energy contract with the Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) Program for Energy & Environmental Risk Solutions (PEERS) (Council Group), which will commence in 2027. If Council joins this contract, it is expected that Council's current electricity costs could be reduced by 22-27%.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. *the Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to join the Program for Energy & Environmental Risk Solutions 3 extension (PEERS3) with the Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Council (SSROC) (Council Group) contract for the provision of electricity for the period 1/1/2027 to 31/12/2030.*
2. *Council support purchasing 20% of its electricity supply from renewable sources under the PEERS3 contract.*

Motion

That the recommendations be moved separately for item 10.3.

(Cameron/Carter)4345

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

RESOLVED that the Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to join the Program for Energy & Environmental Risk Solutions 3 extension (PEERS3) with the Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Council (SSROC) (Council Group) contract for the provision of electricity for the period 1/1/2027 to 31/12/2030.

(McGrath/Charry)435

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillor F Flanery

RESOLVED that Council support purchasing 20% of its electricity supply from renewable sources under the PEERS3 contract.

(McGrath/Charry)436

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, D Carter, A Charry, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Councillors A Cameron and F Flanery

10.4 PROCUREMENT UPDATE

SUMMARY

Council engaged in a procurement process to clear waste piles from the Yass, Murrumbateman and Gundaroo Waste Transfer Stations which has resulted in a variance of \$192,473 from the quote provided by the preferred Contractor. This report seeks to address the process undertaken in line with legislation and Council's adopted Policies.

RESOLVED that

1. *Council notes the report.*
2. *The matter be noted for ARIC.*
3. *A report be brought back to council at a future meeting outlining improvements to procurement, project and contract management framework.*

(Charry/Carter) 437

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

10.5. CONFIDENTIAL MAYORAL MINUTE – CEO PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT

SUMMARY

Report back on the CEO Performance Agreement.

RESOLVED that Council note the Panel's recommendation with respect to the Chief Executive Officer's Performance Agreement and endorse for the 2025-2026 review period

(Jones/Butler) 438

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

RESOLVED that the meeting move into Open Council.

(McGrath/Cameron) 439

FOR: Councillors C Burgess, K Butler, A Cameron, D Carter, A Charry, F Flanery, J Jones, A McGrath and D Rothwell

AGAINST: Nil

Open Council resumed at 7.25pm whereupon the Mayor made the resolutions passed during closed session public.

The meeting closed at 7.26pm.