

# Planning and Consultation Committee Meeting

to be held at the Council Chamber, 32 Civic Drive, Greensborough  
on Tuesday 11 March 2025 commencing at 7:00 PM.

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## Minutes

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Friday 16 August 2024

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**Councillors present:**

Cr Ben Ramcharan	Sugarloaf Ward ( <b>Mayor</b> )
Cr Richard Stockman	Blue Lake Ward
Cr Karen Egan	Bunjil Ward ( <b>Deputy Mayor</b> )
Cr Natalie Duffy	Edendale Ward ( <b>Chairperson Consultation Matters</b> )
Cr Peter Perkins	Ellis Ward ( <b>Chairperson Planning Matters</b> )
Cr Frances Eyre	Swipers Gully Ward
Cr Geoff Paine	Wingrove Ward

**Officers in attendance:**

Carl Cowie	Chief Executive Officer
Vince Lombardi	Chief Operating Officer
Bлага Naumoski	Director Governance, Communications and Community Safety
Frank Vassilacos	Director Planning, Environment and Strategy
Jeremy Livingston	Director Culture and Performance
Emma Christensen	Acting Manager Governance and Property

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**1. Welcome by the Chair**

**2. Acknowledgement of Country**

Acknowledgement of Country was read by the Chairperson Planning Matters, Consultation Matters Cr Natalie Duffy.

**3. Apologies/Leave of Absence**

Nil.

**4. Declarations of conflict of interest**

Cr Karen Egan declared a material conflict of interest in item PCC.017/24 Bouchiers Road Special Charge Scheme, Kangaroo Ground - Hearing of submissions.

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Confirmation of the Minutes of the Planning and Consultation Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 16 July 2024.

**Committee Resolution**

**MOVED: Cr Karen Egan**  
**SECONDED: Cr Frances Eyre**

**That** the Committee (acting under delegation from Council) confirms the Minutes of the Planning and Consultation Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 16 July 2024 (**Attachment 1**).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**6. Officers' reports**

*Cr Karen Egan declared a material conflict of interest in the following item and temporarily left the meeting prior to the item being heard at 7:04pm.*

**PCC.017/24 Bouchiers Road Special Charge Scheme, Kangaroo Ground - Hearing of submissions**

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**Item: Consultation Matter**

**Distribution: Public**

**Manager: Vince Lombardi, Chief Operating Officer**

**Author: Steven Blight, Manager Capital and Infrastructure**

**Summary**

Council resolved on 25 June 2024 (CM.059/24) its intention to declare a Special Charge Scheme to seal Bouchiers Road, Kangaroo Ground.

Council's notice of its intention to declare a scheme was publicly advertised in the *Herald Sun* newspaper and on Council's website on 4 July 2024. A letter and notice of the declaration was sent to all property owners with a liability under the scheme. The closing date for submissions and/or objections was specified as 2 August 2024.

Council has received five submissions, including two in support of the scheme and three objections.

*The following people addressed the Committee with respect to this item:*

- 1 *Heather Gardner on behalf of Don Thomson*
- 2 *Rossley Gardner*
- 3 *John Kelly on behalf of residents of 100, 60, 80 and 95 Bouchiers Rd, Kangaroo Ground*
- 4 *John Kelly*
- 5 *Andrew Gunter of Hunt and Hunt lawyers to speak on behalf of Peter Anthony Robin (Rob) Bassett-Smith, Janet Christina Bassett-Smith and Galvex Nominees Pty Ltd.*

**Committee Resolution**

**MOVED: Cr Ben Ramcharan**

**SECONDED: Cr Frances Eyre**

**That** the Committee (acting under delegation from Council):

1. Acknowledges and considers the five submissions received and any presentations to the Committee regarding the declaration of the Special Charge Scheme to seal Bouchiers Road, Kangaroo Ground.
2. Requests a further report to be presented at the 27 August 2024 Council Meeting to consider declaration of the Bouchiers Road Special Charge Scheme, Kangaroo Ground.

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3. Resolves the confidential un-redacted copies of the written submissions to the Bouchiers Road Special Charge Scheme (**Attachment 3**) remain confidential on the grounds specified in the definition of confidential information in section 3(1)(f) of the *Local Government Act 2020*.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Cr Karen Egan returned to the meeting at the conclusion of this item at 7:46pm.*



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**7. Supplementary and urgent business**

Nil

**8. Confidential reports**

Nil

**9. Close of Meeting**

The meeting closed at 7:47pm.

Confirmed:

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Cr Peter Perkins Chairperson Planning Matters

Cr Natalie Duffy, Chairperson Consultation Matters

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# Extraordinary Planning and Consultation Committee Meeting

held at the Civic Centre, Civic Drive, Greensborough  
on Tuesday 17 December 2024 commencing at 7:00 pm.

## Minutes

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### Councillors present:

Cr John Dumaresq	Wingrove Ward ( <b>Mayor</b> )
Cr Naomi Joiner	Bunjil Ward ( <b>Deputy Mayor</b> )
Cr Grant Brooker	Blue Lake Ward ( <b>Chairperson Consultation Matters</b> )
Cr Kelly Joy	Edendale Ward
Cr Peter Perkins	Ellis Ward ( <b>Chairperson Planning Matters</b> )
Cr Kate McKay	Swipers Gully Ward (Virtual)
Cr Kim Cope	Sugarloaf Ward

### Officers in attendance:

Carl Cowie	Chief Executive Officer
Blaga Naumoski	Director Governance, Communications and Community Safety
Frank Vassilacos	Director Planning, Environment and Strategy
Emma Christensen	Acting Manager Governance and Property
Tracey Varley	Manager Communications and Engagement
Daniel Tarquinio	Manager Information Technology
Kamal Hasanoff	Statutory Planning Coordinator

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### 1. Welcome by the Chair

### 2. Acknowledgement of Country

Acknowledgement of Country was read by the Chairperson Planning Matters, Cr Peter Perkins.

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**Procedural Motion**

Councillor Peter Perkins called for a procedural motion to allow a presentation to be included in the proceedings.

**Motion**

**MOVED: Cr Kim Cope**

**SECONDED: Cr John Dumaresq**

**That** the Committee (under delegation from Council) allow for a presentation to be included in proceedings.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Presentation**

**Condolence – Kevin Andrews**

We are deeply saddened to hear of the passing of former Liberal Parliamentarian and Minister, The Hon. Kevin Andrews after a year-long battle with cancer.

Entering the Australian parliament in 1991, Mr Andrews served under the Howard and Abbott Liberal governments. He was a long time representative for the Federal seat of Menzies and was a wonderful advocate and supporter for Nillumbik Shire Council.

He held a number of ministerial positions including Minister for Defence, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Public Service, Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations, Minister for Immigration and Citizenship, Minister for Social Services and Minister for Ageing.

Mr Andrews was known as a man of unwavering principle and conviction, whose dedication to his country, his faith, his family, and his community defined his life.

He made significant contributions across areas of defence, housing, immigration, ageing and social services and was a strong and passionate advocate for his local community.

Mr Andrews left parliament in 2022, marking the end of his 31-year political career.

On behalf of Nillumbik Shire Council, we pass on our condolences to Mr Andrews' wife, his family and parliamentary colleagues.

**3 Apologies/Leave of Absence**

Nil

**4 Declarations of conflict of interest**

Nil



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**Item: Planning Matter**

**Distribution: Public**

**Manager: Frank Vassilacos, Director Planning, Environment and Strategy**

**Author: Renae Ahern, Manager Planning and Environmental Health**

**Application summary**

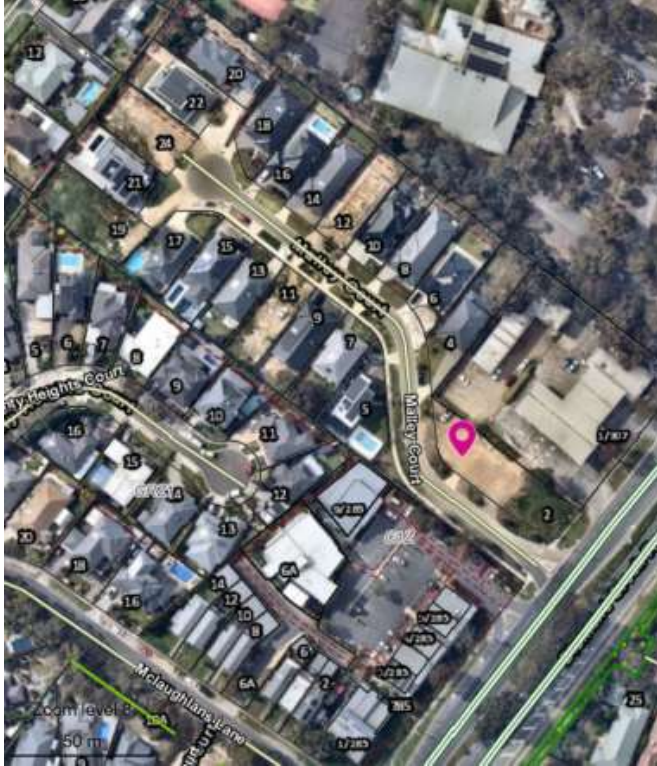
Address of the land	2 Malley Court, Plenty
Site area	913.5 m <sup>2</sup>
Proposal	Building and works to construct four (4) shops
Application number	86/2024/06P
Date lodged	9 February 2024
Applicant	Permits Hub
Zoning	Commercial 1 Zone
Overlay(s)	Design Development Overlay (Schedule 4)
Reason for being reported	Called in by Ward Councillor.
Number of objections	11
Key issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strategic location</li><li>• Business and economic development</li><li>• Built form and landscaping</li><li>• Car parking and traffic</li><li>• Waste management</li><li>• Vegetation impacts</li></ul>

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Location map



The following people addressed the Committee with respect to this item:

- 1 Phillip Devlin
- 2 Phillip Devlin on behalf of residents of 4, 5, 8, 10, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21 & 22 Malley Court, Plenty
- 3 Director Benny Singh on behalf of Permits Hub Pty Ltd

**Recommendation**

That the Committee (under delegation from Council) issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit to the land located at 2 Malley Court, Plenty, for Building and works to construct four (4) shops, in accordance with the submitted plans and subject to the following conditions:

1. Before the development commences, amended plans to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the plans will be endorsed and will then form part of this permit. The plans must be generally in accordance with the plans submitted with the application but modified to show:

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- a) All four buildings setback 3 metres from the north-east title boundary. The setback must comprise a 0.8 metre wide bin storage area, a 1 metre wide pedestrian path and a 1.2 metre wide landscaped area.
  - b) Wayfinding signage to direct pedestrians from the car park to the front entry of the shops.
  - c) Wheel stops to all car spaces to guide vehicle positioning.
  - d) The section of footpath on the south side of car space 11 and 12 deleted and replaced with nature strip.
  - e) A gate or bollards at the entrance to the car park to prevent unauthorised vehicle access afterhours.
  - f) The indicative shop signage (shown in red on sheet TPA03) deleted from the plans.
  - g) An amended Landscape Plan to reflect the changes to the plans required under condition 1 a) and in accordance with condition 3 of this permit.
  - h) A Tree Protection Management Plan in accordance with condition 6 of this permit.
  - i) An amended Waste Management Plan to reflect the changes to the plans required under condition 1 a) and in accordance with condition 12 of this permit.
2. The development as shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered unless with the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority.
  3. Before the development commences, a landscape plan to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the plan will be endorsed and will then form part of this permit. The plan must show:
    - a) A survey of all existing vegetation and natural features;
    - b) The area or areas set aside for landscaping;
    - c) A schedule of all proposed trees, shrubs/small trees and ground cover. This schedule shall include a mixture of selected vegetation from the Council document 'Live Local Plant Local' showing the botanical and common name of each plant, the quantity to be planted, the pot size and spacing;
    - d) The location of each species to be planted and the location of all areas to be covered by grass, lawn or other surface material;
    - e) Paving, retaining walls, fence design details and other landscape works including areas of cut and fill;
    - f) Appropriate irrigation systems; and
    - g) Appropriate maintenance details.
  4. Unless with the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority, before the occupation of the development, the landscaping works shown on the endorsed plans must be carried out, completed and maintained to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

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5. No vegetation on-site (unless specified on the endorsed plans) shall be removed, destroyed, felled, lopped, ringbarked, uprooted or otherwise damaged except with the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority.
6. Before the development commences, a Tree Protection Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved the plan will form part of this permit. The plan must show:
  - a) The paving tiles within the TPZ of Tree 9 must be laid at grade with no excavation and have gaps between to allow water to penetrate down to the root system.
  - b) There must be no excavation within the SRZ of Tree 9.
  - c) There must be no fill within the SRZ area of Tree 9.
  - d) The works for the building footprint within the TPZ of Tree 9 must be supervised by a qualified arborist to determine quantity and size of roots cut and to ensure roots are pruned cleanly. This will determine whether any mulching or extra irrigation is required.
  - e) Ground protection must be laid within the SRZ of Tree 9. This must consist of a layer of geofabric with 100 mm of mulch on top and then rigid boards.
  - f) No underground services are to be installed within the TPZ of Tree 9.
  - g) Following TPZ set up with fences and ground protection, the Relevant Authority must inspect the site to ensure the trees are protected prior to works commencing.
  - h) Any pruning required must be minimum in nature and carried out by qualified arborists conforming to AS 4373-2007.
7. Prior to development commencing (including any demolition, excavations, tree removal, delivery of building/construction materials and/or temporary buildings), the trees marked on the endorsed plans as being retained must have a Tree Protection Fence (TPF) to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. The fencing associated with this TPZs must meet the following requirements:
  - a) Extent

The tree protection fencing (TPF) is to be provided to the extent of the TPZ, calculated as being a radius of 12 x Diameter at Breast Height (DBH – measured at 1.4 metres above ground level as defined by the Australian Standard AS 4970.2009)

Fencing may be reduced directly adjacent to the works area only to allow access during construction (i.e. no more than 1 metre away from the works/ construction area)
  - b) Fencing

All tree protection fencing required by this permit must be erected in accordance with the approved TPZ.

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The TPF must be erected to form a visual and physical barrier and must be a minimum height of 1.5 metres and of chain mesh or similar fence

c) Signage

Fixed signs are to be provided on all visible sides of the TPF clearly stating "Tree Protection Zone – No Entry", to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

d) Provision of Services

Unless with the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority, all services (including water, electricity, gas and telephone) must be installed underground, and located outside of any TPZ, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

e) Access to TPZ

Should temporary access be necessary within the Tree Protection Zone during the period of construction, the Responsible Authority must be informed prior to relocating the fence (as it may be necessary to undertake additional root protection measures such as bridging over with timber).

8. Prior to the commencement of the approved works (including any demolition, excavations, tree removal, delivery of building/construction materials and/or temporary buildings), the erected tree protection fences must be inspected and approved by the Responsible Authority.

Once erected to the required standard, the tree protection fencing shall be maintained in good condition and may only be removed upon completion of all development works, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

9. The following actions must not be undertaken in any tree protection zone as identified in this permit, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority:

- a) Materials or equipment stored within the zone;
- b) Servicing and refuelling of equipment and vehicles;
- c) Storage of fuel, oil dumps or chemicals;
- d) Attachment of any device to any tree (including temporary service wires, nails, screws or any other fixing device);
- e) Open cut trenching or excavation works (whether or not for laying of services);
- f) Changes to the soil grade level;
- g) Temporary buildings and works; and
- h) Unauthorised entry by any person, vehicle or machinery.

10. The materials to be used in the construction of the buildings and works hereby permitted shall be of non-reflective type and finished in muted tones, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

11. Air-conditioning and other plant and equipment installed on the subject buildings shall be so positioned and baffled so that noise disturbance is minimised, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

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12. Prior to the development commencing, a Waste Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the plan will be endorsed as evidence of its approval. The plan must specify:

- a) The details and location of bin storage and bin collection points by a private waste contractor (if not a Council collection).
- b) Access route and method of access for the vehicles collecting waste.
- c) Details and location of bin storage areas for each approved dwelling.
- d) Odour control from bin storage areas.

13. A minimum of 13 car spaces must be provided and maintained on the land for the development hereby permitted, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

14. Before the occupation of the development, the areas set aside for the parking of vehicles and access lanes as shown on the endorsed plans must be:

- a) Constructed;
- b) Properly formed to such levels that they can be used in accordance with the plans;
- c) Surfaced with an all-weather sealcoat or treated to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority to prevent dust and gravel being emitted from the site;
- d) Drained and maintained;
- e) Line marked to indicate each car space and all access lanes;
- f) Clearly marked to show the direction of traffic along access lanes and driveways;
- g) All car spaces installed with wheel stops to guide vehicle positioning;
- h) Wayfinding signage to direct pedestrians from the car park to the shops;
- i) A gate or bollards at the entrance to the car park to prevent unauthorised vehicle access afterhours.

to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. Car spaces, access lanes and driveways must be kept available for these purposes at all times, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

15. The loading and unloading of goods from vehicles must only be carried out on the land and must not disrupt the circulation and parking of vehicles on the land, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

16. Stormwater must not be discharged from the subject land other than by means of an underground pipe drain to the nominated point of stormwater discharge. The nominated point of stormwater discharge is Council underground drainage system in the front of the property.

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17. Vehicular access and egress to the development site from the roadway must be by way of a vehicle crossing constructed to the requirements of the Responsible Authority, to suit the proposed driveway and the vehicles that will use the crossing. The Responsible Authority must approve the location, design and construction of the crossing. Any existing unused crossing must be removed and the disturbed area reinstated to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. All vehicle crossing works are to be carried out with Council supervision under an Infrastructure Works Permit.

The width of the driveway at property boundary must match the width of the vehicle crossing.

The vehicle crossing must comply to "Vehicle Crossing Policy" Version 1.1 August 2014 and to Standard Drawing (NS3000, NS3010, NS3020, NS3021 or NS3030 and NS3031) unless written approval has been granted from Council's Infrastructure Unit.

Vehicle crossing near other services assets may require permission from the relevant authority.

18. No polluted stormwater, effluent and/or sediment laden runoff from the development site is to be discharged directly or indirectly into Council's drains, Melbourne Water's drains or watercourses or adjoining private property during any stage of the construction. Sediment fencing and/or pollution/litter traps must be installed on site and serviced accordingly to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

19. Driveways, access lanes, and areas set aside for the parking and access of vehicles must be constructed and formed to such levels to ensure they can be utilised at all times and in accordance with the endorsed plans. Car parking must be line-marked or provided with some other adequate means of showing the car parking spaces. All must be drained and constructed in concrete, asphalt or similar surface, and must be carried out and maintained to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

20. A footpath in concrete to Council Standards must be constructed from Diamond Creek Road to the access to the development at the owner's cost.

21. The nature strip tree to be removed to accommodate the vehicle crossing must be replaced at the owner's cost.

22. This permit will expire if one of the following circumstances applies:

a) The development is not commenced within 2 years of the date of this permit.

b) The development is not completed within 4 years of the date of this permit.

The Responsible Authority may extend the periods referred to if a request is made in writing before the permit expires, or within 6 months afterwards if the development has not commenced, or 12 months after if the development has commenced but is not yet completed.

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**Motion**

**MOVED: Cr Grant Brooker**  
**SECONDED: Cr John Dumaresq**

**That** the Committee (acting under delegation from Council) issue a Notice of Decision to Refuse to Grant a permit to the land located at 2 Malley Court, Plenty (Application Number: 86/2024/06P) for buildings and works to construct four (4) shops on the following grounds:

1. The proposal is inconsistent with the design objectives and building setbacks Schedule 4 to Clause 43.02 (Design and Development Overlay), resulting in insufficient landscaping and amenity impacts to the nearby residential development.
2. The proposal does not meet the purpose of Clause 52.06 (Car parking) in relation to car parking and traffic impacts to Malley Court and amenity impacts to local residents.
3. The proposal does not meet the objectives of Clause 13.07-1S (Land use compatibility) due to insufficient provision for the storage and collection of waste.

**LOST**

*Chairperson Cr Peter Perkins declared the motion Lost*

For: Cr Grant Brooker

Against: Crs Peter Perkins, John Dumaresq, Naomi Joiner, Kelly Joy, Kim Cope, and Kate McKay

**Motion**

**MOVED: Cr Kim Cope**  
**SECONDED: Cr Kelly Joy**

**That** the Committee (under delegation from Council) issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit to the land located at 2 Malley Court, Plenty, for Building and works to construct four (4) shops, in accordance with the submitted plans and subject to the following conditions:

1. Before the development commences, amended plans to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the plans will be endorsed and will then form part of this permit. The plans must be generally in accordance with the plans submitted with the application but modified to show:
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Fencing may be reduced directly adjacent to the works area only to allow access during construction (i.e. no more than 1 metre away from the works/ construction area)
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c) Signage

Fixed signs are to be provided on all visible sides of the TPF clearly stating "Tree Protection Zone – No Entry", to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

d) Provision of Services

Unless with the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority, all services (including water, electricity, gas and telephone) must be installed underground, and located outside of any TPZ, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

e) Access to TPZ

Should temporary access be necessary within the Tree Protection Zone during the period of construction, the Responsible Authority must be informed prior to relocating the fence (as it may be necessary to undertake additional root protection measures such as bridging over with timber).

8. Prior to the commencement of the approved works (including any demolition, excavations, tree removal, delivery of building/construction materials and/or temporary buildings), the erected tree protection fences must be inspected and approved by the Responsible Authority.

Once erected to the required standard, the tree protection fencing shall be maintained in good condition and may only be removed upon completion of all development works, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

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10. The materials to be used in the construction of the buildings and works hereby permitted shall be of non-reflective type and finished in muted tones, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

11. Air-conditioning and other plant and equipment installed on the subject buildings shall be so positioned and baffled so that noise disturbance is minimised, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

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13. A minimum of 13 car spaces must be provided and maintained on the land for the development hereby permitted, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
14. Before the occupation of the development, the areas set aside for the parking of vehicles and access lanes as shown on the endorsed plans must be:
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- to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. Car spaces, access lanes and driveways must be kept available for these purposes at all times, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
15. The loading and unloading of goods from vehicles must only be carried out on the land and must not disrupt the circulation and parking of vehicles on the land, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
16. Stormwater must not be discharged from the subject land other than by means of an underground pipe drain to the nominated point of stormwater discharge. The nominated point of stormwater discharge is Council underground drainage system in the front of the property.

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The vehicle crossing must comply to "Vehicle Crossing Policy" Version 1.1 August 2014 and to Standard Drawing (NS3000, NS3010, NS3020, NS3021 or NS3030 and NS3031) unless written approval has been granted from Council's Infrastructure Unit.

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18. No polluted stormwater, effluent and/or sediment laden runoff from the development site is to be discharged directly or indirectly into Council's drains, Melbourne Water's drains or watercourses or adjoining private property during any stage of the construction. Sediment fencing and/or pollution/litter traps must be installed on site and serviced accordingly to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

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THE MOTION WAS PUT TO THE VOTE AND CARRIED AND BECAME THE COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

**Committee Resolution**

**MOVED: Cr Kim Cope**

**SECONDED: Cr Kelly Joy**

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**CARRIED**

For: Crs Peter Perkins, John Dumaresq, Naomi Joiner, Kelly Joy, Kim Cope, and Kate McKay

Against: Cr Grant Brooker

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**7. Supplementary and urgent business**

Nil

**8. Confidential reports**

Nil

**9. Close of Meeting**

The meeting closed at 7:48pm.

Confirmed:

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Cr,

Chairperson

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Nillumbik Shire Council MAV State Motions

<p><b>Motion 1: Strengthening Mental Health Services for Youth</b></p> <p>That the MAV calls on the Victorian Government to significantly enhance investment and increase support for youth mental health services, prioritising early intervention, accessible care, and school and community-based mental health programs. Despite existing initiatives, demand continues to outpace capacity, leaving community-based services under-resourced.</p>
<p><b>Rationale for Motion</b></p> <p>Children and young people across Victoria are experiencing rising rates of mental health challenges. In areas such as Nillumbik, mental health conditions are more prevalent among young people aged 15–24, with rates surpassing Greater Melbourne averages (11.6 ASR vs. 10.6 ASR per 100).</p> <p>However, being one of the most socioeconomically advantaged areas in Victoria, as reflected by the SEIFA Index, regions like Nillumbik are often overlooked for mental health services and funding. This creates significant service gaps, even though the community experiences higher rates of mental health conditions compared to the state average. Without adequate school and community-based support, these issues go unaddressed, further compounding the impact on students, families, and local health systems.</p> <p>Local government plays a critical role in identifying and addressing these gaps through community programs, youth services, and partnerships with health providers. Schools also face increasing demand for on-site mental health support to address issues early and mitigate long-term impacts. Additionally, community health services are strained, requiring additional funding to ensure equitable access to care.</p> <p>We call for State Government to fast track the implementation of reforms and launch its Statewide Wellbeing Strategy as well as accelerating the formation of Social Inclusion Action Groups in every LGA. While SIAGs have been successfully implemented in select regions, such as Brimbank, Greater Geelong, Whittlesea, Mildura, and Ballarat, a statewide rollout is essential to ensure all communities benefit from this initiative. Accelerating the formation of SIAGs in every LGA will empower local communities to collaboratively address mental health challenges, promote inclusivity, and develop tailored solutions that resonate with their unique needs.</p> <p>By investing in mental health resources across schools, local councils, and healthcare providers, the State Government can ensure that communities in both advantaged and disadvantaged areas receive the support necessary to improve mental health outcomes. Investment may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increasing the availability of psychologists, counsellors, and mental health workers in schools, local government, and health services.</li><li>• Funding resilience-building and early intervention programs in educational, community, and healthcare settings.</li></ul> <p>Supporting partnerships between local councils, schools, and community mental health providers to deliver coordinated mental health services.</p>

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<p><b>Motion 2: Physical infrastructure – accessibility</b></p> <p>That the MAV advocates for the Victorian Government to establish a dedicated funding program aimed at supporting accessibility upgrades to ageing community facilities and open spaces in municipalities like Nillumbik Shire. This program should focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ensuring compliance with the Disability (Access to Premises – Buildings) Standards 2010 and universal design principles, including sensory considerations.</li><li>• Increasing the number of designated accessible parking spaces.</li><li>• Developing continuous accessible pathways, especially around community facilities, parks, trails, and public transport hubs.</li><li>• Enhancing social connection, participation, and mobility for people with disabilities.</li><li>• Fostering more inclusive communities.</li></ul>
<p><b>Rationale for Motion</b></p> <p>Approximately 20% of Victorians live with a disability, and the state's population is ageing. Ensuring that community infrastructure is accessible is vital for promoting social inclusion and upholding the rights of all residents.</p> <p>Nillumbik Shire, characterized by its stable population and ageing infrastructure, faces challenges in upgrading facilities to meet contemporary accessibility standards.</p> <p>The Disability (Access to Premises – Buildings) Standards 2010 mandate that new and modified buildings provide adequate access for people with disabilities. Yet, many existing structures in Nillumbik predate these standards and require significant modifications to comply.</p> <p>With financial constraints intensified by rate capping, councils like Nillumbik need additional support to upgrade ageing infrastructure. A dedicated state-funded program would enable necessary modifications, ensuring facilities are accessible and inclusive.</p> <p>This motion aligns with the objectives of the Inclusive Victoria State Disability Plan, aiming to create an inclusive, accessible, and safe state that celebrates diversity. By partnering with the Victorian Government, we can ensure that all residents, regardless of ability, have equitable access to community facilities, thereby enhancing social participation and community well-being.</p>



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<b>Motion 3: Equitable Funding of Community Facility Infrastructure</b>
That the MAV calls upon the Victorian Government to commit to a review and increased funding for ageing or non-existent infrastructure ensuring equitable access to essential community facilities especially libraries and pool across all municipalities.
<b>Rationale for Motion</b>
<p>Equitable access to community facilities is fundamental to the health, well-being, and social fabric of all communities. Councils across the state irrespective of their growth rates, encounter unique challenges in providing and maintaining such infrastructure.</p> <p>Nillumbik Shire boasts a vibrant and engaged community that heavily utilises its existing infrastructure, particularly libraries and aquatic centres. This high patronage underscores the essential role these facilities play in community engagement, education, and social connection.</p> <p>However, many of these well-utilised facilities are ageing and require significant upgrades to continue meeting the community's needs effectively. For instance, the Diamond Creek Outdoor Pool, a seasonal facility, is one of many across the state that requires significant investment to ensure it meets current standards and is able to provide social connection, participation, and mobility for people at all ages and stages.</p> <p>Nillumbik also has areas of the Shire with non-existing infrastructure and the current funding models often prioritise high-growth areas, inadvertently overlooking councils like Nillumbik, where the demand on existing infrastructure remains high despite stable population figures.</p> <p>Investing in new, and/or the renewal and enhancement of Nillumbik's community facilities is not merely a response to infrastructure needs but a proactive measure to foster community well-being. Modern, accessible, and well-equipped libraries and aquatic centres serve as hubs for lifelong learning, health, and social interaction, contributing positively to the quality of life for all residents.</p> <p>By advocating for equitable funding that recognises both usage intensity and infrastructure age, we can ensure that communities like Nillumbik continue to thrive. This approach aligns with the broader objective of fostering resilient, connected, and vibrant communities across all of Victoria.</p> <p>Furthermore, by expanding and adequately funding programs with inclusive eligibility criteria, the Victorian Government can ensure that all outer Melbourne communities have access to the essential facilities they need to prosper. This motion seeks to strengthen partnerships with the Victorian Government, aiming for a collaborative approach that supports the diverse needs of all municipalities, thereby enhancing the well-being of communities across the state.</p>

