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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on Tuesday, 13 November 2007, commencing at 5:01pm.

Pastor Cheryl Symons of the Salvation Army, representing the Hawkesbury Minister's Association, gave the opening prayer at the commencement of the meeting.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Councillor T Books (Chairperson), Deputy Mayor and Councillors B Calvert, K Conolly, T Devine, D Finch, C Paine, B Porter, R Stubbs, N Wearne and L Williams

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager - Peter Jackson, Directory City Planning - Matt Owens, Director Infrastructure Service - Chris Daley, Acting Director Support Services - Laurie Mifsud, Executive Manager -Community Partnerships - Joseph Litwin and Administrative Support Team Leader - Amy Dutch.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor B Bassett, Mayor and Councillor P Rasmussen.

400 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly and seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the apologies be accepted.

Councillor Wearne arrived at the meeting at 6.12pm.

SECTION 1: Confirmation of Minutes

401 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Finch and seconded by Councillor Devine that the Minutes of the Ordinary held on the 30 October 2007, be confirmed with deletion of the words "and the like" from the definition of livestock within part 2 of minute number 369 on page 9.

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SECTION 4 - Reports for Determination

GENERAL MANAGER

Item: 236 GM - Rural Fire Service Agreement - Extension of Proposal - (79351, 95496, 79016)

Previous Item: 173, Ordinary (28 August 2007)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to RESOLUTION

402 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne

That:

- 1. Council agree to the termination date of the current Service Level Agreement between the NSW Rural Fire Service and Council being extended until 31 January 2008.
- 2. The NSW Rural Fire Service be advised accordingly.

Item: 237 GM - 48th Floodplain Management Authorities Conference - (79351)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Stubbs.

Refer to RESOLUTION

403 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Stubbs

RECOMMENDATION:

That attendance by nominated Councillors, and staff considered appropriate by the General Manager, at the 48th Annual Floodplain Management Authorities Conference 2008 to be held 26-29 February 2008 in Wollongong, NSW, at an approximate cost of \$1,625.00 plus travel expenses per delegate be approved.

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404 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Porter, seconded by Councillor Devine.

That Councillors T Books, T Devine, B Porter and N Wearne, as Council's nominate representatives attend the 48th Annual Floodplain Management Authorities Conference 2008.

Item: 238 GM - Position of Director Support Services - Nominations for Interview Panel - (79351)

MOTION:

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Porter.

That Council nominate two councillors, in addition to the Mayor, to participate in the interview process being undertaken by the General Manager for the position of Director Support Services.

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Calvert.

Refer to RESOLUTION

The amendment was carried.

The amendment then became the motion which was put and carried.

405 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the AMENDMENT moved by Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Calvert

That Council nominate three councillors, in addition to the Mayor, to participate in the interview process being undertaken by the General Manager for the position of Director Support Services.

406 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Finch.

That Councillors T Books, B Calvert and C Paine participate in the interview process being undertaken by the General Manager for the position of Director Support Services.

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Item: 239 GM - Young Achievements Australia: Hawkesbury Business Skills Program 2007 - Outcomes and Future Direction - (95497, 94915)

 Previous Item:
 119, Ordinary (26 April 2005)

 242, Ordinary (10 October 2006)

Councillor Calvert declared an interest in this matter as he facilitates similar school based programs and plays a role in determining budget allocations in local government schools, some of this money could be used by schools involved in this project. He left the meeting and did not take part in voting or discussion on the matter.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wearne, seconded by Councillor Porter.

Refer to RESOLUTION

407 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wearne, seconded by Councillor Porter

That Council:

- 1. Forward letters of congratulations to the students who participated in the YAA Hawkesbury Business Skills Program 2007 for their efforts.
- 2. Thank the mentors for the YAA Hawkesbury Business Skills Program 2007 by hosting a luncheon in their honour and sponsoring their attendance at the YAA awards night.
- 3. Request YAA to provide a breakdown on the sponsorship to better understand how sponsorship dollars are used.
- 4. Explore opportunities for co-sponsor funding for a local student business skills program in 2008 from the business and school community.
- Explore other opportunities for sponsoring a student business skills program in 2008 similar to YAA's

 Business Skills Program; and where there is no opportunity identified, sponsor the YAA program a
 part of its local economic development initiatives.

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CITY PLANNING

Item: 240 CP - Clarification of Development Consent Condition No. 5 for DA0197/07 -Colourbond Fence - 20 William Cox Drive, Richmond - (100500, 78735, 95498, 96329)

Previous Item: 165, Ordinary (28 August 2007)

Councillor Devine declared an interest in this matter as he is the owner of a property adjoining the subject premises. He left the meeting and did not take part in voting or discussion on the matter.

Ms Michele Christiansen, proponent, addressed Council. Mr Frank Scharfe, respondent, addressed Council.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to RESOLUTION

408 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Finch

That Council has reviewed Condition 5 of the development consent for DA0197/07 and has clarified that the condition requires the proposed fence is to be setback 0.8 metres from the Grand Flaneur property boundary only and not from the common property boundary with 1 Grand Flaneur Drive.

A FORESHADOWED motion was moved by Councillor Porter, seconded by Councillor Stubbs.

That Council accept the Land Board's decision in regard to this matter.

The foreshadowed motion lost.

Councillors Conolly, Finch, Paine and Williams requested that their names be recorded as having voted against the foreshadowed motion.

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Item: 241 CP - Review of Determination Under Section 82A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 - Lot 1 DP 1028107, 34 Chaseling Road, Wisemans Ferry - (DA1023/02, 27426, 95498)

Previous Item:	47, GPC (28 September 2004)
	175, Ordinary (14 October 2003)
	53, GPC Environment (26 August 2003)
	53, GPC Environment (26 August 1999)

Councillor Paine declared an interest in this matter as her husband acts for the applicant. She left the meeting and did not take part in voting or discussion on the matter.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to RESOLUTION

409 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Finch

That this matter be deferred to the next Council meeting.

Item: 242CP - Councillor Representation on the Board of Peppercorn Services Inc. -
(78340, 95498)Previous Item:193, Special (18 September 2007)

Mr Frank Scharfe and Ms Kim Smith, proponents, addressed Council.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to RESOLUTION

410 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Williams

That this matter be deferred to the next Council meeting pending further clarification regarding the disclosures of interests in this matter.

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Item: 243 CP - 'Virtual Village' Strategic Alliance - (95489)

Mr Robert McCallum and Ms Deborah Mills, proponents, addressed Council.

Mr Frank Scharfe, respondent, addressed Council.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to RESOLUTION

411 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Wearne

That:

- 1. Council endorse the negotiation of a draft Memorandum of Understanding with appropriate agencies to investigate the possibility of creating a 'virtual village' to supply accommodation and support services for people with disabilities within the City of Hawkesbury.
- 2. The draft Memorandum of Understanding be reported to Council for its consideration.

Item: 244 CP - Educational Establishment - S96 Modification to increase hours of Swim School, Lot 11 DP 867444, 54 Kurrajong Road, Kurrajong - (DA0317/97B, 27785, 90592, 95498)

Councillor Finch declared an interest in this matter as she is the former owner who submitted the original development application for Kurrajong Swim School and present owner of a mobile swim school that operates in the area. She left the meeting and did not take part in voting or discussion on the matter.

Ms Mary Buckett, Mr Ken Forsstrom and Mr Timothy Gow, respondents, addressed Council.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Paine.

Refer to RESOLUTION

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412 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Paine

That the S96 Modification Application DA 317/97B for an educational establishment to increase hours of swim school at Lot 11 DP 867444, 54 Kurrajong Road, Kurrajong be refused for the following reasons:

- 1. The proposed modified development is likely to have an adverse impact on the amenity of residents in the immediate locality.
- 2. The proposed modified development is inconsistent with the established character of the locality.
- 3. The proposed modified development is inconsistent with objective (c) and (e) of the Housing zone contained within Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1989.
- 4. In the circumstances, approval of the modified development would not be in the public interest.
- 5. The application does not demonstrate whether the site is suitable for the disposal of effluent generated by the proposed development.

Item: 245 CP - Kurrajong Community Centre - (95498)

Previous Item: NM1 Ordinary (25 September 2007)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to RESOLUTION

413 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne

That Council approve the preparation of tender documentation to proceed with the construction of the Kurrajong Community Centre at McMahon Park on the basis of Option 3 (revised layout) as identified in this report.

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INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Item: 246 IS - Road Naming Proposal - Future Subdivisions at Pitt Town - (95495)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to RESOLUTION

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Porter.

That:

- 1. The attached list of proposed road names for use at Pitt Town be exhibited for public comment.
- 2. Johnson Property Group Pty Ltd be advised of Council's decision and be requested to comment on the proposed names and advise any other names that it may wish to suggest for this purpose.

The amendment was lost.

The motion was put and carried

414 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Williams

That this matter be deferred to the next Council meeting to enable input from Johnson Property Group Pty Limited.

Item: 247 IS - Draft Proposals for Safety Improvements at the Intersection of Bells Line of Road/Old Bells Line of Road/Mill Road, Kurrajong - Public Consultation - (79344, 95495, 82030)

Previous Item: 189, Ordinary (11 September 2007)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to RESOLUTION

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415 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne

That:

- 1. Public consultation for the safety improvements of Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong, be undertaken for a period of 21 days with a copy of the plans to be provided to the Kurrajong Community Forum Inc. for display at their community centre and a set of plans displayed at Council's Administration Building.
- 2. Residents within Roxana Road, Comleroy Road (between Bells Line of Road and Roxana Road) and Mill Road (between Bells Line of Road and Wheeny Creek) receive written notification to allow an opportunity for comment.

Item: 248 IS - Grose Vale Rural Fire Brigade - Request for Additions to Rural Fire Station - (95495, 79016, 73589)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to RESOLUTION

416 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne

That the request of the Grose Vale Rural Fire Brigade to construct additions to the Grose Vale Station at no cost to Council be supported in principle.

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SUPPORT SERVICES

Item: 249 SS - Returns Relating to Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests and Other Matters - (96333, 95496)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to RESOLUTION

417 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne

That the information be received and noted.

Item: 250	SS - Proposal to Establish an Additional Alcohol Free Zone, Kurmond Village Shopping Centre - (13708, 74637, 14592, 95496)
Previous Item:	182, Ordinary (11 September 2007)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to RESOLUTION

418 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Wearne

That:

- 1. In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1993, the consumption of alcohol in the carpark and service roads of Kurmond Village Shopping Centre at 519-521 Bell Line of Road, Kurmond, be prohibited for the period from the present until 31 December 2009, by the establishment of this additional Alcohol Free Zone in the Hawkesbury Local Government Area.
- 2. Public notification by way of an advertisement in the Hawkesbury Independent be undertaken regarding the establishment of the Alcohol Free Zone.
- 3. Details of Council's resolution be conveyed to all interested parties involved, including the applicant's representative, Christopher M Edwards Solicitors.
- 4. Appropriate signage by erected in this matter.

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CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

419 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wearne, seconded by Councillor Stubbs.

That the Confidential Items be moved to the end of the business paper to be dealt with last.

420 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wearne, seconded by Councillor Devine.

That:

1. The Council meeting be closed to deal with confidential matters and in accordance with Section 10A of the Local Government Act, 1993, members of the Press and the public be excluded from the Council Chambers during consideration of the following items:

Item: 251 IS - Tender No. 008/FY08 - Bitumen Sealing and Resealing of Roads Within the Hawkesbury

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as it relates to details concerning tenders for the supply of goods and/or services to Council and it is considered that the release of the information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person or organisation with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and, therefore, if considered in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

Item: 252 Fishfood Trading Pty Limited - Proposed Assignment of Lease from Australian Cuisine Pty Limited and Proposed New Lease of 246 Windsor Road, Vineyard

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as it relates to details concerning the leasing of a Council property and it is considered that the release of the information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person or organisation with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and, therefore, if considered in an open meeting would, on balance be contrary to the public interest.

Item: 253 SS - Property Matter - Lease to Optus Mobile Pty Limited - Part Lot 533 DP 751665 - Council Works Depot - Old Sackville Road, Wilberforce

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as it relates to details concerning the leasing of a Council property and it is considered that the release of the information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person or organisation with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and, therefore, if considered in an open meeting would, on balance be contrary to the public interest.

Item: 254 SS - Property Matter - Lease to Vodafone Network Pty Limited - Part Lot 533 DP 751665 - Council Works Depot - Old Sackville Road, Wilberforce

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as it relates to details concerning the leasing of a Council property and it is considered that the release of the information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person or organisation with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and, therefore, if considered in an open meeting would, on balance be contrary to the public interest.

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2. In accordance with the provisions of Section 11(2) & (3) of the Local Government Act, 1993 the reports, correspondence and other relevant documentation relating to these matters be withheld from the Press and public.

The Deputy Mayor asked for representation from members of the public as to why Council should not go into closed Council to deal with these confidential matters.

There was no response, therefore, the Press and the public left the Council Chambers.

Item: 251 IS - Tender No. 008/FY08 - Bitumen Sealing And Resealing Of Roads Within The Hawkesbury - (95495, 79344)

MOTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to RESOLUTION

421 RESOLUTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Wearne

That:

- 1. The Schedule of Rates Tender submitted by Pioneer Road Services P/L for bitumen sealing and resealing of roads within the Hawkesbury for a two year contract period be accepted.
- 2. The Seal of Council be affixed to any necessary documentation associated with this matter.

Item: 252 SS - Fishfood Trading Pty Limited - Proposed Assignment of Lease from Australian Cuisine Pty Limited and Proposed New Lease of 246 Windsor Road, Vineyard - (105560, 95006, 27230, 95496)

Previous Item: 190, Ordinary (11 September 2007)

MOTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Porter.

Refer to RESOLUTION

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422 RESOLUTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Devine, seconded by Councillor Porter

That:

- 1. As outlined in Council's Resolution on 11 September 2007 (Minute No 318) regarding the proposed assignment and new lease of 246 Windsor Road, Vineyard, all reference to the company name 'Fishfood Holdings Pty Limited' be amended to 'Fishfood Trading Pty Limited'
- 2. All other parts of the Council resolution of 11 September 2007 (Minute No 318), in this matter, remain unchanged.
- 3. Authority be given for any documentation in association with this matter to be executed under the Seal of Council.

Item: 253 SS - Property Matter - Lease to Optus Mobile Pty Limited - Part Lot 533 DP 751665 - Council Works Depot - Old Sackville Road, Wilberforce - (73881, 95496, PN17957)

MOTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Paine.

Refer to RESOLUTION

423 RESOLUTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Paine

That:

- 1. Council agree to enter into new leases with Optus Mobile Pty Limited for the use of a part of Lot 553 in Deposited Plan 751665 in accordance with the proposal outlined in the report.
- 2. Authority be given for any documentation in association with this matter to be executed under the Seal of Council.
- 3. Details of Council's resolution be conveyed to the proposed Lessees together with the advice that Council is not and will not be bound by the terms of its resolution until such time as appropriate legal documentation to put such resolution into effect has been agreed to and executed by all parties.

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Item: 254 SS - Property Matter - Lease to Vodafone Network Pty Limited - Part Lot 533 DP 751665 - Council Works Depot - Old Sackville Road, Wilberforce - (74114, 79636, 95496, PN17957)

MOTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Porter, seconded by Councillor Stubbs.

Refer to RESOLUTION

424 RESOLUTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Porter, seconded by Councillor Stubbs

That:

- 1. Council agree to enter into new leases with Vodafone Network Pty Limited for the use of a part of Lot 553 in Deposited Plan 751665 in accordance with the proposal outlined in the report.
- 2. Authority be given for any documentation in association with this matter to be executed under the Seal of Council.
- 3. Details of Council's resolution be conveyed to the proposed Lessees together with the advice that Council is not and will not be bound by the terms of its resolution until such time as appropriate legal documentation to put such resolution into effect has been agreed to and executed by all parties.

425 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Porter, seconded by Councillor Devine that open meeting be resumed.

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SECTION 5 - Reports of Committees

ROC - Local Traffic Committee - 17 October 2007 - (80245, 95495)

426 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs, seconded by Councillor Devine.

That the minutes of the Local Traffic Committee held on 17 October 2007 as recorded on pages 91 to 110 of the Ordinary Business Paper be adopted.

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1. Councillor Finch referred to her question at a previous meeting regarding the car parking spaces at St Andrews Church at Richmond and requested an update.

The Director Infrastructure Services advised that a report will be coming to Council in the near future.

2. Councillor Finch enquired if the Hawkesbury SES team members who recently won the National Disaster Rescue competition in Perth will be invited to a Council meeting for congratulations.

The General Manager advised that the Mayor is currently making arrangements for this to occur.

3. Councillor Finch referred to the Local Government Act Section 124 Order 18 regarding animals and enquired if Council still uses the Act.

The Director City Planning advised that the matter will be investigated.

4. Councillor Calvert referred to the Three Town Sewerage System and the commencement date provided by Sydney Water of 2009. Councillor Calvert enquired if this is an acceleration of the original commencement date or it is the same as the original timetable.

The Director Infrastructure Services advised that he recalled the original commencement date to be mid 2008 when announced some time ago.

5. Councillor Calvert referred to the proposed upgrade of the intersection of Kurrajong and Mill Road and requested the list of members of the public who will be contacted for comment be reviewed as it does not travel far from the intersection.

The General Manager advised that the matter will be reviewed.

6. Councillor Paine requested that Council write to Richmond Marketplace, Riverview Shopping Centre and North Richmond Shopping Centre and request that community noticeboards be installed in the shopping centres.

The General Manager advised that a letter will be sent to each of the centres suggesting that they may like to install a noticeboard for community benefit.

7. Councillor Paine referred to a pledge of \$5 million from the Federal Government towards roads if they are re-elected and requested that Council approach other parties and request that the same pledge be made.

The General Manager advised that correspondence could be sent requesting the other parties to consider making the same pledge as part of their campaign.

8. Councillor Williams referred to a development application submitted by Elf Mushrooms at Mulgrave for a further 9 composting tunnels and requested that the application be brought to Council.

The Director City Planning advised that the development application was determined approximately two weeks ago.

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9. Councillor Williams referred to a resited house that has been put on 481 Creek Ridge Road without consent and enquired about the status of the matter.

The Director City Planning advised that the matter is being investigated.

10. Councillor Williams requested that he be provided with a copy of the determination in respect of the 9 composting tunnels at Elf Mushrooms at Mulgrave.

The Director City Planning advised that the information will be provided.

11. Councillor Williams requested an update regarding the assassination attempt on Councillor Books.

The Deputy Mayor advised that the investigations are ongoing.

12. Councillor Devine requested that development application DA0213/07 for the proposed school on Slopes Road be brought to Council.

The Director City Planning advised that the application is schedule to come before Council at the Ordinary meeting 11 December 2007.

13. Councillor Devine referred to Section 94 Contributions and the distribution of Section 94 funds and enquired if any further information has been received as far as what will be available to the community.

The Director City Planning advised that further information has recently been received from the Minister and a report will be coming to Council shortly.

14. Councillor Devine requested that representatives from Sydney Water be invited to the next Councillor Briefing Session to discuss the proposed Three Town Sewerage arrangements prior to Council making a submission to Sydney Water.

The General Manager advised that an invitation will be made.

15. Councillor Conolly referred to the \$5 million pledge from the Federal Government towards roads if they are re-elected and enquired if Council was aware of which roads would benefit.

The Director Infrastructure Services advised that work such as box culverts on the intersection of Brennans Dam, Old Stock Route and Commercial Roads and raising of the road to a 1:20 year flood recurrence would occur as well as work on Old East Kurrajong Road for a similar reason with flooding just off Creek Ridge Road and sealing of road shoulders on Grose Vale, Comleroy, Oakville and Terrace Roads.

16. Councillor Conolly referred to the request made to the RTA to name the new flood evacuation route Hawkesbury Valley Way and for the name to extend to the road to the tennis courts in Richmond and enquired if the RTA intends to change the name of the road and the signage in accordance with Council's request.

The Director Infrastructure Services advised that Council has notified the RTA of the name change and is still negotiating the change of signage.

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17. Councillor Porter asked if the building rubbish dumped 10 metres off the river on Grono Farm Road where the washout occurred has been removed and enquired about the progress of the washout matter.

The Director City Planning advised that Council has been concentrating on the washout stabilisation and rehabilitation prior to dealing with the other matters. The owner has been made aware that the dumped building material will be investigated.

The Director City Planning also advised that the washout area has been stabilised by a consultant and a design has been forwarded to the Department of Water and Energy for approval. Staff have been contacting the Department several times a week regarding the required approval however a timeframe for a response has not been received from the Department to date.

The meeting terminated at 8:26pm.

Submitted to and confirmed at the Ordinary meeting held on 27 November 2007.

Mayor