

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PUBLIC FORUM HELD ON TUESDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 2025

Present: The Mayor, Councillor C Kay (Chairperson)  
Councillors M Devlin & J Pettett (Comenarra Ward)  
Councillors I Balachandran & B Ward (Gordon Ward)  
Councillor S Ngai (Roseville Ward)  
Councillors C Spencer (online) & K Wheatley (Wahroonga Ward)

Staff Present: General Manager (David Marshall)  
Director Community (Janice Bevan)  
Director Corporate (Angela Apostol)  
Director Development & Regulation (Michael Miocic)  
Director Operations (Peter Lichaa)  
Director Strategy & Environment (Andrew Watson)  
Corporate Lawyer (Jamie Taylor)  
Acting Manager Corporate Communications (Sally Williams)  
Manager Governance and Corporate Strategy (Christopher Jones)  
Governance Support Officer (Eliza Gilbank-Heim)

*The Forum commenced at 7:00PM*

*The Mayor welcomed those present and outlined the  
agenda and requirements for speakers*

### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Mayor adverted to the necessity for Councillors and staff to declare a Pecuniary Interest/Conflict of Interest in any item on the Business Paper.

Nil.

### ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

The following members of the public addressed Council on items on the agenda:

| GB Item | Name  | For/ Against | Topic   |
|---------|---|--------------|---|
| GB.2    | 1. Janet Harwood<br>(Spoke in person<br>in Council<br>Chambers) | For          | Arts and Culture Committee – Minutes of<br>Meeting 18 August 2025 |
| GB.6    | 1. Janet Harwood<br>(Spoke in person<br>in Council<br>Chambers) | For          | Environment Committee Minutes – August<br>2025                    |
| GB.17   | 1. David Stone<br>(Spoke online via<br>Zoom)                    | Against      | Middle Harbour Northern Catchments<br>Flood Study – Report Update |

The following members of the public addressed Council on items not on the agenda:

| Name  | Topic  |
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| 1. Matthew Hayes<br>(Spoke in person in Council Chambers)                                   | The importance of better community recognition of people with a Hidden Disability and the work Council has been doing to achieve this. |
| 2. Janet Harwood<br>(Spoke in person in Council Chambers)                                   | Rescue the Future - Protection is the New Business - It's Not the Economy It's the Environment we must Protect.                        |
| 3. Tony Bates<br>(Spoke in person in Council Chambers)<br>Representing Marian Street Action | The support for an arts and cultural meeting place.  |
| 4. Wendy Blaxland<br>(Spoke in person in Council Chambers)                                  | Marian Street Theatre  |

*The Forum closed at 7:37pm.*