

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PUBLIC FORUM HELD ON TUESDAY, 9 DECEMBER 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)  
Councillor M Smith (St Ives Ward)  
Councillor K Wheatley (Wahroonga Ward)

Staff Present: General Manager (David Marshall)  
Acting Director Community (Virginia Leafel)  
Director Corporate (Angela Apostol)  
Acting Director Development & Regulation (Anne Seaton)  
Director Operations (Peter Lichaa)  
Director Strategy & Environment (Andrew Watson)  
Corporate Lawyer (Jamie Taylor)  
Manager Governance and Corporate Strategy (Christopher Jones)  
Acting Governance Team Leader (Eliza Gilbank-Heim)

Other Staff: Manager Infrastructure Services (Matt Drago)

*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
MM.2	1. Jill Green (Spoke in person in Council Chambers) Representing STEP Inc	For	Spanish Moss (Tillandsia Usenoides) – Emerging risk and need for continued monitoring
GB.4	1. Matthew Hayes (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	For	Youth Advisory Committee – Minutes of Meeting Wednesday 12 November 2025
GB.8	1. Rebecca McNamee (Spoke in person in	Against	Post-exhibition of revised delivery program, resourcing strategy and application for a special rate variation

	Council Chambers)		
	2. Janet Harwood (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	Against	
	3. Wendy Blaxland (Spoke in person in Council Chambers) Representing Marian Street Theatre ACTION	For	
	4. Cheryl Szatow (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	For	
GB.16	1. Janet Harwood (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	Against	Policy Update – Management of Community and Recreation Facilities
GB.17	1. David Stone (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	Against	Post exhibition - Planning Proposal 77 Kulgoa Road, Pymble
NM.1	1. Cheryl Szatow (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	For	Refreshing Ku-ring-gai’s 2021 Heritage Strategy
NM.2	1. Jill Green (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	For	Planning for Turramurra Town Centre
	2. Matthew Hayes (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	For	
Written Comments			
GB.8	1. Michele Ritchie (Provide written comments and did not speak to them)	n/a	Post-exhibition of revised delivery program, resourcing strategy and application for a special rate variation
GB.17	1. Danielle Carter (Provide written comments and did not speak to them)	Against	Post exhibition - Planning Proposal 77 Kulgoa Road, Pymble

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

Name	Topic
1. David Lane (Provided written comments and spoke to them in Council Chambers)	Council Alternative Housing Scheme
2. David Tindale (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	Heritage and development
3. Janet Harwood (Spoke in person in Council Chambers)	A Growing National Tragedy – Ku-ring-gai and Turramurra are Indicators

<a href="#">Council Chambers</a>	
4. Wendy Blaxland (Spoke in person in <a href="#">Council Chambers</a> )	This time of year
5. Natalie Boyd (Spoke in person in <a href="#">Council Chambers</a> )	Heritage housing in Ku-ring-gai

*The Forum closed at 8:13pm.*