

REPORT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL 24 NOVEMBER 2022

PRESENT: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, R Ivey, D Mahon and M Wright.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer, the Director Organisational Performance (M Howlett), the Manager Governance and Internal Control, the Governance Team Leader, the Governance Officer, the Manager Property and Land Development, the Director Strategy, Partnerships and Engagement, the Corporate Strategy and Performance Coordinator, the Director Development and Environment, the Manager Growth Planning, the Director Infrastructure, the Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Design and the Director Community, Culture and Places.

Councillor M Dickerson assumed the Chair of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 7.30 pm.

CW22/1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (ID22/2459)

Requests for leave of absence were received from Councillors J Gough and P Wells who were absent from the meeting due to personal reasons.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor L Burns

MOTION

That such requests for leave of absence be accepted and Councillors J Gough and P Wells be granted leave of absence from this meeting.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, R Ivey, D Mahon and M Wright.

Against: Nil

CW22/2 CONFLICT OF INTEREST (ID22/2460)

The following conflicts of interest were declared:

- Clr J Black declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in CW22/4
- Clr S Chowdhury declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in CW22/4
- Clr D Mahon declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in CW22/4

CW22/3 UPDATED DIRECTIONS REGARDING PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR FUTURE ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE (ID22/2382)

The Committee had before it the report dated 14 November 2022 from the Manager Property and Land Development regarding Updated Directions Regarding Proposed Acquisition of Land for Future Road Infrastructure.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor L Burns

MOTION

That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business (Section 10A(2)(c)).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor M Wright

MOTION

- 1. That all actions to acquire land relating to the current alignment of the Southern Distributor Road cease immediately.
- 2. That alternative solutions in line with outcomes defined in the Transportation Strategy 2020 be investigated.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, R Ivey, D Mahon and M Wright.

Against: Councillor L Burns.

CW22/4 ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR BLUERIDGE LINK ROAD (ID22/2436)

The Committee had before it the report dated 18 November 2022 from the Director Infrastructure regarding Acquisition of Land for Blueridge Link Road.

Moved by Councillor S Chowdhury and seconded by Councillor L Burns

MOTION

That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business (Section 10A(2)(c)).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor R Ivey

MOTION

- That Council adopt the alignment of the Blueridge Link Road as described in the body of this report.
- That Council delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate and enter into contracts for the acquisition of land for the proposed road corridor, from Sheraton Road to the Mitchell Highway, utilising the rates contained in the body of this report.
- 3. That the information contained within this report remain confidential to the Council.

CARRIED

For: Councillors J Black, L Burns, S Chowdhury, M Dickerson, V Etheridge, R Ivey, D Mahon and M Wright.

Against: Nil

Councillor J Black declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Committee and remained in the room during the Committee's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor J Black is employed by a school on Sheraton Road and this matter relates to possible future traffic movements on Sheraton Road, and there is virtually zero chance I would use that section of road when travelling to and from work.

Councillor S Chowdhury declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Committee and remained in the room during the Committee's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor S Chowdhury --Enter reason here--.

Councillor D Mahon declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Committee and remained the room during the Committee's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor D Mahon owns property and operates business in Blue Ridge business park.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.
CHAIRPERSON