

## MELTON CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE SECTION 223 SUBMISSIONS COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF THE MELTON CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL  
CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, 232 HIGH STREET, MELTON ON  
11 JUNE 2013 AT 7.00PM

**Present:** Cr K.Majdlik (Mayor)  
Cr B.Turner (Deputy Mayor)  
Cr B.Borg  
Cr L.Carli  
Cr R.Cugliari  
Cr N.Dunn  
Cr S.Ramsey

Mr K.Tori, Chief Executive Officer  
Mr P.Bean, General Manager Corporate Services  
Mr M.Heaney, General Manager Community Services  
Mr L.Shannon, General Manager Planning and Development  
Mr D.Hogan, Manager Customer Engagement  
Ms A.Raijer, Public Relations Coordinator  
Mr M.Moor Mahamed, Management Accounting Coordinator

### 1. APOLOGIES

Nil.

### 2. DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST, OTHER INTEREST OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST OF ANY COUNCILLOR

Cr Turner, as a member of Melton Lions Club declared an interest in submission number 14 in the Committee Agenda.

### 3. TIME LIMIT FOR PRESENTATIONS OF SUBMISSIONS

Crs Borg/Ramsey.

That each submitter be granted 5 minutes in which to address the Committee.

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## 4. PRESENTATION OF SUBMISSIONS

The Mayor explained the process for hearing submissions and that the meeting is being held in accordance with Council's Meeting Procedure Local Law 2005.

### 4.1 2013-17 COUNCIL PLAN

No submissions were received by Council.

### 4.2 2013/2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

The following written submissions were received by Council:

| Sub No. | Name   | Written Submission Request   |
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| 001     | Melissa Grimes<br><i>Bicycle Network</i>                   | 1) Caroline Springs Boulevard - Bicycle Facility works needed. 2) Kororoit Creek Path - Completion of this path. 3) High Street, Melton - Upgrade this East/West corridor for bike riders. 4) Provision of path and link to Deer Park by-pass path |
| 002     | Chris Saliba<br><i>Tennis Victoria</i>                     | \$200K was allocated in the 2012-13 budget for the design of the new CS Sub-Regional Tennis Centre. But no funds are allocated in the 2013-14 Budget for the construction costs.   |
| 003     | David Young<br><i>Melton South Little Athletics Centre</i> | A Regional Athletics Centre (All weather surface) for not only for little athletics but also a facility that can be utilised by senior athletes and children at local schools (Local schools travel outside the city to conduct Sports Carnivals). |
| 004     | Aimee Orr<br><i>Melton South Little Athletics Centre</i>   | Early delivery of the Regional Athletics Facility and Pavilion. MSLA have conducted competition at Northcote St. Reserve for 45 years and this facility will bring much needed boost to the talented athletes that resides in the City of Melton.  |
| 005     | Greg Heafield<br><i>Eynesbury Owner's Corporation</i>      | Eynesbury Community have been over looked - Inequality of distribution of funds among Communities  |
| 006     | Simon Camilleri<br><i>Resident</i>                         | Construct a community based Tennis court alongside the existing Basketball court in Earlington Square at Mockridge Ave, Burnside.  |
| 007     | Simon Camilleri<br><i>Resident</i>                         | To liaise with Telstra to upgrade broadband infrastructure to improve internet speed around the Cambridge ward   |
| 008     | Ian McKerracher<br><i>Resident</i>                         | to provide 2,3 parking bays in the nature strip of Salina Walk in Caroline Springs   |

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| 009 | David Alton<br><i>Melton Valley Golf Club</i>                               | 1). Yuille Street Development. 2). Clubhouse maintenance. Assistance in general upkeep of the building via regular maintenance would be advantageous to members & guests attending the premises. 3). Installation of a pipeline to direct recycled water from the course inlet to irrigation dam. 4). Planting of mature trees both internally and externally along the boundary perimeter. 5). Create a showpiece entrance gate - advertising both the city of Melton & the Melton Valley Golf Club. 6). Planting of trees and shrubs around the historical "Scar Tree" and also adjacent car park fence (externally). 7). Signage - Pyke's Grave site |
| 010 | Carol Trusler<br><i>LLEN</i>  | Funds for Brahminy Wilderness Program for at risk youth.  |
| 011 | Renee Chrisanthou<br><i>Resident</i>  | An alternative route to Deer Park/St Albans   |
| 012 | Kate Patterson<br><i>Resident</i>   | Improve the recreation Parks in Melton similar to Apex Park in Mildura and Galaxy Park in Sunbury   |
| 013 | Paul Magnay<br><i>Burnside Springs United Netball Club</i>                  | 1). For a feasibility study for additional indoor netball court facilities in Caroline Springs. 2). A study into the ratio of indoor sporting courts per population in the eastern corridor of Melton City Council. 3). Where the best location for additional courts would be if they are required.  |
| 014 | Janet Stewart<br><i>Lions Club of Melton</i>                                | Seek funding to assist with the establishment of additional seating with in the Navan park Recreational Area, Centenary Avenue, Melton and additionally recognise the efforts of the "Passed" presidents of Lions Club of Melton Inc.   |
| 015 | Chris Lunn<br><i>Resident</i>   | Requesting a shared path linking the Eynesbury and the Melton Townships. The council adopted Werribee River shared Trail Strategy outlines how this can be achieved.  |
| 016 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Unfair & Unwarranted proposed 4% rate increase. Essential service programs are severely slashed and therefore not logical to increase rates.  |
| 017 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Playground replacement program budget slashed by more than half from \$150k in 2012 to \$50k in 2013  |
| 018 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Public lighting program budget slashed by more than half from \$150k in 2012 to \$80k in 2013   |
| 019 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Annual road resurfacing budget slashed from \$1.9m in 2012 to \$1m in 2013  |
| 020 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Major traffic management upgrade program budget slashed from \$300k in 2012 to \$200k in 2013   |

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| 021 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Footpath replacement program budget slashed from \$700k in 2012 to \$500k in 2013   |
| 022 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Traffic management devices construction program budget slashed from \$500k in 2012 to \$300k in 2013  |
| 023 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Softball and soft path renewal program budget slashed from \$100k in 2012 to \$50k in 2013  |
| 024 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Parks and open space furniture renewal program budget slashed from \$100k in 2012 to \$50k in 2013  |
| 025 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Tree Replacement in nature strips throughout municipality - Comprehensive review is undertaken of all older established streets(more than 10 years old) within the municipality and money be allocated within the budget to plant trees on all nature strips without trees.   |
| 026 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Melton waves Expansion - a comprehensive review needs to be undertaken outlining the costs involved in expanding the Melton Waves Aquatic Centre as opposed to building a second Aquatic Centre in the Eastern Corridor   |
| 027 | Nathan Miles<br><i>Cambridge, Cobruns &amp; Watts Residents Association</i> | Increase in room hire fees - Not for profit organisations who may wish to utilize community owned buildings are charged with NO costs.  |
| 028 | Lynette Petkov<br><i>Resident</i>   | Land is on the very south end of Toolern PSP, under the General rating category. 1)Prefer another rating category, 2) Objecting the fact that the Environmental Enhancement Policy does not cover those within the PSP  |
| 029 | Rod Ward<br><i>AFL Victoria Goldfields</i>                                  | Extension of the planned Pavilion at Arnolds Creek to accommodate the Ridell District FNL at a cost of \$300K as identified by Adrian Burns and Glenn Mulcahy. This would allow the RDFNL to have a Reception area, 4 Offices & Staff amenities. The RDFNL will contribute \$100K for this project and obtain funding with assistance of AFL Victoria of a further \$50k                                  |
| 030 | Chris Hope<br><i>Melton Cricket Club</i>                                    | The development/Installation of 5 turf wicket practice facilities at MacPherson Park. This would require, 5 turf wicket table, suitable bowling run up area, suitable practice netting, suitable irrigation to enable preparation of the wickets. Costs involved in the construction of the turf wicket facility is appro \$185K and installation of Sightscreens(\$20K) and electronic scoreboard(\$15K) |
| 031 | John Wooding<br><i>Friends of Melton Equestrian Park</i>                    | Replacement of existing site vehicle(cost \$25k). Maintenance to be funded from clubs grounds maintenance contributions and storage at the enclosed facility at Melton Equestrian Park.   |

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| 032 | John Wooding<br><i>Friends of Melton Equestrian Park</i>                        | Arena watering System - Install 2 water storage reservoirs of 13,600l each. Estimated cost \$9,500.  |
| 033 | David Arnold<br><i>Melton Hockey Club Inc</i>                                   | Establish an alternate ground and facilities.  |
| 034 | Melissa Sharp<br><i>Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve</i>                         | 1). Cricket Training Nets to be located near water tanks with hit off onto Oval 2, 2). Trainers room flooring e Community Hall flooring to be rear-surfaced, 3). Car park for Tennis to be access off Houdini Drive, 4) Coach boxes to be remodelled with 2 storey with a room for players treatment underneath, 5). Dual access for Netball and Tennis to the change room facilities, 6). Security screens behind goals on front oval, 7). High Fence net at school end of oval or gate access, 8). Oval 1 Extension to meet AFL Standards, 9). Interchange Steward Box, 10). Change room facility in Oval 2, 11). Canteen facility in Oval 2, 12). Scoreboard Oval 2, 13). 2 Storey larger club room for Burras Sports Club, 14). Tarred Roadway around the ground with speed humps, 15)New fencing around reserve, 16). Relocation and extension of playground. |
| 035 | David O'Connor<br><i>Diggers Rest Community Web Link</i>                        | Construction of a connecting Path from the round about at school Lane to Bowling Club  |
| 036 | Julie Shannon<br><i>Combined Churches Caring Melton Emergency Food Services</i> | With the requirement of relocating the food bank from its current position in Smith Street in Melton, 2 options need to be considered. Option 1) Request a contribution of \$200K to build a purpose built facility in a land parcel donated by Lutheran Church on Coburns Road or Option 2). Establishing a transportable type building as the facility with significant financial support from Council   |
| 037 | John Alexopoulos  | Aquatic Centre for recreational facilities in Taylors Hill Caroline Springs. Melton is a run down Pool   |
| 038 | Elisha Raymer<br><i>Caroline Springs Dog Club</i>                               | Boronia Drive Development - A car park, unsealed and off road parking. Average 30,50 cars per week. Funding require for ground surface   |
| 039 | Mario Cachia  | Requesting \$50k to deliver new learning skills and opportunities for people mainly youth age 15 to 25 to learn practical skills in order to create job opportunities and improve youth self-esteem.   |
| 040 | Mario Cachia<br><i>Good old days Working Farm</i>                               | Like a budget submission with the planning and subdivision of 108 lots. Legal cost to achieve s173 with Melton. Requesting \$70K.  |

Presentations were received in support of the written submissions:

**1. Aimee Orr - Melton South Athletics Centre (S-3 & S-4)**

Early delivery of the Regional Athletics Facility and Pavilion. MSLA have conducted competition at Northcote St. Reserve for 45 years and this facility will bring much needed boost to the talented athletes that reside in the City of Melton.

**2. Greg Heafield - Eynesbury Owner's Corporation (S-5)**

Eynesbury Community have been overlooked - Inequality of distribution of funds among Communities.

**3. Simon Camilleri (S-6 & S-7)**

Construct a community based Tennis court alongside the existing Basketball court in Earlington Square at Mockridge Ave, Burnside.

To liaise with Telstra to upgrade broadband infrastructure to improve internet speed around the Cambridge ward.

**4. Ian Mckerracher (S-8)**

To provide 2,3 parking bays in the nature strip of Salina Walk in Caroline Springs.

**5. David Alton - Melton Valley Golf Club (S-9)**

1). Yuille Street Development. 2). Clubhouse maintenance. Assistance in general upkeep of the building via regular maintenance would be advantageous to members & guests attending the premises. 3). Installation of a pipeline to direct recycled water from the course inlet to irrigation dam. 4). Planting of mature trees both internally and externally along the boundary perimeter. 5). Create a showpiece entrance gate - advertising both the city of Melton & the Melton Valley Golf Club. 6). Planting of trees and shrubs around the historical "Scar Tree" and also adjacent car park fence (externally). 7). Signage - Pyke's Grave site.

**6. Carol Trusler - LLEN (S-10)**

Funds for Brahminy Wilderness Program for at risk youth.

**7. Paul Magnay - Burnside Springs United Netball Club (S-13)**

1). For a feasibility study for additional indoor netball court facilities in Caroline Springs. 2). A study into the ratio of indoor sporting courts per population in the eastern corridor of Melton City Council. 3). Where the best location for additional courts would be if they are required.

**8. Representative Arthur Uren - Lions Club of Melton (S-14)**

Seek funding to assist with the establishment of additional seating in the Navan park Recreational Area, Centenary Avenue, Melton and additionally recognise the efforts of the "Passed" presidents of the Lions Club of Melton Inc.

**9. Lynette Petkov (S-28)**

Land is on the very south end of Toolern PSP, under the General rating category. 1)Prefer another rating category, 2) Objecting to the fact that the Environmental Enhancement Policy does not cover those within the PSP.

**10. Rod Ward - AFL Victoria Goldfields (S-29)**

Extension of the planned Pavilion at Arnolds Creek to accommodate the Ridell District FNL at a cost of \$300K as identified by Adrian Burns and Glenn Mulcahy. This would allow the RDFNL to have a Reception area, 4 Offices & Staff amenities. The RDFNL will contribute \$100K for this project and obtain funding with assistance of AFL Victoria of a further \$50k.

**11. Representative Craig Payne - Melton Cricket Club (S-30)**

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**12. John Wooding - Friends of Melton Equestrian Park (S-31&S-32)**

Replacement of existing site vehicle(cost \$25k). Maintenance to be funded from clubs grounds maintenance contributions and storage at the enclosed facility at Melton Equestrian Park.

Arena Watering System – Install 2 water storage reservoirs of 13,600l each. Estimated Cost \$9,500.

**13. David Arnold - Melton Hockey Club Inc (S-33)**

Establish an alternate ground and facilities.

**14. Melissa Sharp - Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve (S-34)**

- 1) Cricket Training Nets to be located near water tanks with hit off onto Oval 2
- 2) Trainers room flooring and Community Hall flooring to be rear-surfaced
- 3) Car park for Tennis to be accessed from Houdini Drive
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- 16) Relocation and extension of playground.

**15. David O'Connor - Diggers Rest Community Web Link (S-35)**

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**16. Representative Denise Morris - Combined Churches Caring Melton – Emergency Food Services (S-36)**

With the requirement of relocating the food bank from its current position in Smith Street in Melton, 2 options need to be considered. Option 1) Request a contribution of \$200K to build a purpose built facility in a land parcel donated by Lutheran Church on Coburns Road or Option 2). Establishing a transportable type building as the facility with significant financial support from Council.

**17. Nathan Miles and Michael Matalowski - Cambridge Coburn Watts Resident Association Inc (S-16-S-27)**

*Nathan Miles & Michael Matalowski-Cambridge Coburn Watts Resident Association Inc*

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Melton Waves Expansion - a comprehensive review needs to be undertaken outlining the costs involved in expanding the Melton Waves Aquatic Centre as opposed to building a second Aquatic Centre in the Eastern Corridor

*Michael Matalowski - Cambridge Coburn Watts Resident Association Inc*

Increase in room hire fees - Not for profit organisations who may wish to utilize community owned buildings are charged with NO costs.

The Mayor declared that the meeting be adjourned at 9.26pm to a date and time to be set.

Meeting resumed at 7.00pm on Thursday, 20 June 2013.

**Present:** Cr K.Majdlik (Mayor)  
Cr B.Turner (Deputy Mayor)  
Cr B.Borg  
Cr L.Carli  
Cr R.Cugliari  
Cr N.Dunn  
Cr S.Ramsey

Mr K.Tori, Chief Executive Officer  
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Mr A.Boyle, Manager Community Planning

## 1. APOLOGIES

Nil.

## 2. DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST, OTHER INTEREST OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST OF ANY COUNCILLOR

Cr Turner, as a member of Melton Lions Club declared an interest in submission number 14 in the Committee Agenda.

## 3. RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

The Committee considered submissions received and made the following recommendations to Council.

### 2013-17 COUNCIL PLAN

#### Recommendation

That Council:

1. Adopt the 2013 – 2017 Council Plan as presented at Appendix 4; and
2. Adopt the 2013 – 2014 Council Annual Action Plan as presented as Appendix 5.

## 2013/2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

The Committee considered submissions received and made the following recommendations to Council:

| <b>Interim Outcome of Section 223 Submissions Committee<br/>Consideration of Submissions for the 2013/14 Budget</b> |  |
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| 1. Bicycle Victoria   | <p><b>Recommendation 1</b></p> <p>That Bicycle Victoria be advised that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Caroline Springs Boulevard Works are programmed as part of existing works.</li> <li>2. Kororoit Creek Path proposed works are planned and will be completed in accordance with Council's Capital Works Program.</li> <li>3. High Street is the responsibility of VicRoads and as such Council will advocate with VicRoads for improvements to the road bicycle network.</li> <li>4. Deer Park By-Pass Path will be reviewed along with signage to the By-Pass Path to ensure compliance with relevant standards and guidelines.</li> </ol>  |
| 2. Chris Saliba, Tennis Victoria  | <p><b>Recommendation 2</b></p> <p>That Tennis Victoria be advised that as a result of the strategic work being conducted by Council on a Recreation and Facilities Strategy and an Aquatic Strategy for the City, it was determined that the design of the sub-regional tennis centre be put on hold pending completion of these strategies in late 2013.</p> <p>That they be further advised that the design funding for the sub-regional tennis centre is deferred to the 2013/14 Financial Year with construction of the facility to be subsequently included in the Council's 5 Year Capital Works Plan, contingent on the outcome of the aforementioned strategies.</p>   |
| 3. &<br>4. Melton South Little Athletics Centre   | <p><b>Recommendation 3</b></p> <p>That Melton South Little Athletics Centre be thanked for their support for the construction of the Regional Athletics Centre in Atherstone.</p>  |
| 5. Greg Heafield,<br>Chairperson, Eynesbury Owners Corporation  | <p><b>Recommendation 4</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That Mr Heafield be advised that the Eynesbury Recreation Reserve Master Plan adopted in April 2013 provides for the construction of 2 sport ovals, 8 tennis courts, 2 basketball and netball courts, adventure playground, youth node and accompanying car parking. Stage 1 works will be delivered by the developer so do not appear in Council's Budget allocations and are due to commence construction during early 2014, comprising 1 oval, adventure playground and sealed car park.</li> <li>2. That Mr Heafield be further advised that the \$20,000 allocated to Eynesbury in the Draft 2013/14 Budget is in respect of project management costs associated with the aforementioned Stage 1 development.</li> <li>3. That Mr Heafield be further advised that State Government Grants are awarded on the basis of submissions made by Council on the basis of identified need, and that matters of</li> </ol> |

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|                            | <p>public transport, medical and pharmaceutical services and postal delivery service are not matters within the control of Council.</p>   |
| 6. Simon Camilleri         | <p><b>Recommendation 5</b></p> <p>Mr Camilleri be advised that Council does not support his submission as it believes that a tennis court would significantly impact the amenity value of the Earlington Square Reserve, however Council are currently conducting an audit of Council's parks and reserves, including Earlington Square, to identify possible upgrades and improvements with a report to be submitted to Council later this year.</p> <p>Mr Camilleri be further advised that public access tennis facilities are planned to be installed within the Burnside Heights Recreation Reserve as part of future development of that reserve.</p>   |
| 7. Simon Camilleri         | <p><b>Recommendation 6</b></p> <p>That Mr Camilleri be advised that Council does not believe it is Council's role to provide broadband access to properties, particularly in view of the imminent roll-out of the National Broadband Network.</p>   |
| 8. Ian McKerracher         | <p><b>Recommendation 7</b></p> <p>That Council include in the Budget an amount of \$10,000 for parking improvement works to be undertaken in the area of Salina Walk, with Council's Engineering Department to investigate the options for improved parking in the area for further report to Council prior to proceeding with works.</p>   |
| 9. Melton Valley Golf Club | <p><b>Recommendation 8</b></p> <p>That Council provide within the 2013/14 Budget an amount of up to \$10,000 on a 50:50 shared funding arrangement with the Melton Valley Golf Club for the provision of an appropriate water pipeline solution, noting Council Officers' advice that the standard of pipe proposed needs to be upgraded.</p> <p>That the Facilities Unit of Council liaise with the management of Melton Valley Golf Club to identify priority maintenance issues and to detail a program to address those issues in accordance with Council's standard building preservation approach and the terms of the facility Lease.</p> <p>Additional tree planting be considered as part of Council's Tree Planting Program.</p> <p>Council support the Golf Club in seeking a grant to provide interpretive signage on Pykes Graves.</p> |
| 10. Carol Trussler         | <p><b>Recommendation 9</b></p> <p>That Council provide from the Community Grants Funding Allocation within the 2013/14 Budget an amount of \$25,000 to support five priority Children from the City of Melton participating in the Program, with the condition that Council receive progress reports with respect to outcomes from the Program.</p>   |

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| 11. Renee Chrisanthou  | <p><b>Recommendation 10</b></p> <p>That Ms Chrisanthou be advised that the construction of the bridge and road connections will need to be borne by both Melton City Council and Brimbank City Council, however given the current stage of development of the Burnside Estate it is unlikely that this connection will be able to be completed within the next 5 years.</p>  |
| 12. Kate Patterson   | <p><b>Recommendation 11</b></p> <p>That Ms Patterson be advised that Council is currently undertaking an Open Space Strategy, a Play Space Strategy and an audit of all existing parks and reserves to determine improvements to be made, and that once these strategic pieces of work have been completed they will guide the provision of improved play spaces throughout the City.</p>  |
| 13. Burnside Springs Netball Club & St Albans/Caroline Springs Netball Association | <p><b>Recommendation 12</b></p> <p>That the Submitters be advised that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Council is currently in the process of preparing an Indoor Sports Strategy which will inform Council's Indoor Sporting Facilities strategic direction and long term vision for the provision of facilities throughout the City to meet our growth demands.</li> <li>2. Consultation will take place with the community, including all current tenants of Leisure Centres and key stakeholders within the City on their needs for indoor sports facilities.</li> </ol>  |
| 14. Lions Club of Melton   | <p><b>Recommendation 13</b></p> <p>That funding for provision of seating in the amount of \$12,605 be provided in the 2013/14 Council Budget.</p>  |
| 15. Chris Lunn   | <p><b>Recommendation 14</b></p> <p>That Mr Lunn be advised that the Werribee River Trail Strategy determines the best alignment and access point for the proposed shared trail including connections to the Melton Township along the Toolern Creek, however this Strategy identifies that the acquisition of the land for the shared trail is complicated and requires further investigation to be co-ordinated by Parks Victoria.</p> <p>That Mr Lunn be further advised that Council will continue to work with Parks Victoria on the implementation of the Strategy and in seeking funding opportunities to implement the Trail.</p> |
| 16. Nathan Miles, Cambridge Coburn & Watts Residents Association                   | <p><b>Recommendation 15</b></p> <p>That the Cambridge Coburn &amp; Watts Residents Association be advised that the proposed rate increase of 4% is one of the lowest increases being reported across Victorian Local Government in the 2013/14 Year, and it is Council's assessment that such a rate increase is both responsible and justified in delivering on the vast range of requirements for servicing a growing community such as Melton City.</p>   |
| 17. CCWRA  | <p><b>Recommendation 16</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised that the Playground Replacement Program involves the full replacement of older style playground equipment with modern play equipment items, not the repair of</p>   |

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|           | <p>damaged, vandalised or broken play equipment as suggested in their submission. The routine inspection, maintenance and repair of play equipment are undertaken as part of the Parks Maintenance Service Contract the Budget for which is contained within Council's Recurrent Budget Program.</p>  |
| 18. CCWRA | <p><b>Recommendation 17</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised that Council's Public Lighting Budget is assessed each year based on the number of projects identified and the scope of these projects. Public lighting in new developments is provided as part of the developer's obligations and this line item is about retrofitting additional lighting into established areas as a result of either proactive audits by Council or in response to resident requests leading to investigation and audits against Australian Standards. Council is satisfied that the allocation is sufficient to address the issue for the 2013/14 Year.</p> |
| 19. CCWRA | <p><b>Recommendation 18</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised that Council has 2 programs relating to road re-surfacing one being the Annual Road Resurfacing Budget and the second being the Road Rehabilitation Program. The 2013/14 Budget reduces the Annual Road Resurfacing Budget from \$1.9M to \$1M, however it also includes the addition of the Road Rehabilitation Program to the value of \$1.5M.</p>   |
| 20. CCWRA | <p><b>Recommendation 19</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised that having considered their submission Council remains of the view that the amount allocated for the Major Traffic Management Upgrade Program in the 2013/14 Draft Budget is appropriate.</p>   |
| 21. CCWRA | <p><b>Recommendation 20</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised that the Footpath Replacement Program involves the full replacement of existing damaged footpath bays to current standards, and the program is developed each year using asset condition data with footpaths replaced based on an assessment of condition and risk. The routine inspection, maintenance and temporary repair of footpaths is undertaken as part of the Road Services Contract which is provided for in the Recurrent Budget of Council which has in fact been increased in the 2013/14 Budget to reflect the growing asset base.</p>                             |
| 22. CCWRA | <p><b>Recommendation 21</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised that having considered their submission Council remains of the view that the Traffic Management Device Program Budget provided in the 2013/14 Budget is appropriate.</p>   |
| 23. CCWRA | <p><b>Recommendation 22</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised that the Soft Fall Soft Path Renewal Program involves the full replacement of soft fall areas surrounding play equipment and full replacement of soft paths within the parks and open space where existing materials are reaching the end of their useful life, and that the program does not relate to the inspection, repair and topping up of soft fall and soft paths as</p>   |

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|                    | suggested in the submission. The routine inspection, maintenance and topping up of soft fall and soft paths is undertaken as part of the Parks Maintenance Service Contract which has had an increased budget provided in the 2013/14 Draft Budget.  |
| 24. CCWRA          | <p><b>Recommendation 23</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised that the Open Space Furniture Renewal Program involves full replacement of older style park and open space furniture with modern furniture and the inspection and repair of damaged, vandalised or broken furniture is provided for within the Parks Maintenance Service Contract that is contained within the Recurrent Budget of Council with the budget for this service having been increased to reflect the growing asset base.</p>  |
| 25. CCWRA          | <p><b>Recommendation 24</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised that Council has allocated \$400,000 for tree planting and tree replacement, which continues Council's commitment to planting street trees across the municipality.</p>   |
| 26. CCWRA          | <p><b>Recommendation 25</b></p> <p>That the CCWRA be advised:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The refurbishment works approved by Council in the 2012/13 Budget for Melton Waves Leisure Centre are currently being undertaken and will be completed by July 2013, with these works including internal and external painting, replacement of carpet tiles, replacement of ceramic tiling and change-room partitions.</li> <li>2. Council benchmarks the cost of comparative facilities when setting fees and charges for the Annual Budget each year, with benchmark comparisons for like-for-like facilities indicating the charges for Melton Waves are comparable to or cheaper than neighbouring Council facilities.</li> <li>3. Council is currently undertaking an Aquatic Strategy which has two elements, the first being a review of the adequacy of Melton Waves and the opportunity for future expansion of that facility, and the second element being the best location and appropriate type of aquatic facility should a second subsequent aquatic facility be within the municipality.</li> </ol> |
| 27. CCWRA          | <p><b>Recommendation 26</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That CCWRA be advised that the hire of Council community building meeting spaces are managed in line with Council's adopted Community Facilities Access Policy and the fees that apply to the hire of these spaces are confirmed as part of Council's Annual Budget.</li> <li>2. That CCWRA be further advised that Council endeavours to treat all community groups equally in line with its adopted policies and a discounted hire rate is provided to "not for profit" community groups including the CCWRA in accordance with the policy.</li> </ol>   |
| 28. Lynette Petkov | <p><b>Recommendation 27</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That Ms Petkov be advised that the Environmental Rebate has been applied for PSP properties in the 2013/14 Budget, and</li> </ol>  |

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|   | <p>that if financial hardship is being experienced that Council's Hardship Policy is available for her to access.</p> <p>2. That Ms Petkov also be advised that her understanding of the application of GAIC being on the sale of the property is incorrect and advised of the current situation following amendments to the legislation.</p>  |
| 29. Riddell District Football Netball League        | <p><b>Recommendation 28</b></p> <p>That Riddell District Football Netball League be advised that Council is interested in further pursuing the financial tenancy and programming arrangements with the Riddell District Football Netball League in respect of the Arnolds Creek Recreation Reserve, and that Officers of Council will continue to work with the Riddell District Football Netball League and AFL Victoria to further explore this opportunity to enable a formal presentation to be made to Council at a future date.</p>  |
| 30. Melton Cricket Club                             | <p><b>Recommendation 29</b></p> <p>That the Melton Cricket Club be advised that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Council requests to be kept informed on the progress of the Melton Cricket Club's representations to Cricket Victoria in relation to being awarded future Premier Cricket Club status.</li> <li>2. Council Officers continue to work with Melton Cricket Club to define the requirements on Council to facilitate Cricket Victoria awarding Melton Cricket Club Premier Cricket Club status.</li> <li>3. Council Officers undertake an assessment of the extent of works required to be funded by Council to verify the estimates contained within the submission.</li> </ol> |
| 31. John Wooding, Friends of Melton Equestrian Park | <p><b>Recommendation 30</b></p> <p>That Council Officers liaise with all user groups at the Melton Equestrian Park with respect to an appropriate vehicle to service the needs of all user groups, for submission for funding to the 2014/15 Budget process.</p>   |
| 32. Friends of Melton Equestrian Park               | <p><b>Recommendation 31</b></p> <p>That Council include within the 2013/14 Budget an amount of \$9,500 for the provision of an arena watering system.</p>  |
| 33. Melton Hockey Club                              | <p><b>Recommendation 32</b></p> <p>That the Melton Hockey Club be thanked for their comments in respect of the construction of a hockey field and associated amenity in the Atherstone Estate.</p>   |
| 34. Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve Advisory Group  | <p><b>Recommendation 33</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That Council Officers engage with the Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve Advisory Group to map out the future development of the Reserve.</li> <li>2. That Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve Advisory Group be advised that the trainers room floor re-surfacing, security screen, ball protection fence behind goals on Oval 1 in front of the Burras Club, gate installation at the School end of Oval 1 and the interchange steward box installation will be undertaken in the 2013/14 Financial Year.</li> </ol>  |

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| 35. David O'Connor                  | <p><b>Recommendation 34</b></p> <p>That Mr O'Connor be advised that construction of this footpath is a funded project within the proposed Footpath Construction Program as contained in the 2013/14 Budget.</p>   |
| 36. Combined Churches Caring Melton | <p><b>Recommendation 35</b></p> <p>That Council maintain the current allocation of \$80,000 as contained in the Draft 2013/14 Budget and defer consideration of any greater funding allocation to this project pending a more detailed presentation by the Combined Churches Caring Executive Committee.</p>  |
| 37. Mr John Alexopolous             | <p><b>Recommendation 36</b></p> <p>That Mr Alexopolous be advised that Council has commenced development of a City of Melton Aquatic Strategy 2013-2033 and that this strategy will be completed and reported to Council later in 2013.</p>   |
| 38. Caroline Springs Dog Club       | <p><b>Recommendation 37</b></p> <p>That the Caroline Springs Dog Club be advised that Council Officers will continue discussions with the Club with respect to requirements to facilitate the Club relocating to the Boronia Drive Recreation Reserve.</p>  |
| 39. Mario Cachia                    | <p><b>Recommendation 38</b></p> <p>That Mr Cachia be advised that Council is not able to fund this proposal at this point in time, however Council Officers will further discuss the proposal to assess what opportunities there may be for seeking Government grants for a program of this type.</p>   |
| 40. Mario Cachia                    | <p><b>Recommendation 39</b></p> <p>That Mr Cachia be advised that properties within the Designated Growth Area are currently subject to a Precinct Structure Plan being prepared by the Growth Areas Authority, and upon finalisation of the Precinct Structure Plan the landholder will be in a better position to understand any development potential for the land including opportunities for affordable housing and subdivision.</p> |

**Adoption of 2013/2014 Budget**

**Recommendation 40**

That Council adopts the 2013/2014 Budget **Appendix 1** inclusive of the variations to the draft budget displayed, following the consideration of the submission process.

That the Fees and Charges Schedule appended to the budget as **Appendix 3-2** be adopted.

That the Chief Executive be authorised to give public notice of this decision to adopt such budget, in accordance with *Section 130(1) of the Local Government Act 1989*.

That the amount of \$78,714,148 (or such other amount as is lawfully raised as a consequence of this resolution) be declared as the amount which Council intends to raise by general rates, the municipal charge, the annual service charge and supplementary rates, which amount is calculated as follows:

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| General Rates         | \$ 62,152,014 |
| Municipal Charge      | \$ 5,744,223  |
| Annual Service Charge | \$ 9,317,911  |
| Supplementary Rates   | \$ 1,500,000  |

That the general rate be declared in respect of the 2013/2014 financial year and that the general rate be raised by the application of differential rates (described in section 2.1 under the **Appendix 2** of the budget **Appendix 1**.

That each differential rate will be determined by multiplying the Capital Improved Value of each rateable land by the relevant percentages indicated in section 3.1 of **Appendix 2** of the budget.

That no amount is fixed as the minimum amount payable by way of general rate in respect of each rateable land within the municipal district.

That a municipal charge of \$123 for each rateable land (or part) be declared in respect of the 2013/2014 financial year for the purpose of covering some of the administrative cost of the Council.

That an annual service charge (or pro-rata part) of the amounts as detailed in section 2.8.1 of **Appendix 2** of the budget, for each residential land be declared for the collection and disposal of refuse in respect of the period 01/07/2013 to 30/06/2014.

That the Council rebate be granted to each pensioner ("eligible recipient" within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*) of \$45 per annum.

That in accordance with *Section 74(1) of the Local Government Act 1989*, the Mayoral Allowance and Councillor Allowance be set at the maximum applicable to Category 3 Council as prescribed in the order in Council 'as made from time to time', currently at \$93,672.04 per annum as Mayoral Allowance and \$29,325.98 per annum as Councillor Allowance, which includes an amount equal to the superannuation guarantee contribution, currently 9.25%.

That Council grants rebates to the owner of each rateable land identified by the assessment number specified in **Appendix 3-4** to this report, the respective rebate set out opposite to the assessment number in that Appendix, and the rebate be granted to promote the aims described in the Melton City Council's "Environment Enhancement Policy", and per the terms for granting the rebate as described in **Appendix 3-3**.

That the Environmental Enhancement rebate to eligible properties be calculated as described below;

- Rural Living Land category- 25% of the rate in the \$ of the Rural Living Land rate applied to the Capital Improved Value and will be capped to a maximum of \$10,000 per property.
- For Rural Land category- 50% of the rate in the \$ of the Rural Land rate applied to the Capital Improved Value and will be capped to a maximum of \$10,000 per property.
- For land within the Urban Growth zone with NO approved Precinct Structure Plan- 35% of the rate in the \$ of the General rate applied to the Capital Improved Value and will be capped to a maximum of \$10,000 per property.
- For land within the Urban Growth zone with an approved Precinct Structure Plan (PSP)- 25% of the rate in the \$ of the General rate applied to the Capital Improved Value and will be capped to a maximum of \$10,000 per property.

That no incentive be declared for early payment of general rates, municipal charges and other annual service charges previously declared.

That all rates and charges to be paid in four instalments, in accordance with *Section 167(1) and (2) of the Local Government Act 1989* and no person be allowed to pay rates and charges as a lump sum, unless resolved otherwise.

The General Manager Corporate Services be authorised to levy and recover the general rates, municipal charge and annual service charges in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*, and, to levy and recover the fire services levy under the *Fire Services Property Levy Act 2012*.

That any rates and charges which have not been paid by the date specified for their payment, pay interest in accordance with *Section 172(1) of the Local government Act 1989*, at the rate applicable under *Section 172(2) (a) of the Local government Act 1989*, currently equal to 10.5% per annum which the current declared rate under *Section 2 of the Penalty Interest Act 1983*.