

## 13. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

### 13.1 Questions Without Notice

1. Councillor Oates referred to an advertisement in the Macarthur Chronicle on Tuesday 16 October 2012, calling for submissions on proposed changes to ten day code-based approvals and asked if Councillors could be provided with further information on this issue at a future Tuesday evening Briefing.

The Director Planning and Environment advised that he would make the necessary arrangements for this issue to be listed on a future Briefing schedule.

2. Councillor Kolkman suggested that in future when the business paper is uploaded to relevant application for the iPads that the items be loaded in the same order as they would appear in a hard copy business paper.

The General Manager advised that he would make the necessary arrangements as requested.

3. Councillor Borg asked the General Manager as to the status of the opening the Council's community garden as he has a number of local residents interested in participating in this project.

The Director Community Services advised the community garden at the HJ Daley Library is operational and that she would provide further information to Councillors by way of memo.

4. Councillor Lake noted that two local residents Jarred Lysaught and Laclan Binskin were members of the Australian team that won the Under 14s Indoor Cricket World Championships held in Johannesburg, South Africa. Following the championships both young men were selected in the World team. Councillor Lake asked the Mayor if she would consider writing a letter of congratulations to both these young men.

The Mayor indicated that she would be more than happy to write a letter of congratulations to these young men.

5. Councillor Thompson congratulated Council staff for winning the ITC Professional of the Year Award for the recently completed Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP) telephony upgrade project.

6. Councillor Thompson noted that the pedestrians crossing from the Glenfield shops to Glenfield Railway Station are not using the pedestrian crossing causing safety concerns and problems for local traffic. Councillor Thompson asked the Acting Director City Works if he could investigate ways to alleviate this problem.

The Acting Director City Works advised that he is having continuing discussions with appropriate authorities regarding this issue and noted that safety fencing will be installed to encourage pedestrians to cross the road in a safe manner.

7. Councillor Greiss noted that he had also noticed the issue of pedestrian safety adjacent to Glenfield Railway Station noting that construction works on one side of the road have left no pedestrians thoroughfare and encouraged the Acting Director City Works to continue working with RailCorp to alleviate this problem.
8. Councillor Greiss asked to place on record his thanks to the community for electing all Councillors for the next term of Council and also thanked the elected representatives for electing him to the position of Deputy Mayor.
9. Councillor Greiss noted that he represented the Mayor at a fundraising dinner organised by the Falekakala Sponsorship Fund to establish a scholarship fund to pay for children who cannot afford to pay for schooling in Tonga and congratulated those responsible for running this worthwhile project.
10. Councillor Hawker asked the General Manager for an update on his previous request for consideration for the opening of gates on Brooks Road, Ingleburn being opened to allow the movement of east-west traffic at this location.

The General Manager advised that he has had recent meetings with representatives of the Ingleburn Chamber of Commerce and Industry regarding this issue and it is planned for this matter to be the subject of a Briefing in the near future.

11. Councillor Hawker noted that prior to the election there was a lot of discussion regarding the lack of community engagement especially in relation to lodgement of development applications and asked the General Manager what steps could be undertaken to improve this situation.

The General Manager advised that this issue is being considered under the auspices of the Integrated Planning and Report Framework and that currently Council consultation on development applications is undertaken in accordance with adopted guidelines and codes.

12. Councillor Borg noted that the East Campbelltown Eagles Rugby League Football Club was successful in winning the Country Rugby League Group 6 Clayton Cup. This competition has been run annually since 1937 and it is the first time that a local Campbelltown team has been successful.

Councillor Borg asked the Mayor if she would consider writing a letter of congratulations to East Campbelltown Eagles Rugby League Football Club.

The Mayor indicated that she would be more than happy to write a letter of congratulations to football club.

13. Councillor Glynn noted that there are a number of election candidate signs still displayed through the Local Government Area and asked if arrangements could be made for them to be removed.

The General Manager advised that contact had been made with those responsible for the erection of the signs to remove them however as this has not been undertaken he will instruct Council Rangers to remove the signs.

14. Councillor Chanthivong noted that this Saturday, the annual 24 Hour Fight Against Cancer will be held at Campbelltown Stadium. Councillor Chanthivong congratulated Councillor Borg and his team on the work undertaken to stage this event and wished them every success.

Councillor Borg thanked Councillors for their support and invited them to attend and noted this year a record number of just under 100 teams have entered so far making the 2012 event the most successful to date.

15. Councillor Kolkman referred to the Department Planning and Infrastructure website noting that Council's submission to the Green Paper does not appear on the website along with all other submissions and asked the Director Planning and Environment if he could attend to this oversight.

The Director Planning and Environment advised that he will make enquiries with the Department Planning and Infrastructure regarding this matter.