

19. PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

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1. Councillor Kolkman thanked his Councillor colleagues for their friendship, encouragement, loyalty, dedication and commitment during his time on Council.

Councillor Kolkman congratulated outgoing Mayor, Councillor Paul Hawker for his achievements over the past 12 months and wished him and his family all the best in their future endeavours.

Councillor Kolkman also thanked Council staff for their ongoing support and guidance and noted that the city of Campbelltown is in very good hands under the leadership of General Manager, Ms Lindy Deitz.

It was noted that many challenges will be faced in the future however each challenge brings the opportunity to create. Councillor Kolkman wished all incoming Councillors all the very best during the ensuing term.

Councillor Kolkman also congratulated Councillor Brticevic on his role as the leader of the Labor Party and expressed his complete confidence in this role.

2. Councillor Glynn noted that he has enjoyed his time on Council over the past eight years and wished incoming Councillors all the very best.

Councillor Glynn acknowledged the staff that were in attendance at the meeting and noted that all staff across the organisation are excellent, helpful and very efficient and thanked them for their assistance.

Councillor Glynn thanked his Labor Party colleagues and all Councillors for their support, encouragement and assistance over the past eight years.

3. Councillor Brticevic acknowledged retiring Councillors and thanked them for their contribution to our community during their service on Council. Councillor Brticevic recognised the 21 years service by Councillor Kolkman and thanked him for his guidance and assistance.

Councillor Brticevic thanked all Councillors for their encouragement, friendship and loyalty over the term and wished all Councillors the very best of luck in the future. Councillor Brticevic recognised the service by Councillor Hawker and acknowledged his achievements and contributions to our community.

4. Councillor Chanthivong acknowledged the privilege he has been given in representing the community of Campbelltown and noted that he has been a custodian of trust.

Councillor Chanthivong acknowledged his Councillor colleagues and thanked them for their support and encouragement and wished retiring Councillors all the very best in their future.

Councillor Chanthivong acknowledged former Councillors including the late Brenton Banfield, Aaron Rule for their leadership, support, encouragement and friendship.

Councillor Chanthivong thanked Council staff and noted that Campbelltown City Council is the breeding ground for the public service with many former staff now leading Councils across the Sydney Metropolitan area. Councillor Chanthivong acknowledged former General Manager Mr Paul Tosi, former Director City Works Mr John Hely and former Manager Executive Services Mr Nicholas Smolonogov for their support and friendship during his time on Council.

Councillor Chanthivong stated that he leaves Council with very fond memories and wished all Councillors and staff all the very best in their future endeavours and noted that he now leaves Council knowing that we can be optimistic about the future and the best is yet to come.

Councillor Chanthivong acknowledged the service of Councillor Hawker and noted that he should be proud of his achievements and contribution to our community and wished him and his family well in the future.

5. Councillor Lake acknowledged Councillor Chanthivong and all that he has achieved during his time in Council, from Councillor to Mayor to State Member they are all remarkable achievements and wished him all the very best in the future.

Councillor Lake also acknowledged Councillor Glynn for his dedication to our community and wished him all the best.

Councillor Lake recognised the contributions made by Councillor Kolkman and noted that he has been an asset to Council particularly in the area of planning and stated that he his contribution will be sorely missed. Councillor Lake thanked Councillor Kolkman for his 21 years of service to the community and for all that he has achieved during this time.

Councillor Lake wished Councillor Matheson all the very best in her future endeavours.

Councillor Lake thanked Councillor Hawker for his friendship, support and dedication to the community of Campbelltown and acknowledged his outstanding achievements as the Mayor of this great City.

Councillor Lake also thanked all Councillors for their encouragement and support and wished them all the very best.

6. Councillor Mead thanked all Councillors and staff for their guidance and support during the term. Councillor Mead acknowledged the Manager Financial Services, Manager Governance and Risk, former General Manager Mr Paul Tosi, noting he was a great mentor during his year as Mayor and former employee Mr Terry Rouen for his advice and support.

7. Councillor Thompson thanked all staff particularly those that attend meetings each month for their hard work and the hours of work they undertake.

Councillor Thompson acknowledged his Councillor colleagues noting that it has been a privilege working with them and he has many fond memories. Councillor Thompson also thanked the media for their efforts.

Councillor Thompson also acknowledged General Manager, Lindy Deitz for the marvellous work she is doing in her new role.

8. Councillor Greiss acknowledged Councillor Kolkman for his contribution and service to the community of Campbelltown and wished him all the best in his future. Councillor Greiss also recognised the service by Councillor Glynn, Councillor Chanthivong, Councillor Matheson and wished them all the very best.

Councillor Greiss congratulated Councillor Hawker on his service to our community and noted that he appreciates the encouragement and support given to him. It was also noted that as Mayor of the City of Campbelltown, Councillor Hawker has by far been the best Mayor the City has ever seen and wished him all the very best of luck in his future endeavours.

Councillor Greiss also wished Councillors all the very best of luck in the upcoming Local Government elections and noted that he has enjoyed working with his colleagues and highlighted that their goal has always been for the better of our community.

Councillor Greiss thanked Council staff for their support and guidance during his time on Council.

9. Councillor Rowell acknowledged Community Services Committee members, Councillor Brticevic, Councillor Glynn, Councillor Lound, Councillor Matheson, Councillor Oates and Councillor Thompson for their support and encouragement during his role as Chair of the Community Services Committee.

Councillor Rowell acknowledged his colleagues and thanked them for their support, encouragement, friendship and assistance over the past four years and wished them all the very best of luck in the future.

Councillor Rowell thanked Council staff for their ongoing dedication and commitment to the community of Campbelltown.

Councillor Rowell wished all incoming Councillors all the best in the future.

10. Councillor Oates congratulated Councillor Kolkman for his 21 years of service to the community and noted that he is an asset to Council particularly in the area of planning.

Councillor Oates acknowledged the work that is undertaken by Councillor Kolkman behind the scenes and the number of hours that he dedicated to researching matters and for the benefit of the community. It was noted that his commitment to the community is unwavering and tremendous.

Councillor Oates noted that she is sad to see Councillor Kolkman leave and is proud of his achievements and contribution to our City and wished Councillor Kolkman and his family all the very best.

11. Councillor Hawker reminisced on his first night on Council and remembers the kind words of encouragement offered to him by the late Brenton Banfield. Councillor Hawker read out a philosophy that he lives by.....

In whatever you do, don't let **selfishness** or **pride** be your guide. **Be humble**, and honour others more than yourself. Don't be interested only in your own life, but care about the lives of others too.

Councillor Hawker advised that the poster on the wall was presented to him by the Chinese community who asked him to hang the poster with pride. Councillor Hawker then advised that the text on the poster means "Mayor of the People".

Councillor Hawker thanked Council staff across the organisation for their contribution and hard work. Councillor Hawker acknowledged General Manager, Lindy Deitz and the work she is undertaking to lead this Council in to the future noting that there are exciting times ahead.

Councillor Hawker noted that as a community we are blessed by a natural environment that we must maintain and cherish. Having two rivers surrounding us and our tremendous bushland is unique and should be appreciated by all.

Councillor Hawker congratulated all Directors and Executive Managers on their appointments and wished them well in their roles.

Councillor Hawker acknowledged Executive Assistant, Kristy for her years of service and administrative support in the Chamber.

Councillor Hawker acknowledged the support and guidance he has received from the Manager Financial Services.

Councillor Hawker thanked his Councillor colleagues for their support and acknowledged that he will leave knowing that you will lead our City into the future.

Councillor Hawker acknowledged all retiring Councillors and thanked them for their service, dedication and commitment to the community of Campbelltown.