



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, 14 JULY 2025

MINUTES

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CITY OF ARMADALE

MINUTES

OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON MONDAY, 14
JULY 2025 AT 7.00PM.

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Mayor Butterfield, declared the meeting open at 7.00 pm.

Acknowledgement to Country

To begin I would like to pay my respects to the traditional custodians of this land, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation. The City pays its respects to the Aboriginal Elders past, present and always and extend that respect to any Aboriginal people in the room.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE (previously approved)

PRESENT:

Her Worship, Mayor R Butterfield presided over

Deputy Mayor, Cr J Keogh	River Ward
Cr J Joy JP	River Ward
Cr K Kamdar	Ranford Ward
Cr S Peter JP	Ranford Ward
Cr L Sargeson	Palomino Ward
Cr P A Hetherington	Palomino Ward
Cr K Busby	Minnawarra Ward
Cr G J Smith	Minnawarra Ward
Cr M Silver	Lake Ward
Cr S S Virk	Lake Ward
Cr S Stoneham	Hills Ward

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr J Lyon	A/Chief Executive Officer
Mr P Sanders	Executive Director Development Services
Mr M Southern	Executive Director Technical Services
Mrs S Van Aswegen	Executive Director Community Services
Mrs S D'Souza	CEO's Executive Assistant

Public: Nil

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Leave of Absence previously granted to Cr M J Hancock and Cr S J Mosey

APOLOGIES:

Apology received from Dr C M Wielinga

**3 ADVICE OF RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS
TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Nil

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1 Request for Leave of Absence (Cr Paul Hetherington)

Request for leave of absence received from:

- Cr Hetherington for the period Monday 1 September to Wednesday 3 September 2025, inclusive; and
- Dr Wielinga for the period Tuesday 15 July to Friday 8 August 2025, inclusive

MOVED Cr S Peter

That Council grant leave of absence to:

- **Cr Hetherington for the period Monday 1 September to Wednesday 3 September 2025, inclusive. (Does not include an Ordinary Council Meeting).**
- **Dr Wielinga for the period Tuesday 15 July to Friday 8 August 2025 (includes 1 Ordinary Council Meeting – 26 July 2025)**

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED

12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington,
Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

6 PETITIONS

Nil

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 PREVIOUS ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 23 JUNE 2025.

MOVED Cr L Sargeson that the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 23 June 2025 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED

12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington,
Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

1 Announcements for the Period 24 June to 14 July 2025

Tuesday 24 - 27 June 2025

Attended the National General Assembly (NGA) of Local Government in Canberra which included the AGM. This year's theme was 'National Priorities Need Local Solutions' and was an opportunity for Mayors and other elected members to discuss key issues facing Local Government, advocate for federal funding and policy reform, and build partnerships across Australia.

Saturday 28 June 2025

Attended the Harber Park Tree Planting Event in Brookdale, where members of the community, Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group employees and Councillors helped plant hundreds of seedlings. Councillors Peter, Mosey and Smith also took part in the event.

Sunday 29 June 2025

Attended the Rath Yatra 2025 Celebration held at Novelli Pavilion. This was a cultural festival depicting the journey of the chariots – symbolising and promoting goodness, happiness and harmony in the community. Councillor Kamdar was also in attendance as was the Mayor of the City of Cockburn, Logan Howlett.

Monday 30 June 2025

Attended the funeral of Michael Morcombe AM. Michael was truly an incredible local, with a passion for birds. His groundbreaking photography techniques and sometimes unconventional methods has added to our understanding of the habits and distribution of Australian birds. He published over 50 books on birds, which has helped deepen people's connection to the natural world and inspired conservation efforts.

Tuesday 1 July 2025

Attended the Switched on Business Award, to present the award to the Wasteless Pantry in Mundaring, as part of a SEREG (South East Regional Energy Group) initiative.

Wednesday 2 July 2025

Cr Joy attended the Junior Dale Fest at the Kelmscott Hall, on my behalf.

Tuesday 8 July 2025

Attended the NAIDOC Event held at Bob Blackburn Oval. Hugh Jones MLA and Cr's Hetherington, Smith, Busby also attended.

Attended a WALGA Webinar about H5 Bird Flu.

9 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN – WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

10 REPORTS

10.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

Report of the Community Services Committee held on 8 July 2025.

MOVED Cr M Silver that the report be received.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED 12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington,
Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

Recommendation C1/7/25 - Community Venue Hire Policy - Review (Referral Matter)

MOVED Cr M Silver

That Council note the Officer's comments.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED 12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington,
Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

Recommendation C2/7/25 - Armadale University Study Hub

MOVED Cr M Silver, SECONDED Cr K Busby

OPPOSED Cr S Peter

That Council:

- 1. Approve an amendment to the project budget to allocate an additional \$930,000 for the Armadale University Study Hub refurbishment project at Upper 145 Jull Street, funded as follows:**
- 2. Increase the Armadale SUSH Capital Works by \$930,000, from \$1,140,000 to \$2,070,000 in the FY25/26 Annual Budget.**
- 3. Increase the transfer from Asset Renewal Reserve by \$775,000; and allocate \$155,000 from Municipal Funds from the Civic Buildings Capital Budget, in the FY25/26 Annual Budget.**

**MOTION DECLARED CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE
MAJORITY RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL**

12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington,
Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

Recommendation C3/7/25 - Fireworks Event Notice Applications - Cardile International Fireworks Pty Ltd

MOVED Cr M Silver

That Council:

- 1. Approve the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety ‘Fireworks Event Notice’ applications as per the confidential attachments, and;**
- 2. Authorise the CEO to sign and issue the Notices as attached.**

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED

12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington, Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

Recommendation C4/7/25 - Cat Local Law 2024 - Correspondence from the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation

MOVED Cr M Silver

That Council:

- 1. Notes the letter from the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation.**
- 2. Resolves to undertake to the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation that it will initiate the local law amendment process set out in section 3.12 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, with the purpose and intent to amend the *City of Armadale Cat Local Law 2024* within eight months as follows;**
 - a) delete the definition of 'effective control' in clause 1.4**
 - b) delete clause 2.2**
 - c) amend clauses 2.4(1) and (2) as follows:**
 - (1) The owner of a cat, ~~or any other person responsible for a cat,~~ shall not allow the cat to create a nuisance.**
 - (2) Where a cat is creating a nuisance, the local government may give a Notice to the owner of the cat ~~or any other person in control of the cat,~~ requiring that person to abate the nuisance.**
 - d) amend clause 4.2(2)(c) by deleting the phrase 'veterinary clinic or veterinary hospital as defined under section 2 of the *Veterinary Surgeons Act 1960*' and replacing it with the equivalent places and definitions in the *Veterinary Practice Act 2021***
 - e) amend clause 4.4(g) as follows:**
 - (g) accompanied by written evidence that either the applicant or another person who will have charge of the cats, will reside at the single or multiple dwelling or on the premises or, in the opinion of the local government, sufficiently close to the single or multiple dwelling or premises so as to ~~maintain effective control of the cats and ensure their~~ the health and welfare of the cats.**
 - f) delete clause 4.8(1)(a)**
 - g) delete clause 4.8(1)(f)**

- h) amend clause 8.2(1) by replacing the reference to section 84 with a reference to section 62
 - i) delete Schedule 2, item 2
 - j) make all consequential amendments arising from the above amendments.
- 3. Instructs the Chief Executive Officer not to enforce the *City of Armadale Cat Local Law 2024* to the contrary before it is amended in accordance with the undertakings given in point 2 above.
- 4. Ensure that a copy of the undertakings, given in point 2 above, accompanies the *City of Armadale Cat Local Law 2024* wherever it is made publicly available by the City, whether in hard copy or electronic form.
- 5. Instructs the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a letter to the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation advising of the Council resolution, for the Mayor's signature.
- 6. Instructs the Chief Executive Officer to prepare an Amendment Cat Local Law in accordance with section 3.12 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, to give effect to JSCDL undertakings.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED

12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington,
Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

Recommendation C5/7/25 - Proposed Amendments to Policy - Lease and Licence

MOVED Cr K Busby

That Council:

- 1. Endorse the draft Policy – *Lease and Licence* as attached; and
- 2. be provided with quarterly updates on the implementation of the Policy.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED

12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington,
Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

10.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Report of the Chief Executive Officer.

MOVED Cr S Peter that the report be received.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED

12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington,
Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

Recommendation CEO1/7/25 - Proposed Differential Rates 2025/26 Budget Year

Councillors were advised via memo dated 11 July that there were no further differential rates submissions received from the public after noon on 10 July 2025 and by the close of the submission period at 5pm. Therefore there is no change to the information provided within the Differential Rates Report for consideration at the Council meeting.

MOVED Cr K Busby SECONDED Cr S Stoneham
OPPOSED Cr S Peter

That Council:

1. pursuant to s.6.36(4) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, **CONSIDER** the public submission(s) received, which respond to the local public notices on Council's intent to impose differential rates provided by the City; and
2. **AGREE** to include in the *draft 2025/26 Annual Budget* without modification, the following differential rates and general rates:

Gross Rental Value Properties

Differential Rate Category	Rate in the \$ (cents)	Minimum Rate
Vacant Land	15.6916	\$1,265
Residential Improved	10.1225	\$1,460
Business Improved	10.5632	\$1,698

Unimproved Value Properties

General & Minimum Rate	0.5118	\$1,748
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3. Pursuant to s.6.35(5) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, **AGREE** to seek the approval on the Minister for Local Government to impose a minimum payment on vacant land of \$1,265, that does comply with subsections (2), (3) or (4) of Section 6.35 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

8/4

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington, Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Stoneham
AGAINST: Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Silver, Cr Virk

Recommendation CEO2/7/25 - Councillors Information Bulletin - Issue No 10/2025

MOVED Cr S Peter

That Council acknowledge receipt of Issue No.10/2025 of the Information Bulletin

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED

12/0

FOR: Mayor Butterfield, Cr Joy, Cr Keogh, Cr Kamdar, Cr Peter, Cr Sargeson, Cr Hetherington, Cr Smith, Cr Busby, Cr Silver, Cr Virk, Cr Stoneham

11 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

12 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION

Nil

13 MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO STANDING COMMITTEES – WITHOUT DISCUSSION

1 Traffic Management Improvements - Harrisdale (Cr Keyur Kamdar)

That the matter of traffic management improvements on Gracefield Boulevard between Keane Road and Fairhaven Street in Harrisdale be referred to the Technical Services Committee.

2 Alcohol Risk Policy - Review (Cr Keyur Kamdar)

That the matter of a review and amendment of the Alcohol Risk Policy be referred to the Development Services Committee

3 Bus stop Seats - Renewal (Cr John Keogh)

That the matter of bus stop seat renewal be referred to the Technical Services Committee.

14 MATTERS REQUIRING CONFIDENTIAL CONSIDERATION

Nil

15 CLOSURE

The Mayor Butterfield, declared the meeting closed at 7.25pm

MINUTES CONFIRMED THIS 28 JULY 2025

MAYOR