



*City of*  
**Whittlesea**

# **MINUTES**

## **OF ADJOURNED ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD ON**

**TUESDAY 10 MARCH 2020**

**AT 6.07PM**

**IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, 25 FERRES  
BOULEVARD, SOUTH MORANG**



---

## COUNCILLORS

---

EMILIA LISA STERJOVA                      MAYOR, NORTH WARD

TOM JOSEPH                                      NORTH WARD

ALAHNA DESIATO                              DEPUTY MAYOR, SOUTH EAST WARD

SAM ALESSI                                      SOUTH EAST WARD

NORM KELLY                                      SOUTH EAST WARD

MARY LALIOS                                      SOUTH EAST WARD

LAWRIE COX                                      SOUTH WEST WARD

STEVAN KOZMEVSKI                              SOUTH WEST WARD

CAZ MONTELEONE                              SOUTH WEST WARD

KRIS PAVLIDIS                                      SOUTH WEST WARD



---

## SENIOR OFFICERS

---

JOE CARBONE

ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MICHAEL TONTA

MANAGER GOVERNANCE



## ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Acting Chief Executive Officer submitted the following business:

1.	<b>OPENING</b> .....	7
	1.1 <b>MEETING OPENING AND PRAYER</b> .....	7
	1.2 <b>ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS STATEMENT</b> .....	7
	1.3 <b>PRESENT</b> .....	7
2.	<b>APOLOGIES</b> .....	7
3.	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> .....	7
11.	<b>CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS</b> .....	9
	11.5 <b>EXECUTIVE SERVICES</b> .....	9
	11.5.1 <b>LEGAL COSTS IN RELATION TO GOVERNANCE MATTERS</b> .....	9
	11.5.2 <b>STAFFING MATTER</b> .....	11
12.	<b>STAFF PETITION TABLED IN RELATION TO FORMER CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SIMON OVERLAND</b> .....	13
13.	<b>CLOSURE</b> .....	15

**Note:**

**In these Minutes, Resolutions adopted by Council are indicated in bold text.**





**1. OPENING****1.1 MEETING OPENING AND PRAYER**

The Acting Chief Executive Officer opened the meeting with a prayer at 6.07pm.

**1.2 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS STATEMENT**

The Mayor, Cr Emilia Lisa Sterjova read the following statement:

‘On behalf of the City of Whittlesea I recognise the rich Aboriginal heritage of this country and acknowledge the Wurundjeri Willum Clan as the Traditional Owners of this place.’

**1.3 PRESENT****Members:**

Cr Emilia Lisa Sterjova	Mayor (North Ward)
Cr Tom Joseph	Councillor (North Ward)
Cr Alahna Desiato	Deputy Mayor (South East Ward)
Cr Sam Alessi	Councillor (South East Ward)
Cr Norm Kelly	Councillor (South East Ward)
Cr Mary Laliou	Councillor (South East Ward)
Cr Lawrie Cox	Councillor (South West Ward)
Cr Stevan Kozmevski	Councillor (South West Ward)
Cr Caz Monteleone	Councillor (South West Ward)
Cr Kris Pavlidis	Councillor (South West Ward)

**Officers:**

Mr Joe Carbone	Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr Michael Tonta	Manager Governance

**2. APOLOGIES**

NIL

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

NIL



**11. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS**

**11.5 EXECUTIVE SERVICES**

**11.5.1 LEGAL COSTS IN RELATION TO GOVERNANCE MATTERS**

**Responsible Officer:** Acting Chief Executive Officer

**Author:** Manager Governance

<b>REPORT</b>
---------------

It is proposed that the following item be considered in closed session.

<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>
-----------------------

**THAT Council resolve to close the meeting to members of the public for the purpose of considering details relating to the following, in accordance with Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989:**

- (f) legal advice**



**11.5.2 STAFFING MATTER****Responsible Officer:        Acting Chief Executive Officer****Author:                         Manager Governance/Herbert Smith Freehills**

<b>REPORT</b>
---------------

It is proposed that the following item be considered in closed session.

<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>
-----------------------

**THAT Council resolve to close the meeting to members of the public for the purpose of considering details relating to the following, in accordance with Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989:**

- (a) personnel matters**
- (d) contractual matters**
- (f) legal advice**
- (h) any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person**



---

**12. STAFF PETITION TABLED IN RELATION TO FORMER CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SIMON OVERLAND****REPORT**

It is proposed that the following item be considered in closed session.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT Council resolve to close the meeting to members of the public for the purpose of considering details relating to the following, in accordance with Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989:**

- (a) personnel matters**
- (h) any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person**

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** *Cr Kelly*  
**SECONDED:** *Cr Joseph*

**THAT Council resolve to close the meeting to members of the public for the purpose of considering details relating to the confidential matters above in accordance with Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 as follows:**

**11.5.1 LEGAL COSTS IN RELATION TO GOVERNANCE MATTERS**

*Confidential in accordance with Section 89(2)(f) of the Local Government Act 1989.*

**11.5.2 STAFFING MATTER**

*Confidential in accordance with Section 89(2)(a),(d),(f),(h) of the Local Government Act 1989.*

**CARRIED**

---

**ACCORDINGLY, THE MEETING WAS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC AT 6.08 PM.**

**THE MEETING WAS RE-OPENED TO THE PUBLIC AT 8.41PM.**





**13. CLOSURE**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.42PM.**

**THESE MINUTES WERE CONSIDERED AT THE 7 APRIL 2020 COUNCIL MEETING, PLEASE REFER TO PAGE 21 OF THE MINUTES OF THAT MEETING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.**