

CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN
MINUTES OF THE
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON 24 DECEMBER 2021

PRESENT:

Councillors Abouraad, Akter, Asfour, Cahill, Coorey, Downey, El-Hayek, Harika, Ishac, Nguyen, Raffan, Saleh, Waiba, Walsh

**PRESENT BY AUDIO
VISUAL LINK**

Councillor Zakhia

APOLOGIES

Nil

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the General Manager conducted an election for Chairperson in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

COUNCILLOR ASFOUR WAS ELECTED CHAIRPERSON

THE CHAIRPERSON DECLARED THE MEETING OPEN AT 12.05PM

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTELY

(1) CLR. ISHAC:/CLR. ABOURAAD

RESOLVED that permission be granted to Councillor Zakhia to attend the meeting remotely by zoom.

- CARRIED

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

THE MAYOR, ACKNOWLEDGED THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF THE LAND WHERE WE ARE MEETING TODAY THE DARUG (DARAG, DHARUG, DARUK AND DHARUK) AND THE EORA PEOPLES, AND PAID RESPECT TO THEIR ANCIENT CULTURE AND THEIR ELDERS PAST AND PRESENT.

SECTION 1: LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

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SECTION 2: DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR NON-PECUNIARY CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

SECTION 3: GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

ITEM 3.1 OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF OFFICE BY COUNCILLORS

(2) CLR. ISHAC:/CLR. EL-HAYEK

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

- CARRIED

ITEM 3.2 MAYORAL ELECTION - DECEMBER 2021 TO SEPTEMBER 2023

(3) CLR. DOWNEY:/CLR. EL-HAYEK

RESOLVED that

1. In accordance with Schedule 7 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 the General Manager, as the Returning Officer, conduct the Election of the Mayor.
2. In the event that there be more than one (1) nomination, Council determine the method of voting.

THE CHAIRPERSON VACATED THE CHAIR. THE GENERAL MANGER ASSUMED THE ROLE OF THE RETURNING OFFICER.

THE RETURNING OFFICER CALLED FOR NOMINATIONS IN WRITING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 2021 TO SEPTEMBER 2023.

THE FOLLOWING NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED:

CLR ISHAC

CLR ASFOUR

AN OPEN BALLOT WAS CONDUCTED BY THE RETURNING OFFICER WHICH RESULTED AS FOLOWS:

CLR ISHAC 5 VOTES

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CLR ASFOUR 10 VOTES

THE RETURNING OFFICER THEN DECLARED CLR ASFOUR ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF MAYOR FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 2021 TO SEPTEMBER 2023.

AT THIS STAGE HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR CLR ASFOUR ASSUMED THE CHAIR.

- CARRIED

ITEM 3.3 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR
(4) CLR. DOWNEY:/CLR. WALSH

RESOLVED that

1. Council elect a Deputy Mayor for the period December 2021 to September 2022.
2. The fee for the Deputy Mayor be set at 15% of the Mayoral fee per annum for the term of office.
3. In accordance with Section 7 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, the General Manager, as the Returning Officer be requested to administer the Election of the Deputy Mayor.
4. In the event that there be more than one (1) nomination the method of voting be open voting.

THE RETURNING OFFICER CALLED FOR NOMINATIONS IN WRITING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 2021 TO SEPTEMBER 2022.

THE FOLLOWING NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED:

CLR ABOURAAD

CLR EL-HAYEK

AN OPEN BALLOT WAS CONDUCTED BY THE RETURNING OFFICER WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

CLR ABOURAAD 5 VOTES

CLR EL-HAYEK 10 VOTES

