

Deputation List

Agenda Briefing Forum – 17 March 2026

Deputations will be heard at the Agenda Briefing Forum at **7pm, Tuesday 17 March 2026**

The items will then be considered by Council at its Ordinary Council Meeting, scheduled for **7pm, Tuesday 24 March 2026**. The procedure for making a deputation is available on the City’s website: [Petitions and Deputations - City of Bayswater](#) Deputations may be made in person or in writing.

In-person deputations

The following people have registered to make in-person deputations:

Deputee Name(s)	In Support / Not in Support of the Officer’s Recommendation or Councillor Motion
10.1.3 Motions from the 2024/25 AGM of Electors	
(Motion 5 - Endorse and actively participate in “16 Days in WA Campaign,” to Eliminate Domestic Violence)	
David Dyke	In Support <i>*Provided deputation notes as detailed below</i>
(Motion 6 - The development and implementation of a Men’s Health Plan.)	
David Dyke	In Support <i>*Provided deputation notes as detailed below</i>
(Motion 12 - Employment of a History and Heritage Officer)	
Suzanne Cundale	Not in Support <i>*Provided deputation notes as detailed below</i>
Monica Main	Not in Support <i>*Provided deputation notes as detailed below</i>
Wendy Garstone	Not in Support <i>*Provided deputation notes as detailed below</i>
Keith Cundale	Not in Support <i>*Provided deputation notes as detailed below</i>
Greg Haughey	Not in Support <i>*Provided deputation notes as detailed below</i>
(Motion 14 – Rename Broun Avenue to Beaufort Street)	
George Wilkinson	Not in Support
10.3.1 Verge Tree Removal Request - 36 Clarke Road, Morley	
Wendy Garstone	In Support <i>*Provided deputation notes as detailed below</i>
10.4.1 Development Application - Proposed Padel Courts	
Jaimie Forssman (spokesperson)	In Support
Ken Griffiths	Not In Support
14.1.1 Property Matter - Bayswater	
Chris Harman	In Support

Written deputations

The following deputations have been received in writing and are attached:

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10.1.3 Motions from the 2024/25 AGM of Electors	
(Motion 2 - That Council consider installing disabled parking at Riverside Gardens enclosed dog exercise area)	
Julia Doyle	Not in Support
Giorgia Johnson	Not in Support
(Motion 10 - Mayoral Chain of Office is not to be worn at Ordinary, Special or Committee Meetings, unless formally designated by Council as a ceremonial occasion.)	
Aileen O'Rourke	Not in Support
(Motion 12 - employment of a History and Heritage Officer)	
Deborah Huff	Not in Support
Roger Cooper	Not in Support
Val Hately	Not in Support
Pamela Harding	Not in Support
Alex Ellis	Not in Support
Clare Chamberlain	Not in Support
Bevan Marshall	Not in Support
Penny Lee	Not in Support
Aileen O'Rourke	Not in Support
(Motion 13 – Install a park sign at Cosentino Reserve)	
George Cosentino	Not in Support
10.3.1 Verge Tree Removal Request - 36 Clarke Road, Morley	
Georgina Ker	In Support
Kate Bowker	In Support
10.4.1 Development Application - Proposed Padel Court Additions to Noranda Sporting Complex	
Sharlene Pierce	Not in Support
Riley Griffiths	Not in Support
Michael Wainwright	In Support

10.1.3 Motions from the 2024/25 AGM of Electors

Motion 12 - That Council approves the employment of a History and Heritage Officer for The City of Bayswater.

Deborah Huff, Bayswater

I am writing in support of Motion 12 – the appointment of a History and Heritage Officer for the City of Bayswater.

As a resident and illustrator who researches and shares the stories of historic buildings, I have seen first-hand how interested people are in the history of the places around them. I have recently written and illustrated a book about historic buildings in Perth, including several in the City of Bayswater area, and much of this work has been done as a private citizen simply because I care about these stories and want them to be shared.

Through this process it has become very clear how valuable local history is to the community, and how much work is currently carried by volunteers and historical societies. Their work is incredibly important, but it should not be expected that volunteers alone preserve and promote the history of an entire area. The City of Bayswater is a fantastic part of Perth with a rich and interesting history.

Appointing a dedicated History and Heritage Officer would help support existing community efforts, strengthen engagement with local heritage, and ensure these stories are preserved and shared for future generations. Many other local governments already have similar roles. Supporting Motion 12 would help ensure the City of Bayswater continues to recognise and invest in the value of its history and heritage.

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Suzanne Cundale

My name is Sue Cundale, and I'm the Secretary of Maylands Historical and Peninsula Association and I am here today to support the motion of appointing a City of Bayswater History and Heritage Officer. Recently the WA Local Government Minister, Minister Beazley, was talking about the idea of merging smaller Local Government areas into larger ones – one of the things she said and I quote “I really need them (LGs) to get real and start considering their futures and doing the right thing and making the right choices about their viability moving forward.” ‘They really need to be considering, are they merely existing to keep the lights on or are they in a position to actually develop and deliver the sort of improved and innovative services and facilities for their communities, not just for today, but into the future as well.

I'm here this evening to challenge each and every Councillor who is voting on this appointment this evening.... are City of Bayswater simply keeping the lights on or are you prepared to do the right thing and make the right choices? Are you happy with just doing the bare essentials as mentioned in the Officers Comments or are you prepared to be innovative and forward thinking by using the unique History and Heritage within the City to do things differently?

At the moment you have 2 volunteer run Historical Societies based in Bayswater and Maylands who are working hard to preserve and share our local history. Not just the history of our particular suburbs but the history of the whole City. And we are being innovative and forward thinking! Maylands Historical has a digital interactive map which captures the history of houses, buildings, businesses and walks in the area – this map has already received more than **20,000 views**, Bayswater Historical Society is now developing its own map and we are both digitising our records. Together, we will continue to build a rich, accessible digital record of our city.

Our talks, open days, and community events are all well attended and our interaction with the community is extremely active. But volunteer passion can only take us so far and there is always the potential unsustainability of such volunteer run organisations. Recently, a small group of volunteers from both of our Historical Societies visited a number of local museums and history centres in councils similar in age and demographic to the City of Bayswater. We wanted to understand how other councils approach heritage—how they protect it, promote it, and resource it. What we discovered was rather interesting. Across Perth, councils are investing significantly in their local history with examples being:

- **The Cities of Belmont and Stirling** both have their own museums and have the equivalent of up to *five* full-time officers.
- **The Towns of Cambridge and Vincent** maintain a Local History Centre in their Libraries.
- **The Town of Bassendean** employs *two* full-time staff.
- **The City of Swan** has secured Federal funding for a new state-of-the-art museum and financially supports its volunteer group to employ a museum curator.

The City of Bayswater does not yet have any specific manpower assigned to this area and relies solely on volunteers. A **History and Heritage Officer** would transform what is possible. This role would work closely with both Historical Societies (and any other future ones) to research, interpret, and champion the City's history—ensuring it is understood, valued, and embedded in how our city grows and evolves.

A History and Heritage Officer could:

- Support and promote volunteering and community involvement
- Publicise and promote our open days, talks, walks and exhibitions
- Collaborate with local Indigenous groups to help record and preserve Aboriginal history, working alongside the Reconciliation Action Group
- Highlight the uniqueness of the City of Bayswater through exhibitions, school programs, pop-up displays, and partnerships with our museums and collections

The City of Bayswater has extraordinary heritage—through its people, its stories, and its built form. Heritage is not a burden; it is an asset. It attracts visitors, strengthens community identity, and enriches the places we call home. A dedicated History and Heritage Officer would help us protect these assets and share them with future generations.

We hope that everyone here tonight agrees that it is time for our City to consider how it can better support volunteer-run historical societies by creating this vital position.

We need to future-proof our collections and our local history.

We need to not just be keeping the lights on...

We need to be more innovative and more future oriented.

Thank you.

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Clare Chamberlain, Bayswater

Bayswater has undergone significant changes, not only since colonisation, but particularly over the past few years, with changes such as the new Bayswater and Morley Train Stations and the redevelopment of the Morely/Galleria shopping precinct.

A dedicated History and Heritage Officer would significantly strengthen and extend the efforts already being made by volunteer-run groups such as the Bayswater Historical Society and the Maylands Historical and Peninsula Association to collect, preserve, protect and promote artifacts, personal histories and diverse culture from our distant past, colonial, 20th Century and future history.

The current groups do an amazing job, but it can only ever be the tip of the iceberg. The dedicated officer would not only support these groups, but contribute to local community events, school education and to inform other officers of the council when question arise over the cultural and historical significance of new developments or events.

Appointing a dedicated officer will ensure that the community's history and heritage are not only preserved and protected but also promoted for the benefit of current and future generations. This role will help foster a deeper appreciation of local heritage and encourage wider community engagement.

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Roger Cooper

Although I live in a neighbouring suburb I am actively involved with the MH&PA as well as my own local history community. I have lived in Bayswater previously. I wholeheartedly support Motion 12, that Council approves the employment of a History and Heritage Officer for The City of Bayswater. Judging by what other Perth Councils have achieved by so doing, I feel it will be a win win for the Council and the community.

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Val Hatelý

History and Heritage in the City of Bayswater is not known to the people in general, most don't even know of the Maylands or Bayswater Societies. We deserve a dedicated History and Heritage officer appointed by the City of Bayswater to protect our future history and promote our important role in the early years of Western Australian Swan River settlement. We need to be seen by all the residents of Bayswater and surrounding communities to be proud of our heritage and history.

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Pamela Harding, Bayswater

I have been involved in archival work and historical research for many years. Many younger people do not seem interested in history until they want to find out about older members of the family or the community in which they live. Sadly, often the records have been thrown into a skip bin due to lack of necessary space and not realising the importance of records and documents.

Having spent many hours removing rusty clips and staples and sorting and checking, I know the time and computer ability it takes to achieve an organised collection. Many volunteers are elderly and not very computer literate, which means a younger person with those computer skills is necessary. A regular paid officer will mean that in the future records will be more readily available for research.

Hard copies need to be kept as many documents have historical/archival value in themselves. Therefore compactus or shelving is needed too. But having the technical ability via the computer to locate the hard copy is invaluable. Even my own younger family members are interested as my husband's grandparents had a dairy farm in Bayswater in the early years of 20 century and together with Harry Halliday helped to build the original Bayswater Baptist Church in 1896. The grandfather (William Law-Davis) was a son of the pensioner guard who lived at the cottage in Bassendean.

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Alex Ellis, Bayswater

Mayor, Councillors and City staff, I wish to express my strong support for the motion that Council approve the employment of a History and Heritage Officer for the City of Bayswater.

The City of Bayswater has a rich and diverse cultural heritage that reflects the stories of its people, places and development over many generations. Preserving and interpreting that heritage is essential for maintaining our community identity and ensuring that future generations understand the history that has shaped our city.

The City's own Council Plan 2025–2035 recognises the importance of heritage. It commits the City to enhancing local identity through programs and initiatives that celebrate our cultures, history and heritage, and to ensuring that our city is sustainable by preserving both environmental and cultural assets. However, despite this strong policy support, there is currently no dedicated officer responsible for coordinating heritage work within the City. While heritage functions are managed across existing staff resources, much of the community-based heritage work is undertaken by volunteers.

I have personally been involved in a number of heritage-related initiatives through my work with the Bayswater Historical Society (BHS) over many years. Most recently, as some of you will be aware, I along with other members of the BHS were involved in instigating the formation of a Naming Register for the City and participating in discussions with Landgate and other stakeholders regarding the historical origins of street, park, reserve and facility names within the City of Bayswater. These projects highlight both the enthusiasm of volunteers and the limitations we face. Volunteers contribute significant time, expertise and passion, but we cannot reasonably be expected to carry the responsibility for documenting and preserving the City's heritage alone.

A dedicated History and Heritage Officer, as is employed by the City of Subiaco, would provide the professional coordination and continuity needed to properly support heritage outcomes in our community. Such a role could:

- Coordinate heritage research, documentation and sharing of resources (including digital platforms and interfaces)
- Support the development and maintenance of initiatives such as the Naming Register
- Work with local historical societies and community groups
- Assist with interpretation of local history and place naming, especially our First Nations heritage
- Help ensure that heritage considerations are integrated into planning and development processes

Importantly, this role would not replace volunteers; rather it would amplify and support their efforts. Our local historical organisations, including the Bayswater Historical Society and the Maylands Historical and Peninsula Association, already provide significant professional-level contributions to the community through research, walks, talks and historical interpretation.

With the support of a dedicated officer, these contributions could be expanded and better coordinated, allowing the City to strengthen community engagement with its history while also enhancing tourism, education and civic pride.

This appointment represents an opportunity for the City of Bayswater to demonstrate leadership in preserving and celebrating its heritage while supporting the volunteers who have been carrying this work for many years. I encourage Council to support the establishment of a History and Heritage Officer position so that the stories, places and cultural heritage of our community are properly preserved and shared for generations to come.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Monica Main, Bayswater

My name is Monica Main and I'm Chair of the Bayswater Historical Society and I'm here to strongly support the Motion: *That Council approves the employment of a History and Heritage Officer for The City of Bayswater.*

The City Officer's comment and recommendation responding to the motion appears opaque and perfunctory - an exercise in box ticking. Their comment betrays a fundamental misunderstanding of what a History and Heritage Officer does and could do for the City, and why the City of Bayswater urgently needs to appoint one.

In the City there are two volunteer-run Historical societies, both formed in the early 1990's. They take care of: heritage collections, the museum at Halliday House in Bayswater, the research centre and displays at the Old Police Station in Maylands, the digitisation of all records collected, the recording of oral histories and making these available to the community along with talks and walks and museum open days and special exhibitions and displays.

The history in these stories, these objects and events tell of, and celebrate the diversity of people and cultures that have made our city what it is today. Both organisations preserve, protect and promote our local heritage and foster a sense of pride in our shared stories and histories. History is about and belongs to the residents of all of the City of Bayswater including Maylands, Bayswater, Morley, Noranda, Embleton and Bedford. As custodians this is a huge responsibility and burden for the volunteers of both groups.

Many local councils see the benefit of these collections and employ a Heritage Officer to help preserve, expand and share these collections in a systematic and coherent way with the broader community - including via libraries and schools - history is after all included in The WA school curriculum. Our neighbours in Belmont, Stirling and Cambridge - and indeed further afield in Guildford, Cockburn and Wanneroo - are all investing in their history and employing Heritage officers. These councils have qualified staff working in tandem with volunteer-run historical societies to strengthen community connection.

History is not necessarily a consideration of a time long ago but also events that have happened recently - history started yesterday. Heritage, both tangible (like buildings, trees, monuments) and intangible (like traditions and stories), shapes our individual and collective identities. It helps us understand our roots and connect with our communities. History and heritage reveal different perspectives, cultures, and ways of life, fostering empathy, tolerance, and a deeper appreciation for cultural diversity. Something our society needs more and more in these current times.

Shared heritage can create a sense of unity and belonging, strengthening social bonds and promoting community spirit. Protecting and celebrating heritage ensures that future generations can learn from the past, appreciate their cultural legacy, and understand their place in the world. So, what might this celebration of heritage look like?

I am a professional Arts practitioner and I've been commissioned by the City of Perth to write and present 3 different performances with professional actors in a number of their historic gardens. All of these will be free for the public to see in their magnificent gardens during their month long Boorloo Heritage Festival – a festival curated by the City of Perth's Culture and Heritage officer.

Bayswater was established at the same time as The Swan River Colony - 1829. Our Bicentenary is just around the corner.

Are you aware of what Albany has planned for their Bicentenary this year? At the heart of Albany 2026 is a story far older than two centuries – this is Menang Noongar Boodja; ancient country with deep cultural roots and stories. Albany has programmed major events that will unite people through powerful cultural experiences - celebrating diverse perspectives, advancing reconciliation and preserving Albany's rich heritage for future generations. What is the City of Bayswater planning for our own Bicentenary?

It's time the City looks to the future in order to preserve the past. Employing a dedicated Heritage Officer would establish innovative programming and amplify the vital work our two volunteer groups already do. Our collections and our unique local history deserve to be future proofed – because Heritage does matter to many in our local community.

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Wendy Garstone, Maylands

I wish to express my strong support for the motion that this Council works towards creating a new position of a History and Heritage Officer. I'd like to start with the following statement from the City's recent annual report:

The City is experiencing an annual growth rate of 1.3% and our population is projected to reach more than 100,000 by 2050. This growth not only brings increased diversity but presents new opportunities for development and community engagement, positioning Bayswater as a thriving and inclusive place in which to live, work and visit. When the council was first established as a Roads Board in 1897 it had one staff member. This was the secretary, and the role was part-time. The next staff member was a health officer, and so on, until now, the City currently employs nearly 700 officers. Establishing new roles is an essential part of meeting always evolving community expectations.

I have been involved with the Bayswater Historical society for about four years. In that time I have seen many examples that leave me more than convinced that it is time for this council to employ someone whose main and first responsibility is History and Heritage. Someone who can bring professional experience in this field to this City, someone who can promote heritage with the council, with the community and someone who can advocate for the two volunteer groups who have collected and shared stories and artifacts for more than 30 years. Too often the needs of Heritage and the two groups are forgotten or given minimal consideration, for example the exclusion of heritage from the Strategic Community Plan until last year. It was added only due to advocacy by the two volunteer groups. The officers' response to the motion provides no detail on how the council, across various work units, will meet its obligations regarding Heritage as per the Strategic Community Plan 2025–2035. I think we all need to understand the work being done by the City currently regarding heritage, we need to understand what the gaps are, and how that sits next to the capacity of the two volunteer groups, currently and in the future. This City seems to be the last council without an officer whose main role is Heritage. Several councils have employed a Heritage team in response to a volunteer group closing, i.e. a reactive response, others have worked proactively to ensure Heritage has a strong voice in the council. Councillors, I ask that you find a way to plan proactively for the future, plan to help the volunteer groups thrive, and plan to protect the two heritage collections, which ultimately, belong to the community.

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Bevan Marshall, Maylands

From my experience of the lack of knowledge that some good folk reveal when they attend our display at the old police station on Guildford Road, it is concerning for me that history may be lost forever.

I am an octogenarian who does not buy green bananas, not sure how many more years are left for me and I still have a wealth of oral history to reveal.

Just last night (16th March) at our monthly meeting at the Maylands Dome, which is always well attended, we were fortunate to meet for the first time, a Maylands senior lady who has a wealth of photographs and memorabilia to reveal. The meeting was most fortuitous and we intend following up on this vital link to the past.

Our outreach at the MHPA promotes a sense of Community Spirit sadly lacking in the world right now and we would love to be able to capture and promote this endeavour.

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Keith Cundale, Maylands

My name is Keith Cundale and I am the President of Maylands Historical and Peninsula Association and I am here tonight to support the motion seeking to appoint a History and Heritage officer in the City of Bayswater. You have heard some compelling arguments for this appointment from people across the City, and now I would like to add just a few personal examples of why I think that an Officer working in this field would help create significant change and progress.

You may recall that last year Maylands Historical was awarded Citizen of the Year by City of Bayswater in recognition of our successful engagement with local communities and the ways in which we have embraced new methods of sharing information about our suburb. We have yet more ideas for how we might expand our scope of work and the outreach to our diverse communities, but this is beyond our ability to deliver alone. For example, if the City were to have a History and Heritage Officer, that person could work with us to:

Promote the concept of volunteering in the field of cultural heritage and help provide appropriate training and support Encourage community involvement in sharing their cultural heritage and local history – especially in those suburbs which do not yet have an Historical Society or in communities that do not yet engage with us.

Publicise and promote our open days, talks, walks and exhibitions across the whole city and work with other local groups to help establish their own walks and talks. Highlight the uniqueness of the City of Bayswater through exhibitions, school Incursion programmes, pop-up displays, and partnerships with our museums and collections.

Finally there is one aspect of History and Heritage that remains a challenge for our Society and for which a centrally-appointed officer could add considerable support and assistance: At the moment we are really only capable of researching, documenting and sharing information about post-colonial history and heritage.

One of my longer term, strategic ambitions has been to collaborate with local Indigenous groups to help record, preserve and share Aboriginal history in ways that are respectful and appropriate. This we cannot do alone. But I can envision working closely with the Heritage and History officer, together with the Reconciliation Action Group to bring into focus the history of the peoples who lived in the area for many thousands of years before European settlement.

I urge you to support this motion and enable the enthusiastic volunteers across the city expand their scope of work and to help us all to engage with other communities and suburbs in promoting and sharing the rich History and Heritage of this diverse City.

Thank you for your attention.

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Aileen O'Rourke, Bayswater

I believe that Bayswater Council should appoint a dedicated Heritage Officer.

Employing a Heritage Officer would ensure that the local government area, which has a rich history, could proactively manage its historical assets.

This will ensure they contribute to community identity and economic vitality.

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Penny Lee, Maylands

Strangely, although the officers' comments and recommendation purport to show that City of Bayswater does not require a dedicated Heritage Officer, my opinion is that they in fact very clearly support the need for such an officer.

We are told that heritage matters are dealt with across multiple service areas. This is the core of the problem experienced by anyone who has tried to get answers to questions on history and heritage matters in our city. We do not know who to contact in the first instance. There is no clear indication of who deals with what in any online context as far as I know. Last year, I sent a carefully and thoughtfully conceptualised letter to the CEO and Mayor asking various questions related to heritage matters. My recollection is that I did not even receive an acknowledgement of that communication.

Right now, damage to parts of the Bayswater History Society's headquarters at Halliday (Leighton) House during the storm that brought down many trees earlier this year still has not been remediated. I appreciate that attending to street trees blocking access etc. had to have priority, but what is the hold-up now? Who would I contact if I wanted to find out? A dedicated Heritage officer would have a list of priorities and the capacity to liaise with various service areas to ensure that work that needs to be done is done in a systematic and timely way.

In the early to mid 2000s, not long after I first moved to City of Bayswater in 2001, I wanted to access the City's archives. I was told no formal archival repository or set of associated record keeping processes existed and to try local libraries. Do statutory requirements require that full and proper records are kept by Local Government Authorities? The officers' comments strive to convince us that all such requirements are currently met. It seems they are not. None of the libraries seem to have substantial archival resources and I am not aware of systematic, efficient and openly accessible record keeping across the board encompassing the decades of existence of CoB.

A local authority heritage officer has professional training and expertise to advise on the preservation and protection of historic buildings, landscapes, and other assets of heritage significance. Do Councillors know precisely who has this kind of expertise at CoB?

A heritage officer would be able to tell us exactly when the planned review of the heritage planning framework would be done in 2026. A vague assurance that such a review is planned tells me the City has so far done nothing tangible so far with regard to that review. It is already March. What are the processes? What is the timeline? Does anyone value such a review? If not, why is not being progressed with full community consultation and involvement?

Who within the various service areas at CoB is professionally qualified to advise on appropriate techniques for preserving historical artefacts? For instance, do CoB officers even know what inventories of such items, including items of clothing more than 100 years old, are held by the City's two history societies? What support does the City provide to volunteers with regard to preservation and protection of such significant items, so important to the cultural heritage of our City?

We are told that the City provides grants and other incentives to support recognition of history and heritage? Who coordinates these? Under what headings should residents search on the website for precise information on the matter?

We know the City has no formal archives (as far as I can discover). So who is responsible for undertaking research and documentation of heritage assets? Surely it would be inefficient to have such functions spread across multiple service areas? I once tried to find out whether or not a structure specified in the modification of a storm water drain at Baigup in the year 2000 had ever been built. I accessed an extremely helpful officer with many years of familiarity with engineering work done within the City, Eventually, after much searching, that person told me that no records could be found relevant to the issue. Does this look like proper record keeping? Does it meet statutory requirements? It seems unlikely. Certainly, there was no evidence whatsoever that the structure, if it existed, had been serviced regularly in line with the original design of the intervention.

Who, specifically, at City of Bayswater, monitors compliance with heritage protection laws? Who should residents and ratepayers contact if they have concerns on this matter?

Finally with Western Australia's bicentenary of European settlement coming up in 2029, who is currently planning celebrations and activities in association with this event? I would encourage councillors to take a look at what Albany is doing this year to celebrate their 2026 bicentenary. It is really impressive. Maylands and Bayswater were settled very soon after the establishment of the Swan River Settlement. Whadjuk Noongar leaders for different parts of the metro area at the time are also known to historians. Are we going to make a serious attempt to not only celebrate accomplishments since settlement, but also engage like the State of Victoria and the City of Albany in appropriate consultations with First Australians? Will we be able to provide a serious, dignified and fully consultative lead-up process to our bicentennial discussions? Will that process include the truth-telling that is required for us to enter our 3rd century of modern Australia in a mature, responsible way that fully acknowledges our heritage of tens of thousands of years alongside that of European dominated legacies?

City of Bayswater, including as it does some of the oldest parts of the metropolitan area, needs at least a part time history and heritage officer to ensure we make our way into the bicentennial year of 2029 with the dignity and responsibility that our historical legacy requires.

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Georgia Johnson, Bayswater

With heritage split across various roles, and areas, there is no better time to appoint a dedicated Heritage Officer than now as the City prepares its Heritage Planning Framework.

There are no better advocates for this item than the Bayswater Historical Society, whose volunteer members have carried out the function of the City's heritage record keeping for many, many years.

The role of a heritage officer is bigger than record keeping and supporting our built heritage and two historical societies, and it can support the City's Planning and community development.

Please consider this appointment and how it could be funded for the 2026-27 financial year

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Motion 2 - That Council give consideration to installing disabled parking at Riverside Gardens enclosed dog exercise area

Julia Doyle, Embelton

1. Existing acrod bays 80mt from the dog park...my acrod permit was approved on 50mt walking distance.
2. We visit the dog park every morning - after sleeping all night my dog has energy to burn, plus it is my social group to start the day...it is easy for people to become isolated as they age.
3. Path to the park traverses off lead dogs area - whilst some dog owners are considerate and thoughtfully manage their dogs, many others are not aware and we are faced with unwelcome approaches to my dog who reacts to large dogs, and this in turn makes me concerned about the very real possibility that I might fall. This could be life changing.
4. I am not the only person to find safely accessing the park difficult - a person at the park advised that her father would like to go with her to watch the dogs play but cannot manage walk from the car park. And another lady who has stopped going, had issues which limited her.
5. Sometimes when there are a number of large dogs on or around the pathway, my friend and I use the roadway to return to our cars. On the days when that friend does not visit the park, I had been taking my dog to Bert Wright Park which is dogs on lead, however I stopped going there when two men on separate occasions, were letting their large dogs off lead and blaming me for creating an issue, shouting that I should be letting my dog off lead and training him...at an on lead park! So basically I have nowhere to take my dog where my safety is assured. The Bert Wright Park issues were reported last year to the rangers - Rochelle.
Julia Doyle

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Motion 2 - That Council give consideration to installing disabled parking at Riverside Gardens enclosed dog exercise area

Giorgia Johnson, Bayswater

At the AGM, the mover of this motion explained very clearly why walking 80m from the accessible parking bay through the off-leash dog area to the enclosed dog area does not work and is a barrier to her independent participation.

Please explore the option of adding a few accessible bays closer to this very popular amenity within the budget.

10.1.3 Motions from the 2024/25 AGM of Electors

Motion 10 - The Mayor's Chain of Office is a civic insignia that can be worn at civic and ceremonial functions representing the City. The Mayor's Chain of Office is not to be worn at Ordinary or Special Council meetings or Committee Meetings, unless the meeting has been formally designated by Council as a ceremonial occasion.

Aileen O'Rourke, Bayswater

I wish to oppose the officers recommendation to retain mayoral chains at ordinary council meetings.

I would first note that in the officer's report it is mentioned that 50% of Councils no longer were mayoral chains at OCM's.

The officer also states, in the report, that the mayoral chains are a 'visible and official symbol of the authority bestowed on the Mayor as the head of local government.'

This tradition dates from the 14th century in Britain where the mayor was responsible for law and order in the community. Surely, we need to move on from this tradition. (I hopefully don't need to mention the issue of reconciliation with First Nations people in this context)

Ordinary council meetings are about the routine business of government, debating policy, allocating resources and making decisions on behalf of our community. Each councillor is elected by the community. The mayor is entrusted with leadership but is not elevated above their colleagues in status or authority.

The wearing of ceremonial chains in this context creates a visible hierarchy that does not reflect the democratic principle of equal representation. In a contemporary diverse and multicultural society, symbolism matters. What we wear and display sends messages about power identity and accessibility.

Ordinary council meetings are also forums where community members can ask questions and provide deputations. Most residents would appreciate and relate to representatives that are approachable and grounded not elevated by regalia that can appear outdated and disconnected from modern civic life.

The officer in the report talks about the importance of it of tradition. It was never a proposed that mayoral chains be banned altogether. Mayoral chains would still be worn during ceremonial occasions such as citizenship ceremonies and other significant ceremonial occasions.

Removing ceremonial regalia at ordinary council meetings is a simple step that signals equality and contemporary leadership. A very modest step that does not erase history. It simply ensures that our everyday practices align with democratic values that we publicly espouse.

10.1.3 Motions from the 2024/25 AGM of Electors

Motion 13 - Can the council please allocate funds to install a park sign at Cosentino Reserve. The 10 reserve is located at 10 Cosentino Place, Bayswater.

George Cosentino, Bayswater

Can the council please allocate funds to install a park sign at Cosentino Reserve. The reserve is located at 10 Cosentino Place Bayswater. The reserve was designated as public open space and has been dutifully maintained by the Cosentino family, since 1979, after it was ceded to the crown. The total and adjoining land was acquired by the family in 1951.

The signage once installed will assist emergency services, inform the public & local community and update mapping & locational aids. Furthermore, the signage is well overdue and will be a fitting tribute to the pioneering spirit of our parents, Rosa & Vincenzo Cosentino who cultivated & maintained the land, and shared its produce over the decades. It is a fitting and rightful addition to the reserve, and a testament to the many extended Cosentino family members that live close by and within the shire of Bayswater.



10.1.3 Motions from the 2024/25 AGM of Electors

Motion 5 - That Council and the City of Bayswater formally endorse and actively participate in the “16 Days in WA Campaign,” committing to meaningful action and investment to raise Awareness leading to Eliminate Domestic and Sexual Violence in our community.

David Dyke, Maylands

16 Days in WA Campaign takes its inspiration from the global 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, which has been running internationally for many years. The reason this matters is because the problem is not going away.

In Western Australia, police data shows that reported family and domestic violence offences increased by about 18% in the 2024–25 period, with more than 42,000 incidents recorded. And advocates caution that even this number likely underestimates the true scale because many incidents are never reported.

Last year I suggested a number of actions that the City could take as part of the 16 Days campaign. Those included lighting up Civic buildings in the campaign colours, social media awareness across the 16 days, email signature icons to promote the campaign, and workshops with motivational speakers similar to those we have seen at the City’s International Women’s Day events. These are practical steps that can help raise awareness across the community.

I would also like to commend the City of Bayswater for making an investment last year by organising a workshop with Lifeline. However, out of approximately 80 attendees, it appeared I was the only person from the City in attendance. So this year I am seeking the commitment of all Councillors to attend and show visible community support for this issue. Leadership from elected representatives matters.

In addition to awareness activities, I believe the City has the opportunity to do something more meaningful. That is why I have proposed that Council consider allocating funding — in the range of \$60,000 — to deliver a meaningful launch event, workshops and a full 16-day activation for the campaign. This could include keynote speakers, community workshops and broader engagement across the City. There may also be opportunities to access state or federal funding to support these initiatives.

I believe the City of Bayswater can show leadership on this issue and demonstrate that our community takes the prevention of domestic and family violence seriously.

10.1.3 Motions from the 2024/25 AGM of Electors

Motion 6 - That Council now progress, the development and implementation of a Men's Health Plan, consistent with the resolution adopted at last year's AGM and reaffirmed by Council on 22 August 2025. We seek the endorsement, commitment, and practical support of Councillors and Council to advance this work for Men's Issues in partnership with "Bayswater Blokes" ensuring meaningful outcomes for Men's Health within our community.

David Dyke, Maylands

We seek the endorsement, commitment, and practical support of Councillors and Council to advance this work for Men's Issues in partnership with "Bayswater Blokes" ensuring meaningful outcomes for Men's Health within our community.

Many men in CoB are hurting for numerous different reasons, Some are bordering on being suicidal, 1 Man every day commits Suicide in WA. I see men who are lost emotionally, homeless, jump to a bed wherever they can.

3 of us has formed Bayswater Blokes only are very restricted by CoB Venue hire. Our Aim at Bayswater Blokes is, we focus on men's mental health through engaging workshops, men's circles, and barbeques, fostering a supportive and unique community for men. So we're providing Men's Mental Health, Educational Workshops Relaxed BBQ by the River for Men.

Men's Circles – a safe space for men to share their feelings and seek support. The circles are working with many men talking about issues they normally would hide. There is proof this directly relates to Domestic Violence. With support and caring with Bayswater Blokes I am hoping will bring down DV with encouraging Men to reach out and work on their full potential.

I request CoB support in marketing. I also Request in waiving costs of rooms for our activities at The Rise such as Workshops. I am also collaborating with Kai-Fella Foundation to run a Tomorrow Man Workshop, I request cost of workshop room be waived for that Workshop.

10.3.1 Verge Tree Removal Request – 36 Clarke Road, Morley

Georgina Ker, Bedford

I would like to begin by commending the City officers on a concise and clear report giving multiple reasons as to why this tree should not be removed.

I'm not going to wax lyrical about how important trees are for humans and for wildlife, how they add value to properties or reduce air-conditioning bills. Most councillors present at the table have heard me say this before. In fact, some of you may feel like you are sick of me saying it. Let me tell you, councillors, you're not as sick of hearing me say it as I am of writing it and speaking it, and in most cases to no avail as decisions in recent years have set a worrying precedent for the removal of healthy verge trees. I'll keep saying it because it no longer becomes about me or my generation, but my children and their children, having a habitable planet, a planet where red-tailed black cockatoos and other threatened species that feed on the marri tree still exist, a planet where they can walk outdoors without heatstroke, a planet where the air is breathable.

The tree was there when this property was developed – retaining it was a condition of the development approval. We rightly criticise people who buy a property next to a live music venue and then complain about the noise – the same principle applies here: if you don't want to deal with nuts and debris, don't buy a house with a 45-year-old marri tree outside the property boundary. While I have empathy for the property owners who, from the officers' report, are dealing with some difficult life circumstances, just like the people who buy a house next to the pub and then have changes in circumstances like a new baby or chronic illness, it is not the role of society to take a huge loss in order to mitigate these circumstances.

The officers' report states 169 35L trees would need to be planted to offset the loss of this mature tree. To put this figure in further context, the City plants approximately 3200 new trees each winter planting season. Even planting at this rate, the City's tree canopy targets are a stretch and have been revised backwards multiple times. This one tree alone would require an additional 5% increase in tree planting to offset it. Should all of our rates go up to fund this? In short, approving removal of this tree would be against the City's own policy, would be environmentally irresponsible and fiscally irresponsible.

10.3.1 Verge Tree Removal Request – 36 Clarke Road, Morley

Wendy Garstone, Maylands

First of all, I'd like to give credit to the officers who wrote the report. The level of detail on why this tree is a valuable asset is appreciated.

One detail not included is the amount of money spent on this tree since 2023 when site development began. The funds spent by the developer to ensure the tree survived development and then funds spent by the City to address the owner's concerns would perhaps be a thousand dollars or more.

If the tree had failed during construction, I assume the owner would have been required to pay to remove and replace the tree. It was a condition of approval that this tree remains so it seems that now is the wrong time to be talking about the cost to install gutter guards and how the gutters will be cleaned.

If the tree is to be removed now, I wonder who would pay, and if this was the adjacent owner, would they rather pay for gutter guards and gutter maintenance? I appreciate that paying for regular gutter cleaning may be financially onerous for the current owner if they are unable to do this work themselves.

I'd like to remind the City of the work done towards creating a tree champion program where volunteers could help people in the community who are unable to maintain a tree that drops large amounts of leaves and nuts. The approval conditions (p175, Item 6 of Agenda) mention that the developer was required to submit a landscape plan and plant a new tree, but I can't see any evidence of any landscape works. I hope this can be clarified this evening.

This tree is a community and environmental asset and it needs to stay for future generations. Owners stay for an average of 10 years in a property, and future owners might appreciate this tree, its associated bird life and the opportunity to create a garden underneath.

10.3.1 Verge Tree Removal Request – 36 Clarke Road, Morley

Kate Bowker, Bayswater

Dear Council, I wish to commend the City's Officer for such a detailed, thorough and accurate report with regards to the Verge Tree Removal Request - 36 Clarke Road, Morley.

I vehemently agree with the officer's recommendation and the need to preserve, protect and value as a community, assets such as this beautiful Marri Tree that currently provides a huge 77m² canopy and will do for another 100 up to 350 years.

Trees like this are rare and critical in our landscape - to provide canopy, habitat and food source for endangered species such as Black Cockatoos.

This decision needs to consider the needs for our future generations, and not just the desire of the current household.

10.4.1 Development Application - Proposed Padel Court Additions to Noranda Sporting Complex

Sharlene Pierce, Morley

I wish to formally object to the proposal to install six padel ball courts at the lawn bowling club opposite my home, operating from 7am to 10pm, seven days a week. I have lived at this address since 2003. Since 2009, I have been housebound due to Multiple Sclerosis and am now confined to a wheelchair. I only leave my home for medical and essential appointments. As a result, I spend the vast majority of my life inside my home and cannot remove myself from environmental impacts such as noise.

Over many years, I have already tolerated a significant level of existing noise in the area. This includes bowling club functions and loud amplified music on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights, often continuing until midnight. I am also regularly affected by whistle noise from nearby netball courts and the gun noise and public announcement noise associated with athletics events. Despite the impact on my wellbeing, I have accepted these disturbances in the spirit of community cooperation and have not objected.

However, the proposed padel ball courts represent a substantial and unacceptable escalation in both noise and intensity of use. Padel ball produces repetitive, sharp impact noise that is continuous in nature and fundamentally different from intermittent event noise. Operating for up to 15 hours a day, every day of the week, this would result in relentless noise exposure with no reasonable periods of relief.

For someone who is housebound and living with a neurological disability, constant noise has serious consequences. It affects fatigue levels, pain, cognitive function, stress, and overall health, all of which are known to worsen Multiple Sclerosis symptoms. What may be considered an inconvenience to others would have a severe and ongoing impact on my quality of life and my ability to live with dignity in my own home.

This proposal also represents a cumulative loss of residential amenity. When combined with the existing noise sources already present, the addition of six padel ball courts would fundamentally change the character of the area and create an over-intensification of use that is not appropriate for a residential setting.

I believe this proposal would disproportionately impact people with disabilities and chronic illness, particularly those who are housebound and cannot escape the environment. I respectfully ask that council give serious consideration to its obligations regarding disability access, equal opportunity, and human rights when assessing this application.

Rather than high-impact padel ball courts, I strongly encourage consideration of low-noise, inclusive alternatives that better align with community wellbeing and the traditional character of a lawn bowls club. These could include disabled lawn bowls programs, tenpin-style bowls, putt putt golf, or other all-abilities recreational activities that promote inclusion without causing harm to nearby residents.

I am not opposed to community sport or shared facilities. I am asking only for reasonable protection of my health, wellbeing, and right to quietly enjoy my home after more than two decades of residence and many years of demonstrated tolerance.

10.4.1 Development Application - Proposed Padel Court Additions to Noranda Sporting Complex

Riley Griffiths, Morley

I wish to formally object to the proposed installation of six padel ball courts at the lawn bowling club opposite my family home, with operating hours of 7am to 10pm, seven days a week.

My name is Riley Griffiths. I am autistic, I live with Multiple Sclerosis and employed as a shift worker. Due to my work schedule, I require quiet daytime and evening periods to rest and recover between shifts. Predictable, low-noise environments are essential for my wellbeing, sensory regulation, and ability to function safely at work.

The proposed padel ball courts would generate constant, repetitive impact noise for extended hours each day. This type of noise is particularly distressing for people with autism, as it is sharp, rhythmic, and unavoidable. Unlike intermittent event noise, continuous impact noise can cause sensory overload, heightened anxiety, fatigue, and difficulty sleeping.

As a shift worker, the proposed hours of operation would significantly interfere with my ability to rest, regardless of whether I am working day, evening, or night shifts. Noise beginning early in the morning and continuing late into the evening would remove any reasonable opportunity for recovery sleep.

I already experience existing noise impacts in the area, including bowling club functions with amplified music on weekends, whistle noise from netball courts, and athletics gun noise. The addition of padel ball courts would represent a substantial cumulative increase in noise and activity, resulting in an unreasonable loss of residential amenity.

This proposal would disproportionately impact people with neurological disabilities and those who work non-standard hours. I ask that council give appropriate consideration to disability inclusion, sensory accessibility, and the health impacts of chronic noise exposure when assessing this application.

I am not opposed to community recreation. However, I believe the scale, intensity, and proposed operating hours of these padel ball courts are not appropriate for a residential setting. I respectfully request that council refuse this proposal or require significant modifications, and instead consider lower-impact, more inclusive alternatives that better align with the surrounding community.

10.4.1 Development Application - Proposed Padel Court Additions to Noranda Sporting Complex

Michael Wainwright / Jaimie Forssman (spokesperson)

This document provides comment from the Morley Noranda Recreation Club (MNRC) in support of the approval of the Development Application for the proposed Padel Courts at 85 McGilvray Avenue, Noranda. The club supports the development application and requests the council to approve the application with or without conditions, courts will be a benefit to the City of Bayswater, the community and club in the long term.

The Club seeks to provide more opportunities for the community to participate in outdoor recreational activities, promoting community health, wellbeing, and social connection. We believe this can be achieved through accessible community activities such as padel. The Club is aware that a number of objections have been raised during the community consultation process. We believe the procedures and infrastructure that will be in place will address and alleviate the concerns residents may have.

We respond to the objections below.

Social Behaviour and Community Impact

All players will be subject to the Morley Noranda Recreation Club Code of Conduct, which is displayed at various locations throughout the Club. Any breach of the Code of Conduct will result in the player and/or spectators being asked to leave the Club. As the Club operates within a licensed area, individuals are legally required to comply with such directions.

At maximum capacity, with all courts operating, there would be 24 players on site at any one time, which is not a large number. The acoustic management plan also includes both infrastructure and operational measures to control noise levels, including noise from players celebrating wins or expressing frustration.

Parking

Concerns have been raised regarding traffic and parking on Wylde Road. The preferred plan of MNRC is for all players to enter through the front of the Club during business hours. A separate pedestrian gate will be available at the side of the building for access to the padel courts.

This approach removes the need to use Wylde Road to access the courts. Even if access were to occur via Wylde Road, the additional traffic volume would be minimal and the existing on-street parking capacity is considered adequate.

Noise and Residential Amenity

We understand that the nature of padel will generate some noise. However, the proponents have taken significant steps to ensure that noise generated on site remains within acceptable levels.

Padel is more similar to squash than tennis, with enclosed courts that include backboards which assist in containing sound. In addition, noise walls will be constructed behind these structures to further control sound transmission.

The acoustic management plan has been accepted by the City as meeting the relevant legal requirements and is expected to achieve its intended purpose.

Lighting

All lighting on site will be oriented towards the Club building (north) and away from residents on Wylde Road. Lighting will comply with any operational conditions imposed by the City of Bayswater.

Alcohol

MNRC holds the liquor licence for the site. There are currently no plans to sell alcohol at the court location. All alcohol must be purchased from the Club bar.

A refrigerator with soft drinks and water may be installed in the court area; however, alcohol will only be available through the bar. The court area will form part of the Club's licensed premises.

Construction Impact

Construction will occur in two phases, resulting in relatively short construction periods. This will involve limited vehicle movements on surrounding roads. No large vehicle movements are anticipated, and all vehicles used will be standard vehicles operating within normal allowances.

Supervision and Management

Outback Padel will manage the site and be responsible for supervision and day-to-day management of all users and the facility.

MNRC will monitor operations to ensure all users comply with the Club's Code of Conduct and the operational rules set out by Outback Padel. MNRC will retain the authority to remove any player or spectator who breaches these requirements, including potential suspension from the site.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or Sub-Lease agreement between MNRC and Outback Padel will formalise these management responsibilities.

Zoning

The Club is zoned for recreation, and the proposed development aligns with this zoning. The intention is to provide another recreational opportunity for the community and encourage greater participation in healthy activities, particularly among younger members of the community.

Yours sincerely,

Mick Wainwright

President

Morley Noranda Recreation Club Inc.