



Agenda Briefing Forum Summary Notes

Meeting	Agenda Briefing Forum – for Ordinary Council Meeting – 24 February 2026		
Location	Council Chambers		
Date	17 February 2026	Start Time	7:13 pm
		Finish Time	7:40 pm

1. ATTENDANCE

<p><u>Members</u> Mayor Filomena Piffaretti Cr Elli Petersen-Pik, Deputy Mayor Cr Calla Loiacono Cr Steven Ostaszewskyj Cr Anthony Pittaway Cr Michelle Sutherland Cr Nat Latter Cr Cale Black Cr Donovan MacDonald</p> <p><u>Leave of Absence</u> Nil.</p> <p><u>Apologies</u> Nil.</p> <p><u>Public</u> 4</p>	<p><u>Officers</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Ryan Hall</td> <td>Director Community Services</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Luke Botica</td> <td>Director Infrastructure and Assets</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kym Leahy</td> <td>Director Corporate Services</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amanda Albrecht</td> <td>Manager Governance and Strategy</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Karen D’Cunha</td> <td>Coordinator Governance</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Emily Dempsey</td> <td>Governance Advisor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Timothy Dawson</td> <td>Acting Manager Property and Economic Development</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bryce Coelho</td> <td>Manager Infrastructure Projects</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>Apologies</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Jeremy Edwards</td> <td>Chief Executive Officer</td> </tr> </table>	Ryan Hall	Director Community Services	Luke Botica	Director Infrastructure and Assets	Kym Leahy	Director Corporate Services	Amanda Albrecht	Manager Governance and Strategy	Karen D’Cunha	Coordinator Governance	Emily Dempsey	Governance Advisor	Timothy Dawson	Acting Manager Property and Economic Development	Bryce Coelho	Manager Infrastructure Projects	Jeremy Edwards	Chief Executive Officer
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2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST SUMMARY

The following disclosures of interest were made at the Agenda Briefing Forum and will also apply at the Ordinary Council Meeting when the matters are considered:

Name	Item No.	Type of Interest	Nature of Interest
Cr Anthony Pittaway	11.1	Impartial	A Deputee is known to me due to my work as a Councillor.
Cr Steven Ostaszewskyj	10.3.1	Proximity	My house is in close proximity to the reserve, my house is on the same street as the reserve, only a few houses away.
Cr Cale Black	11.1	Impartial	Some of the Deputies are known to me due to my work as a Councillor.

3. DEPUTATIONS

11.1 Cr Michelle Sutherland - Proposed Change of Day for Annual Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony and Awards

1. In relation to item 11.1, Pearl Chaloupka was in attendance and spoke in **opposition** to the motion;
 2. In relation to item 11.1, Troy Meade was in attendance and spoke in **support** of the motion;
 3. In relation to item 11.1, Giorgia Johnson was in attendance and spoke in **opposition** to the motion;
 4. In relation to item 11.1, Georgina Ker was in attendance and spoke in **opposition** to the motion
 5. In relation to item 11.1, Kirsty Wilde submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
 6. In relation to item 11.1, Summer Porter submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
 7. In relation to item 11.1, Ariane Katscherian submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
 8. In relation to item 11.1, Andrew Brown submitted a written deputation in **support** of the motion;
 9. In relation to item 11.1, Laura Briscoe submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
 10. In relation to item 11.1, Kayla MacGillivray submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
 11. In relation to item 11.1, Marnie Richardson submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
 12. In relation to item 11.1, Meaghan McAllister submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
 13. In relation to item 11.1, Alexa Taylor submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
 14. In relation to item 11.1, Leon McGrath submitted a written deputation in **support** of the motion;
 15. In relation to item 11.1, Aileen O'Rourke submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion.
 16. In relation to item 11.1, Teresa O'Donnell submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
 17. In relation to item 11.1, Adam Tatanamony submitted a written deputation in **opposition** to the motion;
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4. QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE FROM ELECTED MEMBERS ON AGENDA ITEMS

The following questions were taken on notice at the briefing and responses are provided below to assist Councilors in their deliberations on the matter.

Item 11.1 Cr Michelle Sutherland - Proposed Change of Day for Annual Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony and Awards

Cr Anthony Pittaway

Question 1

Does the City officially recognise Australia Day on its civic calendar? And if so, are Officers aware of any current or proposed plans to remove or cancel Australia Day from the City's calendar?

Response 1

Australia Day is a nationally recognised public holiday set by the Commonwealth and relevant State legislation, not by local government. The City does not have the authority to remove, cancel, or alter Australia Day from the official public holiday calendar.

Question 2

Prior to the 2023 Council decision to move the Citizenship ceremony away from Australia Day, are there any council records of credible threats, serious security, incidents, or threatening behavior associated with the Citizenship ceremonies when they were previously held on Australia Day?

Response 2

The City is not aware of any threats or serious incidents related to Australia Day Citizenship Ceremonies prior to 2023. The City will continue to review records and provide an update if further relevant information is identified.

Question 3

How are these sorts of event risks categorised, what constitutes a credible threat, and how are cultural sensitivities weighted across all city events, so that we are making decisions that are balanced?

Response 3

Event risks are assessed in accordance with the City's Risk Management Framework. Categories of health, financial, event interruption, reputation, and infrastructure/venue/environment risks are classified according to likelihood and consequence, and input into a matrix to determine if the event represents a reasonable or unreasonable risk to the City, staff, community, operators or other stakeholders or attendees.

Item 11.1 Cr Michelle Sutherland - Proposed Change of Day for Annual Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony and Awards

Cr Donovan MacDonald

Question 1

The deputation raised that Bayswater was one of two Cities that voted yes in the 2023 Voice Referendum, do you know what percentage of people voted yes?

Response 1

The 2023 Australian Indigenous Voice to Parliament National Referendum was carried out by the Australian Electoral Commission and the City does not have detailed data regarding the voting of City of Bayswater residents. Data obtained from the AEC is classified by Federal Electorate and polling location. At the time of the Referendum the City was covered by the Perth, Hasluck and Cowan Federal electorates which returned the following results:

Perth 53.7% Yes

Hasluck 34.9% Yes

Cowan 37.5% Yes

The polling locations which fall within the City returned the following results:

Location	Total Votes	Yes Votes	% Support
Bayswater	1754	1148	65.5%
Bayswater North	2203	1291	58.6%
Bayswater PPVC	5682	2698	47.5%
Bedford	1006	537	53.4%
Embleton	1083	514	47.5%
Maylands	1534	958	62.5%
Maylands East	1890	1212	64.1%
Morley (Perth)	1216	533	43.8%
Morley Central (Perth)	320	148	46.3%
Morley PERTH PPVC	10939	4273	39.1%
Morley South (Perth)	585	235	40.2%
Morley HASLUCK PPVC	730	240	32.9%
Noranda	1775	697	39.3%
Noranda West	1567	699	44.6%
Total	32,284	15,183	47.0%

Note that the above results may include returns from outside the City of Bayswater, and City of Bayswater residents may have voted at polling locations outside the City.