

**ADELAIDE HILLS COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY 25 February 2025  
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In Attendance

**Presiding Member:** Deputy Mayor Nathan Daniell

**Members:**

Councillor Kirrilee Boyd
Councillor Adrian Cheater
Councillor Chris Grant
Councillor Malcolm Herrmann
Councillor Leith Mudge
Councillor Mark Osterstock
Councillor Kirsty Parkin
Councillor Louise Pascale
Councillor Melanie Selwood

In Attendance:

Greg Georgopoulos	Chief Executive Officer
Gary Lewis	Director Corporate Services
Jess Charlton	Director Community and Development
David Waters	Director Environment and Infrastructure
Zoë Gill	Executive Governance Officer
Skye Ludzay	Minute Secretary
Tom Portas	Technical Support

**1. COMMENCEMENT**

The meeting commenced at 6.30pm.

**2. OPENING STATEMENT**

Council acknowledges that we meet on the traditional Country of the Peramangk and Kurna people. We pay our respects to Ancestors and Elders past and present as the Custodians of this ancient and beautiful land.

Together we will care for this place for the generations to come and in this context the decisions we make should be guided by the principle that nothing we do should decrease our children's ability to live on this land.

**3. APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**3.1 Apology**

Mayor Jan-Claire Wisdom

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**3.2 Leave of Absence**

Cr Pauline Gill, 14 February 2025 to 25 February 2025, approved at Council 28 January 2025.

Cr Lucy Huxter, 25 February 2025 to 27 February 2025, approved at Council 28 January 2025.

**Moved Cr Melanie Selwood**

**S/- Cr Malcolm Herrmann**

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**1 That a Leave of Absence from all duties of office be granted to Cr Leith Mudge from 5 March 2025 to 7 April 2025.**

**2 That any committee or panel membership currently held by Cr Leith Mudge be undertaken by the Deputy during the leave of absence.**

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**3.3 Absent****4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS****4.1 Council Meeting – 11 February 2025**

**Moved Cr Chris Grant**

**S/- Cr Leith Mudge**

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**Council resolves that the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 11 February 2025, as supplied, be confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting.**

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL****5.1 Material Conflict of Interest, Cr Adrian Cheater, Item 12.4.**

Under section 75C of the *Local Government Act 1999* Cr Adrian Cheater disclosed a Material (section 75) Conflict of Interest in Item 12.4.

**5.2 General Conflict of Interest, Cr Malcolm Herrmann, Item 12.4.**

Under section 75B of the *Local Government Act 1999* Cr Malcolm Herrmann disclosed a General (section 74) Conflict of Interest in Item 12.4.

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**5.3 General Conflict of Interest, Cr Chris Grant, Item 11.2**

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**5.4 Material Conflict of Interest, Cr Nathan Daniell, Item 12.10 (Decision 2)**

Under section 75C of the *Local Government Act 1999* Cr Nathan Daniell disclosed a Material (section 75) Conflict of Interest in Item 12.10.

**6. PRESIDING MEMBER'S OPENING REMARKS**

The Deputy Mayor:

- welcomed and thanked the public for their attendance,
- noted there has been some late changes to papers and that he would invite the officers to speak to any changes
- informed the meeting of his intention to seek leave of meeting to move the public forum forward in light of public interest
- indicated to the meeting that a member of the public would take a photo during the public forum unless there were any objections.

**7. QUESTIONS ADJOURNED/LYING ON THE TABLE**

**7.1 Questions Adjourned**

**7.1.1 MON – Code of Practice for Council Meeting Procedures – Cr Osterstock**

The Deputy Mayor, with leave of the meeting, resets the debate for agenda item 7.1.1.

Moved Cr Mark Osterstock  
S/- Cr Leith Mudge

I move that:

1. Council receives and notes the Code of Practice for Council Meeting Procedures [the Policy], Appendix 1.
2. Effective forthwith, Council
  - a) amends clause 3.8.1 [Mayor's Opening Remarks] of the Policy:

FROM - "At each ordinary Council, the Mayor may present opening remarks which will be generally related to matters regarding the conduct of the meeting (e.g. acknowledging members of the gallery, advising break times, proposals to

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- b) Adds clauses 3.8.2-3.8.3 as follows:
- i) 3.8.2 The Mayor will not use the Mayor’s Opening remarks to make a personal explanation to Council
  - ii) 3.8.3 Should the Mayor wish to make a personal explanation to Council, the Mayor should seek leave of Council in accordance with regulation 15 and section 4.6 of this Code of Practice.

3. Effective forthwith, Council amends clause 4.6.1 [Addresses by Members] of the Policy:

- FROM – “A personal explanation should provide the member’s account of the reasons or factors regarding an event or situation in which they had an involvement. The explanation should not: (a) make imputations of improper motives or contain personal opinions on fellow Council Members, the Administration or members of the public; or be used for making statements regarding Council resolutions.”
- TO – “ A personal explanation should:
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**VARIATION**

Through the Deputy Mayor, with the consent of the Mover and Seconder, leave of the meeting was sought and granted to vary the motion as follows:

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4. That the CEO prepare a report for councils' consideration as to the merits of retaining the mayors opening remarks as an agenda item.

**AMENDMENT**

Moved Cr Kirrilee Boyd  
S/- Cr Louise Pascale

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Motion Lost
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**MOTION AS VARIED**

Moved Cr Mark Osterstock  
S/- Cr Adrian Cheater

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4. That the CEO prepare a report for councils’ consideration as to the merits of retaining the mayor’s opening remarks as an agenda item.

Carried
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**DIVISION**

Cr Louise Pascale called for a division.

The Presiding Member set aside the ruling.

In the affirmative (7)

Councillors Herrmann, Selwood, Grant, Parkin, Cheater, Mudge and Osterstock.

In the negative (2)

Councillors Boyd and Pascale.

The Presiding Member declared the motion **Carried**.

**7.2 Questions Lying on the Table**

Nil

**8. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PUBLIC FORUM**

The Deputy Mayor, with leave of the meeting, brought forward agenda item 8.3 Public Forum.

**8.3 Public Forum**

Laurence Ng, Stirling, Supporting the Branch Road Woorabinda Access Petition  
Lasse Povlsen, Stirling, Supporting the Branch Road Woorabinda Access Petition  
Sheree Venter, Save the Wildlife Foundation, Support of granting a lease/licence to 22 Wright Rd, Stirling.

**8.1 Petitions**

**8.1.1 Restore safe access to Woorabinda Bushland Reserve from Branch Road**

**Moved Cr Melanie Selwood  
S/- Cr Malcolm Herrmann**

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**Council resolves:**

1. That the petition signed by 43 signatories requesting the Adelaide Hills Council take urgent action regarding the recent erection of barricade fencing at the end of Branch Road, which has restricted access to Woorabinda Bushland Reserve be received and noted.
2. That costings for a new set of compliant stairs at this location be considered as part of the 2025-26 budget process.
3. That the CEO advise the principal signatory of the Council's noting of the petition and of any resolutions relating to the matter.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**8.2 Deputations**

**8.2.1 Lenswood and Forest Range Community Association, Mr Steve Smith**

**9. PRESENTATIONS**

Nil

**10. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**10.1 Progress Updates**

**1. World Heritage joint project with Adelaide City Council : It has been some ten years since this project commenced. A great deal of work was done on this with other Councils and with AHC as the lead Council. About two years ago a change of direction was initiated and AHC joined with Adelaide City Council to further this project. Our Economic Development Team was the project coordinator on behalf of AHC. That team has now left our organisation. What is the current status of the project?**

The City of Adelaide has determined to lead and fund the bid for UNESCO World Heritage status under the title "Adelaide and its Rural Settlement Landscapes" with the Mount Lofty Consortium Councils becoming stakeholders to the bid rather than bid partners. Adelaide Hills Council is awaiting formal confirmation of this arrangement from the City of Adelaide, which staff understand to be imminent. Once this is received, a report can be provided to Council with further detail providing an update on the World Heritage project.

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**2. Partnership with Green Industries organisation: This was an initiative announced over a year ago to further our environmental objectives. Has anything developed from this and what is the progress to date?**

Green Industries SA (GISA) continues to provide advice and guidance to Council regarding initiatives such as waste reduction and the circular economy. GISA also has available a number of grant programs, to which Council has recently applied in order to support the transition to weekly food organics/green organics collections in township areas. The outcome of those applications is not known at this time.

Council continues to partner with GISA to provide a 7 day a week free chemical drop off facility at the Heathfield Resource Recovery Centre and Council has partnered with GISA in conducting one off campaigns such as textiles collection days.

**3. Economic Development Team initiatives: this team used our disaster response criteria to assist with downturns in our local industry sectors (such as the Pome Fest initiative for the agricultural sector and retail assistance subsequent to the Woolworths Mall fire). Given the Stirling Business Association's recent request for assistance is there a plan to re-establish the Economic Development Team to continue these kinds of response initiatives?**

The Administration is reviewing resources required to provide economic development services to the community aligned to the strategic priorities in the *Strategic Plan 2024 – Your Place, Your Space*. In the meantime, staff continue to work with businesses and groups, like the Stirling Business Association who are undertaking a number of marketing and activation initiatives in 2024-25. This is supported by Council with the funding agreement aimed at increasing visitation to Stirling through various marketing initiatives such as updated branding and website, digital marketing, activations/events and exploring street beautification.

**5. Elected Members have had presentations/discussions on the development of 'Green Tourism' initiatives. What programmes or initiatives are we progressing either in-house or with other agencies such as Adelaide Hills Tourism?**

Sustainable tourism is growing in importance, as identified in the 2022 *Future of Global Tourism Demand* report by Tourism Australia. This will be a key consideration for Adelaide Hills Tourism (AHT) when developing the next iteration of its Regional Strategic Tourism Plan. Strategic planning is currently underway and will also be informed by Council's *Strategic Plan 2024 – Your Place, Your Space* which includes 'exploring opportunities to support the growth of eco-tourism' as a strategic priority.

In the meantime, AHT supports sustainable tourism through its three 'pillars' of marketing, industry capacity and capability development, and collaboration. Examples include marketing and promotion of local food producers, the natural environment, wildlife, recreation and trails and supporting operators to innovate and develop sustainable tourism experiences. AHT has also secured the Australian Regional Tourism Conference to be held in the region, with the conference focusing on regenerative tourism and including local sustainable accommodation

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providers.

- 6. The Champions Initiative: About 18 months ago this in-house programme was established to connect Elected Members with selected Directorates and Projects so that these projects could indirectly benefit from community engagement via Councillors. What is the status of this initiative?**

Now that Council has endorsed the *Strategic Plan 2024 – Your Place, Your Space*, administration will workshop this initiative in the first quarter of 2025.

**11. MOTIONS ON NOTICE**

**11.1 Textile Recycling – Cr Melanie Selwood**

Moved Cr Melanie Selwood  
S/- Cr Chris Grant

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**Council resolves:**

- 1. The CEO or his delegate request AHRWMA to consider textile waste streams and opportunities to provide options for residents to recycle textiles, including the provision of a textile recycling collection point at the Heathfield Resource Recovery Centre or other suitable locations within the Adelaide Hills Council area;**
- 2. That AHRWMA's response be reported to Council for consideration.**

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**11.2 Lenswood Main Street Beautification Program – Cr Chris Grant**

Under section 75B of the *Local Government Act 1999* Cr Chris Grant disclosed a General (section 74) Conflict of Interest in Item 11.2

- I am the Chair of the Lenswood and Forest Range Community Association.

Cr Grant advised the meeting that he would leave the meeting room and would not vote.

7.32pm Cr Chris Grant left the meeting room.

Moved Cr Melanie Selwood  
S/- Cr Malcolm Herrmann

**Council resolves:**

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1. Council acknowledges the Deputation made to Council by Mr Steve Smith on behalf of the Lenswood and Forest Range Community Association proposing works to improve the amenity, beauty and safety of the Lenswood precinct, the Lenswood Beautification Project, including:
  - a. footpath widening and paving in the vicinity of the post office;
  - b. passive traffic calming measures to slow traffic and improve safety such as tree planting, hard and soft landscaping, planter boxes and/or signage;
  - c. reduction of the speed limit in Lenswood from 60kph to 50kph;
  - d. pedestrian access on the north side of Lobethal Road between Lenswood Centennial Park and the Lenswood general store;
  - e. construction of a pedestrian crossing point of some sort on Lobethal Road to increase the safety of children crossing the main road;
  - f. plantings to beautify the Lenswood main street precinct and screen Lobethal road from unsightly properties;
  - g. alter the geometry of the intersection of Lobethal and Swamp Road to better guide and smooth heavy traffic flow and discourage heavy vehicles cutting the corner;
  - h. demarcate parking along Lobethal Road to accommodate a school bus stop, car parking and a heavy vehicle stopping point;
  - i. provision of a bike lane or widened shoulder on the north side of Lobethal Road between the Post Office and Lenswood Cold Store to separate cyclists from heavy vehicle traffic.
2. That a high-level estimate of costs for further development and implementation of the project (potentially staged over multiple years) be developed for consideration as part of the Long Term Financial Plan and 2025-26 Annual Business Plan and budget setting process.
3. That the CEO promotes the beautification project to the Department of Infrastructure and Transport with a view to undertaking a consolidated effort to further the project.

#### **VARIATION**

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  4. That a summary of existing or future grant opportunities, if any, which may assist in funding aspects of the Lenswood beautification project be provided to Council.

**MOTION AS VARIED**

**Moved Cr Melanie Selwood  
S/- Cr Malcolm Herrmann**

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<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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7:44pm Cr Chris Grant returned to the meeting room.

The Deputy Mayor, with leave of the meeting, brought forward agenda item 12.3- 22 Wright Road Stirling – Licence to Save our Wildlife Foundation Inc.

**12. OFFICER REPORTS – DECISION ITEMS**

**12.3 22 Wright Road Stirling - Licence to Save our Wildlife Foundation Inc**

7:46pm Cr Kirsty Parkin left the meeting room.

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Mayor \_\_\_\_\_

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7.47pm Cr Kirsty Parkin returned to the meeting room.

Moved Cr Mudge  
S/- Cr Cheater

**Council resolves:**

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That Council undertakes community consultation on the SOWFI proposal to establish a wildlife finishing school at 22 Wright Road, Stirling, being a portion of the Evelyn Halliday Reserve including the existing dwelling and immediate surrounds with a lease/license period of 5 years. The consultation should include updating the community land management plan for the site to include this use.
3. That the outcome of the consultation be reported back to Council in order for a decision to be made concerning leases and licences applicable to the proposal.

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3. That the outcome of the consultation be reported back to Council in order for a decision to be made concerning leases and licences applicable to the proposal.

**FORMAL MOTION**

Moved Cr Grant  
S/- Cr Osterstock

Council resolves that item 12.3 be adjourned until 25 March 2025 to allow Council to obtain more information regarding previous discussions about the use of 22 Wright Road, Stirling.

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1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That Council undertakes community consultation on the SOWFI proposal to establish a wildlife finishing school at 22 Wright Road, Stirling, being a portion of the Evelyn Halliday Reserve including the existing dwelling and immediate surrounds with a lease/license period of up to 5 years. The consultation should include updating the community land management plan for the site to include this use.
3. That the outcome of the consultation be reported back to Council in order for a decision to be made concerning leases and licences applicable to the proposal.

8:10pm Cr Louise Pascale left the meeting room.

8:11pm Cr Louise Pascale returned to the meeting room.

<b>Carried</b>
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8:15pm Cr Kirrilee Boyd left the meeting room.

**12.1 Review of Grant Giving Policy and Grant Programs**

8.16pm Cr Kirrilee Boyd returned to the meeting room.

Moved Cr Mark Osterstock  
S/- Cr Kirsty Parkin

67/25

**Council resolves:**

1. That the report and *Community Grants Review and Response 2025* in *Appendix 1* be received and noted.
2. With an effective date of 11 March 2025, to revoke the 27 April 2021 Grant Giving Policy and to adopt the 25 February 2025 Grant Giving Policy as per Appendix 2.
3. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to make any formatting, nomenclature or other minor changes to the 25 February 2025 Grant Giving Policy as per Appendix 2.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**12.2 Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan (Updated Report Circulated)**

Moved Cr Leith Mudge  
S/- Cr Chris Grant

68/25

**Council resolves:**

1. That the Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan report be received and noted.
2. That Council adopt the Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2025 - 2026 as contained in Appendix 1.
3. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to make any formatting, nomenclature or other minor changes to the Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2025-2026 as per Appendix 1.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**FORMAL MOTION**

Moved Cr Melanie Selwood  
S/- Cr Kirrilee Body

69/25

**Council resolves to adjourn the formal meeting proceedings for a 10-minute break.**

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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8:34pm the meeting was adjourned for a short break.

8:44pm the meeting resumed.

**12.4 CFS Review into Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges**

Under section 75B of the Local Government Act 1999 Cr Adrian Cheater disclosed a Material (section 75) Conflict of Interest in Item 12.4.

- I am an officer and member of the Piccadilly CFS.

Cr Cheater advised the meeting that he would leave the meeting room and would not vote.

8:45pm Cr Adrian Cheater left the meeting room.

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Under section 75B of the Local Government Act 1999 Cr Malcolm Herrmann disclosed a General (section 74) Conflict of Interest in Item 12.4.

- I am president of the Birdwood CFS

Cr Herrmann advised the meeting that he had no direct interest in the item and that he would stay and vote.

Moved Cr Kirsty Parkin  
S/- Cr Kirrilee Boyd

Council resolves:

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That the Council request an extension from the CFS for AHC's response to the CFS Survey into Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges to allow Council the time to ensure the submission accurately reflects community feeling and concerns on Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges.

**AMENDMENT**

Moved Cr Melanie Selwood  
S/- Chris Grant

Council resolves:

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That the Council request an extension from the CFS for AHC's response to the CFS Survey into Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges to allow Council the time to ensure the submission accurately reflects community feeling and concerns on Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges.
3. Should an extension not be granted to adopt AHC's response to the CFS Survey into Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges as contained in Appendix 1.

Motion Lost
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Moved Cr Kirsty Parkin  
S/- Cr Kirrilee Boyd

**70/25**

Council resolves:

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1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That the Council request an extension from the CFS for AHC's response to the CFS Survey into Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges to allow Council the time to ensure the submission accurately reflects community feeling and concerns on Bushfire Safer Places and Last Resort Refuges.

<b>Carried Unanimously Cr Malcolm Herrmann voted for motion</b>
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9:08pm Cr Cheater returned to the meeting room.

**12.5 Road Safety Analysis Lobethal**

Moved Cr Malcolm Herrmann  
S/- Cr Chris Grant

**71/25**

**Council resolves:**

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. To consider funding the installation of traffic control and calming devices, at an approximate cost of \$57,000, as indicated in *Appendix 2* as part of the 2025-26 Annual Business Plan and Budget development.
3. To consider funding the installation of an emu school crossing at School Road, Lobethal, at an approximate cost of \$42,000, to improve safety within Mill Road vicinity as part of the 2025-26 Annual Business Plan and Budget development.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**12.6 Confidential Item Review (deferred decision 3)**

Moved Cr Louise Pascale  
S/- Cr Melanie Selwood

**72/25**

**Council resolves:**

1. To receive and note the report titled "Confidential Items Review (deferred decision 3)" (Agenda item 12.6, 25 February 2025 Council Meeting).
2. That the minutes of the 8 February 2024 CEO Performance Review Panel and the 12 March 2024 Council Meeting be released from confidence.

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<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**12.7 Adelaide Hills Tourism Funding Agreement**

**Decision 1:**

Moved Cr Chris Grant  
S/- Cr Leith Mudge

**73/25**

**Council resolves:**

1. To acknowledge the disclosure of interests contained in this report and to authorise the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Greg Georgopoulos, to act in the course of his official duties in relation to Adelaide Hills Tourism.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**Decision 2:**

Moved Cr Malcolm Herrmann  
S/- Cr Chris Grant

**74/25**

**Council resolves:**

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That the one-year funding agreement, as contained in Appendix 1 including a contribution of \$115,669, with the Adelaide Hills Tourism be approved and that the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to make any minor changes or variations to the Agreement before execution by both parties or during the life of the Agreement.
3. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to execute the Agreement on behalf of Council.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**12.8 Procurement Policy Update**

Moved Cr Malcolm Herrmann  
S/- Cr Chris Grant

**75/25**

**Council resolves:**

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1. That the Procurement Policy update be received and noted.
2. With an effective date of 1 March 2025, to adopt the amendments as presented in the Procurement Policy as per Appendix 1.
3. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to make any formatting, nomenclature or other minor changes to the Policy as per Appendix 1.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**12.9 Budget Review 2 (Updated Report Circulated)**

Moved Cr Malcolm Herrmann

S/- Cr Leith Mudge

76/25

Council resolves:

1. That the Budget Review 2 report be received and noted.
2. To note that the Audit Committee considers that the Budget Review 2 has been prepared with appropriate due diligence, legislative compliance and reference to risk management.
3. To note that the Audit Committee has considered and discussed the Budget Review 2 report and acknowledges that the adjustments are expected corrections as a result of previously identified accounting assumptions.
4. To approve the proposed budget adjustments presented in Budget Review 2 which result in:
  - a. An increase in the Operating Deficit from \$1.728m to \$3.013m for the 2024-25 financial year due primarily to depreciation, interest expenses and legal fees.
  - b. Changes to the Capital Works budget increasing capital expenditure by \$60,000 for the 2024-25 financial year resulting in a revised capital expenditure budget of \$20.648 million.
  - c. A net borrowing result of \$34m.
  - d. An Operating Surplus/(Deficit) Ratio of (4.9%) compared to the 2024-25 target of 1-5% and BR1 of (2.8%).
  - e. A Net Financial Liabilities Ratio of 55% compared to the 2024-25 target of 25-75% and BR1 of 56%.
  - f. An Asset Renewal Funding Ratio of 132% compared to the 2024-25 target of 95-105% and BR1 of 133%.

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<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**12.10 Review of Policies referencing the Mayor (Updated Report Circulated)**

Decision 1:

Moved Cr Mark Osterstock  
S/- Cr Chris Grant

Council resolves:

1. To receive and note the report.
2. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Code of Practice for Access to Council Policy* and to adopt the revised *Code of Practice for Access to Council Policy* at Appendix 2.
3. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Complaint Handling Policy* and to adopt the revised *Complaint Handling Policy* at Appendix 3.
4. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Council Member Training and Development Policy* and to adopt the revised *Council Member Training and Development Policy* at Appendix 5.
5. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Council Member Training and Development Approval Form* and to adopt the revised *Council Member Training and Development Approval Form* at Appendix 5.
6. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Caretaker Policy* and to adopt the revised *Caretaker Policy* at Appendix 6.
7. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Internal Review of Council Decision Policy* and to adopt the revised *Internal Review of Council Decision Policy* at Appendix 7.
8. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Internal Audit Policy* and to adopt the revised *Internal Audit Policy* at Appendix 8.
9. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Behavioural Management Policy* and to adopt the revised *Behavioural Management Policy* at Appendix 9.

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10. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Advisory Group Operation Conduct Policy* and to adopt the revised *Advisory Group Operation Conduct Policy* at Appendix 10.
11. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to make any formatting, nomenclature or other minor changes to the above policies.

**VARIATION**

Through the Deputy Mayor, with the consent of the Mover and Seconder, leave of the meeting was sought and granted to vary the motion as follows:

1. To receive and note the report.
2. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Code of Practice for Access to Council Policy* and to adopt the revised *Code of Practice for Access to Council Policy* at Appendix 2.
3. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Complaint Handling Policy* and to adopt the revised *Complaint Handling Policy* at Appendix 3.
4. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Council Member Training and Development Policy* and to adopt the revised *Council Member Training and Development Policy* at Appendix 5.
5. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Council Member Training and Development Approval Form* and to adopt the revised *Council Member Training and Development Approval Form* at Appendix 5.
6. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Caretaker Policy* and to adopt the revised *Caretaker Policy* at Appendix 6.
7. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Internal Review of Council Decision Policy* and to adopt the revised *Internal Review of Council Decision Policy* at Appendix 7.
8. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Internal Audit Policy* and to adopt the revised *Internal Audit Policy* at Appendix 8.
9. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Behavioural Management Policy* and to adopt the revised *Behavioural Management Policy* at Appendix 9.
10. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Advisory Group Operation Conduct Policy* and to adopt the revised *Advisory Group Operation Conduct Policy* at Appendix 10.



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11. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to make any formatting, nomenclature or other minor changes to the above policies.
12. That the changes listed in the policies which remove powers from the Mayor and allocate them to the Deputy Mayor, are current until the end of this current Council term.

**MOTION AS VARIED**

Moved Cr Mark Osterstock  
S/- Cr Chris Grant

**77/25**

1. To receive and note the report.
2. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Code of Practice for Access to Council Policy* and to adopt the revised *Code of Practice for Access to Council Policy* at Appendix 2.
3. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Complaint Handling Policy* and to adopt the revised *Complaint Handling Policy* at Appendix 3.
4. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Council Member Training and Development Policy* and to adopt the revised *Council Member Training and Development Policy* at Appendix 5.
5. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Council Member Training and Development Approval Form* and to adopt the revised *Council Member Training and Development Approval Form* at Appendix 5.
6. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Caretaker Policy* and to adopt the revised *Caretaker Policy* at Appendix 6.
7. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Internal Review of Council Decision Policy* and to adopt the revised *Internal Review of Council Decision Policy* at Appendix 7.
8. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Internal Audit Policy* and to adopt the revised *Internal Audit Policy* at Appendix 8.
9. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Behavioural Management Policy* and to adopt the revised *Behavioural Management Policy* at Appendix 9.

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10. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Advisory Group Operation Conduct Policy* and to adopt the revised *Advisory Group Operation Conduct Policy* at Appendix 10.
11. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to make any formatting, nomenclature or other minor changes to the above policies.
13. That the changes listed in the policies which remove powers from the Mayor and allocate them to the Deputy Mayor, are current until the end of this current Council term.

9:42pm Cr Louise Pascale left the meeting room and did not return.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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Under section 75B of the Local Government Act 1999 Cr Nathan Daniell disclosed a Material (section 75) Conflict of Interest in Item 12.10.

- I may receive a direct personal benefit or detriment depending on the decision as I am the current Deputy Mayor.

Cr Daniell advised the meeting that he would leave the meeting room and would not vote.

9:43pm Cr Nathan Daniell left the meeting room.

9.43pm in the absence of the Presiding Member, the CEO took the Chair and sought leave of the meeting for the purpose of determining that Cr Chris Grant would Chair the meeting for decision 2 of item 12.10.

9:43pm Cr Chris Grant assumed the chair.

**Decision 2**

**Moved Cr Osterstock  
S/- Cr Mudge**

**76/25**

**Council resolves:**

1. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Council Members Allowance and Support Policy* and to adopt the revised *Council Member Allowance and Support Policy* at Appendix 4.
2. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to make any formatting, nomenclature or other minor changes to the above policies.

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3. That the changes listed in the policy which remove powers from the Mayor and allocate them to the Deputy Mayor, are current until the end of this current Council term.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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9:48pm Cr Nathan Daniell returned to the meeting room and resumed the chair.

**13. OFFICER REPORTS - INFORMATION ITEMS**

Nil

**14. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION**

**14.1 Recognition Letter to organisers and community groups who supported Australia Day long weekend celebrations (NB: 1 letter included as an example, 4 sent total)**

Moved Kirrilee Boyd  
S/- Leith Mudge

**77/25**

Council resolves that the correspondence is received and noted.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**15. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

Cr Melanie Selwood – Mylor Bore Water Situation  
Cr Kirsty Parkin – Funding for Cox Creek revegetation  
Cr Chris Grant – Administrative support for Cox Creek revegetation project

9:49pm Chris Grant left the meeting room.

9:51pm Cr Chris Grant returned to the meeting room.

9:52pm Cr Melanie Selwood left the meeting room.

9:53pm Cr Melanie Selwood returned to the meeting room.

**16. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

Nil

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**17. REPORTS**

**17.1 Council Member Function or Activity on the Business of Council**

**Mayor Jan-Claire Wisdom**

- 24 December 2024, Community Carol Service at Upper Sturt Uniting Church
- 24 January 2025, AHC Citizenship Ceremony
- 26 January 2025, Community Australia Day weekend BBQ by RSL, Stirling
- 26 January 2025, Community Australia day weekend BBQ by RSL, Gumeracha
- 21 February 2025, Signing the Resilient Coast and Hills Memorandum of Understanding with 5 other Mayors and the Deputy Premier, Mt Barker

**Cr Louise Pascale**

- 10 February 2025, CFS Norton Summit, Lee Watson and Bob Butler
- 17 February 2025, Woodforde Residents Association
- 21 February 2025, Ms Shana Bennett, Rostrevor College Principal

**Cr Chris Grant**

- 10 February 2025, 2025 opening of Hooked at Fabrik

**17.2 Reports of Members as Council/Committee Representatives on External Organisations**

**Cr Chris Grant**

- 17 February 2025, AHRWMA Strategic Planning Day and Board Meeting
- 20 February 2025, Tour of Brinkley landfill site

**Cr Malcolm Herrmann**

- 17 February 2025, Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority Meeting.

**17.3 CEO Report**

Greg Georgopoulos, CEO, provided Council with a verbal update, including:

- SafeWorkSA has issued a Provisional Improvement Notice including that the 'Code of Practice for Council Meeting Procedures' is out of date and requires review

**FORMAL MOTION**

**Moved Cr Leith Mudge**

**S/- Cr Kirsty Parkin**

**78/25**

**Council resolves to extend the meeting by 30 minutes to 10.30 pm.**

<b>Carried</b>
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**18. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**18.1 Council Assessment Panel**

Nil

**18.2 Audit Committee**

Item considered in Confidential Items.

**18.3 CEO Performance Review Panel**

Nil

**18.4 Boundary Change Committee**

Nil

**19. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

The Deputy Mayor, with leave of the meeting, brought forward agenda item 19.3 Ashton Landfill.

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**19.3 Ashton Landfill – Exclusion of the Public**

Moved Cr Chris Grant  
S/- Cr Kirsty Parkin

79/25

Council resolves:

Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* the Council orders that all members of the public, except:

- Chief Executive Officer, Greg Georgopoulos
- Director Environment & Infrastructure, David Waters
- Director Corporate Services, Gary Lewis
- Director Community & Development, Jess Charlton
- Executive Governance Officer, Zoë Gill
- Coordinator Landfills and Emergency Management, John McArthur
- Minute Secretary, Skye Ludzay
- IT Support, Tom Portas
- Legal advisor, Michael Kelledy
- BRM Advisory, Michael Richardson

be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Agenda Item 19.3: (Ashton Landfill) which will consider this item in confidence.

The Council is satisfied that it is necessary that the public, with the exception of Council staff and others in attendance, as specified above, be excluded to enable Council to consider, discuss and make decisions in relation to the report at the meeting on the following grounds:

Section 90(3)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this Agenda Item is Information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead) and also section 90(3)(h) on the basis that the Council will be receiving legal advice.

Accordingly, on this basis the principle that meetings of the Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information and discussion confidential.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**19.3.1 Ashton Landfill – Confidential Item**

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**19.3.2 Ashton Landfill – Duration of Confidentiality**

Moved Cr Mark Osterstock

S/- Cr Adrian Cheater

82/25

**Council resolves:**

Subject to the CEO, or his delegate, disclosing information or any document (in whole or in part) for the purpose of implementing Council's decision(s) in this matter in the performance of the duties and responsibilities of office, Council, having considered Agenda Item 19.3 in confidence under sections 90(2) and 90(3)(a) and (h) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, resolves that an order be made under the provisions of sections 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* to retain the Items in confidence as detailed in the Duration of Confidentiality Table below:

Item	Duration of Confidentiality NB: Item to be reviewed every 12 months if not released
Report	Until Further Order
Related Attachments	Until Further Order
Minutes	Until Further Order
Other (presentation, documents, or similar)	NIL

Pursuant to section 91(9)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Council delegates the power to revoke the confidentiality order either partially or in full to the Chief Executive Officer.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**19.1 Audit Committee Confidential Minutes (17 February 2025) – Exclusion of the Public**

Moved Cr Melanie Selwood

S/- Cr Chris Grant

83/25

**Council resolves:**

Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* the Council orders that all members of the public, except:

- Chief Executive Officer, Greg Georgopoulos
- Director Environment & Infrastructure, David Waters
- Director Corporate Services, Gary Lewis
- Director Community & Development, Jess Charlton
- Executive Governance Officer, Zoë Gill
- Minute Secretary, Skye Ludzay
- IT Support, Tom Portas

be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Agenda Item 19.1: (*Audit Committee Confidential Minutes (17 February 2025)*) in confidence.

The Council is satisfied that it is necessary that the public, with the exception of Council staff in attendance as specified above, be excluded to enable Council to consider the report at the meeting on the following grounds:

Section 90(3)(b) and (e) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the information to be received,  
discussed or considered in relation to this Agenda Item is:

- concerning matters affecting the security of the council, members or employees of the council, or council property, or the safety of any person; the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to expose sensitive cyber security information to cybercriminals and/or nefarious actors.
- information the disclosure of which – (i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council; and (2) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest;

Accordingly, on this basis the principle that meetings of the Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information and discussion confidential.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**19.1.1 Audit Committee Confidential Minutes (17 February 2025) – Confidential Item**

**Moved Cr Kirsty Parkin**

**S/- Cr Adrian Cheater**

**84/25**

**Council resolves that the confidential minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 17 February 2025, as distributed, be received and noted.**

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**19.1.2 Audit Committee Confidential Minutes (17 February 2025) – Duration of Confidentiality**

Moved Cr Adrian Cheater

S/- Cr Melanie Selwood

85/25

Council resolves:

Subject to the CEO, or his delegate, disclosing information or any document (in whole or in part) for the purpose of implementing Council's decision(s) in this matter in the

performance of the duties and responsibilities of office, Council, having considered Agenda Item 19.1 in confidence under sections 90(2) and 90(3)(b) and (e) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, resolves that an order be made under the provisions of sections 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* to retain the Items in confidence as detailed in the Duration of Confidentiality Table below:

Item	Duration of Confidentiality NB: Item to be reviewed every 12 months if not released
Report	Nil
Related Attachments	Until Further Order
Minutes	Nil
Other (presentation, documents, or similar)	Nil

Pursuant to section 91(9)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Council delegates the power to revoke the confidentiality order either partially or in full to the Chief Executive Officer.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**19.2 Policy Amendments - Elected Members access to Legal Advice Policy – Exclusion of the Public**

Moved Cr Chris Grant  
S/- Cr Kirsty Parkin

86/25

Council resolves:

Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* the Council orders that all members of the public, except:

- Chief Executive Officer, Greg Georgopoulos
- Director Environment & Infrastructure, David Waters
- Director Corporate Services, Gary Lewis
- Director Community & Development, Jess Charlton
- Executive Governance Officer, Zoë Gill
- Minute Secretary, Skye Ludzay
- IT Support, Tom Portas

be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Agenda Item 19.2: (Policy Amendments – Elected Members Access to Legal Advice Policy) in confidence.

The Council is satisfied that it is necessary that the public, with the exception of Council staff in attendance as specified above, be excluded to enable Council to consider the report at the meeting on the following grounds:

Section 90(3)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this Agenda Item is information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead).

Accordingly, on this basis the principle that meetings of the Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information and discussion confidential.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**19.2.1 Policy Amendments - Elected Members access to Legal Advice Policy – Confidential Item**

Moved Cr Mark Osterstock  
S/- Cr Chris Grant

87/25

Council resolves:

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. To note that the administration undertook a comprehensive review of the *Mayor Seeking Legal Advice Policy* and has proposed a number of amendments to the Policy.
3. With an effective date of 4 March 2025, to revoke the *Mayor Seeking Legal Advice Policy* and to adopt the *Elected Members Access to Legal Advice Policy*, as provided for at *Appendix 2*.
4. To authorise the CEO to make any formatting, nomenclature or other minor amendments to the Policy.

Carried Unanimously
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**ADELAIDE HILLS COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY 25 February 2025  
63 MT BARKER ROAD STIRLING**

**19.2.2 Policy Amendments - Elected Members access to Legal Advice Policy – Duration of Confidentiality**

Moved Cr Adrian Cheater  
S/- Cr Leith Mudge

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Council resolves:

Subject to the CEO, or his delegate, disclosing information or any document (in whole or in part) for the purpose of implementing Council's decision(s) in this matter in the performance of the duties and responsibilities of office, Council, having considered Agenda Item 19.2 in confidence under sections 90(2) and 90(3)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, resolves that an order be made under the provisions of sections 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* to retain the Items in confidence as detailed in the Duration of Confidentiality Table below:

Item	Duration of Confidentiality NB: Item to be reviewed every 12 months if not released
Report	Until Further Order
Related Attachments	Nil
Minutes	Nil
Other (presentation, documents, or similar)	Nil

Pursuant to section 91(9)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Council delegates the power to revoke the confidentiality order either partially or in full to the Chief Executive Officer.

<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
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**20. NEXT ORDINARY MEETING**

The next ordinary meeting of the Adelaide Hills Council will be held on Tuesday 11 March 2025 from 6.30pm at 63 Mt Barker Road, Stirling.

**21. CLOSE MEETING**

The meeting closed at 10.15pm.