



City of Belmont

NOTICE OF MEETING

Dear Councillor

I respectfully advise that an **ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING** will be held in the Council Chamber of the **City of Belmont Civic Centre**, 215 Wright Street, Cloverdale, on **Tuesday, 24 August 2021**, commencing at 7.00pm.

MEETING AGENDA ATTACHED

Yours faithfully

JOHN CHRISTIE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

13 August 2021

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**Councillors are reminded to retain the
OCM Attachments for discussion with the Minutes**

1. OFFICIAL OPENING

The Presiding Member will read aloud the Acknowledgement of Country.

Before I begin I would like to acknowledge the Noongar Whadjuk people as the Traditional Owners of this land and pay my respects to Elders past, present and emerging. I further acknowledge their cultural heritage, beliefs, connection and relationship with this land which continues today.

The Presiding Member will cause the Affirmation of Civic Duty and Responsibility to be read aloud by a Councillor.

Affirmation of Civic Duty and Responsibility
I make this affirmation in good faith and declare that I will duly, faithfully, honestly, and with integrity fulfil the duties of my office for all the people in the City of Belmont according to the best of my judgement and ability. I will observe the City's Code of Conduct and Standing Orders to ensure efficient, effective and orderly decision making within this forum.

2. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST THAT MIGHT CAUSE A CONFLICT

Councillors/Staff are reminded of the requirements of s5.65 of the Local Government Act 1995, to disclose any interest during the meeting when the matter is discussed, and also of the requirement to disclose an interest affecting impartiality under the City's Code of Conduct.

3.1 FINANCIAL INTERESTS

A declaration under this section requires that the nature of the interest must be disclosed. Consequently a member who has made a declaration must not preside, participate in, or be present during any discussion or decision making procedure relating to the matter the subject of the declaration.

Other members may allow participation of the declarant if the member further discloses the extent of the interest and the other members decide that the interest is trivial or insignificant or is common to a significant number of electors or ratepayers.

Name	Item No and Title	Nature of Interest (and extent, where appropriate)

3.2 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST THAT MAY AFFECT IMPARTIALITY

Councillors and staff are required (Code of Conduct), in addition to declaring any financial interest, to declare any interest that might cause a conflict. The member/employee is also encouraged to disclose the nature of the interest. The member/employee must consider the nature and extent of the interest and whether it will affect their impartiality. If the member/employee declares that their impartiality will not be affected then they may participate in the decision making process.

Name	Item No and Title	Nature of Interest (and extent, where appropriate)

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER (WITHOUT DISCUSSION) AND DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS

4.1 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

5.1 RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

5.1.1 MS L BARNES-SMITH, 87 TOORAK ROAD, RIVERVALE

The following question was taken on notice at the 27 July 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting. Ms Barnes-Smith was provided with a response on 10 August 2021. The response from the City is recorded accordingly:

1. Does the City of Belmont still believe there is nothing they can do?

Response

The Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) is the Australian Government statutory authority that assesses, regulates and registers all agricultural and veterinary chemical products into the Australian marketplace. This includes rodenticides. Unless the APVMA change the conditions of sale, labelling and use of second-generation baits, these products will remain available for purchase. As the City is not the statutory regulator, it does not have any legislative power which would require retailers/distributors to segregate and identify second-generation rat poisons from other products at the point of sale. In addition, the City does not have any legislative power to require permits or fees prior to the use of these products within the City.

2. Does the City of Belmont still believe it is acceptable to hand out second-generation rat poison to residents and ratepayers?

Response

With respect to community concern, the City has opted to discontinue the provision of second-generation rodenticides once the current supply has been exhausted. Notwithstanding this and in the interest of public health, the City will continue with the provision of first-generation products to assist residents in the control of rodents. Controlling mice and rats is an important step in maintaining healthy communities and is a requirement under the Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1911. The use of poison baits is the most successful way to control rat populations. Rats are known to carry diseases such as salmonellosis, leptospirosis and tularaemia which can be unknowingly transmitted to humans.

5.1.2 MR P HITT, 14 MCLACHLAN WAY, BELMONT

The following question was taken on notice at the 27 July 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting. Mr Hitt was provided with a response on 12 August 2021. The response from the City is recorded accordingly:

1. The Elected Member's Contact Details and Membership Register states Cr Davis is a member of the Labor Party can this be confirmed?

Response

It can be confirmed that information provided by Cr Davis is as included in the [Elected Members Contact Details and Membership Register](#) available on the City's website.

5.1.3 MR D SMITH, 87 TOORAK ROAD, RIVERVALE

The following question was taken on notice at the 27 July 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting. Mr Smith was provided with a response on 11 August 2021. The response from the City is recorded accordingly:

Note:

Mr Smith's questions relates to Item 12.3 on the 27 July 2021 Agenda.

1. I note the City of Belmont stated purpose in the Agenda is for the security patrols to make the "community feel safer". Given the substantial cost, is the City able to point to any evidence that indicates the presence of these patrols reduces crime?

In addition, why is the cost of over \$1 million greater than the amount advised to residents, \$381,000 in a City of Belmont Facebook post during late 2019?

Response

The report did not claim the Belmont Security Watch (BCW) "reduces crime". The City is however of the opinion that the service does make the community feel safer.

In Financial Year 2020-2021 the BCW responded to over 3,500 calls from City of Belmont residents in regard to incidents including anti-social and suspicious behaviour, welfare and holiday watch checks and alarm activations.

The average response times to these calls ranged between four and eight minutes. Their prompt arrival at a location provides residents with comfort and reassurance, especially the more vulnerable and elderly in the community. In addition, WA Police (WAPOL) regularly notifies the City of any "hotspots" and the BCW undertake increased patrols at these locations.

In 2019 information was erroneously circulated by you in social media that the cost of the Belmont Community Watch patrols was \$380,000.

At the time the City corrected this error by providing the following information:-

"The City of Belmont is aware of misinformation regarding a Council motion from 2014 circulating on other social media pages regarding its expenditure on security vehicles in Perth Airport.

The facts are:

- **The City's third security car has been in service since 2014**
- **The cost per annum (averaged on three cars) to operate a Community Watch Vehicle excluding the car and equipment supplied by the City is around \$380,000**
- **The car covers parts of the commercial precinct of Perth Airport, Kewdale Industrial Estate, Ascot, including Garvey Park and the Redcliffe Industrial area**
- **The Perth Airport precinct predominantly covers the commercial business area off Horrie Millar Drive and does not enter in the operational areas of Perth Airport which includes their car parks**
- **Perth Airport has their own private and Federal Police security to manage these areas. The City's security car is not permitted in these areas**

Item 5.1.3 Continued

- **This service has proven to be and is recognised as a valuable community safety asset that has responded to and dealt with numerous incidents in all the areas mentioned over the last five years.**

It should also be noted that Perth Airport pays about \$11.5 Million in full commercial rates to the City of Belmont and is therefore entitled to the same level of service delivery as any other ratepayer”.

In summary one car costs approximately \$372,000. As the BCW full service consists of three cars (\$372,000 x 3 = \$1,116,000) and the Faulkner Park static guard (approximately \$125,000) the total annual cost for the new contract covering Financial Year 2021-2022 is approximately \$1,241,000.

5.1.4 MS L HOLLANDS ON BEHALF OF BELMONT RESIDENT AND RATEPAYER ACTION GROUP (BRRAG)

The following questions were taken on notice at the 27 July 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting. Ms Hollands was provided with a response on 11 August 2021. The response from the City is recorded accordingly:

1. The lease signed in 2002 states the lessee must maintain any part of the premises that surround any buildings, including but not limited to flora, gardens and lawn and tend to the pruning. At the BSRC AGM last September the Chief Executive Officer gave a presentation which included stating the BSRC would be responsible for maintenance. Clause 12.4 on the most recent lease states that, with the exception of the bowling greens, the lessor will maintain any flora, gardens, lawn, shrubs and trees located at the premises. Why did the CEO say in September that the BSRC would pay for maintenance and now the lease states the rate payer is going to pay for it, so what is the likely cost to ratepayer?

Response

The BSRC are responsible for landscaping maintenance of the gardens which surround the building. The BSRC always have, and continue to, carryout landscaping maintenance within the leased area, which is undertaken by volunteer members of the BSRC. The City continues to be responsible for maintenance of the surrounding reserve outside the leased area, as illustrated below. The reference to the Lessor maintaining the gardens is an anomaly within the Lease which will be addressed by the City with the Lessee.

Item 5.1.4 Continued



2. Who issued instruction to McLeods for the ratepayer to pay for this maintenance?

Response

The drafting and coordination of the lease document was managed by the Manager City Facilities and Property, as noted in the previous response, the Lessee continues to undertake this maintenance.

3. Section 15(i)(b) of the lease between the City of Belmont and the BSRC states that the lessee agrees to provide to the lessor upon the lessor's request, any information on membership and other information reasonably required of the lessor.

Given that the City of Belmont has been using ratepayer money to fund the BSRC over a period of time, has the City of Belmont asked for or been provided with a copy of the membership of members, which would include their addresses to give an accurate picture of the number of members located in Belmont as opposed to those from other localities and if not, why not?

Response

In accordance with Clause 15(i)(b) of the Lease, the BSRC are required to provide this information to the City by 1 October 2021.

5.2 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES/RECEIPT OF MATRIX

**6.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 27 JULY 2021
(Circulated under separate cover)**

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 July 2021 as printed and circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

**6.2 MATRIX FOR THE AGENDA BRIEFING FORUM HELD 17 AUGUST 2021
(Circulated under separate cover)**

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Matrix for the Agenda Briefing Forum held on 17 August 2021 as printed and circulated to all Councillors, be received and noted.

**7. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS ON WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN
(WITHOUT DISCUSSION)**

8. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS WITHOUT NOTICE

8.1 RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

8.1.1 CR POWELL

The following question was taken on notice at the 27 July 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting. Cr Powell was provided with a response on 13 August 2021. The response from the City is recorded accordingly:

Note: Cr Powell's question relates to the information provided under Freedom of Information in regard to redacting personal information in the copy of the lease between the City of Belmont and the Belmont Sports and Recreation Club (BSRC) that was provided.

1. Was permission sought from the people who signed the lease?

Response

Third parties were consulted, including the Belmont Sport and Recreation Club as part of processing the Freedom of Information application. Third party consultation is standard practice when dealing with an application to access documents under Freedom of Information.

8.2 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS WITHOUT NOTICE

**9. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE APPROVED BY THE PERSON
PRESIDING OR BY DECISION**

10. BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

**11.1 STANDING COMMITTEE (AUDIT AND RISK) HELD 26 JULY 2021
(Circulated under separate cover)**

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes for the Standing Committee (Audit and Risk) meeting held on 26 July 2021 as previously circulated to all Councillors, be received and noted.

11.2 STANDING COMMITTEE (COMMUNITY VISION) HELD 2 AUGUST 2021
(Circulated under separate cover)

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes for the Standing Committee (Community Vision) meeting held on 2 August 2021 as previously circulated to all Councillors, be received and noted.

12. REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATION

12.1 GATE ADDITION TO 85 DWELLINGS (75 MULTIPLE DWELLINGS AND 10 GROUPED DWELLINGS) – LOT 1010 (9) HAWKSBURN ROAD, RIVERVALE

ATTACHMENT DETAILS

Attachment No	Details
Attachment 1 – Item 12.1 refers	Development Plans
Attachment 2 – Item 12.1 refers	Responsible Authority Report – 78/2014/A
Attachment 3 – Item 12.1 refers	Minutes of the Owners of Tribeca East Annual General Meeting

Voting Requirement	:	Simple Majority
Subject Index	:	115/001-Development/Subdivision/Strata-Applications and Application Correspondence
Location / Property Index	:	Lot 1010 (9) Hawksburn Road, Rivervale
Application Index	:	604/2020/DA
Disclosure of any Interest	:	Nil
Previous Items	:	N/A
Applicant	:	Blackburne Strata Management
Owner	:	The Owners of Strata Plan 69829 – Tribeca East
Responsible Division	:	Development and Communities

COUNCIL ROLE

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Review | <i>When Council reviews decisions made by Officers.</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Quasi-Judicial | <i>When Council determines an application/matter that directly affect a person's right and interests. The judicial character arises from the obligation to abide by the principles of natural justice. Examples of quasi-judicial authority include local planning applications, building licences, applications for other permits/licences (eg under Health Act, Dog Act or Local Laws) and other decisions that may be appealable to the State Administrative Tribunal.</i> |

Item 12.1 Continued

PURPOSE OF REPORT

For Council to consider an application to install a security gate to the visitor parking bays to the multiple and grouped dwelling complex at Lot 1010 (9) Hawksburn Road, Rivervale.

SUMMARY AND KEY ISSUES

- The subject site is zoned 'Special Development Precinct – The Springs' and further designated as 'Development Area 11' under Local Planning Scheme No.15.
- The existing 85 dwellings were approved by the Joint Development Assessment Panel (JDAP) on 24 April 2014. This approval had conditions requiring that visitor car parking bays be accessible at all times.
- Resident carparking bays are currently located behind gates. However, the visitor car parking bays located at the entry to the development are not located behind a security gate.
- The owners of the complex have raised security concerns regarding the visitor bays and have advised that there have been several incidents of theft and damage since the occupancy of the building. In response to these concerns, the owners seek to amend the JDAP approval to include the installation of a security gate to the entry of the complex.
- It is proposed that the gate will remain open between 6:00am and 8:00pm. The gate will be closed between 8:00pm and 6:00am to restrict access.
- Visitor access afterhours will be managed using an intercom system at the front of the gate. Signage will inform visitors that the bays are located behind the gate and that it is necessary to use the intercom to gain entry.

It is considered installation of the security gate can be supported on the basis that it meets the relevant criteria of the planning framework and that conditions will ensure that the visitors bays are accessible at all times.

LOCATION

The application relates to the existing 75 multiple dwellings and 10 grouped dwellings complex known as the 'Tribeca East'. Tribeca East is bounded by Hawksburn Road, Regatta Terrace and Rowe Avenue, within the Special Development Precinct zone identified as The Springs.

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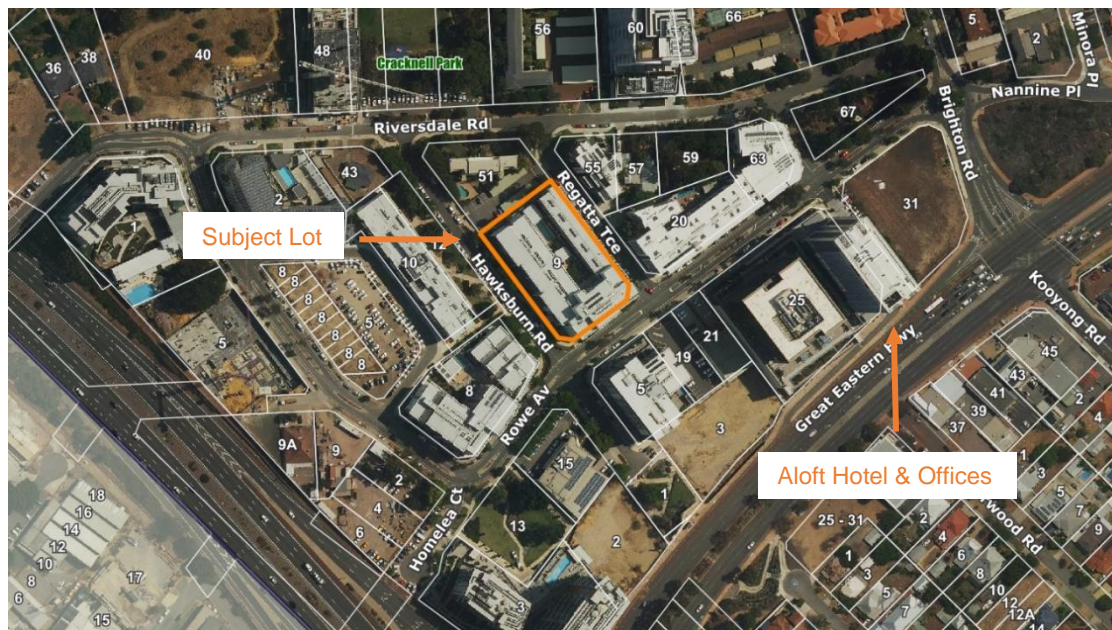


Figure 1 – Aerial of Subject Site

CONSULTATION

Category A applications are those that are complete, fully comply, can be approved under delegated authority and does not require approval from any other body. Category A applications are classified as such on the basis that they are fully compliant and do not require advertising under relevant legislation.

At the Annual General Meeting held on 20 July 2020, the Owners of Strata Plan 69829 – Tribeca East confirmed that they will pursue the installation of the gate to the visitor's car parking with the City of Belmont (refer [Attachment 3](#)). On this basis, no consultation with owners or occupiers within the complex was deemed necessary. In terms of public advertising, the planning framework pertaining to the site does not require that applications for security gates be advertised to the broader community. As the visitor bays will remain accessible at all times, it is considered that there will be no off-site parking impacts.

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

In accordance with the 2020 – 2040 Strategic Community Plan:

Goal: Liveable Belmont

Strategy: 1.2 Plan and deliver vibrant, attractive, safe and economically sustainable activity centres.

Whilst the subject lot is not within an activity centre, the proposal can affect the community's general perception of safety within the City, which is considered as a measurement to the goal.

Goal: Responsible Belmont

Strategy: 5.6 Deliver effective, fair and transparent leadership and decision-making, reflective of community needs and aspirations.

Item 12.1 Continued

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

State Planning Policy 7.3 – Residential Design Codes Volume 2 - Apartments

The R-Codes provide a comprehensive basis for the control of residential development throughout Western Australia. Volume 2 of the R-Codes was introduced in 2019 and specifically relates to multiple dwellings and residential component of mixed-use developments. Of relevance to the subject application are the following acceptable outcomes and objectives:

- **Objective 3.8.1:** Vehicle access points are designed and located to provide safe access and egress for vehicles and to avoid conflict with pedestrians, cyclists and other vehicles.
- **Objective 3.9.3:** Car parking is designed to be safe and accessible.
- **Acceptable Outcomes 3.9.7:** Visitor parking is clearly visible from the driveway, is signed 'Visitor Parking' and is accessible from the primary entry or entries.
- **Design Guidance 3.8.3:** Visitor bays are readily accessed from the primary vehicle entry. Where located inside security gates, provide intercom controls to facilitate visitor access.

Local Planning Policy No. 7 – The Springs Design Guidelines

Local Planning Policy No. 7 (LPP7) provides guidance and standards for design and development in The Springs Special Development Precinct. The following development controls are relevant to the proposal:

- Opportunities for casual surveillance from inside to the public realm and point of ingress.
- Buildings and boundaries must be adequately secured from unwanted intruders.

Designing Out Crime Planning Guidelines

The guidelines provide principles for designing out crime and approaches to address crime prevention. Of relevance to the subject application are the following objectives:

5.2 Urban Structure:

- Facilitate safe and efficient movement of vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians.

5.15 Car Parks, Including Grade and Multi – Storey:

- Increase safety through optimising visibility and clear sightlines.
- Provide safe access to and from car parks.

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STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011

Regulation 17A of the *Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011* allows for an owner of land subject to a previous JDAP approval to apply to the City to amend the application.

Local Planning Scheme No. 15

The subject site is zoned 'Special Development Precinct – The Springs' under LPS15. Clause 4.8.1 of LPS15 defines five Special Development Precincts within the City of Belmont including 'The Springs'. Development within the Special Development Precinct is subject to compliance with the performance-based criteria contained in the relevant local planning policy (in this instance, Local Planning Policy 7).

Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015

Schedule 2 Part 9 Clause 67(2) of the Planning Regulations states the matters to be considered by local government in determining a development application. In summary, the following matters are of particular relevance to this application:

- “(a) The aims and provisions of this Scheme and any other local planning scheme operating within the Scheme area.*
- (b) The requirements of orderly and proper planning.*
- (g) Any local planning policy for the Scheme area.*
- (s) The adequacy of –*
 - i. The proposed means of access to and egress from the site; and*
 - ii. Arrangements for the loading, unloading, manoeuvring and parking of vehicles.*
- (x) The impact of the development on the community as a whole notwithstanding the impact of the development on particular individuals.*

Deemed Refusal

Under Clause 75 of the deemed provisions of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*, an application is 'deemed to be refused' if it is not determined within a 90-day period.

The only exception is where there is a written agreement for a further time between the applicant and the City of Belmont. In this case, there is no written agreement for the statutory time period to be extended.

The deemed refusal date for this application passed on 9 June 2021 and the applicant already has deemed refusal rights.

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Right of Review

Is there a right of review? Yes No

The applicant/owner may make application for review of a planning approval/planning refusal to the State Administrative Tribunal (SAT) subject to Part 14 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005*. Applications for review must be lodged with SAT within 28 days. Further information can be obtained from the SAT website—www.sat.justice.wa.gov.au.

BACKGROUND

Lodgement Date:	11 March 2021	Use Class:	Multiple Dwelling – ‘D’ Use
Lot Area:	4,013m ²	LPS Zoning:	Special Development Precinct
Estimated Cost of Development:	\$16,000	MRS:	Urban

Existing Development

On 7 May 2014, JDAP approved a multi-storey development comprising 75 multiple dwellings and 10 grouped dwellings. Refer [Attachment 2](#).

The applicant submitted a Form 2 application for consideration by JDAP, which included amendments that sought the provision of additional visitor bays and the inclusion of a security gate as indicated in Figure 2 below.

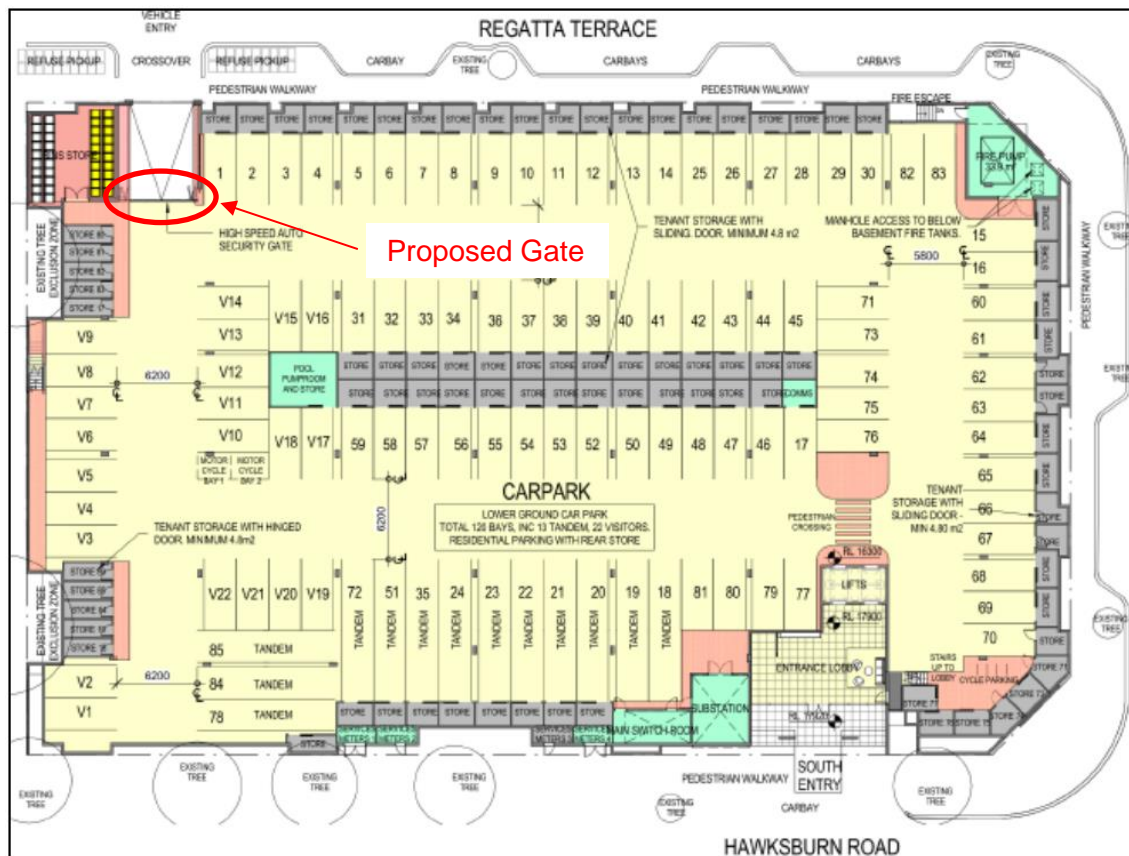


Figure 2 – Amended Car Parking and Access Configuration (source: JDAP)

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In light of the proposed amendment, the Responsible Authority Report recommended changes to Condition 14 and 22 of the approval as follows:

Condition 14 – *Prior to occupation or use of the development, 22 visitor bays on the ground floor are to be clearly marked on site as ‘Visitor Bays’, and made accessible for visitors at all times. All visitor bays are to be at a consolidated location. The bays are to be maintained in accordance with the City’s engineering requirements and design guidelines to the satisfaction of the City’s Director Technical Services.*

Condition 22 – *Prior to use or occupation of the development, an Access and Parking Management Plan shall be prepared at the applicant’s cost to the satisfaction of the City, and thereafter implemented for the life of the development.*

The Parking Management Plan shall include measures to ensure the gates remain open between the hours of 9.00am and 6.00pm daily and an intercom system to allow access at all hours. Visitor car parking must be clearly sign posted from outside.

As justified in the RAR, the proposed amendment was acceptable as it:

- *...will bring the subject development into line with other similar proposals such as at Lot 1005 (8) Hawksburn Road, Rivervale.*
- *...will improve the safety and security of the proposed development ensuring that the undercroft car parking area is secure and controlled.*
- *...is open between the hours of 9am and 6pm. Afterhours access can be appropriately secured through the use of an intercom system and appropriate signage to direct visitors accordingly.*

At the JDAP meeting on 8 October 2014, the JDAP resolved to reinstate Condition 14 and further amend Condition 22 to ensure visitor parking is made available at all times. As a result, the security gates and visitor parking were reconfigured to ensure the visitor car parking is located in front of the gate (refer to Figure 3 below).

New Proposal

Since the initial occupation of the building there had been reported incidents that have occurred within the visitor parking which includes stolen vehicle plates, broken vehicle windows, an abandoned vehicle and vandalised fire hydrants. These incidents have tended to occur between the hours of 8:00pm and 6:00am.

To prevent the above incidents, the applicant wishes to install security gate at the entry to the ground floor parking to restrict access during the afterhours (refer to Figure 3). Refer to the development plans under [Attachment 1](#).

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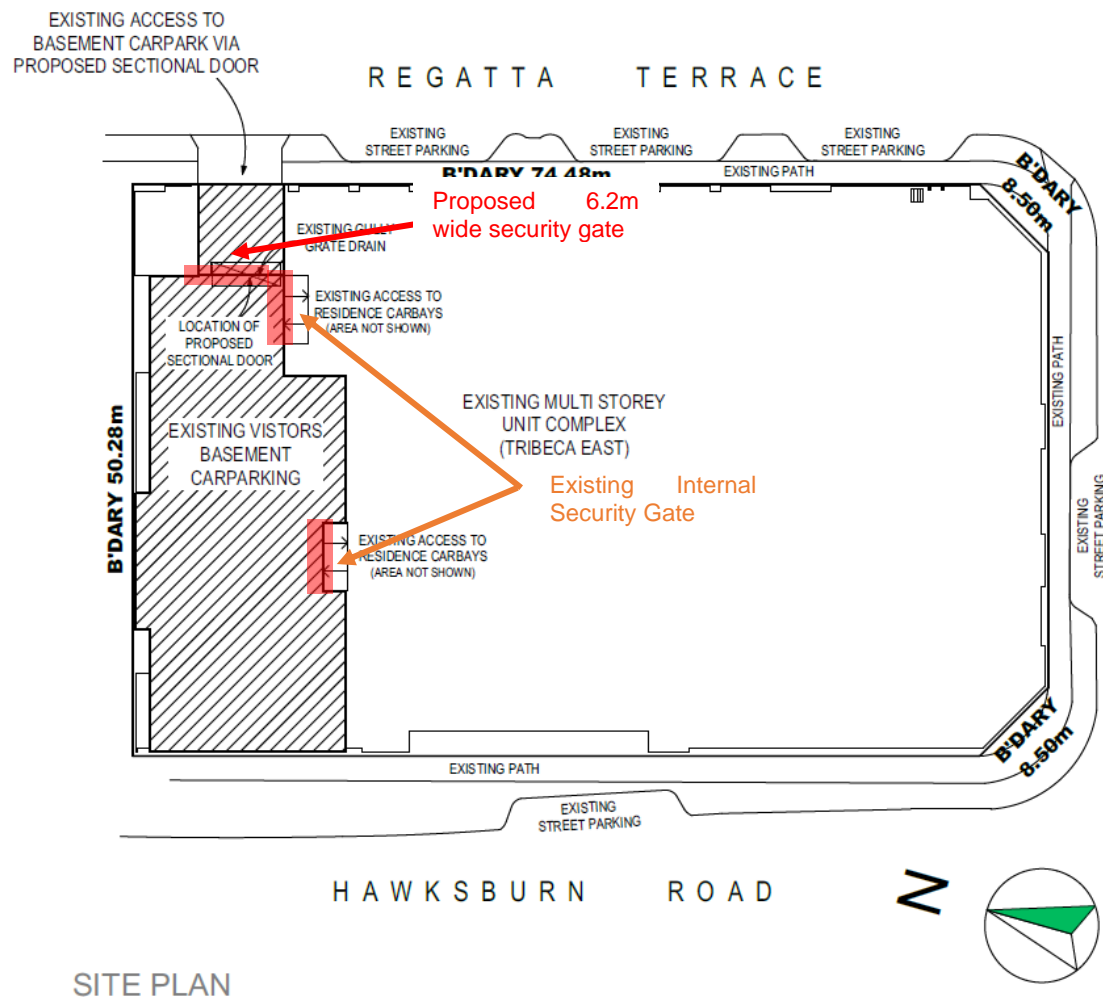


Figure 3 – Extract of Site Plan Showing Location of Gate

R-Codes Changes

At the time of the previous approval, Residential Design Codes Volume 1 was applicable to all residential development. As such, the previously amended conditions were informed by Clause 6.3.4 of the R-Codes which required the visitor parking area to be outside of the security barrier.

However, the Residential Design Codes Volume 2 has now replaced the previous R-Codes for multiple dwelling developments. This contains provisions that emphasise safety of car parking facilities and makes provision for security gates, subject to meeting the acceptable outcomes.

OFFICER COMMENT

The key planning considerations relating to the applications are discussed below.

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Compliance with Residential Design Codes Volume 2 - Apartments

The proposal has been assessed and deemed to satisfy the relevant objectives and acceptable outcomes as follows:

Objective 3.8.1: *Vehicle access points are designed and located to provide safe access and egress for vehicles and to avoid conflict with pedestrians, cyclists and other vehicles.*

- As the security gate is proposed to be open during the day, it will have no impact on vehicle access to the visitor parking during these times

With the intercom system, there will be a minor delay for the gate to be opened by the residents. As such, the security gate is setback approximately 8m from the street boundary to accommodate a vehicle to be fully contained within the driveway without obstructing pedestrians travelling along the adjoining footpath. Furthermore, it is considered that there would be low pedestrians and vehicle traffic during the afterhours. Therefore the security gate maintains safe access and egress for vehicles, as well as avoiding conflict with pedestrians, cyclists and other vehicles.

Objective 3.9.3: *Car parking is designed to be safe and accessible.*

- The applicant has confirmed that the reported incidents generally occur during afterhours. The incorporation of the security gate with an intercom system for afterhours access improves safety and maintains accessibility to the visitor parking. This will allow visitors to remain in their vehicle prior to accessing the visitor parking, which ensures their safety.

Acceptable Outcomes 3.9.7: *Visitor parking is clearly visible from the driveway, is signed 'Visitor Parking' and is accessible from the primary entry or entries.*

- The security gate is constructed out of metal which is visually permeable to maintain visibility of the visitor parking from the crossover. The application includes the installation of a 'Visitor Parking' sign close to the point of entry and outside the security gate.

Design Guidance 3.8.3: *Visitor bays are readily accessed from the primary vehicle entry. Where located inside security gates, provide intercom controls to facilitate visitor access.*

The visitor bays are located at the primary vehicle entry to the site. The security gate will comply with this design principle as it remains open during daylight hours and outside of this time access will be facilitated by an intercom system.

As outlined above, the proposal is compliant with the R-Code provisions relating to visitor parking and security gates. Further to these provisions, it is also necessary to assess the proposal against The Springs Design Guidelines.

Local Planning Policy No. 7 – The Springs Design Guidelines

While the Springs Design Guidelines do not have specific guidelines relating to security gates, the proposal ensures compliance with the following policy measures:

- *Opportunities for casual surveillance from inside to the public realm and point of ingress.*

By featuring visually permeable panels this ensures casual surveillance from the visitor parking to Regatta Terrace.

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- *Buildings and boundaries must be adequately secured from unwanted intruders.*

Through restricting access during afterhours where access is only possible via intercom system, this will allow residents to deny entry from potential intruders to the visitor parking area.

Designing Out Crime Planning Guidelines

The Western Australian Planning Commission produced Design Out Crime Planning Guidelines which detail Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles. The security gate and visitor parking comply with these principles as follows:

- Facilitates safe and efficient movement of vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians:
 - By remaining open from 6:00am to 8:00pm daily, which does not alter the existing flow of traffic to and from the driveway; and
 - By ensuring at least one vehicle can be accommodated within the property boundary during the afterhours without obstructing the adjoining pedestrian footpath. This will be a temporary standing area for visitor vehicles while waiting for the gate to be opened.
- Will maintain visibility and clear sightlines through the use of visually permeable panels. This ensures passive surveillance between the visitor car parking and the street.

As demonstrated above, the proposed security gate meets the relevant provisions and controls of the R-Codes, LPP7 and Designing Out Crime Planning Guidelines. In the context of The Springs special development precinct, the proposal is consistent with similar approvals at 1 Rowe Avenue and 8 Hawksburn Road, whereby both approvals incorporate conditions requiring the gates to remain open during the day and the provision of intercom system with instructional signage for visitors that seek afterhours access.

The proposed measures will be incorporated into the Access and Parking Management Plan which will be required as a condition of the approval and be implemented throughout the life of the development. This will maintain the existing accessibility to the visitor parking, which will have no additional impact on the existing on-street parking bays along Regatta Terrace, Hawksburn Road and Rowe Avenue.

It is recommended that the proposed security gate be supported subject to conditions.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Should the applicant seek to exercise their right to review by the SAT then there would be costs associated with the City addressing the review.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no social implications associated with this report.

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OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve planning application 604/2020 as detailed in plans dated 9 March 2021 submitted by Blackburne Strata Management on behalf of the owners of Strata Plan 69829 – Tribeca East for Gate Addition to 85 Dwellings (75 Multiple Dwellings and 10 Grouped Dwellings) at Lot 1010 (No 9) Hawksburn Road, Rivervale subject to the following conditions:

- 1. All conditions of the development approval DP/14/00141 dated 8 October 2014 are to be satisfied, with the exception of amended Conditions 14 and 22 and new conditions 29 and 30 as follows.**
 - 14. Prior to use of the development, 22 visitor parking bays on the ground floor are to be clearly marked on site as ‘Visitor Bays’. The bays are to be maintained in accordance with the City’s engineering requirements and design guidelines, to the satisfaction of the City.**
 - 22. Prior to lodgement of application for building permit, the approved Access and Parking Management Plan shall be updated at the applicant’s cost to the satisfaction of the City, and thereafter implemented for the life of the development.**

The updated Access and Parking Management Plan shall include:

- Measures to ensure the gates remain open between 6:00am and 8:00pm (daily);**
- Operation of the intercom and remote opening system to allow access from 8:00pm to 6:00am (daily); and**
- Details of signage advising visitors that on site bays are to be used and that they are located behind the gate.**
- Details of signage advising visitors that they shall use the intercom to gain access to visitor bays when the gate is shut.**

New Conditions

- 29. The security gate located at the ground floor car park entry shall remain open from 6:00am to 8:00pm (daily) to ensure 22 visitor bays are fully accessible between these times. Intercom access for visitors shall be provided from 8:00pm to 6:00am (daily).**
- 30. The security gate shall be visually permeable in accordance with the definition of ‘Visually permeable’ in the Residential Design Codes.**

12.2 2021 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

ATTACHMENT DETAILS

<u>Attachment No</u>	<u>Details</u>
Attachment 4 – Item 12.2 refers	Community Service Awards – List of Previous Recipients
Confidential Attachment 1 – Item 12.2 refers	2021 Community Service Awards Nominations
Confidential Attachment 2 – Item 12.2 refers	2021 Community Service Awards Selection Panel – Scoring Matrix

Voting Requirement	:	Simple Majority
Subject Index	:	74/010–Community Services Award
Location/Property Index	:	N/A
Application Index	:	N/A
Disclosure of any Interest	:	Nil.
Previous Items	:	2 August 2021 SC (CV) – Item 10.1 22 September 2020 OCM – Item 12.3 29 October 2019 OCM – Item 12.3 25 September 2018 OCM - Item 12.2
Applicant	:	NA
Owner	:	NA
Responsible Division	:	Development and Communities

COUNCIL ROLE

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Advocacy | <i>When Council advocates on its own behalf or on behalf of its community to another level of government/body/agency.</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Executive | <i>The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council eg adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations, setting and amending budgets.</i> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Review | <i>When Council reviews decisions made by Officers.</i> |
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

To receive the nominations for the 2021 Community Service Awards and for Council to endorse the Standing Committee (Community Vision) recommendation.

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SUMMARY AND KEY ISSUES

Council's consideration of nominations and recommended recipients for the 2021 Community Service Awards.

LOCATION

Not applicable.

CONSULTATION

There has been no specific consultation undertaken in respect to this matter.

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

In accordance with the 2020 – 2040 Strategic Community Plan:

Goal 5: Responsible Belmont.

Strategy: 5.1 Support collaboration and partnerships to deliver key outcomes for our City

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications associated with this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

There are no specific statutory requirements in respect to this matter.

BACKGROUND

The Community Service Award was initiated in 1977 to recognise and acknowledge services performed by community members and organisations, with five people receiving the inaugural Award. From 1977 to 2020, there have been 110 awards presented with four recipients receiving the Award twice.

The majority of the Awards have been presented to individuals with only two organisations receiving the Award, those being Nulsen Haven (1982) and Belmont Community Food Centre (2000).

The following Award categories have been defined to include people working in the separate areas of:

- **Aged:** This category applies to an individual/community group who contributes within the aged sector (i.e.: pensioner groups, activities and services for seniors).

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- **Community Service:** This category applies to an individual/community group who contributes within the community (i.e.: emergency service volunteer, support personnel, religious organisations, culturally diverse communities, charity groups, schools).
- **People Who Make a Difference:** This category applies to an individual/community group who has made an exceptional impact, by going above and beyond their duties, and making a significant difference in their local community by assisting another or others.
- **Sport and Recreation (Including Arts and Culture):** This category applies to an individual/community group who contributes to organisations such as sporting and recreational clubs as well as arts and culture clubs and organisations.
- **Youth:** This category applies to an individual/community group who supports organisations such as girl guides, scouts, youth clubs, youth centre(s), schools etc.

The Awards are intended to acknowledge the outstanding service given to the community by individual persons and community groups using the following selection criteria:

1. The contribution made should be of benefit to the citizens of the City of Belmont (must have provided services to the residents of the City of Belmont).
2. Remuneration of an incidental nature will not exclude a nominee from eligibility.
3. Nominations can be made in more than one category for any one nominee. Each nomination has to be specific to the category for which the nomination has been submitted.
4. The nomination must be submitted on the provided nomination form.

OFFICER COMMENT

The 2021 Community Service Awards were conducted using the selection criteria as resolved by the Council at its 28 July 2015 Ordinary Council Meeting (Item 10.2).

The Selection Panel comprised of the Mayor, Chairperson of the Standing Committee (Community Vision), the Chief Executive Officer, Director Development and Communities and the Manager Economic and Community Development. The panel convened on Friday, 25 June 2021 to review and assess all applications.

A list of previous recipients is provided under [Attachment 4](#). Copies of nominations received are provided under [Confidential Attachment 1](#).

The Selection Panel's recommendations for the 2021 Community Service Awards was discussed and endorsed at the Standing Committee (Community Vision) meeting on Tuesday, 2 August 2021 and is provided under [Confidential Attachment 2](#).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications evident at this time.

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Community Service Awards recognise those who assist and develop community capacity and support community groups within the City of Belmont.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council endorse the recommendation of the Standing Committee (Community Vision) as detailed in [Confidential Attachment 2](#).
2. The decision by Council on the recipients of the 2021 Community Service Awards remains confidential until announced.

12.3 TENDER 10/2021 – REFURBISHMENT OF THE CITY OF BELMONT’S GLASSHOUSE – ACCEPTANCE OF TENDER

(Report to follow)

12.4 PRESENTATION OF 2021 OPPORTUNITY AWARDS

(Report to follow)

12.5 STANDING COMMITTEES – UPDATED TERMS OF REFERENCE

ATTACHMENT DETAILS

Attachment No	Details
Attachment 5 – Item 12.5 refers	<u>Terms of Reference – Executive Committee – Tracked Changes</u>
Attachment 6 – Item 12.5 refers	<u>Terms of Reference – Executive Committee – Clean Copy</u>
Attachment 7 – Item 12.5 refers	<u>Terms of Reference – Standing Committee (Audit and Risk) – Tracked Changes</u>
Attachment 8 – Item 12.5 refers	<u>Terms of Reference – Standing Committee (Audit and Risk) – Clean Copy</u>
Attachment 9 – Item 12.5 refers	<u>Terms of Reference – Standing Committee (Community Vision) Tracked Changes</u>
Attachment 10 – Item 12.5 refers	<u>Terms of Reference – Standing Committee (Community Vision) – Clean Copy</u>
Attachment 11 – Item 12.5 refers	<u>Terms of Reference – Standing Committee (Environmental) – Tracked Changes</u>
Attachment 12 – Item 12.5 refers	<u>Terms of Reference – Standing Committee (Environmental) – Clean Copy</u>

Voting Requirement : Simple Majority
 Subject Index : 154/007 – Standing Committee
 Location/Property Index : N/A
 Application Index : N/A
 Disclosure of any Interest : Nil
 Previous Items :
 Applicant : N/A
 Owner : N/A
 Responsible Division : Corporate and Governance

COUNCIL ROLE

- Advocacy** *When Council advocates on its own behalf or on behalf of its community to another level of government/body/agency.*
- Executive** *The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council eg adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations, setting and amending budgets.*
- Legislative** *Includes adopting local laws, local planning schemes and policies.*
- Review** *When Council reviews decisions made by Officers.*
- Quasi-Judicial** *When Council determines an application/matter that directly affect a person’s right and interests. The judicial character arises from the obligation to abide by the principles of natural justice. Examples of quasi-judicial authority include local planning applications, building licences, applications for other permits/licences (eg under Health Act, Dog Act or Local Laws) and other decisions that may be appealable to the State Administrative Tribunal.*

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

To present revised Terms of Reference for the Executive Committee, Standing Committee (Audit and Risk), Standing Committee (Community Vision) and Standing Committee (Environmental) to Council for endorsement.

SUMMARY AND KEY ISSUES

In the lead up to the biennial election the Terms of Reference for all Standing Committees and the Executive Committee are reviewed for legislative compliance and alignment to the City of Belmont's strategic direction, as well as appropriate representation on each Committee.

LOCATION

Not applicable.

CONSULTATION

There has been no specific consultation undertaken in respect to this matter.

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

In accordance with the 2020 – 2040 Strategic Community Plan:

Goal 5: Responsible Belmont

Strategy: 5.6 Deliver effective, fair and transparent leadership and decision-making, reflective of community needs and aspirations.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications associated with this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee assists Council to undertake its duties in relation to sections 5.38 and 5.39 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulations 18FA of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*.

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Local Government Act 1995

5.38. Annual review of certain employees' performances

The performance of each employee who is employed for a term of more than one year, including the CEO and each senior employee, is to be reviewed at least once in relation to every year of the employment.

5.39. Contracts for CEO and senior employees

- (1) *Subject to subsection (1a), the employment of a person who is a CEO or a senior employee is to be governed by a written contract in accordance with this section.*
- (1a) *Despite subsection (1) —*
 - (a) *an employee may act in the position of a CEO or a senior employee for a term not exceeding one year without a written contract for the position in which he or she is acting; and*
 - (b) *a person may be employed by a local government as a senior employee for a term not exceeding 3 months, during any 2 year period, without a written contract.*
- (2) *A contract under this section —*
 - (a) *in the case of an acting or temporary position, cannot be for a term exceeding one year;*
 - (b) *in every other case, cannot be for a term exceeding 5 years.*
- (3) *A contract under this section is of no effect unless —*
 - (a) *the expiry date is specified in the contract; and*
 - (b) *there are specified in the contract performance criteria for the purpose of reviewing the person's performance; and*
 - (c) *any other matter that has been prescribed as a matter to be included in the contract has been included.*
- (4) *A contract under this section is to be renewable and subject to subsection (5), may be varied.*
- (5) *A provision in, or condition of, an agreement or arrangement has no effect if it purports to affect the application of any provision of this section.*
- (6) *Nothing in subsection (2) or (3)(a) prevents a contract for a period that is within the limits set out in subsection 2(a) or (b) from being terminated within that period on the happening of an event specified in the contract.*
- (7) *A CEO is to be paid or provided with such remuneration as is determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal under the Salaries and Allowances Act 1975 section 7A.*
- (8) *A local government is to ensure that subsection (7) is complied with in entering into, or renewing, a contract of employment with a CEO.*

[Section 5.39 amended by No. 49 of 2004 s. 46(1)-(3); No. 2 of 2012 s. 13 (correction to reprint in Gazette 28 Mar 2013 p. 1317).]

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Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

18FA. Model standards for CEO recruitment, performance and termination
(Act s. 5.39A(1))

Schedule 2 sets out model standards for local governments in relation to the following —

- (a) the recruitment of CEOs;*
- (b) the review of the performance of CEOs;*
- (c) the termination of the employment of CEOs.*

[Regulation 18FA inserted: SL 2021/14 r. 6.]

Standing Committee Audit and Risk

Part 7 of the *Local Government Act 1995* details the audit of the financial accounts of the local government. Section 7.1A states:

7.1A. Audit committee

- (1) A local government is to establish an audit committee of 3 or more persons to exercise the powers and discharge the duties conferred on it.*
- (2) The members of the audit committee of a local government are to be appointed* by the local government and at least 3 of the members, and the majority of the members, are to be council members.*
 - * Absolute majority required.*
- (3) A CEO is not to be a member of an audit committee and may not nominate a person to be a member of an audit committee or have a person to represent the CEO as a member of an audit committee.*
- (4) An employee is not to be a member of an audit committee.*

The *Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996* detail the role and requirements of local government audit committees, in particular, Regulation 16 outlines the functions of the audit committee:

16. Audit committee, functions of

An audit committee —

- (a) is to provide guidance and assistance to the local government —*
 - (i) as to the carrying out of its functions in relation to audits carried out under Part 7 of the Act; and*
 - (ii) as to the development of a process to be used to select and appoint a person to be an auditor; and*
- (b) may provide guidance and assistance to the local government as to —*
 - (i) matters to be audited; and*
 - (ii) the scope of audits; and*
 - (iii) its functions under Part 6 of the Act; and*
 - (iv) the carrying out of its functions relating to other audits and other matters related to financial management; and*

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- (c) *is to review a report given to it by the CEO under regulation 17(3) (the **CEO's report**) and is to —*
- (i) report to the council the results of that review; and*
 - (ii) give a copy of the CEO's report to the council.*

[Regulation 16 inserted in Gazette 31 Mar 2005 p. 1043; amended in Gazette 8 Feb 2013 p. 867.]

BACKGROUND

The Terms of Reference for all Standing Committees are reviewed biennially, in line with the Local Government Elections.

The Terms of Reference provide clear guidance on the purpose and objectives of the Standing Committees and the duties and responsibilities of Committee members.

OFFICER COMMENT

Terms of Reference for all City of Belmont Standing Committees have been reviewed and updated to ensure consistency.

Amendments made to each of the Terms of Reference are set out below:

Executive Committee

The content has had minor amendments; however it does not substantively change the current role performed by the Committee (refer [Attachment 5](#)).

Standing Committee (Audit and Risk)

At the Standing Committee (Audit and Risk) Meeting held on 26 July 2021, the Committee made further changes to the Terms of Reference and these are shown as tracked changes (refer [Attachment 7](#)). A clean copy of the Terms of Reference including the changes requested by the Committee is also attached (refer [Attachment 8](#)).

Standing Committee (Community Vision)

The content has been amended to reflect organisational changes and to include reference to Economic Development. The changes do not substantively change the current role performed by the Committee (refer [Attachment 9](#)).

Standing Committee (Environmental)

The content has been amended to reflect current position titles, and replacement of the Environment and Sustainability Strategy 2016 - 2021, with a new five-year Strategy and Implementation Plan for 2021 – 2026 (refer [Attachment 11](#)).

The Environment and Sustainability Strategy 2021 - 2026 will be a high-level strategic document supported by an Implementation Plan, consistent with the City's new organisational approach to plans.

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The Standing Committees endorsed the revised Terms of Reference as shown below:

- Executive Committee – 19 April 2021
- Standing Committee (Audit and Risk) – 26 July 2021
- Standing Committee (Community Vision) – 2 August 2021
- Standing Committee (Environmental) – 19 July 2021

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications evident at this time.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no social implications associated with this report.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Endorse the revised Terms of Reference for the Executive Committee (refer [Attachment 6](#)).
2. Endorse the revised Terms of Reference for the Standing Committee (Audit and Risk) (refer [Attachment 8](#)).
3. Endorse the revised Terms of Reference for the Standing Committee (Community Vision) (refer [Attachment 10](#)).
4. Endorse the revised Terms of Reference for the Standing Committee (Environmental) (refer [Attachment 12](#)).

12.6 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – JULY 2021

ATTACHMENT DETAILS

<u>Attachment No</u>	<u>Details</u>
Attachment 13 – Item 12.6 refers	<u>Account for Payment – July 2021</u>

Voting Requirement	:	Simple Majority
Subject Index	:	54/007-Creditors-Payment Authorisations
Location / Property Index	:	N/A
Application Index	:	N/A
Disclosure of any Interest	:	Nil
Previous Items	:	N/A
Applicant	:	N/A
Owner	:	N/A
Responsible Division	:	Corporate and Governance Division

COUNCIL ROLE

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Advocacy | <i>When Council advocates on its own behalf or on behalf of its community to another level of government/body/agency.</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Executive | <i>The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council eg. adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations, setting and amending budgets.</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Legislative | <i>Includes adopting local laws, local planning schemes and policies.</i> |
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

Confirmation of accounts paid and authority to pay unpaid accounts.

SUMMARY AND KEY ISSUES

A list of payments is presented to the Council each month for confirmation and endorsement in accordance with the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.

LOCATION

Not applicable.

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CONSULTATION

There has been no specific consultation undertaken in respect to this matter.

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

There are no Strategic Community Plan implications evident at this time.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications associated with this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Regulation 13(1) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* states:

“If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared:

- (a) the payee's name;*
- (b) the amount of the payment;*
- (c) the date of the payment; and*
- (d) sufficient information to identify the transaction.”*

BACKGROUND

Checking and certification of Accounts for Payment required in accordance with *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, Regulation 12.

OFFICER COMMENT

The following payments as detailed in the Authorised Payment Listing are recommended for confirmation and endorsement.

Municipal Fund Cheques	788687 to 788693	\$67,605.80
Municipal Fund EFTs	EF074076 to EF074739	\$4,559,580.52
Municipal Fund Payroll	July 2021	\$1,471,942.55
Trust Fund EFTs	EF074080 to EF074082	<u>\$18,041.52</u>
Total Payments for July 2021		\$6,117,170.39

A copy of the Authorised Payment Listing is included as [Attachment 13](#) to this report.

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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Provides for the effective and timely payment of Council's contractors and other creditors.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no social implications associated with this report.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Authorised Payment Listing for July 2021 as provided under [Attachment 13](#) be received.

12.7 MONTHLY ACTIVITY STATEMENT AS AT 31 JULY 2021

ATTACHMENT DETAILS

Attachment No	Details
Attachment 14 – Item 12.7 refers	<u>Monthly Activity Statement as at 31 July 2021</u>

Voting Requirement	:	Simple Majority
Subject Index	:	32/009-Financial Operating Statements
Location/Property Index	:	N/A
Application Index	:	N/A
Disclosure of any Interest	:	Nil
Previous Items	:	N/A
Applicant	:	N/A
Owner	:	N/A
Responsible Division	:	Corporate and Governance

COUNCIL ROLE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide Council with relevant monthly financial information for the 2021-2022 financial year.

SUMMARY AND KEY ISSUES

The following report includes a concise list of material variances and a Reconciliation of Net Current Assets at the end of the reporting month.

LOCATION

Not applicable.

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CONSULTATION

There has been no specific consultation undertaken in respect to this matter.

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

There are no Strategic Community Plan implications evident at this time.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications associated with this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Section 6.4 of the *Local Government Act 1995* in conjunction with Regulations 34 (1) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* requires monthly financial reports to be presented to Council.

Regulation 34(1) requires a monthly Statement of Financial Activity reporting on revenue and expenditure.

Regulation 34(5) determines the mechanism required to ascertain the definition of material variances which are required to be reported to Council as a part of the monthly report. It also requires Council to adopt a “percentage or value” for what it will consider to be material variances on an annual basis. Further clarification is provided in the Officer Comments section.

BACKGROUND

The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* requires that financial statements are presented on a monthly basis to Council. Council has adopted 10% of the budgeted closing balance as the materiality threshold.

OFFICER COMMENT

The Statutory Monthly Financial Report is to consist of a Statement of Financial Activity reporting on revenue and expenditure as set out in the Annual Budget. It is required to include:

- Annual budget estimates
- Budget estimates to the end of the reporting month
- Actual amounts to the end of the reporting month
- Material variances between comparable amounts
- Net current assets as at the end of the reporting month.

Previous amendments to the Regulations fundamentally changed the reporting structure which requires reporting of information consistent with the “cash” component of Council’s budget rather than being “accrual” based.

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The monthly financial report is to be accompanied by:

- An explanation of the composition of the net current assets, less committed* and restricted** assets
- An explanation of material variances***
- Such other information as is considered relevant by the local government.

*Revenue unspent but set aside under the annual budget for a specific purpose.

**Assets which are restricted by way of externally imposed conditions of use e.g. tied grants.

***Based on a materiality threshold of 10 %.

In order to provide more details regarding significant variations as included in [Attachment 14](#) the following summary is provided.

Report Section	Budget YTD	Actual YTD	Comment
Expenditure Capital			
Computing	54,167	Nil	Timing issue regarding the payment of business applications and equipment.
Environment	81,143	650	Two foreshore restoration design carryover projects are behind budget.
Road Works	128,491	12,601	Variance mainly relates to Abernethy Rd which is also a carryover project.
Building Operations	328,100	24,802	A number of carryover projects are also below budget including works at the Belmont Oasis and Belmont Hub café.
Expenditure – Operating			
Computing	277,196	537,002	Business applications are largely paid in July but have been budgeted over the year.
Marketing & Communications	197,144	132,155	A number of minor cost items are below budget.
Reimbursements	11,000	66,590	Claims for workers compensation are above budget but as they are reimbursed have a nil budget impact.
Belmont Community Watch	111,754	2,611	Contractor payments are made one month in arrears.
Youth Services General	67,987	359	Contractor payments are made one month in arrears.
Sanitation Charges	120,805	36,093	Contractor payments are made one month in arrears.
Ruth Faulkner Library	220,082	277,738	Timing issue regarding the spread of accommodation costs.
Community Development	79,776	13,526	Timing issue regarding the spread of project management costs and donations.
Grounds Operations	459,926	359,044	Contractor payments are made one month in arrears.
Grounds - Active Reserves	113,674	41,518	Timing issue regarding the spread of turf maintenance costs.
Streetscapes	194,339	57,530	Street tree maintenance programs are currently below budget.

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Report Section	Budget YTD	Actual YTD	Comment
Revenue Capital	-		
Road Works	(165,204)	Nil	Timing issue regarding the spread of grant income.
Revenue Operating	-		
Computing	(268,791)	(537,002)	Activity Based Costing (ABC's) recoveries are above budget which is consistent with IT costs being above budget.
City Facilities & Property	(70,089)	(129,952)	Timing issue regarding the recovery of accommodation costs.
Streetscapes	(60,000)	Nil	Income is expected to be received later in the financial year.

In accordance with *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, Regulation 34 (2)(a) the following table explains the composition of the net current assets amount which appears at the end of the attached report.

Reconciliation of Nett Current Assets to Statement of Financial Activity		
Current Assets as at 31 July 2021	\$	Comment
Cash and investments	61,365,187	Includes municipal and reserves
- less non rate setting cash	(48,362,088)	Reserves
Receivables	50,757,697	Rates levied yet to be received and Sundry Debtors
ESL Receivable	(9,009,281)	ESL Receivable
Stock on hand	226,045	
Total Current Assets	54,977,560	
Current Liabilities		
Creditors and provisions	(20,295,320)	Includes ESL and deposits
- less non rate setting creditors & provisions	12,327,902	Cash Backed LSL, current loans & ESL
Total Current Liabilities	(7,967,418)	
Nett Current Assets 31 July 2021	47,010,141	
Nett Current Assets as Per Financial Activity Report	47,010,141	
Less Committed Assets	(46,510,141)	All other budgeted expenditure
Estimated Closing Balance	500,000	

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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The presentation of these reports to Council ensures compliance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and associated Regulations, and also ensures that Council is regularly informed as to the status of its financial position.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no social implications associated with this report.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Monthly Financial Reports as at 31 July 2021 as included in [Attachment 14](#) be received.

13. REPORTS BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

13.1 REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

13.2 NOTICE OF MOTION

13.2.1 NOTICE OF MOTION (COUNCILLOR DAVIS) – ONGOING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE BELMONT CITY BOWLING CLUB AND BELMONT PARK TENNIS CLUB

ATTACHMENT DETAILS

Nil

Voting Requirement	:	Simple Majority
Subject Index	:	35/002 – Notices of Motion
Location/Property Index	:	400 Abernethy Road, Cloverdale
Application Index	:	N/A
Disclosure of any Interest	:	Nil
Previous Items	:	Ordinary Council Meeting 22 June 2021 – Item 13.2.1
Applicant	:	N/A
Owner	:	N/A
Responsible Division	:	Infrastructure Services

COUNCIL ROLE

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Advocacy | <i>When Council advocates on its own behalf or on behalf of its community to another level of government/body/agency.</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Executive | <i>The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council eg adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations, setting and amending budgets.</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Legislative | <i>Includes adopting local laws, local planning schemes and policies.</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Review | <i>When Council reviews decisions made by Officers.</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Quasi-Judicial | <i>When Council determines an application/matter that directly affect a person's right and interests. The judicial character arises from the obligation to abide by the principles of natural justice. Examples of quasi-judicial authority include local planning applications, building licences, applications for other permits/licences (eg under Health Act, Dog Act or Local Laws) and other decisions that may be appealable to the State Administrative Tribunal.</i> |

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To consider the withdrawal of a Notice of Motion received from Councillor (Cr) Davis that the City of Belmont provides additional ongoing financial support to the Belmont City Bowling Club (BCBC) and Belmont Park Tennis Club (BPTC) to assist in ongoing maintenance of their facilities.

Item 13.2.1 Continued

SUMMARY AND KEY ISSUES

Following discussion relating to a Notice of Motion from Cr Davis at the Information Forum on 13 July 2021, a request has been received from Cr Davis for Council to withdraw the Motion to consider providing additional ongoing financial support (\$8,000 per annum) to the BCBC and BPTC to assist in ongoing maintenance of their facilities.

LOCATION

The Belmont City Bowling Club and Belmont Park Tennis Club are both located at 400 Abernethy Road, Cloverdale as shown in the aerial image below:



CONSULTATION

There has been no specific consultation undertaken in respect to this matter.

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

In accordance with the 2020 – 2040 Strategic Community Plan:

Goal 5: Responsible Belmont

Strategy 5.3: Deliver effective, fair and transparent leadership and decision-making, reflective of community needs and aspirations.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications associated with this report.

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STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Section 10.14(1) of the *City of Belmont Standing Orders Local Law 2017* states:

'Subject to subsection (2), the Council may, without debate, grant leave to withdraw a motion or amendment on the request of the mover of the motion or amendment and with the approval of the seconder.'

BACKGROUND

A Notice of Motion was submitted by Cr Davis for consideration by Council at its 22 June 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting as follows:

'COUNCILLOR RECOMMENDATION

That the City continues to endorse additional grant funding for the Belmont City Bowling Club and the Belmont Tennis Club of \$8,000 per year to each club to assist in the ongoing maintenance of their facilities which is to be on-going in all future budgets.

Reason

- 1. Both clubs have had significant cost increases over the past 10 years to maintain the facilities, however the grant from the City has not increased to facilitate ongoing cost increases.*
- 2. Affiliation fees for the respected clubs have increased substantially over recent years.*
- 3. The COVID 19 pandemic lock downs are continuing to have a negative financial impact on sporting clubs.*
- 4. Both clubs are heavily reliant on large gatherings and the COVID 19 restrictions are continuing to impact both clubs.*
- 5. It is important that the City of Belmont supports both clubs in providing an important service for the people of Belmont.'*

A report outlining information relating to the Notice of Motion and current funding of the BCBC and BPTC was included in the agenda for consideration.

Following the Motion being moved and seconded, a Procedural Motion was put forward by Cr Rossi as follows:

'PROCEDURAL MOTION

ROSSI MOVED, POWELL SECONDED

That the Item be referred back to an Information Forum in accordance with section 11.1(g) of the City of Belmont Standing Orders Local Law 2017.

CARRIED 5 VOTES TO 2

*For: Cayoun, Marks, Powell, Rossi, Ryan
Against: Davis, Sekulla'*

This item was discussed at the 13 July 2021 Information Forum following which Cr Davis has requested that the Notice of Motion be withdrawn.

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OFFICER COMMENT

The Motion was Moved by Cr Davis and Seconded by Cr Sekulla prior to the Procedural Motion being put forward making it an 'alive' Motion.

Following discussion of the item at the Information Forum in accordance with the Procedural Motion, the Motion remains 'alive'. In accordance with section 10.14(1) of the *City of Belmont Standing Orders Local Law 2017*, it is necessary for a Council resolution, without debate, to withdraw the Motion as requested by Cr Davis, with the approval of the seconder.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no social implications associated with this report.

COUNCILLOR MOTION

In accordance with Section 10.14(1) of the City of Belmont *Standing Orders Local Law 2017* the Notice of Motion put forward to the 22 June 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting as follows be withdrawn:

'That the City continues to endorse additional grant funding for the Belmont City Bowling Club and the Belmont Tennis Club of \$8,000 per year to each club to assist in the ongoing maintenance of their facilities which is to be on-going in all future budgets'.

Reason

The Mover and Seconder, Councillors Davis and Sekulla have requested the withdrawal of the Notice of Motion as there is sufficient provision within the City's existing policies regarding financial hardship.

**13.2.2 NOTICE OF MOTION (COUNCILLOR POWELL) – RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE
BELMONT SPORT AND RECREATION CLUB AND THE BELMONT CITY BOWLING CLUB**

(Report to follow)

14. MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED

15. CLOSURE