

# NOTES

## Council Agenda Briefing

**Meeting Date & Time:** 6.00pm, Tuesday 17 February 2026

**Meeting Location:** Council Chamber

### 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Member opened the Briefing at 6.01pm and welcomed everyone in attendance.

### ITEMS FOR COUNCIL

The Presiding Member informed the meeting that Agenda Items 2, 3, 6, 7, 8.1, 8.2, 9, 11, 13 and 14 will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held 24 February 2026.

### 4. ATTENDANCE

Presiding Member

Mayor Greg Milner

#### Councillors

Como Ward

Councillor Bronwyn Waugh

Como Ward

Councillor Kathy Lees

Manning Ward

Councillor André Brender-A-Brandis

Manning Ward

Councillor Blake D'Souza

Mill Point Ward

Councillor Tim Houweling (Arrived at 6.02pm)

Mill Point Ward

Councillor Jacqueline Raison

Moresby Ward

Councillor Hayley Prendiville

#### Officers

Chief Executive Officer

Ms Liz Ledger

Director Corporate Services

Ms Bree Websdale

Director Development and Community Services

Ms Donna Shaw

Director Infrastructure Services

Ms Anita Amprimo

Manager Governance

Ms Toni Fry

Governance Officer

Ms Jane Robinson

#### Gallery

There were approximately 21 members of the public present.

#### 4.1 Apologies

Nil.

#### 4.2 Approved Leave of Absence

- Councillor Stephen Russell for the period 1 February 2026 to 22 February 2026, inclusive.

*Councillor Tim Houweling arrived at the meeting at 6.02pm during consideration of Item 5.*

### 5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- Mayor Greg Milner - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.1.1 as 'my wife and I have previously been gifted tickets to see a show at Old Mill Theatre Inc. The total value of the tickets was below the \$300 threshold for a Financial Interest.'
- Councillor Kathy Lees - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.1.1 as 'I have met with Old Mill Theatre Board Members and attended shows at the Theatre on a number of occasions. As a consequence, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly.'
- Councillor Jacqueline Raison – Impartiality Interest in Item 10.1.1 as 'during last year's election campaign I met with Board members of the Old Mill Theatre at their invitation and discussed a number of matters including the lease that is the subject of this agenda item. More than 5 years ago, Old Mill Theatre Board Member, Roger Farley and I served on a Board together and I was the Chair of that Board. Since then we have only seen one another in passing in and around South Perth. Notwithstanding these matters, I will consider this Agenda item impartially in accordance with my duties as a Councillor.'
- Councillor Kathy Lees - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.1.2 as 'I know people who are members of the Friends of Collier Reserve and I am a client of a clinic that leases space in the adjacent pavilion at the Reserve. As a consequence, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly.'
- Councillor Hayley Prendiville – Impartiality Interest in Item 10.1.2 as 'my son has previously been involved in the South Perth Junior Cricket Club at this reserve.'
- Councillor Jacqueline Raison – Impartiality Interest in Item 10.1.2 as 'in my capacity as a Councillor I have been contacted by and met with various members of the community in relation to Collier Reserve. I do not know any of these community members personally and will consider this Agenda item impartially in accordance with my duties as a Councillor.'
- Mayor Greg Milner - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.1 as 'I know a number of the members of the Royal Perth Golf Club.'
- Councillor Kathy Lees - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.1 as 'I have friends who are members of the Royal Perth Golf Club. Consequently, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly.'

- Councillor Jacqueline Raison – Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.1 as ‘In my capacity as a Councillor for Mill Point Ward, I have been contacted by and met with various members of the community in relation to the Royal Perth Golf course. Recently at the invitation of the Royal Perth Golf Club, I attended a tour of the golf course. I also attend private events at the Club from time to time at the invitation of community groups such as Soroptimist International. Notwithstanding these matters I will consider this Agenda item impartially in accordance with my duties as a Councillor.’
- Mayor Greg Milner – Financial and Proximity Interest in Item 10.3.2 as ‘the proposed closure of the South Perth Esplanade Car Park (SPE11) could potentially affect the financial and businesses interests of persons who contributed to my election campaign in 2023.’
- Councillor Jacqueline Raison – Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.2 as ‘In my capacity as a Councillor for Mill Point Ward, I have been contacted by and met with various members of the community in relation to issues connected with the foreshore around Mends Street. I also have acquaintances who live in apartments near South Perth Esplanade Car Park No. 11. Notwithstanding these matters I will consider this Agenda item impartially in accordance with my duties as a Councillor.’
- Councillor Kathy Lees - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.3 as ‘I am a co-founder of the South Perth Tree Canopy Advocates and a co-founder and committee member of the WA Tree Canopy Advocates. Through this work I know the landowner’s arborist and the landowner has also contacted me to discuss the requested tree removal. As a consequence, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly.’
- Councillor Kathy Lees - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.4 as ‘I am a co-founder of the South Perth Tree Canopy Advocates and a co-founder and committee member of the WA Tree Canopy Advocates and I note the application involves removal of a tree. As a consequence, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly.’
- Councillor Jacqueline Raison – Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.4 as ‘in my capacity as a Councillor for Mill Point Ward, I have been contacted by one of the owners of The Station to discuss various issues relating to The Station. I also attend functions and dine at The Station from time to time as a resident of Mill Point Ward. Notwithstanding these matters I will consider this Agenda item impartially in accordance with my duties as a Councillor.’
- Councillor Kathy Lees - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.5 as ‘I am a co-founder of the South Perth Tree Canopy Advocates and a co-founder and committee member of the WA Tree Canopy Advocates. As a consequence, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly.’
- Mayor Greg Milner - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.4.1 as ‘I know a number of the members of the Royal Perth Golf Club.’
- Councillor Kathy Lees - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.4.1 as ‘I am a co-founder of the South Perth Tree Canopy Advocates and a co-founder and committee member of the WA Tree Canopy Advocates. I also have friends who are members of the Royal Perth Golf Club. Consequently, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly.’

- Councillor Jacqueline Raison – Impartiality Interest in Item 10.4.1 as ‘In my capacity as a Councillor for Mill Point Ward, I have been contacted by and met with various members of the community in relation to the Royal Perth Golf course. Recently at the invitation of the Royal Perth Golf Club, I attended a tour of the golf course. I also attend private events at the Club from time to time at the invitation of community groups such as Soroptimist International. Notwithstanding these matters I will consider this Agenda item impartially in accordance with my duties as a Councillor.’
- Councillor Hayley Prendiville – Impartiality Interest in Item 10.4.1 as ‘I know someone who is a member of that golf club.’
- Councillor Kathy Lees - Impartiality Interest in Item 10.4.6 as ‘I am a co-founder of the South Perth Tree Canopy Advocates and a co-founder and committee member of the WA Tree Canopy Advocates. As a consequence, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly.’
- Mayor Greg Milner - Impartiality Interest in Item 12.1 as ‘Cr Houweling’s motion specifically names me and seeks to increase my reporting requirements.’
- Councillor Jacqueline Raison – Impartiality Interest in Item 12.2 as ‘in my capacity as a Councillor for Mill Point Ward, I have been contacted by and met with various members of the community in relation to various matters that concern the South Perth foreshore. I also live in Mill Ward and enjoy and attend various events at the South Perth foreshore.’

*Councillor Blake D’Souza left the meeting at 7.40pm and returned at 7.45pm during consideration of Item 8.3.*

## 8. PRESENTATIONS

### 8.3 Deputations

1. Mr Roger Farley of South Perth who spoke **FOR** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.1.1.
2. Dr John Bassett of Como who spoke **FOR** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.1.1.
3. Ms K Poh of Como who spoke **FOR** the Officer Recommendation at Items 10.1.2 and 10.4.6.
4. Ms Cristy Lowe of Como who spoke **FOR** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.1.2.
5. Ms Kristen Mamo of East Victoria Park who spoke **FOR** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.1.2.
6. Ms Lorraine Harford of South Perth who spoke **FOR** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.3.3.
7. Ms Bronwyn David of South Perth who spoke **AGAINST** the Officer Recommendation at Items 10.3.3, 10.3.5, 10.4.1.
8. Mr Glenn Taylor of South Perth who spoke **FOR** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.3.4.
9. Ms Joanne Ord of Como who spoke on the Officer Recommendation on Items 10.1.2, 10.4.1, 12.1.

10. Mr Aidan Carlsson of Karawara who spoke **AGAINST** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.4.1.
11. Ms Heidi Schmidt of South Perth who spoke **AGAINST** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.4.1.
12. Dr Louise Johnston of Como who spoke **AGAINST** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.4.1.
13. Mr Max Szmekura of Como who spoke **AGAINST** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.4.1.
14. Mr Oliver Crosthwaite of South Perth who spoke **AGAINST** the Officer Recommendation at Item 10.4.1.

*At 7.54pm the meeting was adjourned.*

*At 8.02pm the meeting reconvened.*

## **10. DRAFT FEBRUARY 2026 REPORTS**

The Chief Executive Officer, Ms Liz Ledger gave a brief summary of the February 2026 Agenda Items to be considered by Council, as follows.

*Mayor Greg Milner and Councillors Kathy Lees and Jacqueline Raison declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 10.1.1.*

### **10.1.1 Lease for Old Mill Theatre**

*This Item was the subject of two Deputations.*

This report recommends that Council provide a long-term lease to Old Mill Theatre Inc. for Part Lot 429 Mends Street, South Perth.

*Councillors Kathy Lees, Hayley Prendiville and Jacqueline Raison declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 10.1.2.*

### **10.1.2 RFT 7/2025 - Provision of New Changeroom Building for Collier Reserve**

*This Item was the subject of four Deputations.*

This report recommends Council accept a tender submitted by Hoskins Investments Pty Ltd / ATF M R Hoskins Family Trust (trading as AE Hoskins Building Services) for the Provision of New Changeroom Building for Collier Reserve.

### **10.1.3 RFT 8/2025 - Provision of New Public Toilets & Changing Places Building at Neil McDougall Park**

This report recommends Council accept a tender submitted by LKS Constructions (WA) Pty for the Provision of New Public Toilets & Changing Places Building at Neil McDougall Park.

*Mayor Greg Milner and Councillors Kathy Lees and Jacqueline Raison declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.1.*

### **10.3.1 Proposed Scheme Amendment No.3 to Local Planning Scheme No. 7 - Lot 1 Labouchere Road, South Perth**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider Scheme Amendment No. 3 to Local Planning Scheme No. 7 to zone Lot 1 Labouchere Road, South Perth 'Private Community Purposes'.

*Mayor Greg Milner declared a Financial and Proximity Interest in Item 10.3.2 and accordingly left the meeting at 8.10pm. Councillor André Brender-A-Brandis assumed the Chair.*

*Councillor Jacqueline Raison declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.2.*

### **10.3.2 Response to Council Resolution 1225/250 including Proposed Closure of South Perth Esplanade Car Park No. 11**

This report:

- Provides an update on Resolution 1225/60, made by Council at the 16 December 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting, and
- Proposes the closure of the South Perth Esplanade Car Park (SPE11) to address anti-social behaviour.

*Mayor Greg Milner returned to the meeting at 8.18pm prior to consideration of Item 10.3.3 and resumed the Chair.*

*Councillor Kathy Lees declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.3.*

### **10.3.3 Proposed Tree Damaging Activity to a Regulated Tree - Lot 29 (No.14) Hurlingham Road, South Perth**

*This Item was the subject of two Deputations.*

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a development application for proposed Tree Damaging Activity to a Regulated Tree at Lot 29 (No.14) Hurlingham Road, South Perth.

For the reasons outlined in this report, it is recommended that the application be refused.

*Councillors Kathy Lees and Jacqueline Raison declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.4.*

### **10.3.4 Proposed Additions to Tavern (The Station) - Lot 688 (No.1) Mends Street, South Perth**

*This Item was the subject of one Deputation.*

The purpose of this report is to consider an application for development approval for proposed Additions to Tavern (The Station) on Lot 688 (No.1) Mends Street, South Perth.

The item is referred to Council as it involves the exercise of a discretion for an application to a Heritage Listed property.

For the reasons outlined in the report, it is recommended that the application be conditionally approved.

*Councillors Kathy Lees declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 10.3.5.*

### **10.3.5 Tree Damaging Activity to a Regulated Tree - Lot 42 (No.20) Karoo Street, South Perth**

*This Item was the subject of one Deputation.*

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a development application for proposed Tree Damaging Activity to a Regulated Tree at Lot 42 (No.20) Karoo Street, South Perth.

For the reasons outlined in this report, it is recommended that the application be conditionally approved.

### **10.3.6 Rivers Regional Subsidiary - Waste to Energy Contract Amendment**

To present to Council for endorsement a revised Waste to Energy Waste Supply Agreement which has been endorsed by Rivers Regional Subsidiary.

*Mayor Greg Milner and Councillors Hayley Prendiville, Kathy Lees and Jacqueline Raison declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 10.4.1.*

### **10.4.1 Royal Perth Golf Club Inc. Stage 3 Works**

*This Item was the subject of six Deputations.*

For Council to consider the Royal Perth Golf Club Inc request for approval of Stage Three Works on Crown Reserve 10250.

### **10.4.2 Delegation DC690 Local Planning Scheme No.7**

This report presents amendments to Council Delegation DC690 Local Planning Scheme No.7 which are intended to ensure functions in the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 are prescribed in delegation for Council oversight.

### **10.4.3 Council Member, Committee Member and Candidate Code of Conduct**

Local governments are required to adopt by 1 April 2026 an updated Model Code of Conduct following amendments to the Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021.

This report presents an amended Councillor Code of Conduct for adoption by Council.

### **10.4.4 Meeting Attendance Fees for Independent Committee Members**

For Council to review the meeting attendance fee payable to independent members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee following a variation to the Local Government Chief Executive Officers and Elected Members Determination No. 1 of 2025.

### **10.4.5 Metro Inner Development Assessment Panel**

This report seeks the appointment of an Elected Member to the Metro Inner Development Assessment Panel as an alternate member for the period 27 January 2026 to 26 January 2028.

*Councillor Kathy Lees declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 10.4.6.*

#### **10.4.6 Urban Greening Advisory Group**

This report recommends the establishment of an Urban Greening Advisory Group.

#### **10.4.7 Listing of Payments - December 2025 and January 2026**

This report presents to Council:

- the list of accounts paid under delegated authority between 1 December 2025 to 31 January 2026.
- purchase card transactions between 1 November 2025 to 31 December 2025.

#### **10.4.8 Monthly Financial Statements December 2025**

To present to Council the Financial Statements for December 2025.

#### **10.4.9 Monthly Financial Statements January 2026**

To present to Council the Financial Statements for January 2026.

### **12. MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

*Mayor Greg Milner declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 12.1.*

#### **12.1 Notice of Motion - Mayoral Reporting**

*This Item was the subject of one Deputation.*

*Councillor Jacqueline Raison declared an Impartiality Interest in Item 12.2.*

#### **12.2 Notice of Motion - Review of the City's Foreshore Strategy and Management Plan**

#### **12.3 Notice of Motion - Financial Sustainability Strategy**

### **15. MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

Nil.

### **16. CLOSURE**

At 9.10pm the Presiding Member closed the Council Agenda Briefing and thanked everyone for their attendance.

# COUNCIL AGENDA BRIEFING

## Responses to questions taken on notice

**Meeting Date & Time:** 6.00pm, Tuesday 17 February 2026

**Meeting Location** Council Chamber

### REPORTS:

#### ITEM 10.1.1 Lease for Old Mill Theatre

Councillor Blake D'Souza had a question taken on notice at the Agenda Briefing as follows:

- Apart from the program of works that the Theatre has listed in the report (which it received grant funding for) is there anything else which may sort of arise during the term of the lease over the next 21 years (or next few years)? Which is any large structural work that the City has picked up and might be on the hook for, or is it considered generally okay?*

#### Response provided by Bree Websdale – Director Corporate Services:

The following Capital Works have been identified over the coming financial years, at the Old Mill Theatre, with estimated year of delivery:

Year	Treatment spending	Treatment
2027	\$200,000	HVAC Upgrade
2028		
2029		
2030		
2031	\$22,763.52	Hydraulic Systems Renewal
2032		
2033	\$246,604.80	Internal Refurbishment
2034	\$56,908.80	Floor Covering Renewal

No other Capital works including *large structural* works have been identified or are proposed over the *next few* years.

#### ITEM 10.3.2 Response to Council Resolution 1225/250 including Proposed Closure of South Perth Esplanade Car Park No. 11

Councillor Kathy Lees had a question taken on notice at the Agenda Briefing as follows:

- My understanding is that the mobile CCTV trailer has been at the car park for some time now and I'm just wondering what impact that has had on the inappropriate behaviour there?... Has there been a reduction in complaints received?*

**Response provided by Bree Websdale – Director Corporate Services:**

A CCTV trailer has been located near SPE11 carpark since 7 January 2026 (other than on Australia Day when it was moved to SJMP). There is also a CCTV trailer (on hire) at the back of SPE11 which has been in place since 23 January 2026.

The City is unable to isolate in its Request system, the number of complaints it has received in relation to anti-social behaviour at this particular location. The requests are not categorised to this level of detail.

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**Item 10.3.4 Proposed Additions to Tavern (The Station) - Lot 688 (No.1) Mends Street, South Perth**

Councillor Kathy Lees had a question taken on notice at the Agenda Briefing as follows:

- 1. My understanding is that it was recommended by the Design Review Panel and supported by the applicant, for the tree to be relocated by way of a condition. Is that something that the City has considered and rejected – or what was the thinking around that?*

**Response provided by Donna Shaw –Director Development and Community Services:**

The Design Review Panel minutes attached to the report state that whilst the re-location of the central tree to sit between the two trees on the eastern boundary would have been preferred, the location of the fire hydrant prevents this from being feasible.

Given the site constraints it is not feasible to plant an equivalent replacement tree on site, however the landscaping area will be retained beneath the patio awning as a feature of the alfresco area.

Councillor Hayley Prendiville had a question taken on notice at the Agenda Briefing as follows:

- 1. I am just wondering whether the original development application (the building and the opening of this hospitality venue) - did that all happen prior to anyone inhabiting the apartments and homes within the area directly around it?*

**Response provided by Donna Shaw –Director Development and Community Services:**

The Occupancy Permit in relation to Civic Heart (apartments) was granted on 28 August 2024.

The Occupancy Permit in relation to The Station was granted on 13 December 2023.

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**Item 10.4.1 Royal Perth Golf Club Inc. Stage 3 Works**

Councillor Kathy Lees had a question taken on notice at the Agenda Briefing as follows:

- 1. I note that the City's report says that a relevant consideration is 'the Stage 3 Works form a necessary component of and represent the culmination of the wider comprehensive course renewal program developed by RPGC under its masterplan for the Reserve.' Can the City advise whether it and the Council had any visibility of the details of Stage 3 works and the extent of the proposed tree removal - when it had approved Stage 1 and 2?*

**Response provided by Anita Amprimo – Director Infrastructure Services:**

The proposal for Stage 3 works were not provided with the earlier stages.

Councillor André Brender-A-Brandis had questions taken on notice at the Agenda Briefing as follows:

1. *I am assuming that the Casuarinas are cunninghamiana – obviously they spread from the root system, can the Administration please advise the number of Casuarina trees that comprise of the four clusters?*

**Response provided by Anita Amprimo – Director Infrastructure Services:**

The four clusters contain 69 trees.

2. *Just in regard to the monocotyledon. Is there any indication on the number of those that will be planted? I am just mindful that they are not terribly useful to our native species in the area?*

**Response provided by Anita Amprimo – Director Infrastructure Services:**

I believe this question relates to monocots. The table below provides details.

Grasses and Monocots				QTY
55	<i>Austrodanthonia caespitosa</i>	Ringed Wallaby Grass	<0.6m	8000
56	<i>Austrostipa semibarbata</i>	Bearded Spear Grass	0.3-1.1m	200
57	<i>Anigozanthos humilis</i>	Catpaw		250
58	<i>Anigozanthos manglesii</i>	Mangles Kangaroo Paw		400
59	<i>Dielsia stenostachya</i>			
60	<i>Orthrosanthus laxus</i>	Morning Iris	0.10 -0.45m	400
61	<i>Patersonia occidentalis</i>	Western Patersonia	<0.5m	500
62	<i>Neurachne alopecuroidea</i>	Foxtail Mulga Grass	<0.5m	800
63	<i>Xanthorrhoea preissii</i>	Grass Tree		40
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#### **Item 10.4.2 Delegation DC690 Local Planning Scheme No.7**

Councillor Jacqueline Raison had a question taken on notice at the Agenda Briefing as follows:

1. *I am assuming that under any delegation that the implied position is that the City (acting under Delegation powers) will always need to act in accordance with all other City Policies - I am just wondering if that could be clarified please?*

#### **Response provided by Donna Shaw – Director Development and Community Services:**

Council Policies (i.e. made under the *Local Government Act 1995*) are not a matter prescribed in Schedule 2, Part 9, Clause 67(2) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 to which the local government is to have due regard to in considering an application for development approval.

Under the Employee Code of Conduct officers are required to comply with all Council policies in the course of their role including when exercising delegations. Therefore, it is implied that officers acting under delegated authority are required to act in accordance with all Council policies.

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#### **12.2 Notice of Motion - Review Of The City's Foreshore Strategy and Management Plan**

Councillor Tim Houweling had a question taken on notice at the Agenda Briefing as follows:

1. Have any costings been undertaken of this nature?

#### **Response provided by Liz Ledger – Chief Executive Officer:**

It is estimated that it will take 40-50 hours of staff time to complete.