

# ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

## SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at the:

Council Chambers, City of Canada Bay Civic Centre, Drummoyne

**Tuesday, 5 December 2023**

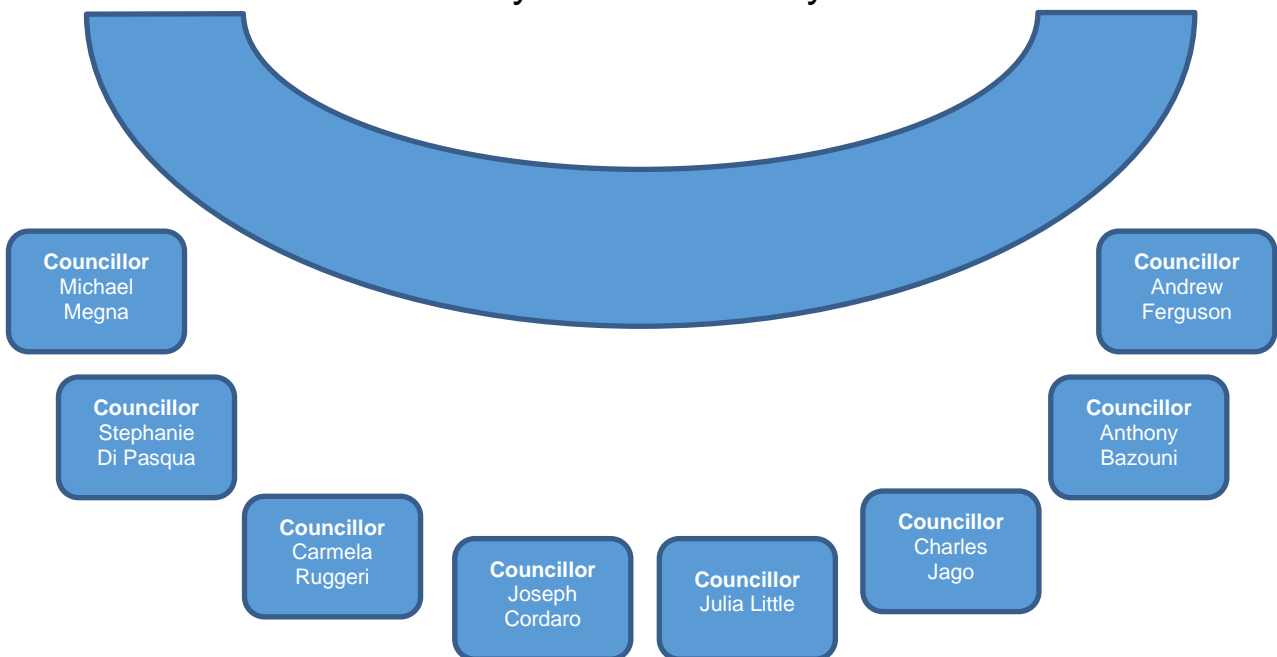
Beginning at 6.00pm for the purpose of considering and determining matters included in this agenda.



**John Clark**  
**General Manager**



**Councillors  
City of Canada Bay**



**Statement of Ethical Obligations**

The Mayor and Councillors are bound by the Oath/Affirmation of Office made at the start of the Council term to undertake their civic duties in the best interests of the people of the City of Canada Bay and to faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the Local Government Act or any other Act, to the best of their skill and judgement.

It is also a requirement that the Mayor and Councillors disclose conflicts of interest in relation to items listed for consideration on the Agenda or which are considered at this meeting in accordance with Council's Code of Conduct and Code of Meeting Practice.

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to be held on Tuesday 5 December 2023  
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**5 MAYORAL MINUTE(S)****ITEM 5.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - PAPUA NEW GUINEA TOURISM AUTHORITY - MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING****Attachments:** 1. **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - [↓](#)**Submitted by: Councillor Joseph Cordaro

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**MOTION**

That Deputy Mayor Joseph Cordaro meet with Papua New Guinea Minister for Tourism, Arts and Culture, The Hon Isi Leonard, and the Governor of the National Capital District Commission, The Hon Powes Parkop at the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway and sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of Council.

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**BACKGROUND**

The City of Canada Bay has previously been party to two Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) between our organisation and the Papua New Guinean (PNG) Government which recognise the significant connection between Australia, and specifically our local area, and the sacrifices of Papua New Guinean nationals during the Kokoda conflict in World War Two.

Each MOU has endeavoured to promote tourism to PNG and strengthen the links between our local area and our close neighbour, a connection that is of particular significance due to the location of the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway in our LGA.

As our area grows, it is vital that new residents are able to understand the important connection we have with PNG and to learn about the sacrifices of both our ANZAC soldiers in the Kokoda campaign, but also those of the Fuzzy Wuzzy Angels who supported and fought alongside our soldiers.

An opportunity has arisen to continue the spirit of these previous MOUs.

The Papua New Guinea Minister for Tourism, Arts and Culture, The Hon Isi Leonard, and the Governor of the National Capital District Commission, The Hon Powes Parkop are visiting Sydney on Monday 11 December.

At a planned visit to the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway, we have the opportunity to sign a renewed MOU which recognises the long history and partnership between the City of Canada Bay and Papua New Guinea and furthers the mutual promotion of goodwill and understanding and the development of education, tourism, health, sporting and cultural initiatives and exchanges.

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The City of Canada Bay, Sydney, Australia and the Papua New Guinea Tourism Authority hereby formally confirm their affiliation with the Kokoda Trail, acknowledging the long history and partnership between our organisations.

The citizens of both areas will endeavour to promote goodwill and understanding and develop education, tourism, health, sporting and cultural initiatives and exchanges for mutual prosperity.

It is our firm belief that the affiliation between Canada Bay and the Tourism Promotion Authority will contribute towards strengthening the friendship between Australia and Papua New Guinea. It recognises the strong bond that was forged between our peoples during the Kokoda Campaign of 1942. It acknowledges the Kokoda Trail as part of the Australian dreaming, a sacred site.

It associates the history of Concord General Repatriation Hospital, the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway, the Ralph Honner Kokoda Education Centre in Concord, and the “Rusty Priest AM Kokoda Scholarship” with the Kokoda Trail in Papua New Guinea.

To proclaim this auspicious relationship the Mayor of the City of Canada Bay, Sydney and the Minister for Tourism Arts and Culture in Papua New Guinea, on behalf of their respective communities, affix their signatures to this declaration, signed at the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November 2023.

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**COUNCILLOR JOSEPH CORDARO**  
Deputy Mayor, City of Canada Bay  
Sydney Australia

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**THE HON ISI LEONARD MP**  
Minister for Tourism, Arts  
and Culture  
Papua New Guinea

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**THE HON POWES PARKOP MP**  
Governor, National Capital  
District Commission  
Papua New Guinea