



**GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**TUESDAY 7 APRIL 2026**

**MINUTES**

**Meeting was held in the Council Chambers,  
Corner Hawthorn & Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield  
at 7:30 PM**

Present

Deputy Mayor, Councillor Li Zhang  
Councillor Arabella Daniel  
Councillor Margaret Esakoff  
Councillor Jane Karlake  
Councillor Luca Ragni  
Councillor Kay Rimbaldo  
Councillor Kimberley Young

Council Officers Present

Chief Executive Officer, Lucy Roffey  
Director Customer and Corporate Affairs, Kellie Vise  
Director Sustainability, Assets and Leisure, Niall McDonough  
Director Community Wellbeing, Jane Price  
Director Planning and Place, Rosa Zouzoulas  
Chief Financial Officer, John Vastianos  
Acting Manager Legal, Risk and Governance, Joanne McKay  
Coordinator Councillor Business, Karling Colomiere  
Councillor Business Officer, Mary Lennon  
Councillor Business Officer, Cheyenne Thygesen-Sutton

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## 1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Deputy Mayor read the acknowledgement.

Glen Eira City Council Acknowledges the peoples of the Kulin Nation as Traditional Owners and Custodians, and pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging. We Acknowledge and uphold their continuing relationship to land and waterways. Council extends its respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

## 2. APOLOGIES

### Apology

**Moved: Cr Esakoff**

**Seconded: Cr Rimbaldo**

That the apology from Mayor Cr Zmood and Cr Parasol be received and noted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 3. REMINDER TO DISCLOSE ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Councillors were reminded of the requirement for disclosure of conflicts of interest in relation to items listed for consideration on the Agenda, or any item that was considered at this meeting, in accordance with Section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020* and Rule 85 of the Glen Eira City Council Governance Rules. Councillors were then invited to indicate any such conflict of interest.

### Procedural Motion

**Moved: Cr Zhang**

**Seconded: Cr Karlake**

That Council:

1. where meetings are held in-person, can continue the meeting if the livestream of the meeting fails;
2. considers the meeting to be adjourned for 10 minutes from the commencement of any technical problem where a Councillor is participating virtually; and
3. where a Councillor is participating virtually and the meeting cannot be resumed within 30 minutes from the commencement of the technical problem, the meeting is to be reconvened on Wednesday 8 April 2026 at 7.30pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were four submissions for Public Participation.

**5. WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS TO COUNCIL**

There were no Written Public Questions to Council.

**6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING OR MEETINGS**

**Moved: Cr Daniel**

**Seconded: Cr Esakoff**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 March 2026 be confirmed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7. RECEPTION AND READING OF PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS**

Nil

**8. REPORTS BY DELEGATES APPOINTED BY COUNCIL TO VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS**

Nil

**9. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND RECORDS OF ASSEMBLY**

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**9.1 Advisory Committees**

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**9.1.1 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Moved: Cr Karlake**

**Seconded: Cr Daniel**

That the minutes of the Advisory Committee meeting as shown below be received and noted:

1. Diverse Welcoming and Accessible Places Advisory Committee - 9 February 2026
2. GEL Advisory Committee- 26 February 2026
3. Community Safety, Cohesion, Health and Wellbeing Advisory Committee - 25 February 2026

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.2 Records of Assembly**

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**9.2.1 RECORDS OF ASSEMBLY****Moved: Cr Esakoff****Seconded: Cr Rimbardo**

That Council notes the Records of Assemblies for:

1. 4 March 2026 Assembly;
2. 10 March 2026 Assembly; and
3. 17 March 2026 Pre-meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY****10. OFFICER REPORTS (AS LISTED)**

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**10.1 STATE GOVERNMENT ACTIVITY CENTRES PROGRAM - SUBMISSION ON DRAFT PLANS FOR CAULFIELD TO BENTLEIGH AND ELSTERNWICK**

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**Moved: Cr Karlake****Seconded: Cr Esakoff**

That Council endorses the Glen Eira Submission on Stage 2 of the State Government Activity Centres Program (Attachment 1).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY****Extension of Speaking Time****Moved: Cr Zhang****Seconded: Cr Ragni**

That Cr Karlake be granted a five minute extension of speaking time.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY****Extension of Speaking Time****Moved: Cr Zhang****Seconded: Cr Rimbardo**

That Cr Esakoff be granted a four minute extension of speaking time.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Extension of Speaking Time****Moved: Cr Zhang****Seconded: Cr Esakoff**

That Cr Daniel be granted a two minute extension of speaking time.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**10.2 QUARTERLY REPORTING OF COMMUNITY GRANTS**

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**Moved: Cr Rimbaldo****Seconded: Cr Esakoff**

That Council receive and note the Quarterly Report from the Director Community Wellbeing, outlining community grants and awards approved for the period November 2025 to January 2026.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**10.3 ADVOCACY AND EXTERNAL GRANTS POLICY**

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**Moved: Cr Daniel****Seconded: Cr Ragni**

That Council:

1. revokes the *Advocacy Policy*, and
2. adopts the *Advocacy and External Grants Policy* (Attachment 1).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**10.4 CEO EMPLOYMENT MATTERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE**

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**Moved: Cr Esakoff****Seconded: Cr Karlake**

That Council:

1. Adopts the amended CEO Employment Matters Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference (Attachment 1 to this report)
2. Adopts the amended CEO Employment and Remuneration Policy (Attachment 2 to this report)
3. Notes the Minutes of the CEO Employment Matters Advisory Committee meeting of 12 February 2026 (Attachment 3 to this report – CONFIDENTIAL)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**11. URGENT BUSINESS**

Nil

**12. ORDINARY BUSINESS****12.1 Requests for reports from a member of Council staff**

Nil

**12.2 Right of reply**

Nil

**12.3 Notice of Motion / Notice of Rescission****12.3.1 NOTICE OF MOTION NO.26/001 - INDIAN MYNA MANAGEMENT – INITIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Moved: Cr Esakoff**

**Seconded: Cr Daniel**

That Council:

1. Notes that the Biodiversity Plan 2025–2029 includes actions to review and manage pest species to protect and enhance local biodiversity.
2. Requests officers to prepare a report to Council by 30 September 2026 that:
  - Assesses the current pest species risks within Glen Eira, including the ecological impacts of Indian Mynas relative to other pest species
  - Reviews evidence-based pest management approaches used by comparable metropolitan councils
  - Considers the feasibility, resourcing, regulatory, animal-welfare and community-engagement implications of potential pest management programs
  - Identifies whether targeted programs (including, but not limited to, Indian Myna control) would represent an effective and proportionate response for Glen Eira; and
3. Notes that any future consideration of specific pest control programs should be informed by this assessment and aligned with the objectives of the Biodiversity Plan 2025–2029.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**12.4 Councillor questions**

Nil

**13. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Nil

**14. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8.42pm.

Confirmed this 28 April 2026 Ordinary Council Meeting

**Chairperson**.....