

Minutes of the Environment and Climate Change Committee - 16 February 2026

Members The Rt Hon Clover Moore AO - Lord Mayor of Sydney (Chair), Deputy Lord Mayor - Councillor Jess Miller, Councillor Olly Arkins, Councillor Sylvie Ellsmore, Councillor Lyndon Gannon, Councillor Robert Kok, Councillor Zann Maxwell, Councillor Matthew Thompson, Councillor Yvonne Weldon AM and Councillor Adam Worling (Deputy Chair).

At the commencement of business at 5:12pm, those present were –

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Arkins, Ellsmore, Gannon, Kok, Maxwell, Miller, Thompson, Weldon, and Worling.

The meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee concluded at 5:35pm.

Item 1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Worling, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor) –

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee of Monday 8 December 2025, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

No Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee.

The Environment and Climate Change Committee recommended the following:

Item 3**Post Exhibition - Waste Reduction and Circular Materials Strategy 2026-2035**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the submissions received from the community on the exhibited draft Waste Reduction and Circular Materials Strategy 2025-2035, as shown at Attachment B to the subject report;
- (B) Council adopt the Waste Reduction and Circular Materials Strategy 2026-2035, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make amendments to the Waste Reduction and Circular Materials Strategy 2026-2035 to correct any minor drafting errors and finalise design, artwork and accessible formats for publication; and
- (D) Council note the finalisation of the Leave Nothing to Waste Strategy and Action Plan 2017-2030 noting it is now replaced by the Waste Reduction and Circular Materials Strategy 2026-2035.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Worling, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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Speaker at Public Forum

Michael Mobbs addressed the public forum on Item 3 of the Environment and Climate Change Committee.

Item 4**Victoria Street Public Domain Upgrade**

It is resolved that Council endorse the design for the Victoria Street Public Domain Upgrade, as described in the subject report and shown at Attachment A to the subject report, for progression to detailed design, documentation and construction of the works.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Worling, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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Speakers at Public Forum

Stacy Anton and Kate Richardson addressed the public forum on Item 4 of the Environment and Climate Change Committee.