

# **SUPPLEMENTARY BUSINESS PAPER 2**

## **COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, 16 February, 2016**

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**Meeting commences at 6:30pm**

**Council Chambers  
Level 3, 2-14 Fisher Street  
Petersham**

## MEETING AGENDA – PRECIS SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

The following reports appear as late items with Mayoral approval as information required for the preparation of the reports was not available at the time of distribution of the Business Paper.

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**Item No: C0216 Item 25**

**Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: SUBMISSION TO DELEGATE - PROPOSED WARD BOUNDARIES**

**File Ref: 12/4674/18138.16**

**From Councillor Sam Iskandar, Mayor of Marrickville**

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**MOTION:**

**THAT Council:**

- 1. submit to the Delegate a preference for a new Council area to be divided into 3 wards each comprising 5 Councillors allowing each existing LGA to remain largely intact as a ward area within the amalgamated Council; and**
  - 2. undertake to consult with the community on this preferred ward model and the option of a directly elected Mayor and the results to be included in Council's submission to the Delegate.**
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**Background**

One of the aspects the Delegate will be considering in assessing the merits (or otherwise) of proposed amalgamations is Section 263(3)(e4) of the Local Government Act, 1993. This Section states "in the case of a proposal for the amalgamation of two or more areas, the desirability (or otherwise) of dividing the resulting area or areas into wards".

A case has already been made in the Draft Submission (Item 1 on tonight's business paper agenda) for 15 Councillors, the maximum permissible number of councillors. This essentially leaves three options:

1. 1 Ward – 15 Councillors
2. 3 Wards – 5 Councillors in each
3. 5 Wards – 3 Councillors in each

It is felt that dividing the proposed area into 3 wards (5 councillors in each) will go some way to leaving the three existing LGA's intact.

Once the number of wards has been determined, it is necessary to then geographically plot the ward boundaries in such a way that each ward contains no more than 10 per cent variation in the total number of electors when compared to all other wards (Section 211 of the Local Government Act, 1993).

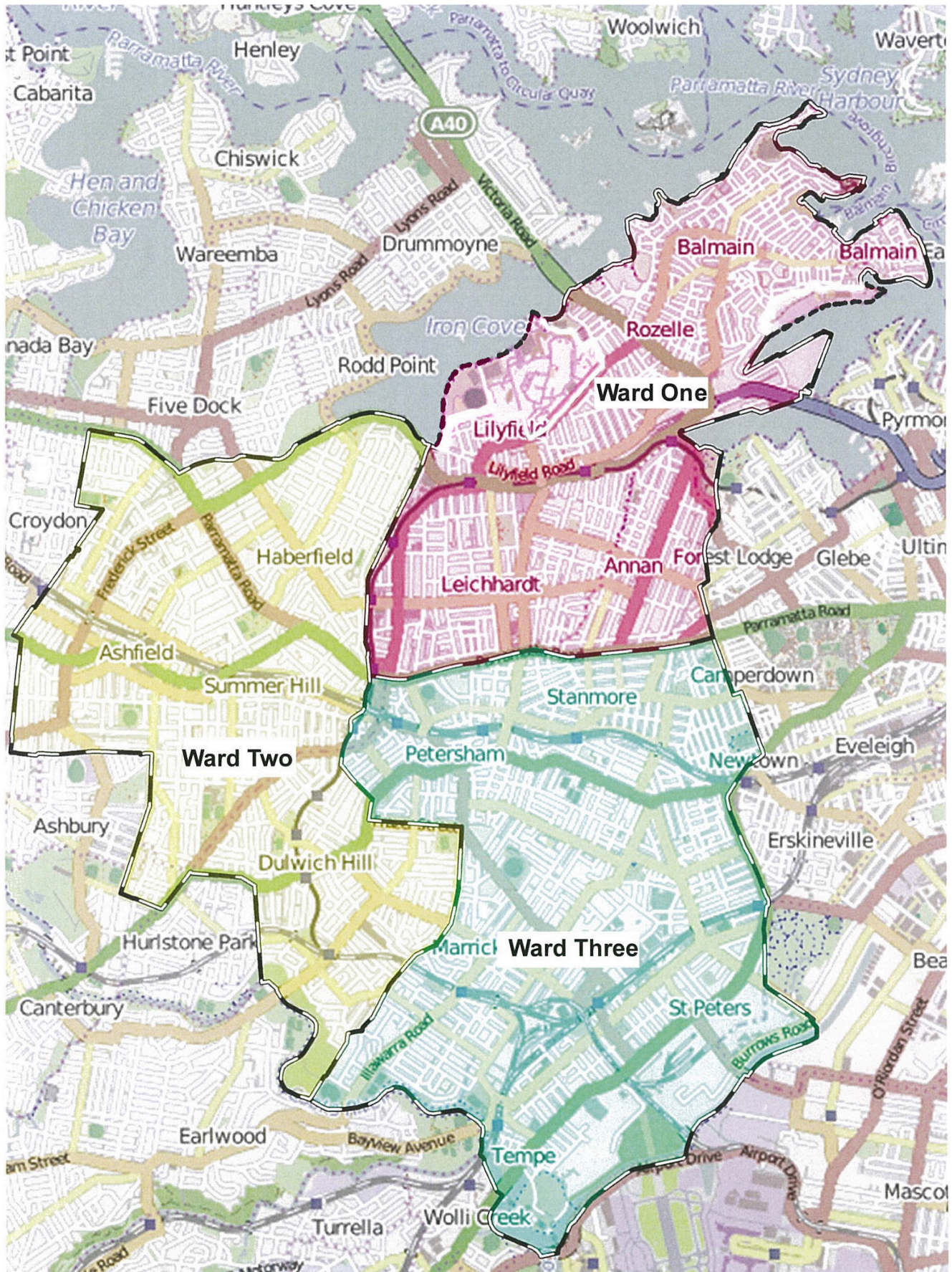
The attached 'concept' map (**ATTACHMENT 1**) geographically defines 3 ward boundaries which broadly satisfies Section 211 of the Local Government Act, 1993. This 'concept' map will be released for public comment together with the Draft Submission to the Delegate.

Council will approach the Electoral Commission for assistance and advice to ensure the proposed boundaries satisfy all statutory obligations.

The option of a popularly elected Mayor is covered by Section's 227 and 228 of the existing Local Government Act, 1993. It should be noted that a popularly elected Mayor will only work with a maximum of 13 councillors (not 15). Furthermore, this option may be removed altogether under the new proposed Local Government Act.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Ward Concept Map**



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**Item No:** C0216 Item 26

**Subject:** MAYORAL MINUTE: INAUGURATION OF TILED ARTWORK IN TRAFALGAR STREET - EXTENSION OF INVITATION TO PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT

**File Ref:** 12/4674/18190.16

**From Councillor Sam Iskandar, Mayor of Marrickville**

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**MOTION:**

**THAT Council:**

1. extends an invitation to the Portuguese Government to be represented at the unveiling on 13 March 2016 of the tiled artwork by Luis Geraldes which is being relocated from Audley Street to Trafalgar Street in Petersham; and
  2. liaises with the office of the Consul General of Portugal on contact with a suitable local representative and / or a representative of the Portuguese Government who may already be visiting Sydney around the time of the Barrio Festival.
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**Background**

Petersham has a great reputation for its close ties with the Portuguese community. The annual Bairro Festival is a wonderful expression of this part of the rich and diverse culture that we enjoy in our local community. Therefore it is fitting that we use this year's Festival as an opportunity to bring new life to the Luis Geraldes mural that was previously located in Audley Street.

The mural is to be unveiled on 13 March 2016 as a fresh installation in Trafalgar Street Petersham. To help us mark this occasion it seems fitting to invite a representative of the Portuguese Government to join us in celebrating this occasion.

I am aware that the Portuguese Consul General is happy to assist with arranging the presence of an appropriate representative of the Portuguese Government. I seek Council's support in encouraging the Portuguese Government to join the community of Petersham and the wider Marrickville area community in this celebration.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.