



Confidential Council Meeting Minutes (Confidential Business)

Held on Monday 26 September 2022

Council Chamber, Malvern Town Hall
Corner Glenferrie Road & High Street Malvern

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PROCEDURAL MOTION:

MOVED: Cr Alexander Lew

SECONDED: Cr Kate Hely

That Council resolve to record confidential business.

Carried

DIVISION

Cr Alexander Lew called for a division.

Voting For the motion: Cr Alexander Lew, Cr Marcia Griffin, Cr Kate Hely, Cr Matthew Koce, and Cr Melina Sehr

Voting Against the motion: No votes recorded

Note - The Mayor, Cr Jami Klisaris and Cr Polly Morgan abstained from voting on this matter.

The Mayor, Cr Jami Klisaris declared the motion **Carried**

MOTION:

MOVED: Cr Matthew Koce

SECONDED: Cr Melina Sehr

That the Council:

1. ***NOTES the Service Review report prepared by Deloitte and the Financial and Governance Audit reports prepared by Grant Thornton Consulting.***
2. ***ENDS the Special Rate Scheme (SRS) at the end of the current term, being 30 June 2023, for the following reasons:***
 - ***The SRS has been in place for 30 years since 1992 and is no longer considered best practice for Councils.***
 - ***The cost impost to Special Ratepayers of \$1.8 million annually, of which an average 30% is expended on Precinct Associations' administrative overheads, does not represent a cost-effective delivery model for economic development and precinct marketing.***
 - ***The imposition of a compulsory levy after a period of prolonged economic hardship for the 3717 business that pay the Special Rate as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic is an unjustifiable cost impost.***
 - ***The inherent inequities of the SRS being paid by only 3717 of the approximately 18,000 businesses registered in City of Stonnington***