

Responses to Questions on Notice

Received at the 25 November 2021
Ordinary Meeting of Council

A handwritten signature in dark blue ink, appearing to read "Mark Arnold".

Mark Arnold
General Manager

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Question with Notice No. 1 Old Council Website

File No:

I2021/1908

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10 At Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 25 November 2021, Duncan Dey asked the following question which was taken on notice:

15 *As Council's website no longer contains so many historical documents, including some from just the previous term of Council, would Council please consider reactivating the old website and having a link to it from the current one? The old site is such a valuable library of Council documents.*

Response General Manager:

20 We are committed to providing accurate, transparent, and accessible content on our website. The old website ran on an out of date, unsecure platform (Drupal v7) and was a significant cyber risk to both Council and anyone browsing the website. It also didn't comply with the [international Web Content Accessibility Guidelines \(WCAG\)](#).

25 The OpenCities platform, one of the leading local government website content management systems, was chosen for its reliability, security, ability to be accessed on all browsers and devices and compliance with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines.

30 Council made a decision not to migrate all existing documents to the new platform as it placed extra burden on the site and negatively impacted the user's ability to find a document via the site search. More content equals more results.

35 All Council documents are stored in our document management system, CM9/TRIM. They can be accessed by contacting the relevant department or going through the Open Access request process.

Question with Notice No. 2 Butler Street Bypass

File No:

I2021/1909

At Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 25 November 2021, John Anderson asked the following question which was taken on notice:

When and as the result of what processes were the firm GHD and H.W. Hebsworth engaged by Council, in particular relation to the Butler Street bypass?

Response Director Infrastructure Services:

GHD were engaged to provide consultancy services for the Bypass using available procurement process commencing 2014.

On 1 August 2016 Council was served with an application to the Land and Environment Court in its Class 1 jurisdiction. The Applicant was the Butler Street Community Network Inc.

HWL Ebsworth is a member of the Council's external Legal Services panel.

On 3 August 2016, pursuant to the General Manager's delegated authority, HWL Ebsworth were instructed to represent Council in the proceedings.