

Notice of Motion

Notice of Motion No. 1 – Cr David Hede

That council staff prepare a report, for consideration by Councillors, on the costs to Council to install water bubblers in the main parks and the central business district areas of Bega, Bermagui, Merimbula and Eden.

BACKGROUND

In a move to get Australians drinking from bubblers again, a group called Bottled Water Alliance is calling on councils to spruce up their existing bubblers and is also calling on Councils to upgrade and install modern hi-tech water bubblers that match the convenience and quality of bottled water.

The Bottled Water Alliance is a not-for-profit initiative of ‘Do Something’ – an organisation started by Planet Ark Founders Jon Dee and Pat Cash. The Alliance aims to reduce Australia’s bottled water use by 20% over the next two years, saving consumers up to \$100 million in the process. A national poll of 1,000 Australians commissioned by the Bottled Water Alliance has found that:

- Two-thirds of Australians would buy less bottled water if there were a greater quantity of quality bubblers.
- Provision of water bubblers could stop the use of many plastic water bottles every year – reducing litter and land fill, and potentially saving consumers hundreds of thousands of dollars.
- The design of water bubblers is now easier to maintain, vandal proof, wheelchair accessible and has enough water pressure to fill a reusable bottle.

The water quality within the Bega Valley Shire is excellent, with water that is comparable with bottled water being sold in shops.

The bubblers installed in both Manly and Mosman Shires have been fitted free of charge with hi-tech Culligan Water filters. This makes the water coming out of these bubblers as good, if not better, than bottled water.

Culligan Water will donate bubbler filtration equipment to all other councils taking part in the Bottled Water Alliance project.

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Date:

22. Notices of Motion

22.1 A Councillor may submit a notice of motion for placing on the Agenda for consideration at a meeting.

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22.2 Notes supporting a notice of motion provided by the Councillor intending to move it are not to be included or form part of the Agenda or associated Business Paper.

22.3 In the absence of the Councillor who has given notice of a motion:

- any other Councillor may move the motion at the meeting; or
- the Chairperson may defer the motion until the next meeting of the Council at which the motion can be considered.

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If a notice of motion submitted by a Councillor is, in the opinion of the General Manager, unlawful or would be unlawful if implemented or outside the power of the Council and not capable of being considered by the Council as a result, the General Manager is to advise the Councillor submitting it accordingly. If the notice of motion is not altered or withdrawn by the Councillor submitting it sub-clause 11.3 is to have affect and the notice of motion is to be excluded from the Agenda for the meeting.

A notice of motion included in the Agenda for an Ordinary meeting of the Council may, by amendment, be referred to a nominated Standing Committee for report.

If the General Manager considers that a notice of motion submitted by a Councillor for consideration at an Ordinary meeting of the Council has legal, strategic, financial or policy implications and/or ramifications which should be taken to account by the meeting, the General Manager may, by a memorandum sent to all Councillors with the Agenda put forward a recommendation for consideration by the meeting, including a recommendation to defer the matter for further report.

Notices of motion to Ordinary meetings of the Council should only be used when urgency has prevented a Councillor from first raising the matter at a meeting of the appropriate Standing Committee.