

**TEMPORARY ORDERS
AS AT 20 SEPTEMBER 2022**

The following Temporary Orders were put in place until the Council resolves otherwise.

1. Definition of 'their place/s' *(resolved by the House on 23 April 2020)*

The interpretation of 'their place' and 'their places' in the Standing Orders will be at the Chair's discretion.

2. Incorporation of notices of motion *(resolved by the House on 7 September 2021)*

- (1) Members may submit notices of motion in writing for publication on the Notice Paper.
- (2) Members may submit notices of motion by —
 - (a) providing them electronically to the Clerk (by email to council@parliament.vic.gov.au) by 10.00 a.m. on a sitting day; and
 - (b) stating that the notice is for incorporation and request that the motion be published on the Notice Paper.
- (3) The House authorises and requires notices of motion submitted in writing to be treated the same as any notices given verbally in the House.

3. Business that may be incorporated in Hansard *(resolved by the House on 7 September 2021)*

- (1) If a Member wishes to incorporate —
 - (a) Members' statements;
 - (b) constituency questions;
 - (c) adjournment debate matters;
 - (d) their second reading speech of any bills debated; and/or
 - (e) their contribution to any Government or General Business motion moved;they may provide them electronically to the Clerk (by email to council@parliament.vic.gov.au) by the adjournment of the House.
- (2) The Clerk may only accept matters up to the number allocated for that day and as allocated between the parties and independents, in conjunction with any matters verbally given in the House.
- (3) The House authorises and requires matters to be published in Hansard at the point in the proceedings/order of business that the item would have occurred.
- (4) All incorporated material to be published in Hansard is subject to the Hansard editorial policy.
- (5) If any submitted incorporated material contains unbecoming expressions or does not comply with the rules of debate, the President may direct that the matter be removed or amended before it is published.

4. Divisions *(resolved by the House on 23 April 2020)*

Standing Orders 16.02 and 16.04 be suspended and the following will apply —

- (1) Immediately after a division has been demanded, the Clerk will ring the bells for four minutes, except in the following circumstance:
 - (a) In the instance that a division is demanded and the Chair is of the opinion that only one Member or one minor party is dissenting from the majority, the division bells will not be immediately rung, instead the following procedure will occur:

- (i) The Chair will request that the dissenting Member or Members agree to have their dissent recorded in the Minutes of the Proceedings;
 - (ii) If any Member declines this request a formal division will take place, the Clerk will ring the bells for four minutes and a division will occur as per the procedures set out in paragraphs (2) to (7).
- (2) At the expiration of four minutes no Member will enter or leave the Chamber until after the result of the division has been declared.
- (3) Every Member present in the Chamber when the question is put will be required to vote.
- (4) The Chair will repeat the question that the House is dividing on and will ask Members who are voting 'Aye' to stand in their place and in turn will ask Members who are voting 'No' to stand in their place.
- (5) The Chair will not ask Members to be seated again until the Clerks at the Table have confirmed that they have counted all the votes.
- (6) All Members will only be entitled to vote for either the 'Ayes' or the 'Noes'.
- (7) The Clerks at the Table will report the numbers to the Chair, who will declare the result to the Council.

5. Acting Presidents *(resolved by the House on 7 September 2021)*

- (1) In the event that the President and Deputy President are absent from duty during the sitting of the House (for whatever reason), Acting Presidents may perform the duties and exercise the authority of the President while presiding over proceedings of the Council.
- (2) During an adjournment of the Council, if both the President and Deputy President are absent from duty (for whatever reason), the President or Deputy President may, in writing to the Clerk, nominate an Acting President to perform all duties and exercise the authority of the President during this absence.

6. Discretion in ringing the bells to form a quorum *(resolved by the House on 8 June 2021)*

- (1) At the start of each day a quorum of 14 members must be present in the Chamber in order for the President to take the Chair and the sitting to proceed.
- (2) To assist with social distancing, the House gives the Chair further discretion in ringing the bells to form a quorum during the course of the sitting day under Standing Order 4.03(2), provided the Chair is confident that a quorum is present within the parliamentary precinct.

7. Members may incorporate their speeches for bills *(resolved by the House on 8 June 2021)*

- (1) If a Member wishes to incorporate their speech for the debate of the second reading of any bills debated they must electronically provide their speech to the Clerk (by email to council@parliament.vic.gov.au) by the time the House adjourns on the day the bill was debated.
- (2) Incorporated speeches will be published in Hansard after all second reading speeches made in the House (if any) for each Bill and before the Minister's reply (if any).
- (3) If any matter contains unbecoming expressions or does not comply with the rules of debate, the President may direct that the matter be removed or amended before it is published.