

Harrison Precinct

Minutes of Meeting
held on Thursday, 4 August 2022 at 7pm by **ZOOM**

Attendance	23 Attendees including 2 attendees with a declared interest on the Holt Ave Planning Proposal; 12 apologies: SK, JS, AL, AP, LP, MM, PVM, MF, MM, DB, MS, MJ
Previous Meeting Minutes	Minutes from 7 July 2022 meeting were confirmed by JA and seconded by GW Confirmed that the Co-Convenors had written to the following as per the Minuted actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the Member for Northshore, Felicity Wilson, the Precinct's state representative, regarding the WHT.• NSC supporting the CPC's request that the Council reactivate its 2021, the WHT 'All Pain No Gain' campaign
Review of Summary of Actions (SOA) from previous meeting	In response to the Precinct's comments in the Minutes regarding reactivating the <i>All Pain No Gain</i> campaign, Council has advised that it already has a campaign ('no title') in place. The Precinct had requested that Council carry out a Transport Management Accessibility Plan (TMAP) for both the Neutral Bay and Cremorne Town Centres. <i>Response: Council's Director Engineering & Property Services has advised that creating a TMAP for the large Infrastructure Projects currently being constructed in the North Sydney LGA is a good idea and something that Council can raise with TfNSW. It's not something that the Council could resource and manage.</i> Winnie St & Military Rd Intersection changes proposed by TfNSW. <i>Response: TfNSW has advised the Council that this project is now on hold.</i>
Review of Council meeting of 25 July 2022	The following items were noted in the Council Minutes of 25 July 2022: 8.7. Local Area Traffic Management Action Plans Progress Report 2020-22 8.8. Road Safety Action Plan 2022-23 and Crash Report Convenors note: there is no reference to the issues/accidents our Precinct has noted in relation to Spofforth St, Rangers Rd, Holt Ave and Spencer Rd intersections in these reports. 9.1. Notice of Motion 41/22 - Free 30-minute parking in Parraween Street Councillors voted unanimously to support a time trial of free 30-minute parking through the day in Parraween Street.

	<p>9.3. Notice of Motion 43/22 - Code of Meeting Practice</p> <p>By majority it was resolved that pre-meeting briefing sessions will be webcast and made available to the public except for so much of the briefing that the General Manager determines comprises matters and information which would be subject to section 10A of the Local Government Act 1993</p> <p>(Question: Which parts of a meeting can be closed to the public?)</p> <p>It was further resolved that a report be provided to Council at its meeting of 22 August 2022 setting out the potential process for the Public Forum to be conducted as part of the Council Meeting including provisions for remote attendance and a recommendation as to meeting commencement time.</p>
<p>Review of items in advance of Council meeting of 8 August 2022</p>	<p>It was noted that the Council is now holding two meetings each month. The next meeting is to be held on 8 August 2022. Two items are of note to our Precinct:</p> <p>8.5. Interim Heritage Order - 15 Allister Street Cremorne</p> <p>The purpose of the item is to resolve to receive a report on the progress in the issuing of an Interim Heritage Order (IHO) for 15 Allister Street, Cremorne, in response to Council's resolution at its meeting on 28 March 2022.</p> <p>8.6. Community Education Officer Planning</p> <p>The report responds to Councils request that Council establish a 'Community Education Officer – Planning' (or similar) role within the organisation, independent of the City Strategy Division, dedicated to educating our community on planning issues. As outlined in this report many of the intended functions of this role exist within established positions within the City Strategy Division. The report explores the appropriateness of augmentation or expansion of these existing roles.</p> <p>Precinct members were encouraged to make submissions to their Councillors regarding these and other items of interest on the Agenda.</p>
<p>Planning Proposal 6/22</p> <p>1-7 Rangers Road & 50 Yeo St</p>	<p>Many attendees attended the meeting for the first time due to concerns about the Rangers Road Planning Proposal.</p> <p>In the SOA in response to the July Harrison Precinct Minutes, Council advised that <i>the Planning Proposal is currently under assessment and will likely be presented to the North Sydney Local Planning Panel (who provide advice to Council) in late August/early September 2022 prior to consideration by North Sydney Council. Any submitters will be notified of the meeting and have the opportunity to address the panel should they wish.</i></p> <p>Attendees were advised once again that this is not a Development</p>

Application yet. At this stage the landowner is seeking to **rezone** the existing Woolworths site on Rangers Road, together with 50 Yeo St, with the aim to increase the height limit from 16 to 40 metres. The project aims to include a high-rise residential building above the supermarket as well as commercial shops and eateries. The rezoning would result in a building two-and-a-half times higher than the current height limit.

It was noted that Woolworths had distributed a flyer promoting their proposed project to a wide area of Cremorne and Neutral Bay. Most attendees had received a copy.

Meeting attendees raised concerns about the flyer. Specifically, that the flyer was misleading as it failed to mention or include visuals of the height of the proposed structure above the supermarket


Meeting attendees raised the following issues about the project overall:

- Shadowing of Yeo and Harrison Sts
- Irrevocable and unwelcome change of character of Neutral Bay shopping village.
- Excess height
- Turning its back on the rest of the Neutral Bay shopping centre
- Sets a precedence for more high-rise of a similar nature in the area
- The plaza proposed would be a wind tunnel
- Traffic and parking issues:
 - would lead to an increase in volume of vehicles especially in Yeo St, Wycombe Rd and Rangers Rd.
 - Yeo St is already a high-volume traffic area with local traffic and commercial deliveries to Woolworths and other shops.
 - Increased competition for already scarce street parking.
 - concern for possible impacts on the local school and church.

It was noted that there had been an accident recently at the corner of Yeo St and Ben Boyd Rd where a delivery truck lost control and smashed into an apartment building causing major structural damage.

Other issues noted:

Lack of detail about the date of closure for submissions.
Lack of acknowledgement by Council to submissions sent.

	<p>Q: Does Council send a receipt for PP feedback submissions? Q: What is the date of closure for submissions?</p> <p>Actions suggested by precinct member:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Write to local MPs, NSW Planning Minister ● Engage and pay for a professional urban planner/DA expert to prepare a community submission.
<p>Traffic and Pedestrian safety</p>	<p>Two-vehicle collision at the intersection of Holt Ave and Spofforth St on Sunday, 24 July 2022 at 4pm. It was a “T-bone” crash as the silver car travelling East-West along Holt, crossed Spofforth St. The driver at fault claimed he had not seen the STOP sign on approach into the intersection.</p>  <p>Convenor’s Note: Our Precinct’s request to NSC for an introduction to new traffic staff is still pending. We would like traffic staff to make a site visit to all trouble spots together with Precinct representatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Spofforth St and its intersection with Holt Ave, Spencer Rd, and Rangers Rd ● Military Rd/Winnie/Murdoch Intersection ● Military Road, Cremorne - Traffic Tidal Flow related safety issues ● Rangers Rd, Allistee St and Cranbrook Ave during Redlands peak periods ● Rangers Rd between Yeo and Military Road: safety concerns with motorists making illegal U-turns over double unbroken lines and parking across driveways.

<p>Heritage:</p> <p>Update on Holt Ave</p>	<p>Convenor advised of two major updates:</p> <p>By majority, Council resolved to endorse the Planning Proposal attached to the report to the North Sydney Local Planning Panel on 13 July 2022, and forward it to the Minister for Planning in order to obtain a Gateway Determination in accordance with section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979.</p> <p>On 29 July 2022, the Land and Environment court found in favour of the developer HELM and overturned the IHO imposed on the dwellings at 131-133 Holt Ave.</p> <p>A separate Land and Environment court action is still pending on the houses at 115-119 Holt Ave.</p> <p>It is not known how this will impact the Holt Ave Planning Proposal.</p>
<p>Public Domain Issues</p>	<p>Allister St, Cremorne</p> <p>A resident with a family member who has a physical disability stated that the new kerb height is “too high” for safe maneuvering of a wheelchair. The previous height of the kerb and guttering did not present any issues.</p>
<p>Heritage</p>	<p>History Week - 3 to 11 September 2022</p> <p>History Week is the annual, state-wide celebration of History organised by the History Council NSW</p> <p>https://historycouncilnsw.org.au/history-week-nsw/history-week-2022</p> <p>Many events around NSW including North Sydney</p> <p>https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Library_Databases/Whats_On/History_Week_Hands-on_History</p>
<p>YOUR SAY</p>	<p>Arts & Cultural Strategic Plan: feedback extended to 1 November 2022 (See May Minutes for Precinct response) -</p> <p>Precinct members are encouraged to make personal submissions.</p> <p>Draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan - it was noted that the Draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) is now on exhibition. Feedback is open until 12 September 2022.</p> <p>https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/draft-diap</p>
<p>Meeting concluded</p>	<p>Meeting concluded at 8.15pm</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>Thursday, 1 September 2022 - by Zoom</p>