

## Milson Precinct Meeting Minutes

6th October 2022

Chair: JC

Venue: Church by The Bridge

Time: 7:30PM

**Attendees and Apologies:** JC, EB, DB, JH, SNS, ENS, RB, VB, JN, MAB, AB, HC, KB, GB, RD, RP, CP, SR, KB, FH, SG, LH, RL, SG, CL (Apologies: HB, AR, TD)

### Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the Cammeraygal People of the Eora Nation. We pay our respects to Elders past and present, for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the nation.

### Confirmation of Minutes

**Motion: The minutes of the meeting dated 1st September 2022 are adopted. Moved:**

**JN**

**Seconded: DB**

**Unanimous**

### North Sydney Council's Waste Management Officer Presentation

The Council staff discussed the details on handouts concerning waste management within NSC LGA link is:

Questions asked and responses were:

- Meat can be put in the Food Organic bins – which are currently being trialled in 400 apartments, to ensure uptake.

**Response:** Yes, meat can be placed in the Food waste Trail Bins. For more information, participating residents can visit

[https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Environment\\_Waste/Waste\\_Recycling/Food\\_Waste\\_Trial](https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Environment_Waste/Waste_Recycling/Food_Waste_Trial)

- Polystyrene can currently only be recycled at Hornsby.

**Response:** Yes, polystyrene can be taken to Thornleigh Community Recycling Centre - 29 Sefton Road, Thornleigh

- Food packaging polystyrene has been banned from November 1st

**Response:** Items banned from 1 Nov 2022 – plastic single use cutlery and plates/bowls including expanded polystyrene food ware.

- The yellow bin items get collected by URM, and then URM owns the items, take them to the Smithfield facility that process a lot on site (have a paper mill on site). Same with aluminium and plastics are remade by Visy into new plastic bottles.

**Response:** For more information, residents can visit, <https://www.visy.com.au/create-a-better-world>

- Trialling Recycle Smart - which has been extended three months

**Response:** 884 bags, with 421 pickups. Recycle Smart is an online app and you put in a request for hard to recycle items (ie soft plastics, textiles batteries, ink cartridges, electrical items), and it is picked up from your door. For more information, residents can visit

[https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Environment\\_Waste/Waste\\_Recycling/RecycleSmart](https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Environment_Waste/Waste_Recycling/RecycleSmart)

- NSW has mandated that food waste has to be part of council collection by 2030.

**Response:** The Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy introduces new requirements for councils to provide food and garden waste collections to all NSW households by 2030

- Feedback states that URM is not very receptive to bin replacement or fixing requests.

**Response:** Council are working with URM to ensure good service.

- ‘Simply Cups’, Mosman Council had a difficult time with cross contamination in bins and encouraged NSC to place in private businesses where the sorting could be monitored.
- Green Caffeine App- reusable coffee cups. Swap and go style program. No coffee cups in recycling bins – only the plastic tops.
- CRC (the Artarmon recycling Centre) takes audio and video tapes, service also provided by Recycle Smart.

**Response:** Northern Sydney Community Recycling Centre (CRC) is partnered by NSROC Councils including Hunters Hill Council, Lane Cove Council, Mosman Council, North Sydney Council, Ryde City Council and Willoughby Council. For more information on full list of items accepted and opening times, residents can visit

[https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Environment\\_Waste/Waste\\_Recycling/Community\\_Recycling\\_Centre](https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Environment_Waste/Waste_Recycling/Community_Recycling_Centre)

- Wheel In, Wheel Out service

**Response:** Is only available if bin storage unit is within 2-5metres of the main collection point. Determined on a case by case basics.

**Motion:** Milson Precinct thanks Council’s Waster Management Officer and Council’s Waste Operations and Education Officer for an informative presentation on NSC’s Waste.

**Moved:** AB

**Seconded:** JC

**Unanimous**

### **Councillor MaryAnn Beregi on Tree Loss in North Sydney**

- NSC has known about this since 2017, but the information has been hidden by COVID and in the EIS.
- This is about creating the easiest outcome for the contractors.
- Early works will mean the loss of effectively all the trees along WF, Alfred Street, High Street Island, Kirribilli tennis courts, Ridge Street.
- Many trees aren’t going because they’re in the way of the WFU, but for ease of contractor parking.
- Merlin Street going, and word is that we will not get that back.
- Traffic is funnelled into North Sydney.
- Labor has committed to not pursuing the Beaches Link.
- Estimated tolls \$15 each way.

Suggestion: Write to Opposition leaders and ministers to get commitments that they will stop the works when / if elected in March 2023

**Motion:** Milson Precinct thanks Councillor Beregi for speaking about and highlighting the tree loss in North Sydney. Milson Precinct resolves to write to Felicity Wilson MP and Labor upper house, highlighting our opposition to the destruction of local environment, and asking the current State Government to halt and review the Western Harbour Tunnel/Beaches Link/ Warringah Freeway Upgrade (WFU including early works) Project, and not to sign any contracts prior to the 2023 NSW State Election.

**Moved:** JC

**Seconded:** AB

**Unanimous**

### **Councillor MaryAnn Beregi on R3 Zoning, Medium Density Residential Zone**

History of these changes to the DCP – was because of ‘existing use’ rights for existing residential flat buildings in R3 zoning, it was put through as though it was just ‘housekeeping’ for the DCP but has caused more issues. Developers have bought up several properties, in R3 zoning, and planned for residential flat buildings to be constructed on these sites. R3 zoning was to be the link between the low residential and the higher more impactful greater density living, originally with individual access for each residence to the street frontage.

Currently on exhibition and suggest make a submission prior to 7.11.2022. It will then come to the December meeting of council.

Link to Community Consultation Page: <https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/pp-4-22>

**Motion: Milson Precinct thanks Councillor Beregi for speaking about R3 Zoning. Milson Precinct supports Planning Proposal 4/22, with the Prohibition of residential flat buildings in the R3 Medium Density Residential zone.**

**Moved: DB**

**Seconded: JC**

**Unanimous**

### **Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation**

Cr Beregi presented certificates of appreciation from NSC to SG and VB and thanked them for their contribution to the Precinct system, as past office bearers, which is really appreciated by NSC, as a direct link with the residents and community.

Presentation of certificates of appreciation to TB and EW as past Office Bearers of Milson Precinct were conducted separately, as they were not present at the meeting.

### **Weighting of Precinct Submissions**

Previously, NSC considered the number of persons present at a precinct meeting when considering any submissions. More recently, the precinct’s submission was then only considered as one submission, although 15-20 people may have been in favour.

**Motion: Milson Precinct thanks John Hancox for bringing about this important issue.**

**Milson Precinct urges North Sydney Council to adopt a formal system of weighting of Precinct submissions on exhibited proposals that recognise numbers of people in favour of a resolution and the number of people against that resolution, when counting numbers of submissions received. Moved: JC Seconded: JN Unanimous**

### **Kirribilli Streetscape Committee Update**

#### Kirribilli Village Development Group (KVDG)

Milson Precinct encourages all residents to look at the plans for Burton and Bligh and come back to the next meeting with feedback which can form a submission from Precinct. Milson Precinct also encourages all residents to submit their feedback directly to the KVDG, as well as North Sydney Council, via Your Say link .

Kirribilli Streetscape meeting will be held on Tuesday 18 October 2022 at 4.45pm in Ros Crichton

Pavilion NSC. Details for the community Workshop as well as recordings of the community information sessions about the project options is available on NSC website.

Link to Kirribilli Village Development Group Survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9JXC57R> Link to Community Consultation Page:

<https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/burton-bligh>

**Motion: Milson Precinct supports the work being done by the KVDG, and their vision of preserving and highlighting the significant, historical and cultural importance of Kirribilli as a suburb. Milson Precinct requests that the streetscape upgrades should reflect Kirribilli's unique position within the North Sydney LGA.**

**Moved: FH**

**Seconded: SR**

**Unanimous**

### **Milson Park Kayak Storage**

- Privatisation of public space is not acceptable
- Parking issues, because likely will be non-local users.
- Large space in the park that is shady in summer, and sunny in winter, a good spot for picnics, should not be taken up by storage of watercraft.
- Willoughby Road NSC Boat Storage shed is full, but not all vessels are used. This should be reviewed and ensure that first preference is given to local residents, and craft that has not been used, be 'moved on'.
- Aged people use kayaks and transporting them is getting harder.
- Landsiar marina, an area – currently used for waste bin storage, - was, as a condition of development, to be provided for storage of kayak and other small craft. This should be investigated to provide storage there, as promised many years ago.

Link to Community Consultation Page: <https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/milson-park-kayaks>

**Motion: Milson Precinct requests that NSC investigate the Wrikston Park Boat Shed (Willoughby Street, Kirribilli), to audit the current usage and provide storage there. Milson Precinct objects to the placement of the kayak storage units in the proposed corner of Milson Park. Milson Precinct requests that NSC review past conditions for Landsair developments at the Marina, to ascertain if Kayak storage should be provided there. Milson Precinct suggests that a better location for the proposed storage units would be at HMAS Platypus.**

**Moved: JC**

**Seconded: JN**

**Unanimous**

### **General Business and Information**

- Next Kirribilli Streetscape Meeting: Tuesday 18th October 2022, 4:45PM in the Ros Crichton Pavilion (North Sydney Council). Milson Precinct encourages all interested residents to attend the meeting and make their voices heard.
- Kirribilli Village Upgrade Information Session: Tuesday 11 October 2022. Online only, however if technologically challenged people wish to go to a 'screening' of the session, it will be provided up at North Sydney Council.
- Cart Horse Corner- Name accepted by NSC for the island at Clark Rd and Kurraba Road, as promoted by Professor Peter Webber during Covid.
- Milson Precinct and Kirribilli Residents Christmas Party: Sunday 11 December 4-8pm At the

Kirribilli Neighbourhood Centre. We hope everyone will come along, bring a plate or bottle to share, and catch up with friends and neighbours to celebrate the end of the year- especially after our past two COVID-19 Christmases!

- Loreto works finished, and they will have an open day at the end of the year for the community to see.
- **MOTION: Milson Precinct is very disappointed at the state of the north-eastern verge on Elemang Avenue. With the completion of the Loreto Innovation Centre, there was a requirement for the front nature strip in Elating Avenue to be restored. As the work has now been completed, it is disappointing to see that they work has not been finished to an acceptable standard. Milson Precinct requests NSC and Loreto School liaise to manage this verge consistently, with constant de-weeding.**  
**Moved: VB**  
**Seconded: JN**  
**Unanimous**

Note: Our recording device malfunctioned, so there will be no YouTube links of our guest speakers this month.

**Meeting Closed 9:20PM**

**Next Meeting 3rd November 2022**