

WAVERTON PRECINCT MEETING

TUESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2022 UNITING CHURCH HALL BAY ROAD WAVERTON

1. **Welcome.** Extended to new attendees and a 3rd who came later.
Meeting commenced at 7.35pm

Apologies - DA, BD, IG, SF and JD

2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** - Accepted

3. **Existing Business**

-Floating Dock. The Land and Environment Court has rejected the proposal by Noaks to bring the floating dry dock into Berrys Bay.

The discussion cannot be appealed. A small celebration is planned for the near future. Members will be advised of the date and location at the next meeting.

-Bowling Club site and Merrett's Playground.

No announcement has been made on the Aboriginal land claim following the court hearing held in July.

Merrett playground is up for refurbishment, but at Precincts request, the refurbishment has been deferred, awaiting the court's decision on the Bowling Club.

-Western Harbour Tunnel

Tunnelling is progressing from Rozelle to Birchgrove and is expected to be completed in 2024.

A contract for the stage 2 Waverton to North Sydney tunnel is expected to be awarded in late 2022.

Power installation work has begun along Balls Head Road in Waverton and will extend to Hazelbank Road Wollstonecraft.

A full report on the temporary power installation can be found on the Transport for NSW website. Leaflets are being dropped in letter boxes along the route of the works advising residents of road closures and excavation details.

- **The Berrys Bay Community and Stakeholders Working Group** is nearing the end of its work. A meeting was held on 5th September to discuss a draft masterplan to be released for the land area at the head of the west arm of Berry's Bay. The draft plan will be released for public comment in the next few weeks.

- **Decaying Vessels and wharves,**

Following a letter from the Precinct, a reply has been received from Transport NSW regarding the above items. Comments are as follows.

Dolphin Wharf vessels - Vessel owners are responsible for the maintenance of these vessels. They must enter into agreements covering both licence fees, license agreement with commercial terms and insurance for public liability and vessel salvage.

After the sinking of the Barragoola ferry, the contractor experienced extreme delays due to multiple factors outside his control.

These included, weather impacting water visibility and safety as well as Covid related issues impacting both the vessel and the dive teams. There was also an issue with reinforced

concrete used in the hull. These issues resulted in an increase in the time frame required to cut the vessel into segments.

A commitment to continue the work with NSC and Heritage NSW to identify opportunities for the future use of the Coal Loader Wharf was given.

4. New Business

- NSC Capital Works Projects Budget and Priorities for Waverton.

Proposed that a copy of the budget be obtained and projects in Waverton Precinct be identified before inviting appropriate councillors to discuss these with the Precinct.

- Planning Proposal 270-272 Pacific Highway Crows Nest. Insufficient information to fully understand the proposal will be investigated prior to the closure date for submissions
- Relocating Precincts Records. This will be completed by October.
- Development Proposals - Nil

5. Community Requests

- Parking in Waverton Village. With the increased business activity in the Waverton Village the availability of parking is becoming a problem. While there are a number of 15-minute time slots these are usually taken and the adjoining 1 hour time slots appear to have become “long term” parking slots. (Determined from a monitoring exercise)
Some thoughts expressed were - Remove the restriction on the post box parking spot so no parking at mail pick up time. Given the infrequency of the bus service, can it be located outside this 15-minute zone and still provide a transport service to the community? Can some of the adjacent 1-hour zones be made 15-minute zones?

6. Next Meeting

Tuesday 4th October. 7.30 pm at the Uniting Church Community Hall.

ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME.