

**Milson Precinct Meeting Minutes**  
**December 1st 2022**  
**Chair: Jillian Christie**  
**Venue: Church By The Bridge**  
**Time: 7:30PM**  
**Attendees 37/Apologies: 3**

**Acknowledgement of Country**

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather, the Cammeraygal People people of Eora Nation. We recognise their continued connection to the land and waters of this beautiful place, and acknowledge sovereignty was never ceded. We pay our respects to all Cammeraygal Elders and Ancestors, and any First Nations people here today.

**Motion: The minutes of the meeting dated November 3rd are adopted.**  
**Moved: VB Seconded: IH Voting: Unanimous**

**Therese Manns- New Council General**  
**Manager**

New Council's General Manager, Therese Manns, introduced herself to Milson Precinct. Therese was encouraged to move to North Sydney, due to passionate council. Milson Precinct wishes Therese congratulations on her new job, and the best of luck.

**Aloysius Development Update**

Grant, Traffic Management Plan: Upper Pitt St Construction zone- closing intermittently. 110 Tradies on site, public transport is being enforced in contracts, or local private car parks. Proposed route Broughton Street, down Carabella, Parkes and then Upper Pitt. Hours will be 7am -5pm weekdays. 8am-1pm Saturday.

The proposed TMP was not presented to the last NS Traffic Committee meeting in November, hence the community have not been made aware of the proposed truck routes. The next scheduled Traffic Meeting is February, 2023. Hence it is to be decided under delegation. Why was this TMP not subjected to the usual process of NS Traffic Committee?

Demolition of the existing building on Upper Pitt Street, is to commence this week, as the students have commenced holidays.

Grant (from Lipman's) advised that the TMP was pending approval, with removal of parking spaces for 'Construction Zone' in Upper Pitt St. They are cognisant of the need to limit the impact of loss of resident parking spaces; they will keep the roads open to pedestrians, and traffic management for car movements; they are proposing an average of 110 trades people on site, encouraging the use of public transport, or carpark like Luna Park. Enforcement will be difficult.

Use of only 8 wheel trucks, with no double bogie trucks. Hours of operation will be 7 am - 5 pm Mon-Friday, and 8 am - 1 pm Saturdays. Demolition will continue between Christmas and New Year, except for public holidays. Community requested that we have a reprieve for the few days between Christmas and New Year.

Asked how many truck movements per hour or per day was expected, to remove the demolition waste? That was not able to be answered. We asked if this TMP was to be the same route throughout the whole build - i.e. all materials to site for the build - or just for removal of the demolished building spoil? Not confirmed.

Proposed truck route to site is: High St; right into Clark Road; up Broughton St; left into Willoughby St; right into Carabella St; right into Parkes St; right into Pitt St; into Upper Pitt St; then leave site via Jeffrey St, left into Fitzroy St.

The residents present were very opposed to this traffic flow with the following observations of why it will not work: roundabout at Clark, McDougall & Broughton St already does not cope with buses, trucks and some smaller vehicles; Carabella Street is currently TOO NARROW for two-way traffic, with parking on both sides of the road, with normal traffic having to pull over to allow others to pass; all of this without additional daily truck movements for the next two years.

Loreto chose not to use Carabella St as it was too narrow, for their recent development.

It was suggested that Alfred Street should be used for access and egress, as it is currently a wider road (TfNSW plan to narrow Alfred St for a Bike Path with SHB North Bike Access development) and then Fitzroy St. They could then turn right into Jeffrey St and turn the trucks around using the schools driveway into the courtyard area. With the egress from site along Jeffrey St, Fitzroy and Alfred Street again.

**Motion: Milson Precinct strongly objects to the truck route section of the traffic management plan. Milson Precinct requests that the trucks use Alfred Street and Fitzroy Street to reach and leave the site, and not use Carabella, Broughton or Willoughby.**

**Moved: JC Seconded: CB Voting: Unanimous**

### **Zoë Baker**

Zoë spoke about NSOP, the new redeveloped pool was scheduled to open last month. Project is over time, over budget. Structural issues were identified, previous councils consulted the community on concepts. The proposed amalgamations halted the project, due to a state directive. Option 2 was chosen, with a budget of \$28m (could have been funded without loans). When the previous council entered into contract with icon, the budget went on the floor of council to \$58m. The steering group consisted of the mayor, her daughter, and the leaseholder of the businesses at the pool, along with GM and council staff. NSC was caught up in the sports rorts scandal. The GM was delegated to negotiate with the lowest tender, and then came back to NSC with a recommendation that the contract be awarded for \$63m. Councillor Gibson, Mutton and Barbour were delegated to sign off on the contract, which was signed on NYE. No tender was put out for commercial businesses at the pool. Previous council agreed to a 20 year lease with the current leaseholder (who was also on the steering group). New Council has to deliver the pool to an excellent standard, and manage the project. A probity advisor was appointed (for the first time), NSC financial staff modelled 70m build, 80m build, 90m build. The business case was reassessed, so a real picture could emerge about how this pool will be sustainable. No operational model was settled on, which should have been done in conjunction with the building contract. The gym fit out was not included in the original budget. Zoe's mayoral minute was to find out how NS got in this position, where's NS is at at the moment, and where to go from here (financial sustainability). PWC has been appointed, briefing will be before the end of the new year. Council has have promised radical transparency, and will be releasing as much as they can from this report, subject to legal professional privilege, commercial in confidence, obligations as an employer to staff.

**Motion: Milson Precinct requests a copy of the independent review when it is available.**

**Moved: JC Seconded: FH Voting: Unanimous**

### **Kirribilli Streetscapes Upgrade**

FH presented the research findings from the Kirribilli Village Development Group. The report by NSC will be released Friday 2nd of December, and this item will be debated at the 12th of December Council meeting.

**Motion: Milson Precinct supports the directions that the KVDG has taken.**

**Moved: FH Seconded: RL Voting: Unanimous**

## **General Business and Information**

### **Harbour Bridge Cycloramp**

Information sessions: Sunday 4th December, Kirribilli Markets (8:30am-3pm). Tuesday 6th December, SHB Cycleway Stairs (7am-9am/4pm-6pm). Wednesday 7th December, SHB Cycleway Stairs (7am-9am/4pm-6pm) and Sunday 11th December, Kirribilli Markets (8:30am-3pm).

Zoe suggested sending a copy of submissions to ward councillors.

**Motion: Milson Precinct supports NSC position to ensure that Bradfield park north remains in community ownership. Milson Precinct would prefer that the State Government looks at the HarbourLink.**

**Moved: SG Seconded: JC Voting: Unanimous**

### **Western Harbour Tunnel**

Today the Premier and the Minister for Roads announced that the contracts had been awarded for State 2 of the WHT projects. No more coffer dams at Berry's Bay because the construction methodology has been changed. The tubes won't sit on the bottom of the harbour, rather they will bore. There's a new route, which is unknown. The pollution stack locations won't be known either. High level plan from the State Government, no details.

**Motion: Milson Precinct resolves to write to Felicity Wilson demanding a new EIS, and asking for further community consultation.**

**Moved: JC Seconded: VB Voting: Unanimous**

### **Anderson Park**

**Motion: Milson Precinct requests that NSC take a deeper interest in managing the weeds and grass at Anderson Park on the embankment, and explore tree planting.**

**Moved: FH Seconded: MR Voting: Unanimous**

**Meeting Closed 9:15PM**

**Next Meeting 2nd February 2023**

**Christmas Party Sunday 11 December, 2022 from 4pm.**