

## Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) Wollstonecraft Precinct 2023

This document is North Sydney Council's response to actions arising from Precinct Committee Minutes. On receipt of the minutes, actions are numbered and allocated to relevant Council Officers for response.

To effectively manage and provide clarity, all actions are allocated a status when reporting to Precinct Committees in response to their minutes. There are three categories:

- **Awaiting Response** - action allotted to Council Officer - response awaited.
- **Open/Ongoing** - action allocated to Council Officer, initial response provided. Matter is ongoing and further response/update is to be provided at a later date.
- **Closed for Council** - Council either completed related works/tasks or has taken all reasonable steps within its power to resolve the issue (for example when a matter is beyond its jurisdiction). If the Precinct Committee feels Council can take further steps, they can request Council reopen action.

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Month	Item	Actions	Council's Reply	Status
December	8	<p><b>Shirley Rd corrugation</b> - Council to be asked if some minor corrugations on Shirley Road have been noticed and if they will be accepted.</p> <p><b>UPDATE</b> by Precinct t is the third section heading west from the roundabout at Belmont Rd and Newlands Street</p>	Council's Engineering Project Manager has advised that Council's Officers had inspected the road surface along Shirley Road, and it has been considered to be intact and fit to purpose. The missing line marking will be reinstated by the end of January 2024.	Closed for Council
	9	<p><b>Garden at Wollstonecraft Station</b> - Precinct asks that Council approach TfNSW to prevent the building of a fence on PlatfoPrm 1 of Wollstonecraft Station so local beautification efforts can continue. Of particular concern to the local people is the "celtis tree". It is of Chinese origin and is a considered a pest/weed by NSW Primary Industry. It also outcompetes natives in the area. It has taken over a number of areas in the rail corridor.</p>	Council's Director Open Space and Infrastructure has advised that Council Officers will be meeting with the Precinct Committee Office Bearers and visit the site. In addition, the Council Officer will be attending their meeting on 14 February 2024.	Closed for Council

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October	<i>No actions arising requiring Council's response</i>			
June	9	<p><b>AGM: Committee Elections</b> - As required all existing officers retired to allow the election of a new committee.</p> <p>a) Chairperson - There were no nominations for this position. This position is currently vacant. Consideration will be given to filling this position when a suitable person volunteers.</p> <p>b) Secretary - Nominations were called. JH nominated BD as Interim Secretary. As there were no other nominations, BD was elected Secretary unanimously. A small group of supporters will keep the precinct active and keep residents informed of events that will affect the Precinct and the LGA generally. Meetings will be called as required.</p> <p>c) Treasurer - Nominations were called. JH nominated himself. As there were no other nominations, JH was elected Treasurer by unanimous vote</p>	<p>Council's Manager Corporate Planning &amp; Engagement has advised that Council's records will be updated accordingly following the change in office bearers. Outgoing office bearers are thanked for their contribution. Per clause 5.1.7 of the current Precinct System Guidelines:</p> <p><i>ACTING IN THE ABSENCE OF ELECTED OFFICE BEARERS</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where the Chairperson will be absent for a meeting/s the Vice/Deputy Chairperson or Secretary may assume the role for the nominated period.</li> <li>• Where there is, or is expected to be, a vacancy in the office of Chairperson or Secretary, prior to the end of their four (4) year tenure, the Committee may appoint interim or 'acting' Office Bearers who can assume the position until the next AGM.</li> <li>• Persons 'acting' in Office Bearer roles must familiarise themselves with the Precinct System Guidelines.</li> </ul>	Closed for Council
April	6b	<p><b>Willoughby Road Street Upgrade Stage 2</b> - A revised proposal incorporating a consistent theme and materials was approved by Council and work is proceeding on Early Works (street drainage and undergrounding of power lines).</p>	<p>Council's Project Manager has advised that the further round of consultation per item 4 (See below) of the Council resolution 27 February 2023 (Item 10.5) will commence in July 2023. Further information will be provided to Precinct Committees in due course.</p> <p><i>4. THAT Council staff undertake further consultation with business operators on Willoughby Road for the potential replacement of umbrellas with 'Alfresco' shade structures and a further report come back to Council.</i></p>	Closed for Council

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			<p>Below is an update on the project:</p> <p><u>Completed works:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service locating using a vacuum truck in April 2023</li> <li>• Optus overhead cable decommissioned 6 June 2023</li> <li>• Paving repairs to driveway pavers on Willoughby Lane and Coles, Atchison Street</li> </ul> <p><u>Upcoming works:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early works tender for Streetlighting and Undergrounding overhead wires in June-July 2023</li> <li>• Drainage upgrade quotation in June-July</li> <li>• Tender report to Council meeting 24 July</li> <li>• Commence site works August 2023</li> </ul>	
	7a	<p><b>DA 66/2023: 290 Pacific Highway, Crows Nest</b> - Formerly known as DA 294/22, which was refused by Council last year has re-emerged with similar features but including an expensive pitch to request a variation in height to 14 storeys as compared to the approved height of 8 storeys in the 2036 Plan. Motion: <i>That the draft "Wollstonecraft Precinct Submission DA 66/2023 - 290 Pacific Highway Crows Nest" be approved and sent to North Sydney Council on the Council's standard submission form showing the number of votes For and Against as recorded at the meeting and shown in the minutes.</i> Proposed by JH Seconded by KT. The Motion was put and passed. Voting For 48 Against 1 Abstained</p>	<p>Council's Executive Assessment Planner has noted the submission lodged by the Wollstonecraft Precinct. This application is a matter that will need to be determined by the Sydney North Planning Panel (SNPP). All concerns raised by submitters will be addressed in conjunction with the assessment of the application against the relevant controls.</p>	Closed for Council

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	8	<b>Council responses to Action Items: Local Area Traffic Management Plan</b> - A roundabout at the junction of Shirley Road, Belmont Road and Milner Crescent is not included in the Plan. This is disappointing news. Action: Precinct intends to extend an invitation to Council's Traffic & Transport Operations Department for June or August 2023.	<p>Council's Manager Traffic &amp; Transport Operations has advised that he will not be available for the June meeting, but may be able to attend in August if the meeting date is moved due to ongoing commitments on Wednesdays. This will be followed up directly with the Precinct Office Bearers.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (6 October 2023)</b> Council Manager Traffic &amp; Transport Operation has advised the Precinct Committee is welcome to invite Council Officers to their meetings and pending resources and updates they will attend to their future meetings.</p>	Closed for Council
	9	<b>General Business: Willoughby Road Upgrade: Road closure?</b> - A recent article in the Daily Telegraph, written by David Barwell, suggests that at least 10 restaurant owners would like the North Sydney Council (and Transport for NSW) to consider again, partial closure of Willoughby Road. The Chair wrote to Holtermann and Hayberry Precincts, the proprietor of Small Bar mentioned in the article and the Crows Nest Streetscape Committee to gauge interest. By a show of hands 44:4 the meeting was in favour of Precinct progressing the idea.	Council's Engineering Project Manager has advised that there are no plans to close Willoughby Road as part of the streetscape upgrade. This was considered during community consultation but was determined not feasible, due to bus routes and the bus layover at the corner of Willoughby Road and Burlington Streets. A road closure would require separate consultation and be endorsed by Traffic Committee.	Closed for Council
February	6	<b>State Election 25 March 2023</b> - Council is organising on behalf of the Combined Precinct Committee a "Meet the Candidates Event". Timing is yet to be confirmed but will likely be after 13 March when nomination and registration of candidates closes. Further information will be circulated after details are confirmed.	<p>Council's Manager Corporate Planning &amp; Engagement has advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Milson Precinct, on behalf of the Precinct Committees within the North Shore Electorate, is hosting a 'Meet the Candidates' event on Thursday</li> </ul>	Closed for Council

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			<p>16 March, 6.30pm to 8.30pm at Loreto Kirribilli, Junior School Hall. All candidates have been invited to attend. Tickets are available via <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/north-shore-state-election-2023-meet-the-candidates-tickets-559297472797">https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/north-shore-state-election-2023-meet-the-candidates-tickets-559297472797</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Northbridge Progress Association is hosting a "Meet the Candidates" event for the Willoughby Electorate on 9 March 2023 at Northbridge Gold Club, 7pm start.</li> </ul>	