

Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) Willoughby Bay 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 ongoing and further response/update to be provided at later date.
- **Closed for Council** - Council either completed related works/tasks or has taken all reasonable steps within its power to resolve issue (for example when 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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December	<i>No actions arising requiring Council's response.</i>			
November	2	<p>Richmond Avenue Parking & Pedestrian Safety -</p> <p>A Richmond Avenue resident, DO'K, said he was seeking Council assistance regarding pedestrian safety and parking at the lower bend of Richmond Avenue.</p> <p>He advised that several months ago Council Rangers issued fines to cars parked in this area for parking too close to double yellow lines.</p> <p>Vehicles speed up as they approach the corner from the east going downhill. The vehicles that were previously parked near the corner (prior to the fines being issued) had the effect of slowing vehicles down because the roadway was narrower. Removing the parked vehicles encourages drivers to travel faster around the corner.</p>	Allocated to Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations.	Awaiting Response

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		<p>D'OK said there were options to improve pedestrian safety and parking: Parking - simplest answer is remove, at least part of the double yellow lines - the parked vehicles partly act as a natural funnel and slow vehicles down. Alternatively — installation of a traffic calming device such as speed hump or swerve barriers to slow vehicles down and improve the safety of children and pedestrians in general. Lastly - there is a hedge on the Council verge - parking at this area is problematic as passengers cannot exit the vehicle because there is no pedestrian area. Further, the hedge creates a barrier which prevents pedestrians using the verge as a footpath and encourages them to walk on the road. DO'K said it is no doubt many years since the original decision was made to install double yellow lines. He believes there are several issues Council should address to improve safety and parking.</p> <p>Precinct requests these issues be revisited to meet the needs of residents as well as the vehicles traversing through the street.</p>		
	3	<p>Fifth Avenue: Abandoned Vehicle - A Precinct member has notified Precinct that a truck with the Licence # XO 94 TL has been abandoned for at least 3 months.</p>	<p>Allocated to Council's Manager Ranger & Parking Services</p> <p>Precinct Committee can also report the abandoned vehicle. Note the location, make, model and licence plate details. Email to council@northsydney.nsw.gov.au or via telephone 02 9936 8100.</p>	Awaiting Response

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	4	Gerard / Macpherson Street Crossing Position Chalked - A Precinct member advised that the above pedestrian crossing has been chalked as if in preparation for a standard zebra crossing. This has been the position for at least two weeks and Precinct remains concerned that this is a very dangerous crossing. Visibility of the crossing to motorists needs to be improved, eg flashing lights.	Allocated to Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations.	Awaiting Response
	5	Uneven Surface between Lloyd Avenue and Ellalong Road - A Precinct member whose daughter uses an electric wheelchair has reported that part of the surface which had an original concrete topping has been dug up and the hole filled in with bitumen which makes it impossible to pass across.	Council's Assets Engineering Officer has advised that works in Lloyd Av and Ellalong Rd are associated with Ausgrid. Council is current negotiating with Ausgrid about the permanent restoration of the footpath, it is expected that the footpath will be restored by Council by March 2024.	Open/Ongoing
October		Heritage Listing - MOTION: THAT Willoughby Bay Precinct supports the heritage listing of 121, 123 and 125 Holt Avenue. This delightful group of Federation bungalows meets the threshold for cultural significance under historic, associative, aesthetic, rarity and representative values. It would be a great pity to lose them. Motion carried: 9 in favour, 1 abstention, 0 against	Comments noted by Council's A/Manager Strategic Planning.	Closed for Council
		DA 258/23, 41 – 53 Grosvenor St - MOTION: THAT Willoughby Bay Precinct is in support of DA 258/23 Motion: 9 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against	Comments noted by Council's Executive Assessment Planner.	Closed for Council

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		Fifth Avenue/Ellalong Road Rd sign - A resident has advised this road sign needs repair as it is listing at an angle.	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that repairs on this sign have been instructed	Open/Ongoing
		Fifth Avenue/Ellalong Road footpath - Damage at 9 Ellalong Road. A resident has advised that the footpath appears to have been damaged by water erosion.	Council's Assets Engineering Officer has advised that after an inspection on the footpath outside 9 Ellalong Road can confirm that it is in fair but serviceable condition. Capital Works in this area are scheduled to be carried out in 2-3 years time. Budget and other factors permitting	Closed for Council
September		Brothers Memorial Park - Precinct asks whether Council could be approached to limit parking on Fifth Avenue on Brothers Park side to provide for park users and for parents dropping off and picking up school children. Precinct has spoken with the resident and both agree parking restrictions would be beneficial from Ellalong Road to the bend in Fifth Avenue next to the park. Precinct asks whether Council would consider parking restrictions for this length of road and in what circumstances.	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that Council has raised concerns about this crossing with TfNSW and is requesting reconsideration of the implementation of traffic signals. As with the advanced warning signage, additional lighting may provide some improvement to driver awareness of the crossing and it can be investigated should TfNSW not support the implementation of traffic signals to resolve the issue.	Open/Ongoing
		DA 323/21, 124 Benelong Road, Cremorne - The developers have submitted revised plans for a boarding house as part of the conciliation process and all those who made a submission have been notified. The plans reduce the height by one storey, but still substantially breach the DCP height plane. Precinct objects to the revised plans for 124 Benelong Road, Cremorne due to substantial breach of the DCP height plane.	Feedback noted by Council's Team Leader - Assessments.	Closed for Council

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		Overgrown garden at 27 Wonga Rd - A resident has asked that Council be notified of the overgrown garden at 27 Wonga Road which could become a vermin problem.	Council's Supervisor Parks and Gardens has advised that Council are aware of this overgrowing vegetation. It is very unlikely to have been planted by Council as it not clear where the boundary of the properties and the footpath is. Council staff monitor and clear for pedestrian passage as necessary. Team Leader to inspect and action clearing if required.	Open/Ongoing
		Parraween Street - Free 30 minutes parking trial - MOTION: Willoughby Bay precinct supports the Parraween Street free 30 minute parking becoming permanent.	Council A/Manager Parking Meters has advised that the Precinct Committee's feedback will be treated as a submission.	Closed for Council
August	1e	Brothers Memorial Park - Chair reported a meeting was held on 20 September 2023 at Brothers Park with Council's Streets Alive Coordinator (HG), Sean Brothers, Chair, RL, and PW attending. Meeting confirmed preferred details for refurbishment of the memorial consistent with Precinct's preferences. HG to draw up plans for comment by a heritage contractor and budget estimate. HG will be off work for some weeks which will delay finalisation. RL reported construction of the new fence has stopped for unknown reasons. A Precinct member expressed concern for children's safety whilst the Park is a construction site. RL noted that planting of replacement plants and mulching has been carried out by Precinct members working with Streets Alive. RL thanks those Precinct members for their continued efforts on 9/8/23. <i>Precinct asks: When will the work on the fence resume?</i>	Council's Supervisor Parks and Gardens has advised that this item is being processed and further information will be provided in due course. UPDATE (18 September 2023) Council's Supervisor Parks and Gardens has advised that the fence adjacent to Fifth Avenue from outside 19A to the rear of 11 Ellalong Rd is complete. The Precinct Committee is also requested to provide more specific information about parts of the fence that need completion e.g. location and/or supply photos.	Open/Ongoing

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July	1a	<p>Woolworths Rangers Road PP 1/23 & PP 4/23, 183-185 Military Road (adjacent Woolworths Rangers Road) - Precinct members who wish to make a submission to the Department of Planning on the Woolworths Planning Proposal 1/23 for 1-7 Rangers Road can email information@planning.nsw.gov.au. Replies will advise the submission will not be passed on to the Sydney North Planning Panel. However, the Department will take note of submissions. Precinct discussed Planning Proposal 4/23 183-185 Military Road. The proposal seeks an increase in the maximum building height from 16 metres to 43 metres to accommodate a 12-storey building with two levels of retail (one in a basement level), a first floor community centre (proposed as a public benefit), two levels of offices and 8 storeys of apartments. <i>Motion: THAT Precinct having further considered PP 4/23 183-185 Military Road, Neutral Bay wishes to add the following reasons for opposing the proposal:</i></p> <p>(a) The proposed maximum building height is inconsistent with Council's resolution of 24 January 2022 to seek "a better balance between development height and the provision of additional public open space".</p> <p>(b) The proposed tower will be visually dominant contrary to the desired village character of Neutral Bay.</p> <p>(c) The 12 storey building is immediately to the north of the proposed public plaza on the Woolworths site at 1-7 Rangers Road and will cause significant overshadowing.</p> <p>(d) The proposed relocation of Neutral Bay Community</p>	Council's Strategic Planner notes the Precinct Committee' submission. Reasons for the objection will be considered in assessment of proposal.	Closed for Council

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		<p>Centre from its current location to this site on the opposite side of Military Road should be subject to community consultation and should not be a developer's decision.</p> <p>(e) The provision of public benefits is insufficient in relation to the proposed uplift in land value. Precinct believes the public benefit should be equal to 50% of the uplift in land value (as per Parramatta City Council's policy) and should include a cash contribution for the provision of community infrastructure and affordable housing as well as appropriate setbacks to Military Road and from Rangers Road and the Woolworths site to create a more generous and better proportioned public open space.</p> <p>Motion carried: 14 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against</p> <p>Precinct members who wish to lodge a submission on Planning Proposal 4/23 183-185 Military Road can send an email to council at council@northsydney.nsw.gov.au.</p>		
	1c	<p>Traffic Committee Meeting 21 April 2023 - Item 5.1 - Young/Grosvenor St Roundabout (Memo 4 July 2023) -</p> <p>The plan of the proposed changes was discussed by Precinct members. Precinct agreed not to pass a motion but to forward comments. Comments / questions by individual Precinct members included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern this is proceeding prior to resolution of issue of Young St reopening at Military Rd. <p>Chair noted that at the walk-through Council officers advised the design would work</p>	<p>Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that the Precinct Committees' feedback will be part of the consultation for Young and Grosvenor Streets.</p> <p>Feedback closes 14 August 2023 - https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/yscwsu</p> <p>UPDATE (24 August 2023)</p> <p>Council's Sustainable Transport Project Co-ordinator has noted the Precinct Committee's comments which will be treated as a submission.</p>	Closed for Council

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		<p>whatever the outcome regarding re-opening of Young St at Military Rd.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern re giving Young St priority over Grosvenor St; a roundabout makes everybody equal. • Have pedestrian counts been undertaken to justify locating the pedestrian crossing on the western side of intersection - from observation the eastern side would serve more pedestrians. • Why not have pedestrian crossings on both sides of the intersection to prioritise pedestrians? • It would be better to leave the roundabout where it is. • As a cyclist if riding to the north I wouldn't use the proposed entrance to the cycleway but would ride through the intersection. • Why not stop the cycleway at Sutherland St & let the cyclists use the roundabout? <p>The proposal for changes to this intersection are on public exhibition up until 14/8/23. Precinct members can make submissions online: yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/yscwsu or by email: yoursay@northsydney.nsw.gov.au</p>		
	1d	<p>Neutral Bay Town Centre Planning Study Workshop - plaza options - Property-owning company Arkadia, which owns a number of properties between Military Road and the Grosvenor Lane carpark is reported to be seeking Owner's Consent from Council to lodge a DA. Arkadia proposes to reconfigure the carpark to delete</p>	<p>Council's Acting Team Leader - Design notes the Precinct Committee's comments regarding Neutral Bay Town Centre Planning Study Workshop.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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		<p>about 30 car spaces and provide a landscaped area next to their properties. The plan from the <i>North Sydney Sun</i> was shown and discussed in conjunction with options for the plaza discussed at the Council workshop.</p> <p>Motion: THAT Precinct opposes the Arkadia plan for proposed public domain works to the Grosvenor Lane carpark as published in the <i>North Sydney Sun</i> on 22 June 2023 due to loss of public car parking spaces. <i>Motion carried: 14 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against</i></p>		
	2d	<p>Pedestrian Safety: Gerard/Macpherson St Intersection (correspondence from former Minister in relation to SOA dating from Oct 2020) - Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that the current TfNSW guidance on pedestrian crossings does not permit pedestrian (zebra) crossings on roads with two or more marked travel lanes in the same direction. Additionally, TfNSW do not support the reduction of the number of traffic lanes on Macpherson Street and as such, raising the crossing would not bring the crossing in line with current guidelines and would be unlikely to resolve safety concerns. On 5 February 2021, Council wrote to the Minister for Transport and Roads requesting special consideration for installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Gerard Street and Macpherson Street on the basis of pedestrian safety and amenity. On 19 April 2021, Council received a response from the Parliamentary Secretary for Transport and Roads which was not favourable to Council's request for traffic signals. Given this, the</p>	<p>UPDATE (24 October 2023) Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operation has advised that residents can contact their local Member for Parliament requesting they represent the residents' concerns. Residents could request that any representation identify their support for improvements to road safety and pedestrian amenity.</p>	Closed for Council

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		<p>following actions were undertaken to improve visibility at the crossing:</p> <p>a) an additional pedestrian crossing sign was installed in front of the tree on the southern side of Gerard Street facing west.</p> <p>b) the Give Way sign on the left-hand side of Macpherson Street at Gerard Street was removed so as not to obstruct the pedestrian crossing sign.</p> <p>c) line marking associated with the pedestrian crossing including, zebra markings and zig zag markings on approaches, was refreshed and highlighted as part of a regular maintenance program.</p> <p><i>Motion: THAT Precinct authorises Chair to contact Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations with reference to the response on pedestrian safety at the Gerard / Macpherson St intersection to ask whether it would be possible to provide warning lights for drivers approaching from the west on Gerard St, either pole-mounted flashing LED warning signs or similar or, if that is not appropriate, embedded in-pavement warning lights.</i></p> <p><i>Motion carried 13 in favour, 1 abstention, 0 against</i></p>		
	GB2d	<p>Carbon Offsets - suggested to Council that they Issues Raised by a Precinct Member. Have this as a policy and adopt it as a practice.</p>	<p>Item sent to Council's Manager Environmental Services has advised that Council has set a 2030 date to become carbon neutral and the purchasing of carbon offsets for residual emissions will play a role in achieving this. For the immediate future, Council will be focusing its efforts on reducing our operational emissions as much as possible, through EV fleet transition, installation of</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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			renewable energies such as PV, batteries and heat pumps and removing gas from council buildings.	
June	1b	<p>Brothers Park - RL reported the Streets Alive Coordinator has forwarded a proposal for the Brothers Park Memorial to Council's Historian for comment. Construction of the 'edging garden bed' has commenced. RL reported that the Streets Alive Coordinator is printing a flyer inviting Precinct residents to join the Brothers Park Gardening Group. The flyer is expected to be ready 9/06/23 for Precinct to distribute. The following dates are scheduled in the flyer (9.00 am start, subject to weather): Tuesdays 13/06, 25/07, 22/08 26/09, 24/10, 21/11 Saturdays 24/06, 15/07, 12/08, 16/09, 14/10, 11/11 RL advised next weeding bee will be on Tuesday 13/6. Mulch is being delivered on 23/06.</p>	Council's Streets Alive Coordinator has advised that the flyers and mulch have been delivered. The revised Brothers Memorial iterations by Council's Historian were sent to Precinct for review/comment.	Closed for Council
	2	<p>12-14 Waters Road Neutral Bay: Voluntary Planning Agreement - Chair reported addressing Council regarding poor outcome re VPA contribution. Council resolved to seek a briefing re City of Parramatta VPA Policy, which includes: "For proposed development and planning proposals outside of the CBD, Council 's primary position is that satisfactory arrangements for the provision of community infrastructure will be taken to have been made when the value of the planning agreement contributions is equivalent to 50% of the</p>	<p>Council's Senior Strategic Planner notes the Precinct Committee's feedback and has advised that this matter requires will be discussed at a future Councillor Briefing.</p> <p>Council's current VPA Policy can be found on the website.</p>	Closed for Council

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		land value uplift." Precinct agrees Council should consider developing a policy which provides Council with a greater share of land value uplift.		
May		<p>Woolworths Rangers Road Planning Proposal PP 1/23 - North Sydney Local Planning Panel considered the proposal on 19/4/23 and advised it does not support the proposal in its current form. If a proposal is to progress it should reduce the proposed overall height to 21m to Yeo Street and 28m to Rangers Road (down from 27m to Yeo Street and 33m to Rangers Road), reduce the bulk, scale and massing of the development, provide a plaza that is more generously proportioned to enable a genuine community space with an open-to-sky through site link to Yeo Street, and remove the public parking of 88 spaces. The panel called for a site-specific Development Control Plan. The proposal may be considered by Council on 22 May 2023. Precinct supports the advice of the North Sydney Local Planning Panel.</p>	<p>Council at its meeting of 22 May 2023 considered Item 10.05, the assessment report of PP 1/23 and resolved:</p> <p><i>1. THAT Council resolves to not support the Planning Proposal proceeding to Gateway Determination, for the following reasons:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>the Planning Proposal challenges Actions L1.5 and L3.2 of the North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS), which requires Planning Proposals to be underpinned by an endorsed placed-based strategy;</i> • <i>the Planning Proposal is inconsistent with Council's rescinded MRCPS and the objectives of Council's renewed Study for the Neutral Bay Town Centre, as it would facilitate an overly intense and visually dominant built form in its context and prevent the delivery of identified high-quality public open space by limiting the capacity of the adjacent site (183-185 Military Road) from contributing to the public domain;</i> • <i>the height sought by the proposal is excessive given its stated objectives of achieving a part six-storey and part eight-storey building and would result in unacceptable overshadowing impacts to residential dwellings to the south;</i> • <i>the bulk, scale and massing of the proposed built form is excessive in its context and does not provide an appropriate interface and transition to the low-scale residential areas immediately to the south of the site;</i> • <i>the proposed publicly accessible plaza and pedestrian through-site link is of compromised amenity and reduced public benefit; and</i> 	Closed for Council

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the quantum of proposed on-site parking is excessive and not justified in the context of the site's highly accessible location and cumulative impacts to the surrounding area. 2. THAT Council notifies the applicant of Council's determination in accordance with section 9 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021. 3. THAT if a Planning Proposal were to progress for the subject site via an alternate approval pathway, that an amended site-specific Development Control Plan be prepared addressing the matters of concern identified in the Council Officer's assessment report and NSLPP recommendations. This includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reduction of podium height and overall building height; • removal of two-storey retail structure; • demonstration of adjacent site integration; • reconsideration of plaza design; • provision of through-site link open-to-sky; • reduction of on-site parking provision; • maintaining the proposed 1.8:1 non-residential FSR; and • provision of key worker and affordable housing components. 	
		Brothers Park - Precinct authorises RL to liaise with Council's Streets Alive Coordinator (Precinct's contact on this issue) re progressing the memorial refurbishment including liaison with Council's historian and the Brothers family.	See Council's response to Item 1C from the Precinct Committee minutes of April 2023.	Closed for Council
		Pedestrian Safety: Gerard St/Macpherson St Intersection - Chair advised that an invitation has been issued to Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations to attend a future Precinct meeting to discuss measures to enhance pedestrian safety.	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations will attend the next Willoughby Bay Precinct meeting as guest speaker on 8 June 2023 to discuss this item.	Closed for Council

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		Traffic Committee 21 April 2023: Item 5.1 Design Review, Young Street Cycling, Walking and Streetscape Upgrades - Potential deletion of roundabout at Grosvenor Street and Young Street Intersection, Young Street to have right-of-way. This item may go to the Council meeting of 22/5/23. Update on status has been sought from Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations. Precinct authorises Chair to follow up and to address Council regarding potential deletion of roundabout and lack of consultation.	Council at its meeting of 22 May 2023 considered Item 9.01 and resolved: 1. <i>THAT the Minutes of the Traffic Committee dated 21 April 2023 be received.</i> 2. <i>THAT Council notes that the Young Street and Grosvenor Street roundabout and intersection will be subject to a separate design and consultation.</i>	Closed for Council
		Council Meeting 26 April 2023: Item 10.04 Draft Operational Plan & Budget 2023/24 - On exhibition for 42 days. Note: 3.7% rates increase 7.6% average increase in fees & charges, funding for capital works program set out in Appendix 1. <i>Precinct asks what is the total annual amount of the Neutral Bay Mainstreet Levy; What is it spent on, and who manages the expenditure?</i>	Council's Manager Accounts Services has advised that the levy raises \$200,000 per year. Of this, \$18,000 is used to fund the provision of administrative assistance to the Neutral Bay Chamber of Commerce. The remaining \$182,000 is allocated to capital works projects undertaken under the Neutral Bay & Cremorne Masterplan Program.	Closed for Council
	GB1	Workshop for Neutral Bay Town Centre Planning Study Workshop 30 May 2023 - Precinct authorised Chair and KD to attend on behalf of Willoughby Precinct.	Noted by Council's Acting Senior Strategic Planner - Urban Design.	Closed for Council
	GB2	Planning Proposal 4/23 -12 storey building, corner Military Road and Rangers Road - <i>Motion: THAT Precinct opposes Planning Proposal 4/23 due to excessive building height, over expansion of the proposed Woolworths Rangers Road plaza to the extent it will be exposed to noise from Military Road, and an</i>	Feedback noted by Council's Senior Strategic Planner.	Closed for Council

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		<i>inappropriate location for a community centre. Motion carried: 10 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against</i>		
	GB3	Walkway between Ellalong Road and Fernhurst Avenue - A Precinct member has advised a trip hazard and asks whether Council can grind the concrete to eliminate the trip hazard.	Council's Works Manager has advised that path has minor damage by tree roots that has recently been repaired and made safe on 18 May 2023. The team have been recommending that residents contact the 'Streets Alive' program to get advice and assistance on tidying up gardens that are in community shared zones.	Closed for Council
	GB4	Construction site Issues: 15 Richmond Avenue & 4 Tobruk Avenue - Precinct asks Council what is happening at these two sites? There is no signage at either site. The footpath at 4 Tobruk has been given over to construction. Is this authorised by Council?	Council's Manager Environment & Building Compliance has advised that 15 Richmond Avenue & 4 Tobruk Avenue are active compliance cases with the two new issues now included for investigation. The Precinct Committee's complaint regarding no PCA signage at both sites has been referred to the case officer to investigate and take action if required. The officer is also investigating the concern regarding footpath works at 4 Tobruk Avenue.	Open/Ongoing
April	1a	Woolworths Rangers Road Planning Proposal PP 1/23 - Precinct authorises Chair to address the Local Planning Panel and Council and write to Councillors asking for support for the Council Officer's recommendations. Precinct thanks the Council Officers for a well-considered report.	Compliment noted by Council's Senior Strategic Planner.	Closed for Council
	1b	Brothers Park - A meeting on site was held on 16 March 2023 attended by Precinct, Council Officers including Council's Supervisor Parks and Gardens (P&G), and adjoining residents. It was agreed P&G would install a "buffer" garden bed along the northern edge of the	Council's Supervisor Parks & Gardens will contact the Precinct Chair to arrange a site visit to discuss this request.	Closed for Council

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		<p>playground to try and slow and/or deflect water running across the playground and decrease the run-off reaching the northern embankment. It was also agreed P&G would address weeds and overgrown vegetation at the lower section of the slope, including the pruning of the Juniper branches overhanging the channel at the bottom of the embankment. An offer to remove three small tree species (Acer, Lea and Senna) was relayed to strata property owners and the strata subsequently advised they did not want these removed due to concerns about privacy. It was noted that neither Council staff nor Precinct volunteers had the resources to maintain a new native garden on the northern embankment. Precinct may explore installation of logs or other erosion control elements on the embankment. Council's Supervisor P&G is to speak with Council's engineers regarding the source of the overland water flow from Fifth Avenue. It appears a culvert at a footpath crossing at the bend may divert water onto the park when blocked with debris. Advice is awaited from Council.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that the Precinct Committee's proposal should be sent to council@northsydney.nsw.gov.au and addressed to the Tree Management Team.</p> <p>UPDATE (7 June 2023) Council's Supervisor Parks & Gardens has advised that staff have marked out the area, and undertaken the first spray out with the second spray planned for 12 to 16 June 2023. A third spray-out is required before construction/preparation can start and finally plant out.</p>	
	1c	<p>Memorial Refurbishment: Possible reduction in memorial height - At the March meeting Precinct endorsed a reduction in height of the memorial after viewing a mock-up. Chair to seek comment from Council's Historian and from the Brothers family.</p>	<p>UPDATE (13 June 2023) Council's Historian has advised that Council's Streets Alive Coordinator has come up with several options for modifying the memorial by cutting down the height of the wall. This will remove the deteriorating concrete, open the site up to the view and improve seating. The memorial is not a heritage item, and no formal procedures are necessary for the intervention. Both</p>	Closed for Council

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			<p>Council's Conservation Planner/Heritage Officer and Council's Historian feel that this design respects the original configuration while adapting to the contemporary use of the park. The original confronting high wall was designed to create a suitable backdrop to a contemplating pond. The pond has long since been filled in and planted out, so the wall's function is obsolete and indeed counterproductive in fact no one is enticed to sit behind it. Sean Brothers, descendant of WH Brothers for whom the memorial was built, offered to design the modification but did not do so. He should be invited to comment upon Council's Streets Alive Coordinator 's suggestion, nonetheless. Council's Streets Alive Coordinator has been invited and will attend Willoughby Bay's next precinct meeting on 13 July as a Guest Speaker and will provide further information.</p> <p>UPDATE (29 May 2023) Council's Streets Alive Coordinator has advised that preliminary designs for the proposed amendments for Brothers Memorial have been completed. The design is to be reviewed by Council's historian to ensure new proposal does not impact any existing heritage value. Once reviewed, the proposal to be shown to RL and steering committee behind this. Council's Historian will review the proposed concept design once it is ready.</p> <p>It is understood that the Brothers family was involved initially, with Sean Brothers offering to come up with a design, however, they have not been part of the current</p>	

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			design process.	
	1d	<p>Pedestrian Safety: Gerard St/Macpherson St Intersection (correspondence from former Minister in relation to SOA dating from October 2020) - Council has forwarded a letter received by Mayor Zoé Baker from Tim James MP dated 2 March 2023 enclosing a 27/02/23 letter from the former Minister for Metropolitan Roads. Precinct had requested in October 2020 that Council expedite a report on measures to enhance pedestrian safety at this intersection. The former Minister wrote:</p> <p><i>".....this location does not meet the required warrants for the installation of traffic lights at this time. I note that significant constraints also impact proposed traffic lights at this location, including sight distance, horizontal road alignment, and vehicle swept paths. I am advised Transport for NSW suggests that other potential treatments at this location, such as raising the crossing, are more appropriate. As Gerard and Macpherson Streets are local roads under the care and control of North Sydney Council, these treatments are a matter for council to consider and investigate in the first instance."</i></p> <p>Precinct received an updated Willoughby Bay SOA for October 2020: "Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised Council staff are currently investigating the feasibility of alternatives at the</p>	<p>Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that the current TfNSW guidance on pedestrian crossings does not permit pedestrian (zebra) crossings on roads with two or more marked travel lanes in the same direction. Additionally, TfNSW do not support the reduction of the number of traffic lanes on MacPherson Street and as such, raising the crossing would not bring the crossing in line with current guidelines and would be unlikely to resolve safety concerns.</p> <p>On 5 February 2021, Council wrote to the Minister for Transport and Roads requesting special consideration for installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Gerard Street and Macpherson Street on the basis of pedestrian safety and amenity. On 19 April 2021, Council received a response from the Parliamentary Secretary for Transport and Roads which was not favourable to Council's request for traffic signals.</p> <p>Given this, the following actions were undertaken to improve visibility at the crossing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) an additional pedestrian crossing sign was installed in front of the tree on the southern side of Gerard Street facing west. b) the Give Way sign on the left-hand side of Macpherson Street at Gerard Street was removed so as not to obstruct the pedestrian crossing sign. 	Closed for Council

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		<p><i>intersection and a further report will be provided to Council in due course. Closed for Council."</i></p> <p>Precinct endorses consideration of raising the crossing as a potential treatment.</p> <p>Councillor Welch suggested Precinct invite Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations to attend a Precinct meeting to discuss different methods of improving safety at this intersection.</p>	<p>c) line marking associated with the pedestrian crossing including, zebra markings and zig zag markings on approaches, was refreshed and highlighted as part of a regular maintenance program.</p>	
	3e	<p>Vaping waste - Cr. Welch advised that Council does not have a "No Vaping" policy. Precinct asks Council to ask Local Government NSW to lobby for a deposit scheme on vaping waste.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Council & Committee Services has advised that Cr Santer has submitted a Notice of Motion to the 22 May 2023 Council meeting seeking to amend the <i>Smoke-Free Environment-Declared Public Areas Policy</i> to include vaping.</p> <p>UPDATE (25 May 2023) At its meeting of 22 May 2023, Council resolved: 1. THAT Council write to Environmental Health NSW for advice on the best practice for minimising harm from vaping.</p>	Closed for Council
	3f	<p>Boathouse at Folly's Point - A Precinct resident has advised that the pontoon attached to the boathouse no longer floats. It has been reported to Maritime Services but nothing has been done. The resident is concerned that the pontoon may break off and be a danger to watercraft.</p>	<p>Council's Team Leader Building Compliance has advised that the structure is not located where Council can take regulatory actions. Structures located in the water can be directed to maritimeplanning@transport.nsw.gov.au</p>	Closed for Council
March	1b	<p>Woolworths Rangers Road Planning Proposal PP 1/23 - 1-7 Rangers Rd & 50 Yeo Street, Neutral Bay - Precinct</p>	<p>Council's Senior Strategic Planner has advised that submission from Willoughby Bay Precinct has been</p>	Closed for Council

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		<p>Chair and Correspondence Secretary made a submission to Council, setting out concerns, relating to excessive height, traffic and lack of pedestrian connectivity to the public plaza and requesting Council seek improvements including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • minimisation of the maximum building heights and appropriate setbacks to address concerns, about over shadowing, scale and bulk • improvements to the public plaza with dedication to Council and • deletion of 88 public car spaces. <p>Council's Director City Strategy has advised Precinct Chair that Woolworths' proposal is likely to be considered by the Local Planning Panel in April and by Council in May.</p>	<p>considered in PP assessment report. PP will be referred to NSLPP on 19 April 2023. The Precinct Committee will be advised when NSLPP agenda has been confirmed.</p> <p>UPDATE (24 April 2023) The proposed was considered at the NSLPP held 19 April 2023. The proposal will be reported to Council for determination on 22 May 2023 (business paper for that meeting will be available from 12 May 2023).</p>	
	1c	<p>Brothers Park - Precinct Chair and Correspondence Secretary made a submission to Council seeking pruning of the cypress pine and planting of a native garden. Council's Supervisor Parks and Gardens has advised Parks and Gardens do not have the resources for establishing and maintaining a native garden. Regarding concerns of water runoff, he said he has not seen evidence of erosion of the embankment but perhaps the drainage channel at the bottom of the embankment needs cleaning out. A meeting on site will be held next week. RL has spoken with Bushcare and they have suggested, and RL also likes, <i>Myoporum parviflorum</i> which gives good ground cover and is maintenance free. RL is proposing another gardening bee (the last 3 called off due to bad weather) for 9am Tuesday 14 March.</p>	<p>UPDATE (12 July 2023) Council's Supervisor Parks and Gardens has advised that all agreed and proposed works by the Parks and Gardens team have been completed, though maintenance of Council's works will be ongoing moving forward.</p> <p>Council's Supervisor Parks & Gardens has advised that works clearing and treating weeds along and at the bottom of the steep slope (Northern end) has been completed. Works pertaining to the creation of an attempted "buffer" garden are in the pipeline and will be executed over the coming months.</p>	Closed for Council

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	1d	<p>Memorial Refurbishment - possible reduction in memorial height - Council's Streets Alive Coordinator has provided a mock-up of a possible reduction in height of the memorial as part of a refurbishment. This could provide seating and enhance views. The planter box could be converted to a seat / bench. Precinct Chair noted that a Precinct member who is an apology tonight had advised he would prefer the memorial to be somewhat higher than the mock-up. A show of hands indicated that attendees supported the height shown in the mock-up without dissension. A Precinct resident has raised the issue of bequeathing a memorial bench to the Park after her death. She asked could Council please advise what its policy would be in this situation. PM advised Precinct's prior experience has been that Council will consider a memorial bench but will not make prior arrangements.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that Council is currently reviewing the process for memorial chairs and a report will be presented to the Council meeting in late April 2023. Until then Council is taking no requests for memorial seats.</p> <p>UPDATE (29 May 2023) Council at its meeting of 8 May 2023 considered Item 10.04 and resolved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. THAT the draft Memorials in Open Space Policy be endorsed for public exhibition for a minimum period of 42 days. 2. THAT a further report be provided to Council following the conclusion of the public exhibition period for the purpose of considering any submissions received and adopting the Memorials in Open Space Policy. <p>Feedback on the draft <i>Memorials in Open Space Policy</i> closes 15 June 2023. For more information visit https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/policies-on-exhibition</p>	Closed for Council
	1e	<p>Cremorne Plaza and Langley Place Upgrades: Revised Concept Designs - Correspondence Secretary made a presentation regarding the Site Walkthrough 8 March 2023. Motion 1: THAT Precinct fully supports Langley Place Upgrade - Option 2 at the Siborg (Parraween Street) end and Option 1 at the Military Road end. Motion carried: 14 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against Motion 2: 1. THAT Precinct has a slight preference with the</p>	<p>UPDATE (18 July 2023) Council's Project Manager has advised that the consultation outcomes are under internal review, a consultant will be briefed on the outcomes to provide a preferred concept incorporating community feedback. The preferred design concept will be presented to Council in September 2023.</p> <p>UPDATE (13 April 2023)</p>	Closed for Council

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		<p>Cremorne Plaza Upgrade for Option 2. 2. THAT Precinct is concerned that the temporary shade structures with wind/rain blinds ("tents") erected by business lessees will seriously detract from the proposed upgrade and urges Council to approach the relevant businesses to seek a contribution towards replacing the tents with permanent structures designed to complement the upgrade. Motion carried: 14 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against Note: A photograph of permanent structures at Lane Cove Plaza was circulated as an example. A resident commented that all plants should be low maintenance. Motion 3: THAT Precinct thanks Council for the excellent community engagement on this project. Motion carried: 14 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against</p>	<p>Council's Engineering Project Manager has advised that Precinct submission will be included in the consultation outcome report, expected mid-2023.</p>	
	<p>4a</p>	<p>General Business: Boat Trailers - A Precinct member has reported 2 boat trailers sitting at the corner of Wonga & Lodge Roads which have been there for several months.</p>	<p>Council's Infringe & Impound Officer has that the Council received a report regarding a boat trailer (TF99BT) parked for over 28 days at 21 Ryries Pde, Cremorne. On 22/3/23 a UV report was submitted for a boat trailer with rego TS99BT parked opposite 11 Lodge Rd, Cremorne. This vehicle is currently registered and due to be checked on 20 April 2023.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>
	<p>4b</p>	<p>Graffiti - has reappeared on 2 rock faces on the path leading down from Grafton Street to the tennis courts Graffiti has reappeared on 2 rock faces on the path leading down from Grafton Street to the tennis courts The Precinct member has emailed Council complete with photographs. There were originally 3 pieces of</p>	<p>Council's Specialist Regulatory Compliance Coordinator has advised this has been reported on 8 March 2023 and is in the process of being removed by a contractor.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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		graffiti. One has been removed but the other 2 remain.		
	4c	General Business - Steps adjacent to 149 Young Street Steps adjacent to 149 Young Street are crumbling. Pieces are falling off which create hazardous walking conditions.	Council's Assets Manager has advised the replacement of the steps adjacent to 149 Young Street will be considered in a future Footpath capital works program. The priorities of this program are based on condition as well as the available budget.	Closed for Council
	4d	Request for Handrails - A Precinct member has requested a handrail from Tobruk Avenue down the path to Brightmore Reserve. Council has put steps in but the terrain is fairly rugged. The Precinct member has also requested if possible a handrail on the path leading down from Lambert Street Cammeray to Primrose Park.	Council's Bushland Management Coordinator has advised that handrails are installed where there is a fall-risk of 1m or greater within 0.5m of steps in a Class 3 bushland walking track. As the majority of the steps identified in Brightmore Reserve and Primrose Park are constructed at ground-level or nominally above, handrails are not a requirement. This said, the Bushland Team will review the requested locations and make an assessment when funding is available.	Closed for Council
	4f	Lack of Illumination in St Leonards Park - A Precinct member has raised concerns over inadequate lighting in St Leonards Park on the path between Ridge Street and Falcon Street.	Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that Council has just undertaken a tender process for a lighting and electrical upgrade through St Leonards Park. It is expected that this work will begin in April 2023 It should be noted that this upgrade doesn't include the footpath that runs from Falcon Street (past Bon Andrews Oval) though to Ridge Street. This is due to the potential of this path to change (as per the masterplan) as well as those works being funded by TfNSW.	Closed for Council
February	1a	Woolworths Rangers Road Planning Proposal - Precinct Chair advised that on 7 December 2022 Sydney North Planning Panel rejected Woolworths PP 6/22 request for	Council's Senior Strategic Planner notes the Precinct Committee's preliminary feedback on recently lodged PP 1/23.	Closed for Council

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		<p>an increase in the height limit to 40 metres. However, the Panel noted Woolworths' willingness to submit a revised proposal with reductions in height and felt "elements of such a proposal would have considerable merit" but had not been formally submitted or reviewed. On 11 January Woolworths submitted its revised proposal as Planning Proposal 1/23 seeking to increase the height limit from 16 metres (for five storeys) to part 27 metres (for six storeys) and part 33 metres (for eight storeys). The heights sought are excessive for the number of storeys and are the result of excessive floor-to-floor heights. The adjacent 9-11 Rangers Road was redeveloped with six storeys to Yeo Street in a height of 19.1 metres. The concept plans still show 350 car parking spaces although there has been a reduction in height.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> THAT Willoughby Bay Precinct objects to Planning Proposal 1/23 due to excessive height which is out of scale with Neutral Bay village and will result in overshadowing, and traffic impacts due to too many car parking spaces, and authorises Precinct Chair and Correspondence Secretary to complete a more detailed submission to Council on Precinct's behalf.</p> <p>Motion carried: 17 in favour, 1 abstention, 0 against</p>		
	1b	<p>Brothers Park - PM noted that Precinct has previously put a submission to Council concerning removing the pine tree at the northern boundary of Brothers Park and re-landscaping with a native garden, supporting residents of the neighbouring property at 1A Fernhurst</p>	<p>UPDATED (4 April 2023) Council's Supervisor Parks & Gardens has advised that a team undertook the weeding/clearing on the slope the other day and though they did their best to treat the</p>	Open/Ongoing

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		<p>Avenue. Residents ES and LS explained that the pine tree, planted on the embankment by a resident, has grown quite a bit. There is a large area underneath the tree where no plants can grow. When it rains muddy water inundates their downstream properties. RL noted that Council had previously provided a design for a native garden to be established on the northern boundary, including this area, and Precinct is in support of the proposal.</p> <p>Proposal by PW: PW suggested Precinct ask Council to reduce the pine tree and trim the horizontal branches of the adjacent tree pending the introduction of native plants. Precinct Chair and PM to write to Council. TM asked to be copied in on the submission.</p> <p><i>Post script: Letter to sent to Council on 21 February 2023.</i></p>	<p>worst of the weeds, the team would monitor and action any further control required in the coming month.</p> <p>The works regarding planting an 'edging' garden to the playground mulched area has been discussed with the relevant team and plans and programming underway, they plan to have it completed in the next month or two at this stage. Works will involve spraying out the prospective garden area then light excavation and edge installation, to be planted with suitable species for the site and purpose. He has been also communicating with the Precinct Chair to arrange a site visit to discuss this request. Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that the Precinct Committee's proposal should be sent to council@northsydney.nsw.gov.au and addressed to the Tree Management Team.</p>	
	<p>2J (10.5)</p>	<p>Primrose Park Reconfiguration (Item 10.5, Council meeting 30 January 2023) - A resident expressed concern about the proposed reconfiguration to increase the number of playing fields from 3 to 4. It was noted that the proposal will be on exhibition for 42 days. Precinct to consider the proposal at its March meeting.</p>	<p>Council at its meeting of 30 January 2023 considered Item 10.05 and resolved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. THAT the Primrose Park Reconfiguration Project be endorsed for public exhibition for a minimum period of 42 days. 2. THAT a further report be provided to Council following the conclusion of the public exhibition period for the purpose of considering any submissions received and adopting the project. <p>The public exhibition period is expected to start in early March. Further information will be provided to the Precinct Committee in due course.</p> <p>UPDATE (28 June 2023) Council at its meeting of 26 June 2023, resolved:</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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			<p>1. THAT the Primrose Park reconfiguration project be discontinued.</p> <p>2. THAT the Primrose Park reconfiguration budget be reallocated to capital works reserve pending a full costing being undertaken for upgrades to the turf playing surfaces and drainage improvements at Primrose Park.</p> <p>3. THAT Council reassess the usage of other sports grounds including North Sydney Oval and the Bon Andrews Oval to see what other capacity for organised sport may be available.</p> <p>4. THAT Council write to the NSW Planning Minister to note that developer contributions are not funding proportionate new sporting and recreational facilities to match increased density targets, and asks what the government will do to fix this.</p>	
		<p>CPC Meeting Agenda 21 February 2023 - Includes motion proposed by Brightmore, Neutral and Willoughby Bay Precinct for the establishment of "Neutral Bay Alive" community forum to help drive the new Neutral Bay village planning study.</p>	<p>Included on the Combined Precinct Committee (CPC) agenda for 21 February 2023.</p> <p>UPDATE (29 March 2023) On Council 27 March 2023 considered Item 8.01 and resolved:</p> <p>1. THAT Council establish a community consultation group titled "Neutral Bay Alive" as part of the revised Neutral Bay Town Centre Planning Study, modelled on the "Lane Cove Alive" group set up by Lane Cove Council to inform the revitalisation of Lane Cove town centre.</p> <p>2. THAT Council notes that the community consultation group is not a decision-making group and the group will augment the adopted community engagement plan for the study.</p> <p>3. THAT Council call for Expressions of Interest for members and delegate selection of group members to the General Manager</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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			<p><i>consistent with the process Council adopts for local planning panels.</i></p> <p><i>4. THAT Council note that the establishment of the group will be funded by the existing budget allocation for the Planning Study.</i></p> <p>UPDATE (26 May 2023) A memo has been sent to applicable Precinct Committees, including Willoughby Bay Precinct, advising that Expressions of Interest (EOI) are open for the 10 community members of Neutral Bay Alice community consultation group, with applications closing 11.30pm, Monday 12 June 2023. For more information, including the Terms of Reference, visit https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/nbtcps</p>	
	3C	<p>DA 409/22 at 40 Brightmore Street, Cremorne - Motion: THAT Willoughby Bay Precinct advises the following concerns regarding DA 409/22 at 40 Brightmore Street, Cremorne</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inappropriate presentation of blank wall to street - Precinct feels this could be redesigned to incorporate windows to more appropriately engage with the street. • Impact on lemon-scented gum - Precinct asks that the building be moved to lessen the impact on the root zone and that appropriate conditions be incorporated to ensure this tree is not lost (having regard to 17 Richmond Avenue, a similar site in the area). 	<p>Council's Senior Assessment Officer has advised that feedback closed on 3 February 2023 and the application is currently being assessed. Council has received a total of 10 submissions including the submission from the Precinct Committee.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excavation 9m below the water table in a zone that is unstable - Precinct asks that appropriate conditions be imposed to ensure adjacent properties are not undermined. <p>Motion carried: 17 in favour, 1 abstention, 0 against</p>		
	GB1	<p>Cremorne Plaza and Langley Place Upgrades - Preliminary feedback invited to inform the new design closed on 31 January 2023. Council has resolved that detailed concept design options for the Cremorne Plaza be placed on public exhibition from Wednesday 14 December 2022 to Wednesday 15 March 2023 and that consultation with the community on the concept design options for Cremorne Plaza, Langley Place be undertaken. Precinct members supported the idea of a presentation by the landscape designers/community workshop and requested to be advised of any presentation or workshop.</p>	<p>Council's Project Manager has advised that the Precinct Committee's preliminary feedback is noted. All preliminary feedback received was used to inform the revised concept designs which are on public exhibition from 20 February to 3 April 2023. Please refer to the below webpage or relate memorandum detailing the below opportunities to discuss the proposed designed with Council staff and the consultants during the exhibition period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drop-in Information Stall 1 - 1 March between 2pm to 4pm Site Walkthrough - 8 March, 4pm starting at Cremorne Plaza Design Workshop - 22 March, places are limited, registration essential. Drop-in Information Stall 2 - 27 March between 4pm to 6pm <p>Interested Precinct/community members can register for the workshop at https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/cremorne-plaza-langley-place-public-domain-upgrades</p>	Closed for Council

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	GB2	<p>Pathways Cremorne Seniors Housing: declared State Significant Development - Precinct Chair advised Pathways the developer proposing the Seniors Housing Development in Parraween Street opposite the Orpheum held a drop-in community information session on 4/2/2023 and will hold an online session on 13/2/2023. There has been a lot of concern in the community about the loss of the cottages in Parraween Street. Council voted for an Interim Heritage Order and further heritage studies are underway. Council is also trying to rezone the area from R4 (which would support 4 storeys) down to R2 (which would support only 2 storeys.)</p> <p>A key issue is that has only just come to light is that the project has been declared State Significant Development (SSD) which takes it out of Council's hands. The Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) letter setting out the list of things which the developer has to address in their environmental impact statement was dated 22 October 2022. However it appears that no one, including Council, was aware of the SSD declaration prior to the developer's community information session. The SEARs makes no mention of any heritage assessment or considerations, although the development is opposite the Orpheum Theatre and the site is subject to an Interim Heritage Order.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Development Services had advised that the SEARS as issued by the NSW Department of Planning & Environment (DPE) contains the following at point 20:</p> <p><i>"20. Environmental Heritage</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Where there is potential for direct or indirect impacts on the heritage significance of environmental heritage, provide a Statement of Heritage Impact and Archaeological Assessment (if potential impacts to archaeological resources are identified), prepared in accordance with the relevant guidelines, which assesses any impacts and outlines measures to ensure they are minimised and mitigated."</i> <p>A Statement of Heritage Impact and Archaeological Assessment is thus mandated to accompany any application lodged with DPE for assessment. The SEARS issued reflect the status of the property at the time of their issue. However, the supporting documentation to the application will need to address the IHO issue and the progress made towards a potential Heritage listing by Council at the time the application is submitted.</p> <p>The presence of an IHO does not prevent an application being made. However, it does prevent favourable determination of that application until the IHO, including any associated appeal has run its course. The IHO is a matter for Council and the Court process given the recent lodgement of an appeal. This is set to be heard by the Court on 17 and 18 April 2023.</p>	Closed for Council

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		<p>The conceptual block plan shown to residents by the developer at the drop-in session indicates they propose four buildings, three facing Parraween Street up to 4 storeys high and a building on Gerard Street of 8 storeys with an area of public park which extends from Gerard Street to Parraween Street. It is proposed the Seniors Housing Development will include everything from independent living to high care.</p> <p>There was discussion by residents with concern expressed about the project being declared State Significant Development and what appears to be a lack of transparency over the Minister's decision on this.</p>	<p>The declaration of the project as State Significant is in accordance with relevant legislation as set out in Schedule 1 of the <i>State Environmental Planning Policy (Planning Systems) 2021</i> which applies to NSW and is in this case, automatic;</p> <p><i>“8 Seniors housing Development for the purposes of seniors housing if—</i> <i>a) the seniors housing component has a capital investment value of—</i> <i>(i) for development on land in the Greater Sydney region—more than \$30 million, or</i> <i>(ii) otherwise—more than \$20 million, and</i> <i>(b) the seniors housing component includes a residential care facility, and</i> <i>(c) other components of the proposed development are not prohibited on the land under an environmental planning instrument.”</i></p> <p>The process of a state significant application is like a local DA but is managed by DPE. DPE will advertise the application and seek submissions. The reference point for assessment will be Council's LEP and DCP where they are not in consistent with <i>State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing for Seniors or People With A Disability) 2004</i> which will otherwise take precedent in the assessment process. The presence of the IHO's would be a key determinative factor.</p> <p>The determination body will either be the Minister or their delegate, or the Independent Planning Commission</p>	

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			<p>(IPC) which will determine the matter if the Council objects, or there are more than 50 submissions. The IPC is called into existence on a need be basis with the Commission members being selected on a skills basis. Council has no representation or input into the Commissions make up.</p> <p>If a DA is lodged, Council will be asked to comment. Given the public interest and the nature of the proposal a report to Council will be provided highlighting points on which objection can be raised. Clearly the proposed Heritage listing is but one of several issues that will be raised in any submission made by Council to DPE.</p>	
	GB3	Abandoned Car in Fifth Avenue - This vehicle is on the park side of Fifth Avenue and is covered in dirt and debris and has been there for many months. Can Council arrange for a Ranger to inspect please?	Council's Impounding Support Officer has advised that staff attended the site on 19 February 2023 and the vehicle is gone. No further action is required.	Closed for Council
	GB4	Interim Heritage Order Holt Avenue - A Precinct member asked what the outcome was regarding the Holt Avenue, Land and Environment Court decision. The Interim Heritage Order expires on 11 March 2023 and residents have been making representations to the Minister to extend it.	Council's Team Leader - Policy has provided the following status update, that the Interim Heritage Order (IHO) that currently applies to No's 115, 117 & 119 Holt Avenue will lapse and cease to have effect after 11 March 2023. As Council is legally unable to issue a further IHO on these properties, a request was sent to the Minister for Environment and Heritage in early December 2022 seeking the issuance of a further IHO on these properties. As part of this request, the NSW Heritage Office referred this matter to the State Heritage Register Committee to provide a recommendation to the Minister's office. The	Closed for Council

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			<p>State Heritage Register Committee met on 31 January 2023 and <u>recommended that the Minister issue a further IHO on these properties</u>. It is understood that this matter has been presented to the NSW Minister for Environment and Heritage for consideration. There has been no timeframe given for when a decision may be made.</p> <p>Planning proposal status - On 7 October 2022, the Department of Planning and Environment declined to issue a Gateway Determination for the proposed Heritage listing of No's 115-125 Holt Avenue. As reported to Council on 14 November 2022 (Item 10.16), there is an avenue for review of this decision by the Independent Planning Commission (IPC). Following Council's consideration of this matter, this request was formally lodged on 18 November 2022. The IPC convened on 23 February 2023 to consider this matter. Verbal representations were made to the IPC by the Mayor, Council planning staff and a Heritage Specialist. The Commissioner advised that he intends to make a decision as soon as possible but did not provide any date/time estimate.</p> <p>DA Appeal - There is currently an appeal before the Land and Environment Court related to the development application for redevelopment of these sites. As part of these proceedings, an on-site viewing was held on 6 February 2023. This was attended by Council's legal representatives and relevant Council staff. Several residents addressed the Commissioner as part of these</p>	

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			<p>proceedings before both parties attended a conciliation hearing. This matter is on-going.</p> <p>Summary - Whilst the IHO still applies to the site, the Commissioner of the Land and Environment Court cannot consent to any demolition of the items the subject of the IHO without further concurrence of the Minister for Environment and Heritage. Should the Minister for Environment and Heritage decide not to issue a further IHO, after 11 March 2023, the dwellings could potentially be granted consent to be demolished either through the issuing of a Complying Development Certificate or via any consent issued by the Land and Environment Court.</p>	