

Milson Precinct Meeting Minutes

3rd August 2023

Chair: Jillian Christie
Venue: Church By The Bridge
Time: 7:30PM
Attendees: 27 and **Apologies:** 6

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 July 2023 are adopted

Moved: DB. **Seconded:** FH **Unanimous**

North Sydney Council's Project Manager (DM)

- This FY NSC will be doing Bligh and Burton Street, construction will be staged to avoid peak season.
- Bligh Street contractor is EZYPave
- Rev. Paul Dale of CbtB had not been consulted concerning the changes to Bligh St. – never seen the plans
- Community will be informed 2-3 weeks in advance.
- The higher vegetation (standard roses) on the corner of Bligh and Broughton creates a blind spot.
- Burton Street design 75% done, aim to have contractor engaged by the end of the year and construction will begin February 2024.
- Questions were raised regarding the maintenance of the streets, including cleaning and landscaping upkeep.

Milson Precinct thanked DM for coming to the meeting.

AGM

Chairs Report:

Milson Precinct has had a record number of guest speakers over the past year, including the Federal member Kylea Tink, State member Felicity Wilson and the Mayor many times, plus many elected representatives of the new council, NSC new General Manager Therese Mann, Louise Penn to inform about WHT BL & WFU; NSC Waste officers, Landscape design staff, as well as organising a "Meet the Candidates" for the State election, that had 200 residents attend in Loreto school. We thank Loreto for allowing use of their space. Also held a Christmas Party at KNC to build community.

We have had record attendances at meetings especially by comparison to other precincts. The precinct has decided to not deliver flyers for each meeting, but build up our email list for alternate monthly meetings. But will deliver for interesting guest speakers. Milson Precinct has discussed and informed locals on many topics and made many submissions over the year.

JC thanked EB for her wonderful work as Secretary organising all the guest speakers and the Meet the Candidates, and James for his Treasurer's role.

JC thanks the Church by the Bridge for allowing us to meet in their hall monthly, as it is a larger venue space allowing for larger numbers, within Covid social distancing. Milson Precinct wishes to make a donation (\$300) to assist CbtB with their work for Greenway residents, in appreciation for their generosity to the precinct for use of the venue for our meetings.

JC will be away more frequently next year, with commitments overseas and interstate.

Treasurers Report: Milson Precinct has a bank balance of \$1K, with application to NSC for the \$1,500 for this year. We have achieved full electronic banking - finally!

Office Bearers: JC stepped down; handed the chair for **AGM** to CG to act as the Returning Officer.

All positions were declared Vacant
Opened for Nominations for Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

JC suggested that there be Co-Chairs sharing the role along with Secretary position.

JC nominated by EB as Co-Chair / Sec seconded by DB
EB nominated by JC as Co-Chair / Sec. seconded by IH

There being no other nominations from the floor – there was no need for a vote.

EB and JC accepted the joint roles – so were duly appointed as same.

JN nominated as Treasurer by JC seconded by EB. JN is willing to accept the nomination.

JC & EB took over the role of Co-Chair / Sec

Milson Precinct thanked CG for coming to act as Returning Officer.

St. Aloysius Communications Director re Development

- January 2024 opening- final slab has been poured. 16 Classrooms, library and rooftop terrace.
- Review of the Rozelle campus will be done at the end of the year.
- Tower Crane illuminated sign, the brightness has been reduced but it still impacts.
- Voluntary rates suggested, due to the college heavily uses local infrastructure and buys local rate paying properties, which translates to lower rates.

MOTION: Milson Precinct encourages the Mayor to write a letter to the local Catholic and Independent schools to encourage them to pay a voluntary contribution that is comparable to rates on any properties that they currently own or purchase in the future.

Moved: SG Seconded: JC. Unanimous

PRECINCT LOGO

Milson Precinct does not think that any of the proposed logo's are appropriate.
Need to ensure that the logo is able to be used in B&W print and still look good and clear when on an A5 flyer
There needs to be more work done on the logo.

LOCAL WINS:

Cremorne community has had WINS - successes with both Holt and Parraween Streets properties against developers with Interim Heritage Orders, with support of NS councillors and NS planning panels.

General Business and Information

- Three (3) dead possums in Hipwood Street over a 2.5 week time frame - possibly from WHT/WFU displacement – marsupials looking for new homes. Could NSC look at installing more possum houses?
- Request that NSC do a 'street lighting' AUDIT, especially for Bligh St, Crescent Place, and Carabella Street as there are many dark zones, with many trip hazards on footpaths that are not seen in the darkness.

Meeting Closed 9:00PM

Next Meeting 7th September