

**North Sydney Combined Precincts Committee (CPC)**  
**Tuesday 18 June 2024**  
**6.00pm start, Ros Crichton Pavilion**

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**General Meeting Minutes**

**Voting Participants<sup>1</sup>:** MDS (Anzac Park); SW (Anzac Park); JB (Bay); SK (Brightmore); KH (Euroka); CC (Harrison-Bennett); MdS (Harrison-Bennett); LT (Holtermann); EB (Milson); JC (Milson); CP (Neutral); IG (Waverton); MS (Willoughby Bay); PM (Willoughby Bay)

**Also present:** Council staff -; Community Engagement Specialist/Minute Taker (SC NSC); Acting Team Leader Parking Meters (MS NSC); Service Unit Manager Traffic & Transport (EC NSC)

**In attendance (Observers):** TB (Kurraba); KB (The Plateau); SW (The Plateau)

**Apologies:** SM (Parks)

**Co-convenor presiding:** CC (Acting Convenor/Harrison-Bennett)

The meeting started at 6.00 pm

**1. Acknowledgement of Country**

CC (Harrison-Bennett) opened the meeting by acknowledging the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting was held and welcoming all attendees to the meeting.

**2. Guest Speaker – Mia Stubis, Team Leader Parking Meters, North Sydney Council – discussing the new parking meters being installed across the LGA**

ATTACHMENT A – Presentation Slides (4-20)

MS (NSC) presentation to the Committee on the parking meter upgrade being undertaken across the LGA.

- [Parking meter upgrade – North Sydney Council \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au) – More details will be posted to the website as we approach July
- Reason for upgrade:
  - 3G network will be switched off in August, 2024 – **existing meters will no longer work.**
  - Current meters are 20 years old – **meters cannot be upgraded to 5G.**
  - Increasing maintenance and operational costs.
  - Opportunity to improve demand management, service and user experience.
- Multiple Payment Options:
  - Meter
  - Touch N Go
  - Pay by App
- Moving from Bays to Zones
- Orikan Australia Security
- Where to find the meters
- When you can use the meters

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<sup>1</sup> Limited to two voting representatives per active Precinct Committee.

JC (Milson) - Q: How large are the parking zones?

A: Zones will vary and we are still configuring but they will be the same as the current signage

PM (Willoughby Bay) - Q: What's the difference between the touch and go with regard to the meter and the location? Why do we have two

A: It's to provide ease of access. The meter is the only option that allows you to pay by card. Because the data has shown us that more people are paying by phone we have more of the Touch N Go ones around.

PM (Willoughby Bay) - Q: Could it all have been Touch N Go?

A: That is something that we might look to do in the future but we know that there are people who would still like to use the physical card.

PM (Willoughby Bay) - Q: What are the procedures now with parking rangers in terms of infringements?

A: It is exactly the same, it will not automatically produce infringements. Parking rangers will still need to check the meters and the plates. We are not getting rid of the rangers.

IG (Waverton) – Q: Given the underlying reasons for this change does that mean that everyone else around Sydney will be doing the same things around the same time?

A: Burwood is currently undertaking this. Inner West were using a later model metre than us so were able to adapt theirs to 5G

IG (Waverton) – Q: Given that other Councils are doing the same thing, have we got 50 providers to choose or are there only a few? Are you combining with another Council who is installing it so you get some economy of scale on your mutual purchases?

A: We chose the best tenderer and the best provider that met North Sydney's needs. There are about 12 providers offering a range of services.

JC (Milson) – Q: How many rangers do you have now? I know we used to have 30 odd. Will this lessen the need and length of duration that you need rangers for?

A: Not sure about the numbers but the process is much the same. Their enforcement goes through Pinforce and they have to be there to issue an infringement. The Ticketless system is separate.

JC (Milson) – Q: Does that impact on your ability for real-time parking? Because you have moved from here to there but your system is still saying it is within the same zone.

A: I can get back to you on with the technical details behind that. As far as I know it will show the occupancy but the zones won't be huge.

PM (Willoughby Bay) – Q: Does this interact with Council owned carparks?

A: This is just for on street parking

KH (Euroka) – Q: I am wondering about Disabled parking, clearway times, parking station and it's interaction, the Metro impact and resident parking. Will we still be able to get our resident parking zones.

A: In terms of the parking tariffs, zones and disabled parking spaces non of that changes. Non of the parking spaces and signage is changing, it is really just the method that's changed. The parking permits will also stay the same. Our paid parking system is moving to align with our resident parking system. You are also still able to operate without a smartphone by creating an account on your computer and texting to pay.

CP (Neutral) – Q: Can you pay for longer than the allocated time for the space?

A: Yes you can, but similar to now you can still get an infringement for staying longer than the allocated time even though you have gone back and paid more in the meter.

JC (Milson) – Q: Can we please have a review on the parking signage on Wilson Street in Milsons Point?

**3. Previous Minutes of 16 April 2024**

**MOTION: The minutes of the general meeting held on 16 April 2024 were confirmed as read and correct.  
MOVED BY: CP (Neutral), SECONDED BY: JC (Milson)  
CARRIED**

For	Against	Abstain
Anzac Park x 2 Bay x 1 Brightmore x 1 Euroka x 1 Harrison-Bennett x 2 Holtermann x 1 Milson x 2 Neutral x 1 Waverton x1 Willoughby Bay x 2		
Total: 14	Total: 0	Total: 0

**4. Council’s Reply to Previous Minutes (Summary of Actions)**

To be circulated following review by SC NSC

**5. Co-convenors Report**

The last CPC agreed in principle to an Infrastructure Subcommittee. Since the terms of reference have been developed:

The proposed terms of reference are:

1. Develop a list of the top 5 key issues for each project
2. Develop a database of Q&A received by CPC members and residents. This is in addition to publicly available information on the project.
3. Develop extra questions to be answered by the infrastructure project teams after considering feedback from the Precincts.
4. Liaise with the infrastructure project teams with the aim of answering these questions and recommending appropriate CPC action.

Parks, Plateau and Anzac Park have expressed an interest to join the subcommittee but there is room for one or two more precincts.

CP (Neutral) GC from Neutral has nominated himself this afternoon

JB (Bay) has been volunteered by Bay Precinct

Motion: The Infrastructure Subcommittee be established and report regularly to the CPC.

JC (Milson) proposed an amendment to the Motion that CPC approach Paul Forward to join the subcommittee.

**Motion: The Infrastructure Subcommittee be established and report regularly to the CPC and that CPC approach Paul Forward to join the subcommittee**  
**MOVED BY: JC (Milson), SECONDED BY: IG (Waverton)**  
**CARRIED**

For	Against	Abstain
Anzac Park x 2		
Bay x 1		
Brightmore x 1		
Euroka x 1		
Harrison-Bennett x 2		
Holtermann x 1		
Milson x 2		
Neutral x 1		
Waverton x1		
Willoughby Bay x 2		
Total: 14	Total: 0	Total: 0

## 6. Council Update (SC, NSC)

ATTACHMENT A – slides (21-34)

SC (NSC) advised:

### a. Communicating with Council updates

- Please always communicate through [precinct@northsydney.nsw.gov.au](mailto:precinct@northsydney.nsw.gov.au)
- We can assist with following up on requests and notifying when things change
- Lucia will be moving to a new role within Council, but the inbox is still the place to go to for communications

### b. Update on Precinct reactivations

- The Plateau is hosting its first General Meeting Tuesday 25 June
- Hayes & Kurraba are planning its first General Meeting for July

### c. Precinct System Review recommendations – progress update

- Ongoing
- Operational funding is being reviewed. Additional funding is available if required, pending a review of spending.

JC (Milson) Assistance from Council in managing generic precinct emails

**Action:** SC requests precincts consider solutions in managing generic email logins, particularly for precincts that have smaller committees

*IG (Waverton) Q: The initiation of the Precinct review was begun by the former Mayor and General Manager. We are happy to tidy this up but we would also like to shut down this constant reminder of what this is all about. It would allow to commence new initiatives with yourself and the new Council. I would like it if we can bring this one to an end.*

**Action:** That the intent of the CPC is to wrap up the Precinct System Review.

**Action:** That an agenda item be added to the next CPC meeting to go through what is remaining from the Review System to discuss what is still left. What to not take further and what to finish off.

**d. 2024 Council Election Caretaker Period**

- See Memo sent out – ATTACHMENT B

**e. Current/upcoming consultations (taken as read)**

- [Culture & Creativity Study](#) - closes 23 June
- [Economic Development Study](#) - closes 23 June
- [Social Inclusion Study](#) – closes 23 June
- [Integrated Transport Study](#) – closes 23 June
- [Open Space & Recreation Needs Study](#) – closes 23 June
- [Mapping Queer North Sydney](#) - ongoing
- [Ridge St Window Gallery feedback](#) - ongoing

**7. General Business**

**a. Proposed Motions - Nil**

**b. Discussion Items**

- i. Update on the State Government's revised position on development density and heights near transport hubs  
See Memo sent out – ATTACHMENT C

SK (Brightmore) reported on the Extraordinary Council Meeting held that morning. [Minutes for the Extraordinary Council Meeting](#) can be found online and video recording on the [Council's YouTube channel](#).

- ii. Social media policy for councillors and council exec  
Milson presented letter submitted to the Mayor highlighting current issues around a particular social media page – ATTACHMENT D  
The letter proposed a moral policy for executives and Councillors to abide by.

**Motion:**

***In light of the issues raised by Milson Precinct, we ask that the Council investigate the Councillor Code of Conduct to include Social Media using the Model Social Media Policy 2022 from the NSW Office of Local Government as a starting point.***

**Vote taken in principle**

For	Against	Abstain
Anzac Park x 2		
Bay x 1		
Brightmore x 1		
Euroka x 1		
Harrison-Bennett x 2		
Holtermann x 1		
Milson x 2		
Neutral x 1		
Willoughby Bay x 2		
Total: 13	Total: 0	Total: 0

- iii. Information from Metro Trains Sydney on the Metro City Line

- Metro Trains Sydney have reached out and expressed that they are happy to connect with Precincts and provide information. Contact [precincts@northsydney.nsw.gov.au](mailto:precincts@northsydney.nsw.gov.au) to be connected with their Stakeholder Relations team
- See Information Pack – ATTACHMENT E
- Metro to be considered as a future guest speaker

**Motion:**

***That the next CPC meeting be moved forward one week to make the next meeting 13 August***

For	Against	Abstain
Anzac Park x 2 Bay x 1 Brightmore x 1 Euroka x 1 Harrison-Bennett x 2 Holtermann x 1 Milson x 2 Neutral x 1 Willoughby Bay x 2		
Total: 13	Total: 0	Total: 0

**9. NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 13 August**

Meeting closed at 7.20pm