

North Sydney Combined Precincts Committee (CPC)
Tuesday 13 August 2024
6.00pm start, Ros Crichton Pavilion

General Meeting Minutes

Voting Participants¹: MDS (Anzac Park); SW (Anzac Park); JB (Bay); PE (Brightmore); LS (Brightmore); KH (Euroka); MdS (Harrison-Bennett); DM (Hayberry); TB (Hayes-Kurraba); CK (Hayes-Kurraba); JC (Milson); EC (Neutral); GD (Parks); KB (The Plateau); KB (The Plateau); IG (Waverton); MTJ (Willoughby Bay)

Also present: Council staff: Community Engagement Specialist; Service Unit Manager Customer and Communications; Team Leader Communications and Engagement

In attendance (Observers): n/a

Apologies: SM (Parks), PM (Willoughby Bay), MS (Willoughby Bay)

Co-convenor presiding: JB (CPC Co-Convenor/Anzac Park)

The meeting started at 6.00 pm

1. Acknowledgement of Country

Councils Community Engagement Specialist 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. Election of Co-Chair

Councils Community Engagement Specialist presented JB (Anzac Park) nomination for the vacant CPC Co-convenor role and presented a motion

MOTION: That JB (Anzac Park) nomination for CPC Co-convenor be accepted with immediate impact for the meeting.

MOVED BY: JC (Milson), SECONDED BY: DM (Hayberry)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Guest Speaker –Service Unit Manager Customer and Communications, North Sydney Council – discussing the new Council structure of the Customer and Communications service unit.

ATTACHMENT A – Presentation Slides (5-8)

KH (Euroka) - Q: *What is the intent behind the team and the challenges?*

A: *The intent behind the team is to move from reactive communication to proactive communication integrated with information from other levels of Government*

MDS (Anzac Park) - Q: *How to improve when information systems and infrastructure is poor, Hutley Hall in particular. IT infrastructure in Hutley Hall – you can only hear the speaker on the mic, or you can only hear the community. Councils Community Engagement Specialist to follow up and provide an update on*

¹ Limited to two voting representatives per active Precinct Committee.

A: *It is a challenge, but improvements are being made with upgrades had to Hutley Hall and Ros Crichton Pavilion recently with more to be made. A new Chief Information Officer started at a similar time and might be a good guest speaker to have in a future meeting.*

JB (Anzac Park) - Q: *What does success look like as a team with the Precinct engagement?*

A: *A reduction in queries but will largely be determined by you when surveying the Precincts and asking for your responses on how successful the engagements have been.*

MDS (Anzac Park) - Comment: *There is often no response when community members email, just an auto reply with no response.*

A: *We look to improve; it does depend on where correspondence is sent to and the record management. I am happy to investigate instances.*

Action: *Council to provide reporting on queries opened (by channel), # of days open and outcomes*

JB (Bay) – Comment: *My unit wrote a letter to the GM about a tree and no response in 4 weeks.*

Councils Community Engagement Specialist to follow up and provide an update by email to JB and cc Co convenors

LS (Brightmore) – Comment: *Works on Waters Road outside Bougainvillea Retirement village were not notified to Bougainvillea Retirement Village residents/management of the works.*

JC (Milson) – Commented: *that they, like Church by The Bridge not residents and may miss out on notifications.*

A: *Noted and will investigate how to solve this issue from reoccurring in the future.*

JC (Milson) – Q: *Can you send out the Organisational Structure broken down so that it is more visible?*

Councils Community Engagement Specialist to update presentation slide and distribute

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.*

JC (Milson) – Comment: *The use of drop-down boxes in the Next Ten Years campaign were too small. Many in the community want more space for comment, less generic and more opportunities for free text.*

A: *We did receive that feedback and will be incorporating it as a learning for future engagements.*

DM (Hayberry) – Q: *Would it be possible to update Council's website so that when making a motion request to speak at a Council Meetings one form can be filled allowing the speaker to speak on multiple issues, rather than filling out the same form multiple times?*

A: *That is something we will have to work with the Governance team to enact. Councils Community Engagement Specialist to follow up*

KH (Euroka) – Q: *How can precincts better engage with the communications unit?*

A: *Councils Community Engagement Specialist advised to keep using the precincts@ email address to maintain the team is looped in. There have already been improved engagement now that communications and engagement sit together as it is more proactive and has led to a cross over of channels from minutes and SOAs to internal communications.*

JC (Milson) – Q: *It would be good to have Council's positions on state government available for the public to help the community understand.*

A: *Councils Service Unit Manager Customer and Communications will take this on notice.*

IG (Waverton) – Q: *Waverton precinct created a new website independently – the Precinct has used its attendance list to create a mailing list, and uses this as a platform to send out minutes, agenda, and updates, summary of actions to everyone – can we use the admin funding to pay for the mailing list component?*

A: Councils Community Engagement Specialist will take this on notice.

4. Previous Minutes of 18 June 2024

i. Matters arising from the minutes

DM (Hayberry) wished to address the meeting regarding the correspondence of the last meeting. It was deemed this did not fit this part of the meeting as there were no corrections to be made to the minutes.

MOTION: The minutes of the general meeting held on 18 June 2024 were confirmed as read and correct.

MOVED BY: IG (Waverton), SECONDED BY: JC (Milson)

CARRIED

For	Against	Abstain
Anzac Park x 2		
Bay x 1		
Brightmore x 2		
Euroka x 1		
Harrison-Bennett x 1		
Hayberry x 1		
Hayes-Kurraba x 2		
Milson x 1		
Neutral x 1		
Parks x1		
The Plateau x2		
Waverton x1		
Willoughby Bay x 1		
Total: 17	Total: 0	Total: 0

5. Council's Reply to Previous Minutes (Summary of Actions)

ATTACHMENT B

Councils Community Engagement Specialist to remove Closed for Council on second item and include information of who is in the subcommittee. Councils Community Engagement Specialist to bring more print outs of the SOA to the next meeting.

6. Co-convenors Report

ATTACHMENT C

Addressing the Western Harbour Tunnel (WHT) Place, Design and Landscape Plan which is on exhibition the Co-convenor proposed

MOTION: That the following resolutions be used for submission to the WHT project, North Sydney Council, Cr. Godfrey Santor and TfNSW John Graham

MOVED BY: JB (Anzac Park)

PASSED

The following resolutions for submission to the WHT project and North Sydney Council.

The North Sydney Council Combined Precincts Committee Objects to the Western Harbour Tunnel PDLP, and in particular:

1. Land at Berrys Bay does not meet the requirement of Condition of Approval E157 as it is not in the vicinity. It is 40 minutes' walk from Cammeray and has no direct public transport link. Furthermore, this land has been previously promised as parkland so is not additional land.

2. The cladding proposed for the unfiltered ventilation (pollution stack) outlet increases the size of the outlet. The bright golden colour does not match the natural environment of Cammeray Park and should be a colour which is more sympathetic to the surrounding environment.
3. The legal cladding proposed for the facilities buildings increases the size of the building. The bright golden colour does not match the natural environment of Cammeray Park and could result in sun glare for drivers and residents making it unsafe. It would be better to have well designed buildings, darker colour, skyline colour or similar to the green wall at Rozelle to blend in with the local environment as much as possible.
4. Land at Cammeray Park formerly set aside for the Beaches Link Project should be returned suitable for public use within six months of opening of the WHT with appropriate remediation.
5. Land at Cammeray Park released from the Construction site should be returned suitable to public use within six months of the opening of the WHT with appropriate remediation.
6. That the plan should show the number of trees planted to date and where the remainder of the trees will be planted in line with the two for one tree replacement promise and TfNSW should share the audit of trees undertaken at the commencement of the project with North Sydney Council and the Combined Precincts Committee

For	Against	Abstain
Anzac Park x 2 Bay x 1 Brightmore x 2 Euroka x 1 Harrison-Bennett x 1 Hayberry x 1 Hayes-Kurraba x 1 Milson x 1 Neutral x 1 Parks x1 The Plateau x2 Waverton x1 Willoughby Bay x 1		Hayes-Kurraba x 1
Total: 16	Total: 0	Total: 1

MOTION: That TfNSW make the roof space of the unfiltered ventilation (pollution stack) outlet available for public use and recreation accessible from Ernest Street and that the ventilation shaft be filtered.

MOVED BY: JB (Bay)

PASSED

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Anzac Park x 2 Bay x 1 Brightmore x 2 Harrison-Bennett x 1 Hayberry x 1 Hayes-Kurraba x 1 Milson x 1 Parks x1 The Plateau x2 Waverton x1		Hayes-Kurraba x 1 Neutral x 1

Willoughby Bay x 1		
Total: 14	Total: 0	Total: 2

MOTION: That the E517 project developer needs to provide an audit of the usable space so we can hold TfNSW accountable.

MOVED BY: GD (Park)

PASSED

For	Against	Abstain
Anzac Park x 2		Hayes-Kurraba x 1
Bay x 1		
Brightmore x 2		
Harrison-Bennett x 1		
Hayberry x 1		
Hayes-Kurraba x 1		
Milson x 1		
Neutral x 1		
Parks x1		
The Plateau x2		
Waverton x1		
Willoughby Bay x 1		
Total: 15	Total: 0	Total: 1

7. Council Update ATTACHMENT A – slides (10-16)

Councils Community Engagement Specialist advised:

i. Operational Funding 2024/25

- SC will send out memo and information for operational funding
- MOUs need to be signed

ii. Urban Forest Health Check

- Free online webinar sharing the findings of Council's most recent canopy assessment will be covered in detail at our upcoming [Urban Forest Health Check webinar \(Thursday 22 August, 6.30pm\)](#).

iii. AGM Procedure

- CPC AGM will be held in November
- Procedures and guidelines available

iv. 2024 Council Election Caretaker Period

- Ensure that Precinct meetings are not used for campaigning

v. 2024 Council Election Caretaker Period

- Memo sent out (20/06/2024)

vi. Current/upcoming consultations (taken as read)

- [Planning Proposal and Draft Voluntary Planning Agreement at 601 Pacific Highway, St Leonards](#) - closes 22 August
- [Traffic & Parking Survey: East Avenue, Cammeray – Proposed changes to parking restrictions](#) – closes 5 September

- [Social Media Policy](#) – closes 8 September
- [Traffic & Parking Survey: West Street, North Sydney – Proposed changes to parking restriction](#) – closes 10 September
- [Traffic & Parking Survey: McHatton Street and Pacific Highway, North Sydney – Continuous footpath treatment](#) – closes 13 September
- [Traffic & Parking Survey: Russell Street at Smoothy Park, Wollstonecraft – Proposed footpath widening and raised pedestrian crossing](#) – closes 16 September
- [Mapping Queer North Sydney](#) – ongoing

vii. Current NSW Government Engagements

- [Transport Management and Accessibility Plan Guidelines](#) – closes 16 August
- [Wester Harbour Tunnel Place, Design and Landscape Plan](#) – closes 28 August
- [Crows Nest TOD rezoning proposal](#) – closes 30 August

8. Precinct System Review

MOTION: That the Precinct System Review be concluded, effective immediately.

MOVED BY: JB (Anzac Park)

PASSED

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Anzac Park x 2		
Bay x 1		
Brightmore x 2		
Harrison-Bennett x 1		
Hayberry x 1		
Hayes-Kurraba x 2		
Milson x 1		
Neutral x 1		
Parks x1		
The Plateau x2		
Waverton x1		
Willoughby Bay x 1		
Total: 16	Total: 0	Total: 0

9. General Business

a. Proposed Motions - Nil

b. Discussion Items

- i. Campaign to get State Government to clean up derelict wharves and vessels around the harbour.
 - Save Our Harbour petition
- ii. Precinct record
 - SC to answer how long we must hold Precinct records for, electronic storage and/or storage at Council.
- iii. Waverley Council's R3 and R4 zone Housing Reform YourSay
 - To be discussed further at future CPC meeting as similar issue exists in North Sydney LGA
- iv. Concerns about WFU/WHT Construction impacts for locals

MOTION: That Council help and act on behalf of residents affected by WFU/WHT and liaise with SW for information and photos.

MOVED BY: JC (Milson)

PASSED

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Total: 14	Total: 0	Total: 2

v. Cammeraygal Place upgrades, plants, lighting,

9. NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 22 October 2024

Meeting closed at 8.00pm