# **MINUTES oF EUROKA PRECINCT MEETING**

Wednesday 4 September 2024 – McMahons Point Community Centre. Meeting commenced 7.30

Chair GM, Minutes KR, Zoom MC.

1. Apologies 8, Present 9 plus 2 zoom.

## 2. Acceptance of Minutes & Summary of Actions

Minutes of meeting 7 August accepted. No new summary of actions provided. KR to contact Precincts regarding this.

#### 3. Planning approvals - Relevant DAs, Planning Proposals

None this period

## 4. State Government items

#### (a) NSW Government Housing Reform.

Council submission to TOD Crows Nest Rezoning proposal. Council noted that the rezoning proposed would allow for 8,445 new dwellings and 16,000 new residents beyond that already allowed for in the 2036 plan. Some planned employment capacity will be converted to residential capacity and there will be further increases in tower heights. Council also noted amendments to the proposal were required to provide sunlight protection in Willoughby Rd, Ernest St, Wollstoncraft and surrounds. There was also a lack of open space, recreation, cultural and social infrastructure plans to support the new residents.

No news available on Low and Mid-Rise housing reforms.

(b) **Submissions by both Council and Combined Precinct Committee to Western Harbour Tunnel Place, Design and Landscaping Plan.** Council has responded to the State government requesting that TfNSW comply with the condition requiring a net increase in usable open space in the vicinity of land lost to the project. Recommended the Tunnel Exhaust Ventilation Building be placed underground and open space be constructed over it, and a rooftop park be constructed over the Warringah Freeway. Also expressed concerns for TfNSW ability to comply with the requirement to replace trees lost as a result of the project. Also made recommendations relating to Tunnel portals, landscape design.

(c) **From Waverton Peninsula Working Group meeting 20 August**. Proposal by TfNSW to demolish and rebuild Woodleys Shed in Berrys Bay. They prefer to construct a new facility which could be classed as a community hall, but which has a visual style like the

existing boat shed, containing artefacts from the boatshed. They advised there is no direct funding for this but funding may be available to complete in time for the park opening. Waverton precinct is seeking a common resolution from other precincts, to the effect that:

- 1. We welcome the approach from TfNSW
- 2. We support the idea of a purpose designed community facility that reflects the old boatshed
- 3. It should feature the "Woodleys" sign
- 4. It should eventually be used as a base for kayaking or sailing
- 5. We understand that no funding is currently available and North Sydney Council has no funds available for this renovation/rebuild
- 6. We also suggest that a clause seeking assurances should be provided that if the shed is demolished the new building will be constructed in its place.

The meeting concurred.

#### 5. Council Items

(a) **McHatton St and Pacific Highway North Sydney. Proposed continuous footpath treatment** to provide greater safety for pedestrians. Available on Have-your-say site on Council website. Feedback required by 13 September.

#### 6. Community Items

(a) Latest on **Save Sydney Harbour campaign**. The Save our Sydney Harbour petition which is asking the NSW Parliament to address the pollution on Sydney Harbour.

https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/la/Pages/ePetitiondetails.aspx?g=DqXN3A0U4R3g8W25kiQwMw\_

The organisers need 20,000 signatures to get the State Parliament to address it - so please sign and share. It doesn't only apply to our local pocket but all of Sydney Harbour and has a huge impact on our local environment.

# 7. General Business

(a) **New parking meters.** SS expressed concern over the use of smart phone as the only means available to pay for parking near her house in Union St. There are no meters available which can take credit card payments. While acknowledging that cash meters are now no longer available, it is important to ensure that credit card payment options are easily available in addition to those that require smart phones. **Could Council investigate the Union St instance and this problem generally within the Council area. Note: we have just been informed that a new parking meter with credit card payment options has just been installed.** 

(b) LR, a resident in John St, noted that on 23 August **contractors appointed by Noakes excavated in John St** looking for a pipe to give them water access. The excavation was still in place and appeared unsafe and a road hazard on 30 August. LR wrote to the Director Open Space and Environment seeking information on authorisation / approval of these works by Council and information as to when the street will be restored. **Could Council advise on any action associated with this activity.** 

(c) ID advised that residents have complained to Council that, despite the Council issuing a stop work order for spray painting in Shed 4 as per the SOA of 7 August 2024, Noakes continued to spray paint the mast of the Young Endeavour which they say they are allowed to do under DA 1164/90. **Council is asked if it is able to enforce the stop work order.** 

(d) ID advises that he has established from a GIPA request to Waterways that Noakes has a Deed of Licence in respect of the Dolphin wharves in Berrys Bay on a monthly hold over as confirmed by the Portfolio Leasing Manager of Waterways on 30 August 2024 and Noakes are responsible for any pollution caused by the recent fire on the barge moored at the dolphin wharves and any clean-up costs. **Could Council advise on the outcomes of the fire, when the clean-up will occur, and who is responsible for it.** 

(e) JT asked if any news was available on the building demolition on the foreshore at 1 Henry Lawson Drive. KR advised he will check. Note: The Lavender Bay precinct minutes note that Council's Director Open Space and Infrastructure has advised that resources have been allocated to this project and work will commence on the DA documentation in August.

(f) Immediately prior to the precinct meeting KF provided a list of issues she would like discussed at the meeting. There was, unfortunately, no time to review them before the meeting. It was decided we would review and discuss appropriate ones at the next meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

Next Euroka Precinct meeting: 2 October 2024. Next Council meeting: 8 October 2024 Traffic Committee meetings: to be set by new Council. Next CPC meeting: 22 October 2024 Current Policies on Exhibition: Visit Council's 'Your Say North Sydney' website at: https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au to make comments and see background information about documents and processes.