

Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) 2021 - Combined Precinct Committee

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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October	1a	MOTION 1 (of 3) : That the CPC requests that Council advise if the legal process has taken place to remove the Cammeray Park Crown Land (currently under care and control of North Sydney Council) from being classified as dedicated for Public Recreation.	Council's Director Open Spaces & Environmental Services has advised that he is unaware of any legal process that has taken place to change the classification of the land.	Closed for Council
	1a	MOTION 2 (of 3): That the CPC requests that Council, as the responsible manager of the Cammeray Park Crown Land, negotiate with TfNSW regarding the future of land on which Cammeray Golf Course sits and advises the community as to its level of involvement.	Council's Director Open Spaces & Environmental Services has advised that Council staff are currently negotiating with TfNSW with regards to the Cammeray Golf Course, in an attempt to mitigate the impacts of the State approved infrastructure works on existing open space, neighbours, park users and the broader community. Upon invitation by the CPC, Council staff are available to attend a future CPC meeting to discuss negotiations that have occurred or are progressing between Council staff and the	Closed for Council

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			<p>TfNSW staff in relation to this park or any other park impacted by this approved State Significant Infrastructure Project.</p> <p>UPDATE (22 December 2021) Council's Director Open Space & Environmental Services will address the CPC Meeting on 15 February 2022 regarding the draft memorandum of understanding for Berry's Bay, per the Council resolution of 25 October 2021 (jn part):</p> <p><i>1. THAT Council refer the terms of the draft MOU to the Waverton Peninsula Working Group and the Combined Precincts Committee for comment and the matter be reported back to Council for further decision.</i></p> <p>UPDATE (27 January 2021) Council at its meeting of 24 January 2022 considered two Notices of Motion concerning the WHTBL/Cammeray Park, including:</p> <p>Item 9.6 NoM 6/22 by Councillors Baker, Beregi, Santer, Welch, Bourke and Lamb: Western Harbour Tunnel/Northern Beaches Link Projects</p> <p><i>1. THAT Council reinstate its strong opposition to the WHT/NBL projects due to the devastating impacts of the proposed projects on the North Sydney Local Government Area and the absence of any public benefit to be gained from the projects and for the following reasons:</i></p> <p><i>a. the lack of a business case for the project</i> <i>b. the lack of meaningful community consultation</i> <i>c. the lack of alternative transport options including public transport</i> <i>d. the lack of filtering in the proposed exhaust stacks</i></p>	

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			<p><i>e. significant and devastating loss of public open space and future open space, loss of sporting facilities, loss of trees and canopy, loss of stormwater harvesting and water treatment infrastructure</i></p> <p><i>f. significant adverse impacts on public health and wellbeing, particularly on schools, school children and residents</i></p> <p><i>g. devastating environmental impacts on waterways, reserves, flora and fauna</i></p> <p><i>h. inappropriate and untested mitigation measures</i></p> <p><i>i. significant adverse impacts on aboriginal heritage and maritime environment</i></p> <p><i>j. the substantial increase in traffic flows through arterial and surface roads in the North Sydney CBD, including Berry Street and Miller Place, and LGA more generally.</i></p> <p><i>2. THAT Council continue and escalate the current campaign informed by the position set out in Part 1 above.</i></p> <p>Item 9.7: NoM 7/22 by Councillors Baker, Beregi, Bourke, Lamb, Santer and Welch: Early Works Warringah Freeway Upgrade and Western Harbour Tunnel - impacts on Cammeray Park and management of contamination and compliance issues</p> <p><i>1. THAT Council notes that:</i></p> <p><i>a) The Detailed Site Investigation reports published by TfNSW under the development consent have identified contaminants at the construction site at Cammeray Park including the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• lead hotspots - lead was found at TP09 at 5,300mg/kg and at TP12 at 1,900 mg/kg</i> <i>• Asbestos</i> <i>• Carcinogenic benzo(a)pyrene at high levels - up to 40mg/kg in samples tested for the areas for the current construction works.</i> <p><i>b) The 2014 contamination report prepared on behalf of North Sydney Council for the remediation works for the synthetic surface</i></p>	

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			<p>at Cammeray Oval - which adjoins the current works site- noted that there will be toxic metals from respirable fly ash on the site.</p> <p>c) The site is surrounded by sensitive residential dwellings and schools and is part of an important regional water catchment ultimately feeding into Middle Harbour.</p> <p>2. THAT Council seek urgent legal advice in relation to:</p> <p>a) whether Council should be recognised as the principal affected party with an interest in the reserve and requiring compensation under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991;</p> <p>b) whether the early works being undertaken on Cammeray Park are permitted in the context of the dedication of the site for the purpose of "public recreation"; and</p> <p>c) the processes and steps for revocation and re-dedication of the reserve, including timelines, and the planning and approval pathways for any modifications to the reserve including the rainwater harvesting facility.</p> <p>3. THAT in light of 1 above, Council obtain urgent legal advice in relation to contamination issues and compliance with the conditions of consent for the Warringah Freeway Upgrade Works and WHT. In seeking such advice, Council be informed by the various submissions prepared by WEPA and submitted to the Department of Planning and the various expert and schools submissions made to the Parliamentary Inquiry into the Impacts of the Western Harbor Tunnel and Beaches Link.</p> <p>4. THAT Council write urgently to the EPA, the Minister for the Environment and the Minister responsible for Crown Lands to report serious concerns in respect of contaminated land at Cammeray Park and provide copies of all relevant reports relating to contamination of the Park including, but not limited, to the 2014 reports prepared as part of Council's work on the synthetic surface at Cammeray Oval.</p> <p>5. THAT Council urgently write to the Minister for Roads, the Minister for the Environment and the Minister for Planning</p>	

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			<p><i>demanding a halt to all destruction and removal of vegetation and trees in Cammeray Park, Anzac Park and St Leonards Park.</i></p> <p><i>6. THAT Council write to Department of Planning and TfNSW to request that:</i></p> <p><i>a) The conditions of consent are tightened to ensure that:</i></p> <p><i>i. Site Inspection reports are completed and issued before work commences;</i></p> <p><i>ii. that the land is classified as recreational land not industrial land;</i></p> <p><i>iii. that controls are put into place to assure the safety of surrounding land and not just the construction site itself, as the current conditions are oriented to the construction areas and not the surrounding community; and</i></p> <p><i>iv. an undertaking that the land will be able to be returned for recreational use following the completion of any works.</i></p> <p><i>b) That TfNSW halt negotiations with the Cammeray Golf Club until strategic planning processes are completed.</i></p> <p><i>c) TfNSW develop a design for trafficable routes.</i></p> <p><i>d) TfNSW engage with North Sydney Council in developing the open space and active transport plan for the area.</i></p> <p><i>7. THAT Council take all steps necessary to require the Sydney Project Alliance and TfNSW:</i></p> <p><i>(a) protect Cammeray Park and the surrounding residential premises and schools from the construction works including the movement of trucks carrying contaminated fill; and monitor contaminants within the broader water catchment from Cammeray Park to Middle Harbour and take all measures to prevent contamination of the water catchment.</i></p>	
	1a	MOTION 3 (of 3): That the CPC requests that Council produces a masterplan of the Cammeray Park site and long-term vision for its use for public recreation, including community consultation.	Council's Director Open Spaces & Environmental Services has advised that this will be an issue for determination by the newly elected Council post the 4 December 2021 elections.	Open/ Ongoing

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	1a	ACTION: Council to reinstate information from the community campaign on its website, including map which showed which intersections which will fail (as shown on slide 2).	Council's Manager Corporate Planning & Engagement has advised the webpage was reinstated on 20 October 2021 and is available at https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Business_Projects/Government_Projects/Western_Harbour_Tunnel_and_Beaches_Link/WHT_community_campaign	Closed for Council
	5a	MOTION: That JB (Bay) make a submission on behalf of the CPC suggesting that the draft Bushland Plan of Management address the effect of artificial light/human made noise and the impact on the native wildlife that inhabit that bushland are designated Wildlife Protection areas.	Intention to make a submission noted by Council's Landscape Planner/Architect. Submissions close 21 November 2021. UPDATE (10 November 2021) Draft submission distributed to all Precinct Committees for review/feedback to JB (Bay).	Closed for Council
	6a	MOTION: CPC requests that Council policy be reconsidered and reinstate the names of the community members who addresses Council within the minutes to comply with Council's own policies of public participation and transparency/accountability. It also requests that Council reinstate Public Forums notwithstanding the COVID period.	Council's Executive Manager Governance has advised that the CPC's feedback is noted. On 29 October 2021 the Model Code of Conduct issued by the Office of Local Government was reissued with changes and it is planned to present a report to Council in early 2022. As part of this process there will be a call for submissions. It is proposed that this feedback will be treated as a submission as part of this process and reported to Council when submissions are generally reported to Council.	Closed for Council
	6b	ACTION: CPC notes that numerous pedestrian crossings have been installed in the LGA recently and asks if these have been installed with reference to the Local Area	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that the recent pedestrian crossing upgrades were identified through a combination of the LATM Action Plans and an audit of existing pedestrian crossings requested by the Traffic	Closed for Council

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		Traffic Management Plans and whether consultation has taken place.	<p>Committee conducted in 2020, with the aim to bring all pedestrian crossings up to current standards, and to convert flush crossings to raised crossings.</p> <p>Community consultation on each proposal was undertaken with the affected community prior to construction. The 2020 pedestrian crossing audit identified several pedestrian crossings to be upgraded which have been incorporated into the LATM Action Plans for future planning. Most of the recent pedestrian crossing upgrades undertaken in 2020/21 and 2021/22 were/are funded under the TfNSW Federal Stimulus Schools Road Safety Program. Subsequent upgrades will be prioritised based on funding availability and community consultation.</p>	
August	3	ACTION: The CPC invites Council's Senior Strategic Transport Planner to present the eastern cycling bi-pass proposal as outlined in the SOA.	Council's Manager Strategic Planning has considered this request, which for the time being is denied to due to workload and because not much has changed since the previous advice provided in response to item 5a from June 2021. The conditions of the Western Harbour Tunnel project EIS are still current. The North Sydney Integrated Transport Program mentioned in the prior response is currently in the internally focussed phase at TfNSW and we await further discussions especially delivery timeframes.	Closed for Council
	5a	ACTION: The CPC requests that Council provide regular 6-monthly status updates on Council's financial position and progress of major projects.	Council's General Manager has advised that consistent with the Integrated Planning and Reporting framework embedded in the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> , detailed financial reports and reports on progress with the delivery of the Operational	Open/ Ongoing

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			<p>Plan are presented to Council on a quarterly basis. These reports include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly Budget Review Statement completed by the Responsible Accounting Officer and detailing Council's current financial position and proposes any budget amendments; and • Operational Plan Quarterly Performance Report. <p>These reports are all publicly available through the Council Meeting Agenda. There is potential to provide a periodic presentation to the CPC presenting a synopsis of the key points of these reports.</p>	
	6	<p>MOTION: That Council provides access to a platform for remote meeting or allows Precinct Committees to use their operational funding to purchase their own Zoom (or equivalent) account.</p>	<p>Council's Executive Manager Governance has reviewed the reports and Minutes and confirms that at its meeting held 28 June 2021, Council considered the Precinct System Review recommendations (Item 8.14) which included a recommendation that Council permit individual Committees to use remote meetings, complemented by in person meetings, with a subscription for each Precinct Committee supplied by Council.</p> <p>In considering this matter, Council resolved to defer the matter until after the Local Government Election on 4 September 2021. It is noted that the Local Government Election has now been deferred further to December 2021.</p> <p>As a result of the above, we do not have Council endorsement for the use of remote meetings with a subscription supplied by Council.</p>	Closed for Council

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			The COVID Roadmap to Recovery has been set by the NSW Government and face-to-face Committee meeting are expected recommence in the near future.	
	7bi	ACTION: CPC requests that Council provide a report on the General Manager's remuneration and packaging e.g. car etc, including severance details with the purpose of reviewing exposure in relation other councils of a similar size.	All Local Government General Manager's in NSW are employed under the same standard contract of employment mandated by the Office of Local Government (OLG). Severance and other conditions are therefore the same. The standard contract of employment for NSW General Managers is available on OLG's website. The General Mangers total remuneration inclusive of all benefits is reported in the Annual Report in accordance with the requirements of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> .	Closed for Council
	7bii	MOTION 1: CPC request that Council call for suggested community poll and referendum questions from Precinct Committees as per past practice.	Noted. This is a matter for Council.	Closed for Council
	7bii	MOTION 2: CPC suggests that a suitable question be that the configuration of councillors is nine, inclusive of a mayor elected by the councillors.	Noted. This is a matter for Council.	Closed for Council
	7biii	MOTION: That the CPC requests that Council expresses significant concern to TfNSW about the potential loss of trees, and requests that TfNSW urgently review their plans to remove trees, and that any trees removed are replaced at a ratio of 2 to 1 with mature trees rather than saplings.	UPDATE (1 October 2021) The Warringah Freeway Upgrade project, the Western Harbour Tunnel Project as well as the Northern Beaches Link project are State Significant Infrastructure and are approved by the NSW Government. Council has no role in approving the works or in auditing works. The planning approval for the projects contain detailed provisions for the appointment of independent environmental auditors and the preparation of a	Closed for Council

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			<p>series of Construction Environmental Management Plans (CEMP's) that address matters such as flora, fauna, vegetation, dust and water management. These CEMPs are prepared by specialists firms and are approved by the NSW Department of Planning, Infrastructure and Environment (DPIE). Once approved they are made available on the project website.</p> <p>Due to the significant costs involved in the preparation of these plans and the lack of a defined role for Council in the approval process it is not a reasonable use of resources to undertake such a significant audit without a clearly defined benefit. Council is consulted in the preparation of the CEMPs and has the opportunity to identify any concerns that may arise. Such communications are ongoing.</p> <p>Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that Council is closely liaising with TfNSW in regard to all works impacts on any public open space areas, including trees. All loss will be replaced with at least a 2 for 1 ratio.</p> <p>Council at its meeting of 23 August 2021 considered a Mayoral Minute (Item MM.05) regarding tree loss associated with the WFU and WHT. Council resolved:</p> <p><i>1. THAT Council writes to the Program Director (WHT), Mr Doug Parris requesting that a pause be put on the felling of further trees until the TfNSW scheduled community information meetings on 23 and 26 August are held.</i></p> <p><i>2. THAT when re-planting of the affected sites commences that TfNSW work with the Council and the Community to achieve the</i></p>	

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			<p><i>best possible community outcomes. This should include the species and the container size of the replacing and planting.</i></p> <p><i>3.THAT Council requests a meeting with Doug Parris and Cammeray's local member the Premier, Gladys Berejiklian to ensure that environmental damage including further tree loss - is minimized in future stages of the state significant project construction.</i></p>	
June	2a	MOTION: That the CPC expresses its disappointment that Council did not invite the community to suggest poll/referendum questions ahead of the 2021 Local Government elections.	Noted by Council's Executive Manager Governance and Manager Council & Committee Services.	Closed for Council
	2a	MOTION: That the CPC request that Council does not abandon its previous practice of seeking suggested poll/referendum questions and invite suggested questions 6 months prior to any future Local Government election.	Noted by Council's Executive Manager Governance and Manager Council & Committee Services.	Closed for Council
	2c	ACTION: Council staff to invite the A/Director Community & Library Services or their delegate to the address the next CPC meeting in relation to local services and Council policies and practices in relation to homelessness in North Sydney LGA.	<p>Council's Access & Inclusion Coordinator will present to August 2021 CPC meeting.</p> <p>In the interim Council's Access & Inclusion Coordinator advises that Council's role supporting people experiencing homelessness, including rough sleepers, largely goes unnoticed and is often underreported. Recently however Council's role in this space became apparent when we were asked to comment on the passing of a rough sleeper who spent his last days camped at the corner of Arthur Street, North Sydney. The homeless gentleman, Peter, was known to Council and had been visited numerous times by both Council staff and specialist homelessness</p>	Closed for Council

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			<p>services (Mission Australia and St George Community Housing). Peter declined offers of support to find more suitable housing options and chose not to engage with services. He did however draw attention from the local community and was very much looked after by people who grew to care for Peter greatly.</p> <p>Currently, there are four known rough sleepers in North Sydney. Council has ongoing contact with three out of the four, all of whom have been offered support to access alternate housing. Council's position has always been to respect the individual's wishes in line with the NSW Government's <i>Protocol for Homeless People in Public Places</i>, with the circumstances of each person being assessed on an individual basis. In June 2021, Council supported the placement of two people experiencing homelessness in permanent and safe accommodation. Both older gentlemen, one a long-term rough sleeper who had set up camp in a cave at Cremorne Point and the other who had been sleeping in his car. Both have signed leases to be housed in one of Council's boarding houses. These leases and Council's other owned social and affordable housing stock is managed by Link Wentworth Housing.</p>	
	3	MOTION: That the CPC welcomes the Committee for North Sydney's 'Save Berry Street' Campaign (i.e. from becoming only a traffic corridor).	Noted by Council's Manager Strategic Planning.	Closed for Council
	5ai	MOTION: That the CPC requests Council negotiate with TfNSW to provide a comprehensive, integrated,	Noted by Council's Director City Strategy and Manager Strategic Planning.	Closed for Council

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		<p>lightweight, elevated sustainable transport solution from Miller Street, Cammeray to the Sydney Harbour Bridge and City (e.g. Harbourlink), along the western side of the Warringah Freeway, as part of the 'Upgrade' and WH&BL tunnels.</p>	<p>Council's Senior Strategic Transport Planner advises that the <i>North Sydney CBD Transport Masterplan (2018)</i>, which proposed the introduction of a cycling facility along the eastern edge of the Warringah Freeway to partially replace the current recommended cycling route (Miller Street) following the creation of Miller Place. This "Eastern Cycling By-pass" of the CBD was intended to provide a similar cycling connection to Harbourlink (i.e. Falcon Street to Sydney Harbour Bridge) while a) providing higher levels of local cycling connectivity (integrated with the local road network at grade) and b) being a more cost-effective option than the elevated Harbourlink project. The "Eastern Cycling By-pass" is one of the key projects that Council is continuing to advocate for as part of the development of TfNSW's North Sydney Integrated Transport Program.</p> <p>WHT planning condition E195 states that: <i>The CSSI (WHT) must not preclude the delivery of the objectives proposed by the North Sydney Integrated Transport Program in consultation with the Government Architect NSW and North Sydney Council.</i></p> <p>WHT planning condition E162 further states that: <i>An Active Transport Network Review must be prepared in consultation with relevant Councils, Bicycle NSW and Bike North. The Active Transport Network Review must review active transport infrastructure within at least 500m of the Warringah Freeway corridor component of the CSSI and include:</i></p> <p><i>(a) an analysis of the existing cycling network, including the identification of routes between existing and potential trip generators;</i></p> <p><i>(b) an analysis of existing and expected patronage levels of current and proposed routes;</i></p>	

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			<p><i>(c) identification of capacity constraints or missing links in the existing and proposed networks, including consideration of both State and Council cycling strategies and maps (including draft strategies) and expected demand;</i></p> <p><i>(d) a calculation of pedestrian crowding and the suitability of shared facilities; and NSW Government 65 Department of Planning, Industry and Environment Western Harbour Tunnel & Warringah Freeway Upgrade (SSI-8863)</i></p> <p><i>(e) a list of recommendations and the timeframes for implementation to address the findings of (a), (b), (c) and (d) above. The Review must be provided to the Planning Secretary for approval within 12 months of commencement of construction.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Implementation timeframes must be reasonable, reflect network needs, and the objective of offsetting open space impacts (particularly in relation to open space impacts at Cammeray).</i></p> <p>WHT planning condition E199 requires that the following link be considered as part of the Active Transport Network Review: <i>A level extension of the existing footpath along the eastern side of the Cahill Expressway from the top of the stairs near the former toll gantry in Kirribilli, to the existing pedestrian crossing on High Street, North Sydney must be considered as part of the Active Transport Network Review required by Condition E195.</i></p> <p>UPDATE (4 November 2021)</p> <p>In June 2021, TfNSW sought public feedback on two options for a ramp which sought to improve access at the northern end of the Sydney Harbour Bridge cycleway. The options were a linear ramp extending north above Milson Point Station Plaza, and a loop extending over the southern bowling green at Bradfield Park Central. In August 2021, TfNSW released its consultation report and announced a competitive design process via an open Registration of Interest (ROI) would occur,</p>	

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			<p>to select three architectural design teams to help design a linear ramp. The feedback, and stakeholder input received, confirmed a linear ramp, extending north over Burton Street above Milsons Point Station forecourt, would deliver enhanced cycling, heritage and public space outcomes.</p> <p>TfNSW has selected three urban design practices with heritage and Connecting with Country expertise to refine the linear Sydney Harbour Bridge bike ramp concept through a competitive process. The design teams are led by Aspect Studios, Civile and REALMstudios. During the four-week competition, each team will refine the linear ramp concept into a more developed and high-quality design befitting the significant and sensitive location. The community will have an opportunity to provide feedback on the three concept designs in late2021. The designs, and community feedback, will then be presented in early 2022 to a Design Jury and TfNSW who will guide the selection of a winning team. The winner will complete the concept and detailed design to enable delivery of the project, which is expected to start in 2023 subject to environmental and heritage approvals.</p> <p>UPDATE (7 December 2021) Transport for NSW (TfNSW) is seeking community feedback on a shortlist of three initial concept designs for a bike ramp at the northern end of the Sydney Harbour Bridge Cycleway. Each of the three designs has been prepared by leading urban design and architectural firms through a competitive design process. The design firms are:</p>	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aspect Studios, with Collins and Turner Architects, Yerrabingin, Eckersley O'Callaghan Engineers, JMT Consulting and Design 5 Architects • REALMstudios, with Djinjama, Aileen Sage, Lucas Stapleton Johnson, Dr. Mike Harris, PMI Engineers and Nick Schliepe • Civile, with Ney & Partners, H+N+S Landscape Architects, Djinjama and Sue Rosen Associates <p>Whilst seeking feedback on the three shortlisted designs, TfNSW would also like to hear what you think of the design concepts for a separated cycleway on Alfred Street which would take bike riders from the new ramp to the existing cycle network. Feedback on the three ramp designs and Alfred Street cycle path will be open from Monday 6 December 2021 to midnight on Sunday 16 January 2022. (42 day consultation period)</p> <p>More information - https://caportal.com.au/tfnsw/sydney-harbour-bridge-cycleway</p>	
	5ai	MOTION: That the CPC strongly opposes both options presented in TfNSW's proposal for a Cycle Ramp for the Sydney Harbour Bridge as being inadequate for needs.	Council's Senior Strategic Transport Planner advises that on 28 June 2021, Council considered the <i>Sydney Harbour Bridge Cycling Infrastructure</i> report and resolved to reject both of TfNSW's <i>Bradfield Park Bike Ramp</i> options on the grounds of: loss of public open space in Bradfield Park, Sydney Harbour Bridge heritage impacts and the inadequacy of the proposed facilities in terms of: compliance with current design guidance, ability to accommodate future growth in cycling demand and the fact that neither option helps to overcome	Closed for Council

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			critical missing links in the North Sydney cycling network. Accordingly, a submission was made to TfNSW.	
	5ai	MOTION: That the CPC requests that Council convey to TfNSW that the two options for an extended cycleway reaching the tram area/Blue St, or Middlemiss St are researched and considered as possible alternatives to the linear option proposed by TfNSW. A second descent would be required for cyclists seeking access to Milsons Point or Kirribilli.	<p>The CPC's feedback is noted. Council's Senior Strategic Transport Planner advises that on 28 June 2021, Council considered the <i>Sydney Harbour Bridge Cycling Infrastructure</i> report and resolved (in part):</p> <p>3. THAT Council requests TfNSW to establish a project control group (PCG) to provide oversight of the Eastern Harbour City: Sydney Harbour Bridge Access and that this PCG include representatives of both North Sydney and City of Sydney Councils.</p> <p>4. THAT an early output of the Eastern Harbour City: Sydney Harbour Bridge Access project be the delivery of a Sydney Harbour Bridge Cycling Infrastructure Design Competition.</p> <p>5. THAT the proposed design competition uses the design objectives detailed in section 3.3. as the basis for the design competition brief.</p> <p>The design objectives detailed in section 3.3 were that options should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • address current cycling infrastructure design guidance; • provide opportunity for cycling growth (including reduced tidal flow and increased overtaking on SHB); • limit impacts on SHB heritage; • result in no loss of public open space in North Sydney; and • help to overcome critical missing links in Sydney's Principal Bicycle Network. <p>If implemented in their entirety, these actions and design</p>	Closed for Council

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			objectives would ensure that TfNSW, as the road authority responsible for the planning and management of the Sydney Harbour Bridge, would deliver a design competition process that potentially results in the development of a number of cycling infrastructure options that overcome critical missing links in the North Sydney cycling network, including the missing links between the Sydney Harbour Bridge and both Route 2 (at Falcon Street) and the West Street recommended cycle route.	
	5a ii	MOTION: That the CPC requests that the relevant staff from Council's Open Spaces and Environmental Services Division liaise with the TfNSW project team to ensure that all trees are protected and maintained or otherwise replaced with significantly advanced planting of similar species.	Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that Council is closely liaising with TfNSW in regard to all works impacts on any public open space areas, including trees. All loss will be replaced with at least a two for one ratio.	Closed for Council
April	2	ACTION: Council's Director City Strategy to confirm whether the southbound ramp from Ernest Street to the Warringah Freeway is to be removed.	<p>Council's Senior Strategic Transport Planner has advised that according to current <i>Western Harbour Tunnel EIS</i> designs, Ernest Street on and off-ramps, slated for removal in early <i>WHT</i> designs, are now retained.</p> <p>However, channelisation of the Warringah Freeway, as planned under TfNSW's <i>Warringah Freeway Upgrade</i> (WHU) proposals, means that the Ernest Streets ramps will <u>only</u> provide access to and from the current Sydney Harbour Tunnel with <u>no access</u> provided between Ernest Street and the Sydney Harbour Bridge or Cahill Expressway. This is expected to have a significant impact on the percentage of Northern Beaches traffic using Ernest Street and the Sydney</p>	Closed for Council

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			<p>Harbour Tunnel versus Military Road, the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Cahill Expressway. Potential increases in traffic on Military Road and how this impacts Council's ability to deliver initiatives identified in the <i>Military Road Planning Study</i> were highlighted during the development of Council's Western Harbour Tunnel EIS submission.</p> <p>Note: Re-designs of the WHT/WFU projects to address DPIE planning conditions requiring the delivery of: NSITP, active transport benefits and return of open space may result in further changes to these projects that result in changes to the impacts detailed above.</p>	
	4	<p>MOTION: The CPC requests Council expedite a comprehensive review of the Local Character Statements in the North Sydney Development Control Plan and Heritage Items within the North Sydney LGA (also refer to February 5bii)</p>	<p>Council's Manager Strategic Planning advises that the CPC's comments are noted. The CPC should note that the figure of approx. \$300K was an estimate of the cost of a comprehensive heritage review of the entire local government area. This would include assessment of all existing and potential heritage items and existing and potential heritage conservation areas. This would naturally have a strong community consultation component which would be require a heavy level of resourcing.</p> <p>UPDATE (20 June 2021 - Extract from CPC Agenda): Council's Director City Strategy has advised that a comprehensive review of the Local Character Statements in the North Sydney Development Control Plan will be considered for inclusion in the next Delivery Program. Such work will be major project requiring commitment of considerable resources and such cannot comment until other committed projects have concluded, included the Comprehensive LEP Review.</p>	Open/ Ongoing

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	6	ACTION: Council to provide update on whether refreshments can be provided at individual Precinct meetings.	<p>Council's Community Engagement Coordinator advises that a response was circulated in the memo of 18 May 2021. The memo advises that Precinct Committees can recommence offering refreshments and states:</p> <p><i>Refreshments should be offered in line with Council policies and in a 'COVID Safe' manner. This includes using individual/single service food items e.g. mini sandwiches, cakes, sushi and avoid shared food e.g. dips and bowls of chips. Ensure tongs are provided if using platters. It is preferable that a designated person is appointed to provide food service, wearing disposable gloves. Sharing of utensils is to be minimised, frequent hand washing/sanitising enforced and the layout of the refreshment area must allow for 1.5m distances to be maintained.</i></p> <p>Note: this advice is based on the COVID Safety Plan template provided by the NSW Government and subject to change based on the evolving health situation.</p>	Closed for Council
	7ci	ACTION: Council to confirm if Precinct Committees will be invited to suggest community poll/referendum questions and the respective submission deadlines.	Council's Manager Council & Committee Services has advised that a report was submitted to the Governance & Finance Committee on 10 May 2021 (which did not proceed due to a lack of quorum). The report was ultimately considered on 24 May 2021, where it was noted. The report did not specifically recommend, as has occurred in the past, that Council invite community feedback as to proposed poll/referendum questions. Poll/referendum questions must be submitted to the NSWEC by 28 June 2021.	Closed for Council
	7ciii	MOTION: The CPC requests that for all files sent to Precinct Committees by Council, File Name should always be set, rather than Document Title.	Council Community Engagement Coordinator advises that where possible, files generated by the Integrated Planning and Special Projects Department will include the File as per	Open/ Ongoing

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	7ciii	MOTION: The CPC requests that all Council files that are sent to Precinct Committees with a date in the name should include the YYMMDD sequence in the file name, or YYYYMMDD if preferred by Council.	<p>the requested naming conventions. SOAs however will only include the YYMM as they are applicable to the month being sent not the day.</p> <p>Council's Manager Information Technology advises that there is no objection to the filename formats complying with ISO 8601 that allows standard allows both the "YYYY-MM-DD" and YYYYMMDD. However, such application is dependent on consideration as part of Council's Records Management Review.</p> <p>Council's Manager Customer Services & Records advises that Council is currently undertaking a records management review. Naming conventions will be taken into account as part of this review.</p>	
	7civ	ACTION: where practicable, Council will send the Precincts mail out on Thursdays; noting that such is not always possible as timing is dictated by when the Council/Committee agenda has been printed etc.	<p>Council's Community Engagement Coordinator advises that Council mail leaves at 1pm daily, it is unlikely that business papers will be ready by this time.</p> <p>The agenda and business papers are available online from 5pm on the Thursday before the Monday meeting.</p> <p>Printed copies can be made available for collection from Council Chambers or the Stanton Library from the Friday before the Monday Council meeting on request, as noted on the annual Contacts Details Form submitted per Precinct Committee.</p>	Closed for Council
February	4c	MOTION: The CPC resolved to provide feedback to Council on the revised CPC model tabled at the meeting, by way in	Noted by Council's Manager Corporate Planning & Engagements and Director City Strategy. Matter reported to	Closed for Council

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		the following comparative table, noting that the overall feedback is not positive/not in support to the proposed changes to the current format ⁱ .	<p>Council's senior management team (MANEX) by way of a progress update on the Review.</p> <p>Council's General Manager has offered to meet with the CPC Co-convenors in the week commencing 19 April 2021 to discuss the proposed changes to the CPC format.</p>	
	4c	ACTION: The CPC requests that the final recommendations of the Review be reported to the Council meeting of 24 May 2021, not the Council meeting of 26 April 2021.	Noted by Council's Corporate Planning & Engagements and Director City Strategy. Matter reported to MANEX. Following a recent Councillor Briefing, a progress report will be reported to Governance & Finance Committee in May 2021, and the minutes therefore reported to the May Council meeting.	Closed for Council
	5bi	ACTION: Council to confirm if there is an unsubscribe issue as described above i.e. recipients of the Precinct eNews who forward it on to others can be unsubscribed by those they send to, if inclusive of the unsubscribe function at the bottom of the eNews.	Council's Community Engagement Coordinator has advised that an alternate PDF version of Precincts E-news was investigated. Council does not use MS Word to create the E-news, it is created in web-based software. Manual creation of a PDF by Council (following the automated distribution of E-news) is not considered practical, instead on a weekly basis Council will provide a link via email to each E-news which does not include the unsubscribe function, that can be forwarded on by individual Precinct Committees as warranted.	Closed for Council
	5bii	ACTION: Council to advise the process for requesting that local Area Character Statements identified as out of date or missing be reviewed.	Council's Manager Strategic Planning has advised that the Strategic Planning Department work plan does not include this work in the immediate future. It should be noted that the review of all local character statements in the NSDCP is a very significant undertaking with community consultation comprising a large proportion of this work. This work must have specific resourcing devoted with a commitment to	Closed for Council

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			comprehensive community and stakeholder consultation. The extent of this commitment should not be underestimated.	
	5biii	<p data-bbox="371 352 1133 464">ACTION: The CPC requests Council provide a response to the following questions concerning social/affordable housing:</p> <ol data-bbox="421 512 1133 1015" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="421 512 1133 624">1. What is current proportion of social housing accommodation relative to the overall supply of housing accommodation in the North Sydney LGA? <li data-bbox="421 624 1133 703">2. What is Council's policy and plan in relation to the provision of social housing? <li data-bbox="421 703 1133 855">3. What is Council's policy in relation to the percentage of social housing required with the construction of new residential apartments and buildings? <li data-bbox="421 855 1133 1015">4. To what extent is the Council committed or otherwise to public housing and the related consequences of the short fall in housing affordability? 	<p data-bbox="1162 352 1877 424">Council's A/Director Community & Library Services has advised:</p> <p data-bbox="1162 456 1951 608">1) Key findings in Social Housing - dwellings where North Sydney's most vulnerable residents are protected by legislation which caps their rent at 30% of their income - are as follows:</p> <ul data-bbox="1162 616 1962 1038" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="1162 616 1962 687">• 1.8% of rental dwellings in North Sydney are social housing (down from 2.0% in 2001). <li data-bbox="1162 695 1935 767">• for Greater Sydney the average number of social housing dwellings is 5.5%. <li data-bbox="1162 775 1895 847">• between 2001 and 2016 the number of social housing dwellings in North Sydney has declined from 570 to 532. <li data-bbox="1162 855 1957 1038">• the NSW Government's Family and Community Services website states there are currently 567 applicants (excluding dependents) on the general waiting list and 105 on the priority waiting list for social housing in the Northern Sydney area. <p data-bbox="1162 1046 1973 1118">Key findings in Housing Stress for the latest Census (2016), for the North Sydney LGA, are as follows:</p> <ul data-bbox="1162 1126 1968 1318" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="1162 1126 1968 1198">• 4,237, low, very low- and moderate-income households are in rental stress. <li data-bbox="1162 1206 1700 1238">• 861 households are in mortgage stress. <li data-bbox="1162 1246 1968 1318">• making a total of 5,098 households in stress (compared with 4,900 in 2011). <p data-bbox="1162 1358 1850 1398">Housing stress is defined as when low, very low- and</p>	Closed for Council

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			<p>moderate-income households pay more than 30% of their gross income on rental or mortgage repayments</p> <p>2) Council has an <i>Affordable Housing Strategy (2017)</i>¹ and a <i>Local Housing Strategy (2019)</i>² both of which are on Council's website.</p> <p>3) Council does not have a social housing requirement for new residential apartments and buildings. There is no real mechanism under our current planning controls to require that social housing be dedicated or provided in new development. From time to time, Council has negotiated affordable housing units in land that is sought to be rezoned or planning controls amended through Planning Proposals and via Voluntary Planning Agreements.</p> <p>4) As NSW has insufficient affordable housing, the NSW Government has determined that every LGA in NSW is eligible for SEPP 70. The Greater Sydney Commission has been tasked with identifying strategies to increase housing affordability in Sydney. From North Sydney's perspective, our local housing program while of limited scope is supported by Council. It should also be noted that in the wider spectrum of capacity to influence housing affordability, Local Government has the most limited policy levers at its discretion compared with State and Federal Governments. Council's <i>Local Housing</i></p>	

1 https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/docs/3_building_development/other_planning/affordable_housing_strategy_-_2017_update_complete.pdf

2 https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/docs/3_building_development/lep_dcp/lep_dcp_planning_review/nslhs_north_sydney_local_housing_strategy.pdf

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			<i>Strategy</i> acknowledges a local housing affordability issue and outlines a commitment to address this.	

Council's Draft Proposal	CPC Feedback
Purpose - similar to current; bring together the Precinct executives to discuss issues with each other and two-way information with Council via staff presentations on major projects/issues of LGA concern or affecting multiple Precinct areas.	Purpose - bring together the Precinct executives to discuss issues with each other and two-way information with Council via staff presentations on major projects/issues of LGA concern or affecting multiple Precinct areas.
Terms of Reference - current document to be revised.	Terms of Reference and objectives of CPC - current document to be revised to reflect adopted model.
Chair - General Manager or delegate.	Chair - maintain the existing "Committee" model, co-chaired by 2 Precinct representatives who are elected by the Committee.
Agenda - set by Council, with suggested agenda items invited from individual Precinct Committees.	Agenda - set by the Co-convenors (in consultation with Council as per current process) with suggested agenda items invited from individual Precinct Committees and Council
Eligibility - retain the maximum 2 representatives per Precinct Committee.	Eligibility - retain the maximum 2 representatives per Precinct Committee eligible to vote.
Meeting frequency - 4 to 6 meeting per annum, retaining secretarial support by Council's Community Engagement Coordinator.	Meeting frequency - 6 meetings per annum, retaining secretarial support by Council's Community Engagement Coordinator.
Format - meet for the purpose of information exchange verses "committee" with assumed formal standing. No motions/ resolutions are passed i.e. there is no voting.	Format - per the current Terms of Reference (disagree with the proposal that it be a "meeting" for information exchange, instead want to remain the "committee"; voting is important to show Council level of support per issue)