



## Harrison Precinct

Minutes of Meeting held via Zoom on 5 November 2020

Meeting commenced: 7.00pm

<p><b>Attendance</b></p>	<p>7 attendees – MS, CC, PM, PK, MB, GD, BD Apologies: JMQ, AB, DC, GA, JA</p>
<p><b>Previous Meeting</b></p>	<p>The August 2020 meeting was held by VOC with the purpose of responding to Council’s Precinct Review via an on-line survey. Results of the survey can be accessed via Harrison Precinct Minutes for August available for viewing on the Council website:</p> <p><a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Community_Engagement/Precincts/Harrison_Precinct">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Community_Engagement/Precincts/Harrison_Precinct</a></p> <p>CC advised that the Precinct Review had been discussed at the recent CPC meeting where several precinct representatives had questioned why the review of precincts was being carried out. The CPC was advised that Council was seeking feedback on changes to communications and their effect on Precincts and that Council had let a tender to seek external consultants to complete the review. CPC representatives had queried the appropriateness of spending money on consultants at this time. Please refer to CPC Minutes of meeting for October 2020.</p> <p><a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Community_Engagement/Precincts/Combined_Precincts_Committee">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Community_Engagement/Precincts/Combined_Precincts_Committee</a></p>
<p><b>Proposed Intersection Improvements, Neutral Bay and Cremorne</b></p>	<p>In general meeting attendees supported the improvements with preference given to Option A where relevant.</p> <p>In addition the following comments were made:</p> <p><u>Location 1 – Rangers Road</u> Precinct members were favourable towards the proposed design, however, there was concern that if a large vehicle, in particular, a truck, turning into Rangers Road from Military Road stopped to give way to a pedestrian that the vehicle would protrude unsafely into the kerbside lane and this may pose a safety risk to other vehicles on Military Road. Precinct members question whether the proposed crossing is located a sufficient distance from Military Road to protect pedestrians from cars turning left out of Military Road. Is it possible to move the crossing further south of the proposed position?</p> <p><u>Locations 2 and 3: Holt Ave and Spencer Road</u> Precinct members agreed that option A is preferable, however, questions were raised whether there was possibility of adding pedestrian crossing markings to the proposed design to strengthen pedestrian safety. Precinct members also suggested that bollards need to be made more visible especially at night– suggestions include making them a yellow colour or adding LED lighting</p> <p><u>Location 4 – Cabramatta Road</u> Precinct members also questioned the possibility of adding pedestrian crossing markings to strengthen pedestrian safety in this location. Bollards in this location also need to be made more visible.</p>

	<p>In addition, it was noted that cars, taxis and trucks which drive up Cabramatta Road towards Military Road in the morning looking for a parking place would be unable to turn around given that between 6-10am left turn onto Military Road is prohibited. The proposed narrowing of the left lane would make a U-turn difficult and illegal. Has this issue been considered?</p> <p><u>Location 5 – Macpherson Street</u> While Precinct members agreed that option A is preferable, the possibility of marking the crossings as pedestrian crossings (in the interests of pedestrian safety) was also raised. In addition, the bollards need to be made more visible so that they can be seen at night. Precinct members are also concerned about possible loss of parking spaces impacting on local businesses at this location (there are several medical practices at this location).</p> <p><u>Parking</u> Can Council confirm the number of parking spaces lost as a result of all the proposed intersection improvements locations?</p>
<p><b>Update on Traffic Committee representations re traffic and pedestrian safety on Spofforth Street and its cross streets.</b></p>	<p>CC reported that there were some minor amendments to be made to the concept plans before these are available for consultation.</p> <p>It was reported that there had been another accident at the corner of Spofforth Street and Holt Avenue involving a motor cycle on 5 October 2020.</p>
<p><b>CPC meeting update</b></p>	<p>CC reported that the CPC had been advised that a new DA was being proposed for the Parraween Street carpark.</p> <p>Precinct members were invited to read the WHT and Warringah Freeway EIS Submissions Report which has just been released. CPC members reported that there was little concession from the NSW government in response to the submissions it received though the Mayor was optimistic about the ideas Council raised.</p> <p>CC reported that CPC members are concerned about the Crows Nest/St. Leonards 2036 Plan which would see a substantial rise in building heights on the Highway (and subsequent shading) in contradiction to the recent press release from the NSW Minister for Planning.</p> <p>PK queried whether the issue of council elections had been raised at the CPC meeting and was advised that no, it had not been discussed.</p>
<p><b>AGM</b></p>	<p>The meeting was advised that in normal circumstances the November meeting would feature our AGM including voting for Office Bearers. However, Council has advised all precincts that, although Annual General Meetings (AGM) are a mandatory requirement in accordance with the Precinct System Guidelines, these will be postponed in 2020/21. Instead all Precinct Committees are to continue with its current Office Bearers, should they be willing to continue in their respective roles. Both the Convenor and the Secretary agreed to continue in their respective roles in accordance with Council's direction.</p>

<b>Ferry/Bus changes</b>	<p>The October Precinct E-news carried news of changes to Northern Beaches and Lower North Shore Buses routes. Precinct members were advised to review the changes.</p> <p>It was also noted that the proposed changes to the F2 Taronga Zoo and F6 Mosman Bay routes were not proceeding due to community feedback.</p>
<b>Streetscape photography project</b>	<p>Meeting attendees agreed that Harrison Precinct should proceed with continuing the photography project to document streetscapes and the built environment within Harrison Precinct. Harrison Precinct Convenor will contact professional photographer, RW.</p>
<b>Meeting's conclusion</b>	<p>The meeting concluded at 8.40 pm.</p>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<p>It was noted that, given Covid restrictions, a December 2020 pre-Christmas meeting will not be held this year.</p> <p>The next scheduled meeting will be Thursday 4 February 2021.</p>