


## Harrison Precinct

Minutes of Annual General Meeting  
held on Thursday, 7 April 2022 at 530pm at the Neutral Bay Club.

<b>Attendance</b>	<p>Number of attendees: 15 including Councillor Beregi. Apologies: AP, GW, FG, JA, GP, PV, SP, MJ, ARC, BH, SE, JS, HL, GA, DS, DR, DM, VG (total 18)</p>
<b>Election of New Office Bearers and Presentation of Financial Report</b>	<p>It was unanimously agreed that the AGM would proceed.</p> <p>The Returning Officer (JM) explained the voting procedures.</p> <p>Both executive positions were declared vacant.</p> <p>There was one nomination in support of MDS from the floor.</p> <p>It was noted that as both executive officers (Convenor and Secretary) had held their positions for four years they were not eligible to stand again in those positions.</p> <p>However, as there were no other volunteers, both officers agreed to stand again as Co-convenors until the implementation of the Precinct Review in 2023. This is expected to take 12 months.</p> <p>The motion to elect MDS and CC to the positions of Co-convenor was carried unanimously by the Harrison &amp; Bennett Precinct members present.</p> <p>JM was thanked for acting as Returning Officer.</p> <p>It was agreed that Council should be asked to consider changing the Precinct guidelines so that AGMs can be held via zoom. Given the extremely wet weather it was thought that this had kept many attendees away and accounted for the high number of apologies.</p> <p>The meeting was advised that the Precinct receives \$1,500 pa from the Council and had spent it on printing/photocopying (\$610), stationery (\$51.11), flyer distribution (\$664), catering (\$19) and internet (\$161.63). Remaining funds are held in a dedicated account.</p>
<b>Previous Meeting Minutes</b>	<p>Minutes from the 3 March 2022 meeting were confirmed by LB and seconded by SK.</p> <p>The following feedback from NSC on actions from the 3 March 2022 meeting were also noted (SOA):</p> <p><b>IT/process issues with DA submission files:</b> this item was considered at the Council Meeting of 28 March 2022 and steps to deal with the problem were agreed.</p> <p><b>DA375/21 13-15 Allister Street:</b> Developer has been asked to provide an up-to-date Traffic Report. The meeting voted (10 for, 1 against and 1 abstain) for the Precinct to lodge an objection to the amended DA now on show. It was noted that no new traffic report had been lodged with the amended DA.</p>

	<p><b>Spofforth St/Holt Ave/Rangers Rd Traffic:</b> A meeting has been arranged between the Mayors of Mosman and North Sydney as well as senior staff from both Councils to discuss this matter.</p> <p><b>Redlands Traffic:</b> Unfortunately there is no easy fix to the amount of congestion around the school. Council staff are working closely with the school on a Traffic Management Plan to improve road safety. It was noted that there was a police car present at school pick up time on Thursday, 7 April 2022.</p> <p><b>Proposed change to the R3 Medium Density Zone:</b> the removal of 3 storey residential flat buildings from the R3 zone was considered at the Council meeting of 28 March where the Planning Proposal was endorsed. It is to be forwarded to the Minister for Planning in order to obtain a Gateway Determination. The Planning Proposal is to be exhibited consistent with the Council's Community Engagement Protocol and all precinct committees will be advised of the exhibition period in due course.</p>
<b>Guest</b>	Councillor MaryAnn Beregi was welcomed to the meeting.
<b>Update on Holt Ave - Interim Heritage Order</b>	<p>The purpose of the IHO is to protect the houses from demolition while a full heritage review is carried out. The two developers have appealed to the Land and Environment Court. Both appeals are listed for a directions hearing (online) before a Registrar at 9 am on 22 April 2022.</p> <p>In answer to a question from the floor about why IHOs are only imposed after a DA is lodged, the meeting was advised that councillors are aware of the need for a larger scale study to be undertaken to identify conservation areas. This would reduce the reliance on IHOs to preserve heritage houses/areas.</p>
<b>Review of Council Meeting (28 March 2022)</b>	<p>The following items from the Council Meeting (28 March 2022) were reviewed:</p> <p><b>RFB in R3 Zone:</b> see above.</p> <p><b>Planning and approvals:</b> Council resolved to write to the Planning Minister regarding its objections to the continued erosion of Council's ability to control its own planning and approvals.</p> <p><b>Parraween Street Heritage Conservation Area:</b> In response to Council's resolution to commence a review of the creation of a Heritage Conservation Area, covering the northern side of Parraween Street between Paling and Macpherson Streets, Council will engage the services of a suitably qualified and experienced heritage consultant to assess the heritage significance of the properties.</p> <p><b>Neutral Bay Town Centre:</b> Motion made by Cr Spenceley for Council to be willing to accept and evaluate site specific Planning Proposals for the area defined as Neutral Bay Town Centre was deferred to allow a briefing to be conducted.</p> <p><b>Interim Heritage Order 15 Allister:</b> Council resolved to obtain urgent advice.</p>

	<p><b>E-scooters:</b> Council resolved to request that North Sydney Council be selected as a LGA to participate in the 12 month trial of e-scooters.</p> <p><b>Trial textile recycle facility</b> at the Community Recycling Centre in Artarmon.</p>
<p><b>Breaking News</b></p>	<p>Council has received a NOTICE OF INTENTION TO USE AND OCCUPY the Cammeray Golf Club from TfNSW as of 1 April 2022.</p> <p><a href="http://intranet.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Info/Communications/Corporhttps://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Council_News/Latest_News/Council_objects_to_TfNSW_taking_control_of_Cammeray_Parkf">http://intranet.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Info/Communications/Corporhttps://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Council_News/Latest_News/Council_objects_to_TfNSW_taking_control_of_Cammeray_Parkf</a></p> <p>Councillor Beregi advised the meeting that Council resolved at its last meeting to pursue this matter with the State Government.</p>
<p><b>Public Domain Issues</b></p>	<p>Water continues to weep from a Telstra Pit outside 126 Holt Ave down to the Spofforth St corner, resulting in slippery conditions for pedestrians.</p> <p>Attendees were advised to write to the Council about any other problems they identify in the public domain.</p>
<p><b>Streets Alive Program</b></p>	<p>Residents from Harrison Street, Neutral Bay gave a short talk about, and provided photos of, the gardens that they have created in Harrison Street at the base of the Brush Box street trees.</p>  <p><b>Action and responses required from NSC:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can NSC add the Harrison St Garden achievements to the Streets Alive section of the website?</li> <li>• Can a flyer specific to promoting more Streets Alive projects be distributed to residents?</li> </ul>

<p><b>Cremorne Streetscape Meeting 5.4.22</b></p>	<p>SK attended and reported on the recent Cremorne Streetscape meeting. Items discussed included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- extending the current free 15-minute parking in Parraween Street to 30 minutes.</li> <li>- The possibility of a “Green” living wall to be installed in Cremorne Plaza to improve visual and environmental amenity.</li> </ul> <p>The proposal to install a Walk of Fame in the footpath in front of the Orpheum is still active but is on hold whilst the Orpheum is being considered for a state heritage listing. If the theatre becomes listed, then the public domain of the theatre including the footpath would be included as part of the Theatre’s curtilage and this may impact on the Walk of Fame proposal.</p>
<p><b>Other snippets</b></p>	<p><b>Traffic Lights at intersection of Military Road &amp; Winnie St.</b> Cr Beregi was asked who was responsible for the traffic lights at the intersection of Military Road, Murdoch and Winnie Streets. An attendee expressed concern about this intersection and would like to see automated pedestrian lights rather than having to press the button. Cr Beregi responded that the traffic lights are the domain of TfNSW. Cr Beregi thought there was a minimum number of pedestrian movements required before TfNSW would consider automation.</p> <p>Action: Cr Beregi offered to follow up this issue.</p>
	<p>Other issues discussed:</p> <p><b>Winnie St DA - Redlands:</b> It was noted that the houses opposite McDonalds in Winnie St are being prepared for demolition for a new SCECGS building project. (DA 381/19/3 Modification of consent for change of use to educational establishment and construction of modular buildings).</p> <p><b>McDonalds DA 95/2022:</b> This DA proposes changes to entrance and exit sites on Military Road. It was noted that the DA documentation <b>does not</b> address pedestrian safety issues.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The meeting voted (11 for) for the Precinct to lodge an objection to the DA addressing this issue.</p>
<p><b>National Trust Heritage Festival</b></p>	<p>The attention of the meeting was drawn to the forthcoming National Trust Heritage Festival which this year has the theme: ‘Curiosity’.</p> <p>Two specific events will focus on Cremorne heritage:</p> <p><b>Mon 9 May 2022:</b> <i>Unearthing the Forgotten Architect of Early Mosman: E.S. Garton</i> (Venue: Mosman Library)</p> <p><b>Wed 30 May 2022:</b> <i>Behind the Scenes of The Cremorne Orpheum</i> (Venue: Cremorne Orpheum)</p> <p>For more information: <a href="https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/ahf/">https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/ahf/</a></p>

<b>Your Say</b>	Reminder - Please check the Yoursay website for more public engagement opportunities.
<b>Meeting concluded</b>	Meeting concluded at 7.05 pm.
<b>Next Meeting</b>	Thursday, 5 May 2022 - Venue and form to be advised.