

# HOLTERMANN PRECINCT

A member of North Sydney Council's Precinct Network.

## Minutes Wednesday 19 February 2020.

These are the recorded Minutes of the Holtermann Precinct Committee Meeting held Wednesday 19 February 2020 at the Crows Nest Centre, Ernest Place. The Meeting started at 6:35pm with JM in the Chair and LT taking Minutes.

1. **Attendance and apologies.** There were 13 Attendees as per the Attendance Sheet.  
Apologies: RC and JC.

2. **Confirmation of the Minutes :**

- Tuesday 10 December 2019. Proposed KB, seconded BT, vote: 12 for, 0 against.
- Subcommittee Meeting Wednesday 15 January 2020. Proposed TM, seconded KB, vote: 12 for, 0 against

3. **Brought forward: DA 84-90 Atchison Street, Crows Nest – 8<sup>th</sup> amendment to approved plans.**

In response to a query from a member affected by the proposed development, Precinct Officer-bearers arranged for a hard copy of the proposed amendment to be available for our Meeting. The Plans were laid out for the five affected Members present to consult while the Meeting proceeded.

4. **Updates.**

Noise wall in St Thomas Rest Park; Ward boundaries; McMahons Point – LEC win for Council; Changes to the Independent Planning Commission rules; increased parking near the Indoor Sports Centre; Crows Nest Shopping Area Streetscape Meeting ( Manager Strategic Planning updates regarding the Military Rd Corridor, Crows Nest Metro and the St Leonards/Crows Nest Planned Precinct); Australia Day Awards; Combined Precincts Meeting ( Western Harbour Tunnel); St Thomas Rest Park Playground Refurbishment ( Copies of the proposed refurbishment were circulated and discussed); Through-link from Willoughby Rd to Hume Street Park.

5. **DAs and Planning Proposals.**

84-90 Atchison St, Crows Nest (8<sup>th</sup> amendment to the approved plans).

Affected Members thanked the Executive Assessment Planner for providing a hard copy to the Precinct for the Meeting. They commented that it is difficult for residents to examine complex plans via DA tracking on their electronic devices. Office-bearers suggested that submissions from residents directly affected by the proposed amendments would carry as much weight as a Precinct submission but that they needed to specify how the proposed plans would detrimentally affect their property and resident's amenity, including privacy (visual and acoustic).

The notices for 41 Burlington St, Crows Nest and 29 Wheatleigh St, Crows Nest were also circulated. No issues were raised.

6. **Roads and footpath maintenance.**

**Action:** Regarding recent footpath repairs on the south side of Huntington St, Crows Nest between Devonshire and West Streets, it was reported that no kerb crossing for pedestrians with strollers or shopping trolleys has been provided on the eastern side of

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the intersection with Thomas Lane. There is a kerb crossing on the western side of the intersection with Thomas Lane. We request that this be inspected and rectified. Proposed JM, seconded ST, vote: 12 for, 0 against.

**Action:** Regarding the intersection of Willoughby Road and Atchison Street, Crows Nest, the Precinct requests that pedestrian amenity and safety be improved. A refuge has been provided for pedestrians crossing Willoughby Rd from Coles. This does not give pedestrians priority. Vehicular and pedestrian traffic has and is increasing near the Coles site (Coles is open from 6am to midnight seven days). Apart from the full line supermarket and a number of small businesses, the site has over 70 residential units, and a Montessori pre-school for young children. The vehicle access for the Coles site (from memory there are over 200 public parking spaces for 2-hour free parking plus approximately 70 spaces for residents) is on Atchison St, with vehicles accessing it via Alexander St but also from Willoughby Rd (particularly from Naremburn and Willoughby which do not have a full-line supermarket) and from Albany St (coming off the Highway) and to a lesser extent from Atchison St west of Willoughby Rd. The bus stop bringing shoppers from Naremburn and Willoughby is on the east side Willoughby Rd just north of Atchison St. On the north side of Atchison St, opposite the Coles pedestrian entrance and the carpark entrance there is the Kumon Centre (above the Hairdresser), a tutoring facility for young primary school-aged students and the Atchison St Kindergarten and Pre-School centre, housed in 4 buildings which is opposite the carpark entrance and the Zig Zag Lane entrance for the Coles loading dock. Given the significant number of young children concentrated near the Atchison St/Willoughby Rd intersection we request consideration that a pedestrian crossing be installed across Atchison St, just east of the intersection with Willoughby Rd. It would increase pedestrian safety, and also slow traffic approaching and exiting the Coles carpark. If the refuge in Willoughby Rd were also replaced by a pedestrian crossing, this would provide an L-shape of crossings, similar to those at Holtermann St and Willoughby Rd, Clarke St and Willoughby Rd and Burlington St and Willoughby Rd. Proposed RF, seconded ST, vote: 13 for, 0 against.

7. **Parks.**
8. **Parking.**
9. **New business.**
10. **Close.** The Meeting close at 8:05pm.