

## Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) 2021 - Lavender Bay Precinct

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- **Open/Ongoing** - action allocated to Council Officer, initial response provided. Matter ongoing and further response/update to be provided at later date.
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November	2.b	<b>Vehicles on the grass near McMahons Point ferry wharf</b> - The Chair raised the ongoing issue of vehicles being parked on the foreshore area near the ferry wharf for photos, with the number of vehicles driving on to the area continuing to increase. The area is now getting more and more churned up and degraded by vehicles and it is an area that needs to be protected. The situation is worsened by standing water from Harbour waves and heavy rain. The Chair noted that Council's response in August was that it had no funding to install bollards in that location. The meeting objected to Council's response and asks Council to reconsider their position and find funds to rectify the situation. Sandstone bollards, well-placed rocks, wooden blocks or plantings that solve the problem are required. Motion: The Lavender Bay Precinct	Item allocated to Council's Director Open Space & Environmental Services.	Awaiting Response

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		Committee would like Council to look into solutions to prevent cars being driven onto the grassy area in Henry Lawson Reserve. Carried without objection.		
	<b>2.c</b>	<b>Dangerous dog</b> - The Chair reported a number of complaints about a large white dog that has been attacking both people and other dogs in the area, most recently where an elderly woman was knocked to the ground in Blues Point Road, McMahons Point. Rangers have not responded and there are now five reports. Precinct suggests something needs to be done about the dog [name withheld] and its owner [name withheld] who lives on Blues Point Road.	Council's Manager Ranger & Parking Services has advised that Rangers have been investigating this matter as a result of several reports it was finalised on 24 December 2021. There were some irregularities regarding ownership which had to be resolved prior to formal action. Privacy prevents Council from stating the action to be taken but it is in accordance with the <i>Companion Animals Act</i> .	Closed for Council
	<b>4.d</b>	<b>Draft North Sydney Walking Strategy</b> - The meeting heard that the Walking Strategy has been updated and redefined, however it is very much focused on the North Sydney CBD, rather than recreational walking by residents who live in the LGA. Only a few residents took part in the recent information session. It was suggested that the community would like a master plan for walking in and around the villages, good walking tracks that connect to the Harbour that factor in recreational walking, not just a focus on CBD workers in North Sydney walking to and from work and the train station. Precinct supports recreational walking as an activity around the foreshore, not just as a way to get to school, the station, etc. Discussion noted that other foreshore areas around Sydney are linking up their walking trails and it feels like the North Sydney LGA is being left behind. Better	Comments noted by Senior Strategic Transport Planner and will be treated as a submission.	Closed for Council

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		connected walking experiences would be highly valued, including accessible bushland tracks to provide greater diversity than currently.		
	5.a	<b>DA 216/21, 21 King George St</b> - Demolition of existing structures and construction of a new dwelling house. Precinct commented in July about the need for co-ordination of construction traffic. Amended plans were submitted on 25 October and on exhibition until Tuesday 23 November. Our meeting discussed the bulk and the size of the proposed new construction, which has attracted a significant number of objections. Council should pay attention to those comments and conditions of the objections.	Item allocated to Council's Senior Assessment Officer	Awaiting Response
	5.b	<b>DA 361/21, 6 Warung St</b> - Alterations and additions to existing dwelling, including demolition of existing top-floor level and replacement with a new top-floor level, creation of a secondary dwelling for carer or visitor accommodation, and associated works. The meeting heard that the proposed top-floor structure is problematic and not appropriate for the area. Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee opposes the top storey as it is not in keeping with the rest of the area.	Comments noted by Executive Assessment Planner.	Closed for Council
	5.c	<b>DA 330/21, 100 Walker St</b> - Concept proposal comprising a 44-storey commercial office tower with ancillary retail tenancies, basement car parking and 3m publicly accessible pedestrian laneway along the northern boundary. The meeting heard that this is a large	Comments noted by Executive Assessment Planner.	Closed for Council

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		<p>construction designed to maximise profit, and that the building will occupy the entire block with no amenity to the local community. Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee expresses its disappointment that the proposed building does not provide significant amenity or benefits to the local community. Carried without objection.</p>		
	<p><b>5.d</b></p>	<p><b>DA379/21, 1 Warung St</b> - Partial demolition of existing residential flat building, site excavation and construction of new apartment addition above, reconfiguration and external alterations to remaining apartments. The meeting heard that this development involves cutting into a heritage wall, where previous applications have been rejected. The meeting also heard that the proposal would add extra bulk to the building, and about privacy issues for neighbours. Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee reiterates its previous concerns (additional bulk, reduced landscaping, and cutting into the heritage wall on Henry Lawson Avenue, as well as the impact on traffic due to the close proximity of the garage entrance to the corner of Blues Point Road and Henry Lawson Avenue), agrees that the proposal is unacceptable in its present form and rejects the amended DA. Carried without objection.</p>	<p>Council's Team Leader - Assessments has advised that the Panel's submission has been noted and will be considered in the assessment of the proposal. The Precinct Committee is advised that the matter requires referral to the North Sydney Planning Panel for Determination.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>
	<p><b>5.e</b></p>	<p><b>DA 101/21/2 206 Blues Point Rd</b> - Modify consent to alter trading hours in certain parts of the licensed premises. The meeting heard that the original DA (to convert the car park to a gaming room) was approved with little debate.</p>	<p>Council's Team Leader - Assessments has advised that the Precinct Committee as been noted and will be considered in the assessment of the proposal. The Precinct</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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		<p>The location of the gaming area is highly problematic as it is located near the corner of Union Street and Blues Point Road, which is the gateway to the McMahons Point village, is opposite the preschool and community centre, and is an area where children walk to and from school. As a precinct, we wish to convey that the approval was a retrograde move, with all benefits going to the hotel operator and no benefits to the community. In relation to the modification application, the meeting did not support the request for extended operating hours on the outdoor terrace and noted that the Union Precinct Committee also objects. Extended operating hours on the outdoor terrace would have adverse amenity impacts on nearby residents and exacerbate the impact of the approved and inappropriate gaming area. Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee wishes to convey to Council that the approval of the gaming lounge is a retrograde move, with all benefits going to the hotel operator and no benefits going to the community. The view of the meeting is that extension of the hotel's operating hours should not be approved.</p>	<p>Committee is advised that the matter requires referral to the North Sydney Planning Panel for Determination.</p>	
	<p><b>6.bi</b></p>	<p><b>Pop-up Community Creative Space</b> - Motion: The Lavender Bay Precinct Committee supports the creation of a small garden in the area occupied by a stump outside 182 Blues Point Road, McMahons Point.</p>	<p>Council's Streets Alive Co-ordinator has advised he has tried to contact the Precinct representative (CT) via email, in order to discuss the garden proposal. The Precinct Committee representative is requested to contact the Streets Alive Co-ordinator regarding the grant and seating request.</p>	<p>Open/Ongoing</p>

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	6.bii	<b>Pop-up Community Creative Space</b> - The Lavender Bay Precinct Committee requests that the Pop-up Community Creative Space social enterprise be given permission for two seats and a small table outside the front of the premises.	Refer to Council's response to Item 6.bi, November 2021 (see above).	Open/Ongoing
	7.6	<b>Business votes in Council elections</b> - The meeting heard that the City of Sydney gives a vote to businesses occupying or leasing rateable land in the LGA. This should be promoted in the North Sydney LGA	<p>Council's Executive Manager Governance has advised that The City of Sydney operates under its own Act which determines the ability to be a voter as follows:</p> <p>(1) A person is entitled to be enrolled as an elector for the City of Sydney if the person is</p> <p>(a) an owner of rateable land in the City of Sydney, or</p> <p>(b) a ratepaying lessee or occupier of rateable land in the City of Sydney, or</p> <p>(c) a resident of the City of Sydney.</p> <p>(2) A person is not entitled to be enrolled as an elector under subsection (1) unless the person (or, in the case of a corporation, a person nominated or taken to have been nominated as the elector by the corporation) is entitled to vote at an election of members of the Legislative Assembly or an election of members of the Commonwealth House of Representatives.</p> <p>For all other NSW Local Government areas the requirements for being able to vote on the non-residential role are set in the <i>Local Government Act</i> which provides that all non-resident owners, occupiers and ratepaying lessees of rateable land in an area are eligible to vote in local government elections. To do so they must apply each election to be on the non-residential roll. This</p>	Closed for Council

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			is promoted by the NSW Electoral Commission who conduct the local government election.	
	7.c	<b>Homeless person</b> - The meeting heard that a homeless man has set up camp in Sawmillers Reserve and been aggressive towards other park users. The meeting expressed concern for the man and asks Council to check on his welfare.	Council's Access & Inclusion Co-ordinator has advised that they have attended the site several times with the Police to offer support and provide more suitable living arrangements. The person could not be engaged with and on the 9 December 2021 the local Mental Health Team and Police attended the site and the person was taken to hospital for assessment. His personal belongings have been removed by Council.	Closed for Council
October	2c	<b>New Year's Eve</b> - The Chair noted significant anti-social behaviour in past years at McMahons Point, which had also occurred at Milsons Point. The meeting heard that a Police post has been arranged at Blues Point Tower.	Comments noted by Council's Team Leader - Events.	Closed for Council
	3c	<b>Henry Lawson Reserve reinstatement (further discussion)</b> - Based on an ad-hoc discussion after the online sessions, Precinct made a submission objecting to the proposed planting of She-oaks along Henry Lawson Avenue and commenting on the proposed shared zone at the end of Blues Point Road. The submission also asked for details about the area labelled weigh bridge and suggesting low-intensity lighting. The meeting heard the acoustic shed will soon be removed and that now is the time to deal with how the parkland is reinstated. The state of the grass adjacent to the ferry wharf was again raised by attendees, with discussion around simple barriers being installed to prevent cars driving on the	Council's Landscape Architect/Project Co-ordinator has advised that feedback on the exhibited design for the Sydney Metro reinstatement work will be considered by TfNSW in negotiation with Council. Council has requested that any tree planting be of an appropriate species and sighted to avoid view impacts.  The area labelled 'weighbridge' is identified for possible heritage interpretation of this historic former feature, in conjunction with the footprints of the former 1840s residences and associated features uncovered during the archaeological excavation in the north-west corner of the reserve. The lighting design is still being finalised.	Closed for Council

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		<p>grass. Council has advised that there is no budget for such barriers. Precinct asks Council to develop a masterplan for the complete Reserve.</p>	<p>However Council has requested that the lighting meet the applicable standards for safety and security whilst avoiding view/light-nuisance impacts.</p> <p>A masterplan for the Reserve is beyond the scope of the agreement with Metro. However, in preparing the design, the context with the surrounding open space has been considered, including how it may relate to the future open space at 1 Henry Lawson Reserve for which the designs are yet to be prepared. There is currently no funding to prepare a masterplan for the Reserve.</p>	
	<p><b>3d</b></p>	<p><b>Bradfield Park South</b> - The meeting heard that Bradfield Park South, including Olympic Drive, is looking run-down, there is no grass anymore and what little there is, is dying; it is an important area for locals, other Sydneysiders and tourists when they come back. Attendees wanted to know what is planned for the area once the sandblasting and repainting of the Bridge approaches are complete. Questions were asked such as whether RMS will reinstate the park as it was? The meeting expressed a desire for Council to ensure a good outcome and that RMS meets its commitments. Perhaps reinstatement under the bridge approaches could be bundled together with Council's plans for the lower area. Attendees also noted that, with the impacts of the North Sydney pool construction, the grass will need to be refurbished there as well. Precinct asks Council for an update on Bradfield Park South plans</p>	<p>Council's Managers Parks &amp; Reserves has advised that there is an agreement with NSW Government that once the works are completed that the area of construction and an area towards the west will be reconstructed. Council staff will be involved in this process to ensure it is returned to an acceptable condition and standard. Currently there is no allocated funding to implement the Bradfield Park Masterplan. Staff are looking at doing some minor works to the section on Olympic Drive next year. This will be undertaken with some recurrent budget funds so works completed will be based on what funding is available at the time.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>



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	4c.iii	<b>Parks Management</b> - Our meeting also discussed how other councils manage their parks and questioned why Council's parks are so under-managed. The meeting noted that rules that cannot or will not be enforced by Rangers can be a waste of time.	Comments noted by Council's Director Open Space & Environmental Services.	Closed for Council
	7b	<b>Fish hooks</b> - An attendee raised the possibility of having an area in Precinct that is designated as fishermen free. Discussion was had that Council supports fishing in the area despite numerous local dogs being injured and having to receive veterinary hospital treatment. It was agreed that is an issue of real concern in terms of mess, fishing detritus and rubbish left behind, and that Precinct and individual community members should keep raising it, to let Council know it is a concern. Council last discussed the matter in July.	Council's Managers Parks & Reserves has advised that as per the July 2021 Council resolution, that further signage has been installed at Sawmillers and Blues Point Reserves.	Closed for Council
September	4b	<b>Booking arrangements and fees in Council's parks</b> - The meeting discussed how the rules will be administered/enforced and whether the plan relies on Rangers. The meeting expressed concern that the survey questions did not address one of the real concerns and how the new rules will be advertised. It was noted that the current commercialisation of green open spaces is out of control. The meeting supported the limiting of numbers, and suggested that to be successful the proposal needs to be supported by on-site signage and enforcement by Rangers	Council's Director Open Space & Environmental Services has advised that the Precinct Committee's feedback will be treated as a submission.	Closed for Council
	6b	<b>Harbourside Villages</b> - Local residents have indicated that they would like the Henry Lawson seat (on the corner of	Council's Historian has advised that the seat was installed by the Lavender Bay and McMahons Point Progress	Closed for Council

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		<p>Blues Point Road and William Street) more appealing and a better memorial to the writer who lived in this area for many years. People have also suggested that a community garden of some kind in McMahons Points would be desirable and appreciated. The Blue Plaques initiative is exciting in that it keys in very well to the Harbourside Villages initiative. A map of the Blue Plaques can be added to the Harbourside Villages website once they are installed.</p>	<p>Association in 1967. The original bronze plaque was stolen and the current enamel plaque installed in 2013. The Precinct Committee's comment is noted and some thought will be given to how to improve this memorial, especially as next year is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lawson's death.</p> <p>With regards Blue Plaques, this is a State Government initiative which aims to support the commemoration of people, places and events considered important by members of communities across NSW. Suggestions are to be submitted to the local parliamentary member as stipulated on the Heritage NSW website.</p> <p>North Sydney Council has been installing plaques and signage marking people, places and events in liaison with the North Shore Historical Society since the 1970s. There are currently over 300 bronze and enamel plaques across the LGA. To avoid duplication it is recommended that residents familiarise themselves with what plaques exist before making submissions to the NSW Government program. A plaque and signage register can be found on their <a href="#">website</a>.</p>	
August	3a	<p><b>Harbour Bridge cycleway</b> - Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee confirms its previously stated opposition to ramps as a solution to taking bicycles off the Harbour Bridge and restates its preference for all options including elevators to be considered as part of the solution. Carried with one abstention.</p>	<p>Noted by Council's Manager Strategic Planning, the Manager Traffic Transport Operations and the Senior Strategic Transport Planner. The Precinct Committee is reminded that this is a TfNSW project and Council's position is available via recent Council reports (as noted in the Precinct Committee's minutes).</p>	Closed for Council

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	3c	<b>Henry Lawson Reserve reinstatement</b> - The Secretary will meet with Council to discuss Council's position on plans for the area.	Intention noted by Council's Director Open Space & Environmental Services.	Closed for Council
July	2d	<b>Jacaranda Trees</b> - Warung Street currently has many mature Jacaranda trees that produce a bright display each spring. Council's commitment to tree planting is commendable, but Council should have regard to the distinct and particular character of specific areas and streets. Replacing a mature Jacaranda with another species is not in keeping with the local character. There should be consistent replacement.	Council's Tree Management Officer has advised that Council's workers had planted a replacement Golden Robinia on Blues Point Road across from the entry to Warung Street. It was later reported to Council that the tree was lifted and transplanted to Warung Street. Subsequently, Council workers transplanted the Robinia back to where it was reported missing. At the same time, Council workers installed a jacaranda on Warung Street.	Closed for Council
	4a	<b>Fishhooks and fishing lines</b> - Following reports of littered fish hooks and fishing lines, Council has resolved to adjust existing signage in fishing spots to inform the public of the relevant fines for littering. The meeting heard that signs are mere window dressing and do not enforce the issue; that the lack of oversight of fishing is impacting on use of foreshore areas by the local community; that fishing detritus and paraphernalia left behind are dangerous; that fishers cut up bait on the park benches; that numerous local dogs have been injured by hooks left on the ground; that bait and tangled lines are left on the ground; that it can be intimidating to disembark the ferry at night and be surrounded by up to 12 fishermen on the McMahons Point wharf; that parking spaces are taken up by fishers; and that walking paths are sometimes blocked by fishing lines. It was suggested that the local community should continue to raise the issue and maintain pressure	Council's Managers Parks & Reserves has advised that signage will soon be updated in accordance with the Council resolution of 26 July 2021 (in part):  <i>3.THAT Council adjust the existing signage to inform the public of the relevant fines for littering to clearly indicate the penalties.</i>	Closed for Council

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		by writing letters and passing resolutions. Could the local community and ratepayers have an area that is safe to use? Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee would like to see a fishing ban at Sawmillers Reserve		
	<b>4c</b>	<b>Vehicle's parking in foreshore parks</b> - The meeting heard that vehicles are being parked on the grass at the McMahons Point foreshore. Attendees commented that Council could install a low barricade or to prevent this; that the area needs to be preserved and protected; that the area is an eyesore that needs to be fixed; and that drivers are also using the Lavender Bay boat ramp (in front of the railway arches) for photographs. Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee would like to see an appropriate form of bollard/barricade installed near McMahons Point wharf and at Lavender Bay to protect the foreshore areas from dilapidation from cars.	Council's Managers Parks & Reserves has advised that Council has no plans or funding to install bollards in these locations.	Closed for Council
	<b>4d</b>	<b>Reinstatement of Blues Point Reserve</b> - Sydney Metro will remove the acoustic shed by the end of the year and the park will be reinstated in the new year Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee repeats the request from its February meeting that it would like to be involved in the proposals for the site and make a submission regarding restoration of the foreshore area. (Note: February request was - Council is asked to note that Precinct would like to be involved in the proposals for reuse this site and the adjoining site currently occupied by Sydney Metro.	Council's Director Open Space & Environmental Services had advised that staff have had some early discussions with Sydney Metro regarding the reinstatement of the park and that they have advised Council that there will be community consultation when a proposed draft plan has been created.	Closed for Council

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	5a	<b>DA 184/21, 7 Lavender Street, Lavender Bay</b> - The meeting discussed the potential for increased ambient noise in the area with multiple air conditioning units operating outside the building, and that an assurance should be sought regarding no additional noise. Precinct requests Council to require an acoustic report comparing current noise levels and those expected with the new air conditioning units.	Comments noted by Council's Student Town Planner. Council notes that the Precinct Committee has lodged an online DA submission form.	Closed for Council
	5d	<b>DA 211/21, 35 Bay View Street</b> - Substantial alterations and additions to existing dwelling including a new attic level. The exhibition notice was initially placed on the fence at number 37, instead of number 35. Comments now due Friday 20 August. The meeting heard that the proposed rear dormer window will overlook the rear gardens of the terrace houses to the south, leading to a loss of privacy Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee object to the development as proposed due to privacy impacts on adjoining residents	Council Assessment Officer has advised that the concerns raised by the Precinct in respect of privacy impacts from dormer will be considered in the assessment of the application	Closed for Council
June	2d	<b>Garbage bin at East Crescent Park</b> - Council installed a large red top wheelie bin directly in front of a park bench based on what they claim were complaints from residents who had had to erect their own. This is not correct. When the Bradfield apartments were being constructed, the builders placed a bin in that location for their own rubbish. The new wheelie bin is now being used a 'secondary' household rubbish bin. It should be removed, and the site restored to the state it was previously.	Council's Street Cleansing Supervisor has advised that the bin and plinth will be removed.	Closed for Council

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	4a	<p><b>McMahons Point ferry access steps</b> - Council contractors have been reconstructing the concrete access steps and wooden handrails. The meeting heard that the Harbourside Apartments garden has been decimated and a bill will be sent to Council to restore the damaged garden beds. A copy of the request will be forwarded to the Chair. While the arborist report is a good outcome, the holes drilled into the trees should nevertheless be filled. There is no harm in being careful and these trees are on private property. A letter will go to Council to that effect.</p>	<p>Council's Engineering Project has noted that a letter will be sent to Council regarding a claim for repairs to damage to garden beds. In addition, has advised that the area immediately adjacent to the new stairs is covered with a very hardy ground cover called 'periwinkle' in and around the trees. Council's contractors have confirmed that the garden beds on the private land have not been damaged. As a gesture of good will towards the residents, Council's contractors removed a lot of very old rubbish in the form of food packaging, drink cans and alcohol bottles from the area at their own cost. If Council contractors have permanently damaged any items of property or vegetation on the privately owned land adjacent to the public stairs, then they would be liable to fix the damage. Any claims submitted would be passed onto Council's contractors.</p>	Closed for Council
	4c	<p><b>Complying development certificates</b> - The meeting heard that whole point of the Precinct system is to protect the environment and amenity of the local area, that a complying development at 20 Bay View Street, Lavender Bay, will overshadow five houses, and that local residents have not been provided with building elevations. The meeting also heard that the private certifier is obligated to provide the plans to Council once they have certified the proposed development and that Council should then provide the plans when requested. Precinct asks Council to provide access to</p>	<p>Council's Team Leader - Building Compliance has advised that in instances where a CDC has been issued by a private Certifier, Council will provide the relevant copies where appropriate. Should any members of the public, or from Precinct, wish to access the relevant documents, they may make a GIPA application to Council. The online form is available on Council's website<sup>1</sup>.</p>	Closed for Council

<sup>1</sup> [https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council\\_Meetings/Forms/Online\\_Forms](https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Forms/Online_Forms)

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		the plans and note that this frustration will happen all over the LGA.		
May	2b	<b>East Crescent Street walkway upgrade</b> - The meeting heard that bolts had been used directly into the trees to support the construction of the new steps, and that the contractors had encroached by over a metre into private gardens. The contractors had been rude and disrespectful. Police had been called and had been unable to resolve the situation. Council staff advised that an arborist had signed off on the 9" coach bolts going into the trees. requested that Precinct receives assurance in writing that the trees will be okay, that the trees are carefully inspected, and that the number of holes are counted and filled. The Chair also requested a report be prepared by an arborist	Council's Director Engineering & Property Services has advised that Council apologises for the concern that this work has caused residents and the Precinct Committee. The drilling into the tree was approved by Council's arborist who assessed that the drill holes to temporarily fix formwork for the new stairs would have minimal impact on the trees. Council has now engaged the services of an independent arborist to make a full assessment of the trees. Council has shared the arboriculture report with the Precinct Committee.	Closed for Council
	5g	<b>CDC 109/21, 20 Bay View Street, Lavender Bay</b> - First floor addition to a single dwelling. The complying development certificate was issued by a private certifier under revised legislation relating to medium density housing, which was strongly opposed by several councils and is now starting to have an impact. The meeting heard that residents and Precinct have been unable to view the plans for this development, which has been approved without any scrutiny or consideration by Precinct. Precinct is unable to discuss or consider this development unseen. Motion: Lavender Bay Precinct Committee opposes this development until it can see what is planned.	See response under Item 4c, June 2021.	Closed for Council

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	<b>7a</b>	<b>Lavender Green</b> - Using the area as a construction site was questioned. The area is part of a long lease to Luna Park, with restrictions on permanent structures.	Comments noted by Council's Executive Planning Advisor.	Closed for Council
	<b>7b</b>	<b>Vivid Festival</b> - The lack of illumination on the western side of the bridge was questioned. It was suggested that Council support be revisited, that people contact Destination NSW and our local member to let them know of the community's desire for illumination on the western side of the bridge and activities around North Sydney	<p>Council's Manager Communications &amp; Events has advised Council does not have the resources to develop a VIVID precinct which would be formally part of the VIVID festival and promoted by Destination NSW (this costs in excess of \$1m). While we could potentially light up Bradfield Park or the Lavender Bay walkway, the cost of this has not been included in the 2021/22 budget.</p> <p>Involvement in VIVID would need to be considered by the new Council in the preparation of the next Community Strategic Plan, Delivery Program and budgets for the 2022/23 Financial Year and following years.</p> <p>VIVID has been most successful in commercial areas where funding from businesses has been available. The North Sydney Chamber of Commerce sought funding commitments several years ago but did not proceed with developing a VIVID precinct.</p>	Closed for Council
	<b>7c</b>	<b>Luna Park</b> - The meeting heard that Milsons Point residents understand that the children's playground area will be the site of new thrill rides. However, Luna Park's current promotion to encourage screaming which will	<p>Further information is requested from Precinct Committee, regarding the advertising referred to so Council can investigate and respond.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (28 August 2021)</b></p>	Closed for Council



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		<p>echo around Lavender Bay is galling. The Chair will write to Council about the advertising.</p>	<p>The Precinct has provided correspondence which has been send to the Executive Assistant to the Mayor for follow up/action.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (8 September 2021)</b>  Council's Director City Strategy, has advised that Luna Park is subject to ongoing noise monitoring as part of the early 2000 DA. They have noise monitors in place and provide a yearly report to Council on the outcome that includes complaints they receive regarding noise. A small proportion usually relates to people noise but the main compliant generally relates to the PA system.</p> <p>Regardless, to date they have not exceeded the noise criteria as set out in the management plan as part of their requirements under the relevant DA. It is a theme park and people will naturally scream on rides regardless of advertising such as the one provided.</p> <p>Unfortunately for the local community, compliance matters are under the remit of the NSW Department of Planning Industry &amp; Environment for this site not Council.</p>	
	<p><b>7d</b></p>	<p><b>Milsons Point/Kirribilli traffic calming</b> - The meeting heard that the full road width raised thresholds near the Chinese Christian Church and the Greenway Apartments look very similar to raised pedestrian crossings. Pedestrians are using them to cross the road without checking for traffic. Precinctasks Council to review the line markings that contribute to this confusion</p>	<p>Council's Manager Traffic &amp; Transport Operations has advised that the devices were installed as part of the 40km/h High Pedestrian Activity Area and have been designed according to the relevant Australian Standards and TfNSW guidelines. The 'piano key' markings on the ramps are a standard requirement to alert motorists of their presence. The speed humps have also been placed</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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			<p>away from pedestrian desire lines and adjacent to parking spaces to minimise confusion with formal pedestrian crossings. New 40km/h signage will be installed in the area shortly once the speed limit is officially changed. Council will reassess the situation once the speed signage is installed.</p>	
	7e	<p><b>Blues Point Reserve</b> - The Reserve is increasingly being used for commercial purposes with no income to Council, as discussed at previous meetings and the subject of a Council paper in April. The meeting heard that the Northern Beaches Council has implemented a fee system that Council could look at.</p>	<p>Council's Director Open Space &amp; Environmental Services has advised that will be a report presented to Council on 28 June 2021. This report suggests that for prime harbour side parks that social gatherings over 40 people and commercial events of any size will require a booking (and a fee) in order that Council can manage how many events occur at any one time in a park. Having event organisers required to make bookings will mean Council can communicate directly on what activities are prohibited and what are not.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (30 June 2021)</b> Council at its meeting of 28 June 2021 considered <a href="#">Item 8.18</a> resolved:</p> <p><i>1. THAT the following amendments be placed on public exhibition:</i></p> <p><i>2. THAT Council reduces the number of people who can gather in a park without a booking from 60 to 40.</i></p> <p><i>3. THAT Council requires individuals and organisations wishing to use one of Council's prime, Sydney harbour foreshore parks for a special event or prescribed activity to make a booking, regardless of the number of people attending, activities include:</i></p> <p><i>- Corporate promotional activities</i></p>	Closed for Council

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			<p>- If a jumping castle/amusement/animal farm is present  - Weddings and commitment ceremonies  - Use for a film location  - Commercial Photography  - Special events and activities requiring payment of a fee to a service provider (including., companies providing curated picnics, marriage proposal ceremonies, commercial dog walking, commercial fitness training, art classes, and yoga classes)</p> <p>4. THAT commercial photography be defined with the intent to allow low impact commercial photography such as wedding parties and family photos.  5. THAT Council exhibit the proposed new restrictions and park fees for a period of 28 days and report the feedback from the exhibition process is reported to Council.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (9 September 2021)</b>  All Precinct Committees were notified by memorandum that the above mentioned consultation has commenced, sub missions close 11.59pm Monday 4 October 2021. The <a href="#">Your Say North Sydney webpage</a> provides a breakdown of the proposed fees and link to the online feedback form.</p>	
	7f	<p><b>Blues Point Road footpath lighting</b> - The meeting heard that footpath lighting outside the village centre is very poor.</p>	<p>Council's Traffic Operations Officer has advised that Council has adopted the <i>McMahons Point - Blues Point Road Village Centre Public Domain Masterplan (2021)</i>, which includes upgrading the street lighting. These works are to commence in 2021/22, and will be progressively implemented as budget becomes available. However, if the current lights are not operating they can be reported to either to:</p>	Closed for Council

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ausgrid - Residents can raise streetlight issues identified on Ausgrid owned poles directly with Ausgrid <a href="#">Refer here</a> to first identify if a streetlight belongs to Ausgrid or someone else such as Council, TfNSW or another local electricity business before reporting to Ausgrid. Residents can also directly report streetlight faults on Ausgrid poles. Firstly, refer to the <a href="#">map</a><sup>2</sup> which shows any streetlights that have already been reported to Ausgrid. This map can also be used to find out if poles belong to Ausgrid or not.</li> <li>• If it is a Council light it can be reported to the Council call centre. Please ensure that you have the pole number of the faulty light.</li> </ul>	
April	2b	<b>East Crescent Street Lookout</b> - The small reserve at the end of East Crescent Street, which a lot of people utilise, has a park bench at street level. Council has laid down a concrete pad and placed a garbage bin within a metre of this bench, for which a number of complaints have been received, due to its placement.	Council's Supervisor Street Cleaning has advised that the bin was installed due to resident complaints about rubbish in the area and having to use own bin. The location chosen to install concrete pad and plinth was deemed as the most suitable position for effective use and collection. Previous resident owned bin was placed in same position.	Closed for Council
	2c	<b>Greenwood Hotel noise</b> - The recent Easter Sunday event held at the Greenwood Hotel saw levels of noise that could be heard as far south as Warung Street, McMahons Point. There appears to be no clear responsibility for enforcement of noise conditions in the liquor licence and	Council's Team Leader - Building Compliance has advised that in accordance with the Land & Environment Court approval, under normal operational conditions, live entertainment is not permitted outdoors and is only permissible within the building. However, per condition of	Closed for Council

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.ausgrid.com.au/map>

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		development application. The Chair will write to Council's General Manager seeking clarification.	<p>approval, the Hotel is permitted 12 "special" events per year, which includes live entertainment within the northern and southern courtyard. Easter holidays events are included, this may result in louder than usual noise. During these special events noise affected residents are encouraged to contact the Police, who are able to attend the premises at the time of the incident.</p> <p>Council staff takes this matter seriously and will investigate any concerns regarding non-compliances. As such, residents are encouraged to contact Council should there be any instances of alleged non-compliances with the Land &amp; Environment Court Approval, via 9936 8100 (includes after hours) or email <a href="mailto:council@northsydney.nsw.gov.au">council@northsydney.nsw.gov.au</a></p>	
	<b>3a</b>	<b>Harbour Bridge Cycleway</b> - Transport for NSW has provided an update to Council officers and community representatives about two design concepts for the Harbour Bridge northern cycleway access, involving updated versions of a linear and a spiral ramp, which will effectively remove some of the bowling green from public use. Motion: The Lavender Bay Precinct Committee objects to both ramp proposals and expects Transport for NSW to be open and transparent in keeping the community informed. Carried without objection.	Comments noted by Council's Director Engineering & Property Services and Manager Traffic & Transport Operations.	Closed for Council
	<b>7b</b>	<b>3 Parker Street</b> - It was reported that this property is unlocked, and vagrants have moved in. The meeting	Council's Manager Environment & Building Compliance has advised that if the matter relates to the property being unlocked and potentially occupied, such should be	Closed for Council

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		heard that the consent conditions for DA 103/19 make it virtually impossible for building work to commence.	reported to the property owner and potentially the Police.	
	<b>5a</b>	<b>DA 47/20/4, 2 Blue Street, North Sydney</b> - Modify consent to change construction hours to 7am to 7pm Monday to Friday as per Section B11.2 of the Development Control Plan, amended on 24 August 2020. Comments due 30 April. The meeting agreed that this would affect nearby residents and supports their objections. Motion: The Lavender Bay Precinct Committee opposes the extension of construction hours. Carried without objection.	Comments noted by Council's Senior Assessment Officer.	Closed for Council
	<b>5c</b>	<b>DA 89/21, 99 Mount Street, North Sydney</b> - Apply artwork to street façade in Mount and Hill Street. Comments due Friday 7 May. The meeting agreed that this is in effect advertising and not artwork. Motion: The Lavender Bay Precinct Committee opposes the proposed street façade artwork. Carried without objection.	Comments noted by Council's Senior Assessment Officer.	Closed for Council
	<b>5d</b>	<b>DA 101/21, 206 Blues Point Road, McMahons Point</b> - The meeting questioned whether the introduction of a gaming room at street level would be appropriate in the middle of the heritage conservation areas surrounding BluesPoint village. The application also seeks to operate the gaming room until 1am on Friday and Saturday nights. The meeting feels that the application of these hours to an extended trading area should be a separate DA. The meeting also queried the appropriateness of	Comments noted by Council's Assessment Officer.	Closed for Council

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		introducing 30 gaming machines at street level in a historical landmark building (George Lavender's Commodore Hotel named after 'The Commodore' William Billy Blue) and feels that such activities will change the nature and amenity of the village atmosphere. Motion: The Lavender Bay Precinct Committee opposes the conversion of the ground-floor parking area into a gaming room. Carried without objection.		
March	2	<b>Henry Lawson Avenue acquisition</b> - The Lavender Precinct Committee's position is to return the land to the people. Carried with 1 abstention.	Noted by Council's Director Open Space & Environmental Services.	Closed for Council
	4a	<b>March Traffic Committee meeting</b> - The Blues Point Reserve problems (parking, noise and anti-social behaviour) was not on the agenda. The Mayor promised it will be on the next Traffic Committee meeting's agenda.	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that these items have been added to the Traffic Committee agenda for 30 April 2021.	Closed for Council
	5a	<b>DA43/21, 68 Alfred Street South, Milsons Point</b> - The Lavender Precinct Committee supports the residents' objections concerning lack of information and details about the changes on the western side. Carried without objection.	Comments noted by Council's Executive Assessment Planner.	Closed for Council
	5e	<b>Floating dry dock, 6 John Street</b> - An appeal has been lodged against the refusal last September by the Sydney North Planning Panel. A directions hearing is scheduled for 6 April. The appeal was lodged on 9 March, but Council has not advised previous objectors yet. Motion: The	Council's Manager Development Services has advised that around 475 letters were sent out to the submitters on 6 April 2021. Submitters can look forward to further correspondence from Council's solicitors in coming weeks. The management of the appeal comes from the Sydney North Planning Panel who has directed to appeal will be	Closed for Council

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		Lavender Precinct Committee supports the provision of more information by Council. Carried without objection.	defended. This direction is being address by Council staff and external lawyers and experts.	
February	2a	<p><b>Blues Point Road traffic</b> - Council is asked to note the meeting's concern that calming devices can create additional noise as vehicles brake, traverse and accelerate near these devices, and that they can be a problem for buses and other heavy vehicles.</p> <p>Meeting attendees reported that parking tickets are sent by mail and that leaving them on car windows would provide a visible warning to other drivers, and that Council Rangers are not always able to attend when called</p>	<p>Council's Manager Traffic &amp; Transport Operations notes the Precinct Committee's comments regarding Blues Point Road traffic.</p> <p>Council's Manager Ranger &amp; Parking Services has advised mailing out PINs is an operational decision factoring in WHS. In most cases when a fine is issued Rangers place a printed notice under the car windscreen.</p> <p>On occasions, the fine may be sent by mail. This only occurs when a Ranger or Parking Officer sees an offencebut is unable to stop safely to issue the fine on the spot.</p>	Closed for Council
	2b	<p><b>Foreshore parks</b> - Blues Point Reserve has been used by large groups with amplified music for extended periods on weekends, to the detriment of other users and local residents. There needs to be a balance between the variousneeds of various users.</p>	<p>Council at its meeting of 22 February 2021 resolved:</p> <p><i>THAT the Director of Open Space and Environmental Services prepare a report for Council outlining options to manage Blues Point Reserve and other foreshore parks to ensure they are available for everyone to use.</i></p> <p><i>THAT the report include options for improving signage within the parks if needed.</i></p>	Closed for Council
	3c	<p><b>1 Henry Lawson Avenue</b> - Council is asked to note that Precinct would like to be involved in the proposals for reusethis site and the adjoining site currently occupied by SydneyMetro.</p>	Comments noted by Council's Team Leader Assessments.	Closed for Council



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	<b>5b</b>	<b>DA 19/21, 110 Walker Street, North Sydney</b> - Motion: The Lavender Precinct Committee objects to DA 19/21 on the grounds of excessive height, overshadowing and potential wind tunnel impacts. Carried without objection.	Council's Assessments Officer has noted the Precinct Committee's comments and has advised that there are currently no active development proposals for the site. The NSW Office of Strategic Land are the responsible authority for acquisition of the property.	Closed for Council
January	<b>3a</b>	<b>Foreshore area</b> - Multiple reports over the vacation period with regards to the foreshore areas around Sawmillers, McMahons Point and Berrys Bay, in relation to crowding and lack of amenities such as bathrooms and rubbish bins for the number of people visiting the foreshore parks. Of particular note is Blues Point Road in relation to cars speeding, drag-racing and burnouts long-past midnight and large gatherings of cars at the reserve at Blues Point Reserve. Many residents would like a formal complaint made to Council and the Police.	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that a <a href="#">report regarding Blues Point Road was considered at the Traffic Committee meeting on 5 February 2021</a> . Recommendations of the Traffic Committee will be referred to the Council meeting on 22 February 2021 for adoption.  Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that currently there are no plans or funding allocation to install new amenities blocks in these areas.	Closed for Council
	<b>5b</b>	<b>Anti-social behaviour in and around Blues Point Reserve</b> -The meeting was advised that since 2019 complaints have been made by residents to both Council and the Police with regards to the speeding cars on Blues Point Rd. The cars which often arrive convoy-style congregate at Blues Point Reserve and are illegally parked in rows four-deep. Commercial enterprises and other religious gatherings are also taking up large areas of space in the foreshore parks in an increasing capacity including Sawmillers Reserve. Groups of up to 100 (more than Covid-19 protocols allow) are regularly gathering in the parks and staying until 1am on weekend evenings.	Council's Manager Range & Parking Services had confirmed that no Rangers have been attacked. All anti-social behaviour and noise from large parties/groups should be referred immediately to the Police	

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		Some residents are now avoiding these areas, and there are reports that rangers have been attacked when they venture into these areas.		