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LAVENDER BAY PRECINCT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Vote out of Committee (VOC) meeting conducted on 26 March 2020 from 8-9pm

1.	<p>Participants</p> <p>21 people sent comments and/or voted on at least one motion.</p>						
2.	<p>Apologies</p> <p>No apologies were received.</p>						
3.	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting held 27 February 2020</p> <p>Motion: That the minutes of the Precinct meeting held on 27 February 2020 are accepted.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">For</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Against</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Abstain</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">16</td> <td style="text-align: center;">-</td> <td style="text-align: center;">5</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Some members commented that they were not present at the previous meeting.</p>	For	Against	Abstain	16	-	5
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4.	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>(a) Re 1 Henry Lawson Avenue, McMahons Point</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email from North Shore Electorate Office listing investigations for acquisition and advice that the Town Planning Report and Valuation Report are currently being finalised. • Email to North Shore Electorate Office requesting expected time from completion of these reports until delivery of the briefing report to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces. <p>(b) From Precincts office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancelling Community Ward Forums due to coronavirus pandemic. • Guidance re alternate Precinct meeting format for next 2 months. (See item 10 below.) <p>Motion: That the correspondence listed above is accepted.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">For</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Against</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Abstain</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">19</td> <td style="text-align: center;">-</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	For	Against	Abstain	19	-	2
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5.	<p>Chair's Report</p> <p>(a) 1 Henry Lawson Avenue, McMahons Point: The Chair noted the progress outlined in the correspondence received from FW's office. Council has advised that it has written to the NSW Office of Strategic Lands to encourage the NSW Government to acquire the site for regional Open Space purposes at the earliest possible time.</p> <p>(b) 6 John Street, McMahons Point: The Chair notes the amended Development Application to construct a floating dock facility to service commercial vessels up to 1000T. Approval of this application would change the area from a harbour backwater to one that is industrial in nature. (See item 8(a).)</p> <p>Motion: That the Chair's report is accepted.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">For</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Against</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Abstain</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">19</td> <td style="text-align: center;">-</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>One participant thanked the Chair for following up.</p>	For	Against	Abstain	19	-	2
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6.	<p>Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade</p> <p>The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment is currently exhibiting the Environmental Impact Statement for this project. Submissions close on <u>Monday 30 March</u>.</p> <p>Concerns and issues raised by the North Sydney community include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Buses: Dedicated bus lanes and layover areas should be developed. (b) Green open spaces: Should be connected, with no net loss in North Sydney. (c) Pedestrian safety in the North Sydney CBD: Needs to be addressed in an updated EIS. 						

- (d) Traffic impacts: Local streets and intersections need to be protected from being overloaded and for emergency vehicles. Construct a steady-angle cycleway from Falcon Street to Harbour Bridge.
- (e) Air quality: Ventilation stacks should be filtered.
- (f) Ventilation equipment in Cammeray: Machinery should be located underground.

Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee make a submission on the Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade commenting on the aspects of the current design listed above.

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7. Small Bars and Trading Hours in Kirribilli Village

Council is [exhibiting](#) draft amendments to the North Sydney Development Control Plan to extend trading hours in the Kirribilli Village. Submissions close at 5pm on Wednesday 8 April.

General trading hours are proposed from 7am to 10pm Sunday to Wednesday and 11pm Thursday to Saturday. For small bars, trading is proposed to 11pm Monday to Wednesday, midnight Thursday to Saturday and 10pm Sunday, with outdoor trading to 10pm.

Council is asked to note participants' comments that small bars should only be able to trade until 11pm on Thursdays in order to protect residential amenity for those working on Fridays.

8. Development Applications

(a) Floating dry dock, 6 John Street, McMahons Point ([DA 57/19](#))

As noted in the Chair's report, an amended application has been submitted. Submissions close on Monday 13 April.

Precinct members have reviewed the additional information and note that the Precinct Committee is not against retaining boat building and boat maintenance facilities on Sydney Harbour. However, approval for the floating dry dock would increase the boatyard's scale of operations to a whole new level, and make the area more industrial involving larger commercial vessels.

Precinct members believe that Council should appoint an independent expert to examine the environmental assessment merits of the proposal, especially chemical contamination, dust and noise.

Precinct supports the concerns raised by the residents in Union and Waverton Precincts, which are located immediately adjacent to the site. These concerns include:

- (a) Visual impact, height and scale.
- (b) Noise, air and water pollution.
- (c) Loss of amenity to the local community.
- (d) Changes in the nature of Berry's Bay.

Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee object to the amended development application (DA 57/19) for 6 John Street, McMahons Point, for the reasons listed above.

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One participant commented that they object to any large-scale upgrade at the site. Another participant commented that they are okay with the proposal.

(b) 100 Miller Street, North Sydney ([DA 54/20](#))

In February, Precinct discussed a DA to extend the hours of shop 6 for a new McDonalds, and asked Council to apply a trial period for any trading beyond midnight. The latest DA seeks approval for new signage for the proposed McDonalds store.

Motion: That the Lavender Bay Precinct Committee note the second development application (DA 54/20) for 100 Miller Street, North Sydney.

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<p>9.</p>	<p>General Business</p> <p>(a) Kirribilli and Milsons Point High Pedestrian Activity Area: Final recommendations were due to be presented to Council on 23 March, but the meeting was adjourned due to lack of a quorum.</p> <p><u>Council is asked to note</u> participants' comments that the Lavender Street pedestrian crossing (site 17) should not be moved west, and that the Alfred Street South entry (site 16) should not be encouraged as a pedestrian crossing to avoid tailbacks to the roundabout and Harbour Bridge exit.</p> <p>(b) Sydney Harbour High Line: The Sydney Harbour High Line Association continues to develop plans for a walking path between Luna Park and Union Street, Waverton, in parallel with the rail corridor. The Association invites new members to join, and existing members to renew membership. Details.</p> <p>(c) Thanks to Chair and Secretary: Several participants thanked the Chair and Secretary for their hard work in setting up the meeting and maintaining the community network.</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Council has decided to temporarily suspend all Precinct Committee meetings until further notice. This decision enables Office Bearers to focus on their health and wellbeing at this time.</p>