

MILSON PRECINCT MEETING – Minutes - THURSDAY 6 May 2021 at 7.30 pm

Trelawney Room The Kirribilli Centre (KNC/TKC), 16 Fitzroy St. & VIA ZOOM

1. Attendees: 16 In Person:TKC, Cr. Mutton, EW, SG, TW, DB, BB, JT, TR, WR; **Zoom** TB, JC, VB, AB, RB, RV, MG

2. Apologies: 8 Cr. Baker, Cr. Keen, Mayor, TD, KS, CL, KT, IH, AB, JN, AZ, BR

3. Meeting Minutes - 8 April 2021 Moved: TW Seconded: SG

4. Matters arising:

Council response to our Precinct motions: Council Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) 2021 since last meeting - April 2021. Truck & Bus Movements; Burton St trial closure will be from Broughton St to Humphrey Place. To commence end May/June, along with trial of Bligh St, but with no raised road during the trial period. Works in Burton St. Tunnel and Ennis Road will not be trialed at this time, as there is no funding for the works, and it may be some time, within a 4-year period.

5. Kirribilli Masterplan – Broughton St traffic and parking issues ongoing

Broughton Street raised road hump has buses going at speed; with increased traffic late at night, not slowing, noise reflection off the Greenway wall opposite.

Increased traffic of heavy vehicles due to structural works at Loreto in Elamang Ave., with early morning starts; as well as another new build in Elamang.

BB suggested that the tunnel section of Fitzroy St., north side, should be an AM clearway, to allow left hand turn into Broughton St at the traffic lights, as well as cars to continue along Fitzroy at the same time, during a single phase of the lights, to assist the morning peak congestion for the school drop offs.

Another suggestion was use of the Burton Street tunnel being used as the sole school drop off and collection points for both junior schools.

Cr. IM advised that there had been a 20% increase in East West traffic flows throughout our municipality, which is only going to be increased by the impact of the tunnels, both Western Harbour and Beaches Link, including the northern beaches buses coming through NS, to have passengers change modes of transport onto Metro or train.

MOTION: Milson Precinct requests Council install appropriate devices to reduce the speed of traffic through Broughton Street which may include 'Slow Down' signs, electronic car speed reading signs and 40 km/h written on the road, at the entry points to Kirribilli. .

Moved: JC Seconded: TB Voting: Unanimous

6. JMV. & Clark Road & McDougall St. road works - Cr Jessica Keen is to contact Council - did not consult with JMV at all.

Discussion of the road works, on Clark Road, as currently being constructed, that are not as previously communicated to the community, with loss of parking, changes to the ease of parking that the slip road provided without impacting the through traffic, by narrowing of the roadway; the lack of any discussion on this design with James Milson Village (JMV), the impact of placement of the raised road/footpath so close to the roundabout, being further south than the original pedestrian island, such that the pedestrian guard rail needs to be removed on the western corner side of this intersection, which currently protects pedestrians and JMV buildings from trucks, busses and cars that have difficulty negotiating the roundabout.

Some 4 years ago, when a previous design was proposed & discussed at a traffic meeting, it was decided that the proposals should be discussed with JMV. At the time, it was considered that due to a signalised pedestrian crossing at High St, another pedestrian crossing was not warranted on Clark Road. It was also discussed that a crossing at a roundabout was not an appropriate placement and would put older persons at risk although the JMV residents had for years, requested a pedestrian crossing to get to the shop.

Another asked why Council has removed the Pedestrian island, as that is used by many who walk up McDougall Street, towards NS CBD.

MOTION: Milson Precinct requests that Council reconsider the unnecessary and potentially dangerous crossing proposed and now half constructed, at the roundabout at the corner of Clark Road and McDougall Street. Council to consult with James Milson Village. **Moved:**
TB Seconded: JC Voting: For: 7 Against: 6 Abstain: 2

7. Update on Combined Precincts Committee

Western Harbour Tunnel - impact on North Sydney - Committee for NS - Berry St. Issues paper.

JT pointed out the disaster for NS CBD, if Berry St was to be the main access point for all traffic to go through to the tunnels, north or south, meaning that all traffic needed to travel through the CBD; this impact on Berry St would cut the CBD in half, similar to the impact of the Warringah Freeway, impact on Ward St. Masterplan, pedestrianisation of NS from the Metro and Miller St. Suggestion was to increase the intersection capacity of High St, to have access points to both tunnels and freeway north and south at that point. High St. Intersection already fails, with Mosman and Cremorne traffic in morning peak hour, before you add all the additional traffic from North Sydney, Crows Nest, etc., trying to go north from this point, as well as 50% of the morning peak buses from the Northern Beaches coming off the freeway to drop off passengers to train and metro stations. - noted

8. Ward St. Development Masterplan - public exhibition at Stanton Library- feedback closes 17 May 2021 - Noted

9. MLC Building, Miller Street, North Sydney

SG The Minister has placed an Interim Heritage Order on the MLC building; architects are in favour as this building has unique design and construction features. - Noted

10. Local Government Elections - Saturday 4 September

EW advised of the changes to Precinct and Council systems prior to Local Government elections; Invitations to Councillors only via Council; Caretaker Mode; Office Bearers to stand down from position, if nominated as a candidate; no resources, property or facilities to be used for election campaigns; Office Bearers if unsuccessful, can resume role; otherwise, precinct AGM's to take place in November, 2021.

WR commented that you would not employ someone for a 4-year contract only based on just their name and address; we shouldn't be asked to vote for someone without details as per a CV, showing qualifications and experience.

Cr IM advised that candidates fund their own websites, info is provided in letterboxes, not Mosman Daily as we knew it, is an issue; people don't go to council meetings; getting out to the community vs party politics.

MOTION: Milson Precinct requests Council to provide to all candidates a CV type template, that would be agreeable to the Electoral Commission, to present their qualifications, experience, beliefs, aspirations of what they could contribute to NS LGA for the next four years, vs just listing their name, address and political party membership. We would then ask Council to provide a platform for this information, so that voters could read the details of candidates, via a link, prior to pre-polling and polling day. **Moved: EW**
Seconded: JC Voting: Unanimous

11. Sydney Harbour Bridge (SHB) Northern cycle approach - public meeting at Bradfield park Bowlo building/hall - Thursday, 13 May 2021 - 6-7 pm

Cr.IM advised on the 'confidential' briefing to Council, saying that TfNSW thought that this was an 'elegant solution', after the 2017 designs; the lack of honesty and openness about consultation with the community; two designs, the corkscrew is mis-represented in the images in the papers, as it takes up considerably more area of the open green space of central Bradfield Park; they said the students and community could 'play' underneath it; the snake goes to Alfred Street meandering over the top of people, the idea was to have less interaction of cyclists with pedestrians.

Advised a new option - if there is less need for vehicle capacity on SHB, once Western Harbour Tunnel is completed, then the Cahill Expressway, Harbourside, that already has good separation from the cars, could become a dedicated cycle lane over the bridge.

Council needs information from the community.

JC advised discussion at Sustainable Transport Reference Group meeting - concerns of Cyclist groups there; need to re-introduce the Harbour Link project, being a 3% gradient from Cammeray, down to SHB, shared structure for pedestrians and cyclists, especially if we are to get all the negative impact of the tunnels and Warringah freeway upgrades, and it could be built at the same time.

MOTION: Milson Precinct to liaise with the Milson Point Residence Group who are organising a public meeting next Thursday, 13 May, 2021, to be held in the old Bradfield Bowlo building, behind the restaurant, to be able to extend the invitation to interested Kirribilli residents; they have invited State & Federal members for North Sydney, TfNSW, Minister Constance and Mayor, to look at the proposed plans as well as alternatives.

12. Fort Denison Liquor Licence, for Sundays - 7 am - 1 am - champagne breakfasts plus weddings & events - Noted

13. NOAKES Boatyard - Floating Dry Dock - Appealing the decision of Sydney North Planning Panel's refusal of DA57/19 - Council has resolved to fight this appeal of SNPP

MOTION: Milson Precinct continues to support this position.

14. Development Applications: - Noted
A) 117/2021, 135 Carabella St. Kirribilli
B) 103/2021, 1 Waruda St.
C) 83/2021, 54 Fitzroy St

Meeting closed at 8.58 pm

NEXT MEETING - 7.30 pm - Thursday 3 JUNE 2021