



# Parks Precinct Committee

Meeting Minutes 15 September 2021

*Meeting was held via Zoom*

**Meeting Opened: 7.31pm.**

**1.) Attendees:**

13 Attendees via zoom (As per attendance sheet).

**2.) Confirmation of Minutes and Matters Arising:**

Moved by CT and seconded by PS that the minutes from last meeting be approved and accepted.

Motion was carried unanimously

**a) Summary of Actions (SOA).**

These were discussed and acknowledged. The response from Council confirms that it gives no greater weighting to a submission from a Precinct Committee over a submission from an individual.

b) Young St Plaza/ Grosvenor Lane. The traffic study revealed that eastbound traffic on Grosvenor Lane was now higher than Grosvenor St. SM confirmed that one on one discussion with the Mayor regarding Grosvenor Lane Traffic had taken place and was assured this would be an agenda item on the next meeting of the Traffic Committee.

**3.) Western Harbour Tunnel & Beaches Link Update:**

SM provided feedback from the Upper House Inquiry presentation from the Combined Precincts Committee.

- North Sydney residents don't believe they need the project.
- Requested consideration for a portal on Pacific Highway.
- Strong preference is for a portal on Military Rd & Ernest St.
- The DPIE is the authority with oversight and any complaints will need to be persisted with until they are escalated to the DPIE.
- The process for dealing with Contaminated Soil appears to be dilution with VENM (Virgin Excavated Natural Material) to avoid local decontamination costs.
- There has been no consideration of North Sydney as an eco-system. The King Parrots from Primrose Park feed around the Cammeray Golf Course but this has not been considered in the tree removal assessments.

**Motion:** A motion was moved by SM that "The Precinct Committee write to the Minister for Planning informing that Conditions of Approval are not being met and to enquire what methodology to drive compliance is in place for the Project".

Motion was seconded by BB and carried unanimously.

- There was general discussion on the tree replacement process and acknowledgement that it will only happen at the end of the project and only one in 9 of the 2 for 1 replacement trees will eventually mature. This is a predetermined reduction in the Local Green Canopy.

- CT questioned the significance of Green Tape being placed on some trees
- KW requested a map of the “Marked” trees and noted the tree reduction will result in an immediate lack of amenity through reduced Air Quality and Noise Management.
- BB informed the meeting that project staff had advised that all “Timber supported” trees are to be retained.
- SM advised that the Project has a requirement to prepare Landscape Plan on completion of the project

**Motion:** It was moved by GD “That the Precinct request the NSC seek details on the Project Mechanisms that will ensure that the requirements placed on the Landscape Plan will return the tree coverage to its pre-project status”. The motion was seconded by BB and carried unanimously.

SM reminded the meeting that individual submissions are as important as the meeting minutes and if members are so inclined, they correspond directly with our Local Councillors (Contact Details are on the NSC Website).

**Motion:** It was moved by SM “That the Precinct write to the Council requesting the formation of Combined Consultation Body representing the broadest possible suite of Stakeholders to liaise with the Project”. The motion was seconded by CL and carried unanimously.

The impact of Construction Vehicle traffic was again discussed.

**Motion:** It was moved by GD “That the Precinct write to the WHT &BL Project Team requesting details on their mechanisms for managing their Subcontractors (and their Subcontractors Subcontractors) in regard to meeting local traffic requirements and Project Controls in general”. The motion was seconded by SM and carried unanimously.

#### **4.) Military Road Corridor Planning Study Stage 1**

At this point it seems that implementation of any actions from the study may be held off until after Local Council Elections.

#### **5.) Development Matters**

None raised

#### **6.) General Business**

SB initiated a discussion to drive Precinct Committee Meeting attendance.

SM will share meeting agenda with SB one week before the next meeting and SB, KW and PS will Champion this cause.

**Meeting adjourned: 8:31 pm.**

**Next Meeting: Wednesday 20 October 2021 7:30 PM. (Zoom only)**