

Parks Precinct Committee

Meeting Minutes 27th May 2021

Meeting was held via Zoom from the Ros Crichton Pavilion

Meeting Opened: 7.30pm.

1.) Attendees: 9 attendees via zoom, and 5 attendees in the Ros Crichton Pavilion as per the attendance sheet. Ian Grey was from the Committee of North Sydney was a guest.

Apologies: 4 (As per attendance sheet).

2.) Confirmation of Minutes: Moved by MK/SB that the minutes from last meeting be approved and accepted.

3.) Presentation and Discussion with Gavin McConnell, Council's Executive Planning Advisor

Unfortunately, the Zoom link didn't allow GM to join and address the meeting. We will attempt to reschedule this presentation.

Questions for GM can be sent via email: suggestions for the floor:

- What is the future of Grosvenor Kane as it has become a bypass?
- With the end of the Young St Plaza trial what are the measures of evaluation to determine whether the trail is a success or failure?

4.) Western Harbour Tunnel Update.

A. Transport for NSW will attend next month's (June 24) meeting. A brainstorming session was held to develop a list of some questions/discussion points to be addressed:

- Truck movements during construction
- What will be the impact on Cammeray Golf Course?
 - i. Tree Loss
 - ii. Dams and water conservation
- Expected traffic interruptions during construction
- Military Road Traffic impact
- Freeway Access when Ernest St entrance is closed
- General Congestion on Lower North Shore

A meeting has been requested with Rob Stokes Minister for Planning and Public Spaces regarding the EIS enforcement. The Precinct committee has concerns about the proposed self-regulation.

B. Presentation from Ian Grey Chair of the Waverton Precinct of the Committee for North Sydney (<https://committeefornorthsydney.org.au>).

- The committee has a proposal to save Berry St from the expected impacts of the Western Harbour Tunnel (WHT), Beaches Link and Warringah Freeway Upgrade.
- B Line buses will no longer travel into Wynyard and will terminate at Nth Sydney station and return via the Victoria Cross Station and Berry St
- Berry St will be the conduit for the entire district to access the freeway entrances (5).

- Berry St intersections will be at F Status, Miller St intersection will be at E Status.
- Ruther details can be found on the committee's website (link above).

Comment from MK that "there appears to be no oversight or coordination between the separate projects".

5.) Traffic

The Precinct has requested that Council's Manager Traffic & Transport attend the June 24 meeting to answer questions. Questions for discussion were brainstormed, and in addition to some of those raised above:

- What are the specific plans for Traffic Management on the Lower Nth Shore?

6.) Development Applications

These were shared prior to the meeting with no further update/comment from the floor.

7.) General Business

SH raised an issue regarding Coral Trees. The trees appear to be suffering from water stress and the response recently provided to the Precinct Committee was more than one (1) year old.

SM raised the issue on the planting of deciduous trees in Neutral Bay/Cremorne and raised the question of whether the Council had a tree strategy? This will be put on the Agenda for the next meeting

SH raised the issue of ten (10) varieties of trees on Grosvenor St and confirmed the question regarding a Tree/ Planning Strategy.

Meeting adjourned: 8:25 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday 24th June 2021 7:30 PM. (Anticipated to be at Ros Crichton Pavilion and via Zoom)