



Parks Precinct Committee

Meeting Minutes 25 May 2022

Meeting was at the Neutral Bay Community Centre

Meeting Opened: 7.09 pm.

1.) Attendees:

20 Attendees and two guests (As per attendance sheet).

2.) Confirmation of Minutes and Matters Arising:

Minutes of the previous meeting were considered.

A motion was moved by SM to accept the minutes of the previous meeting and seconded by SB and carried unanimously.

Matters arising from the minutes: It was noted that the North Sydney Council (NSC) will be installing signage around Cammeray Park to highlight the impacts of WHT & WFU construction activity. The first set of banners will highlight the destruction of trees in the Park.

3.) Meet the Mayor- Zoe Baker

The recently elected Mayor, Councillor Zoë Baker, was invited to address the Precinct Committee meeting and provide some of her background and insights into council deliberations. Cr Baker provided a brief summary of her career and key interests and accepted questions from the floor.

4.) Neutral Bay Village

▪ Young St Plaza

NSC has resolved not to proceed with the Tender to make the current temporary works permanent, and Cr Baker has been delegated appointed to negotiate with TfNSW to consider an improved/modified design or an alternative location. One potential site is Waters Rd.

▪ Grosvenor Plaza

The Military Road Planning Study is not being adopted by NSC.

The question now to be resolved by the NSC and the community is whether the plaza benefits will be worth the cost of the additional higher buildings that will come with it?

As the council is already the most significant landholder in the vicinity (the carpark and Community Centre) there is an expectation that the council can deliver an improved outcome with a low scale development. A suggestion from the floor was that the Canopy at Lane Cove provides a suitable model.

▪ Draft Community Strategic Plan

This document is now available on the Council Website. It is a 40-page document, though the most relevant pages are 27-29. It is important to note that only projects/initiatives identified in the plan can be funded.

5.) Western Harbour Tunnel (WHT) & Beaches Link (BL)

The latest developments around the construction activities associated with these projects were discussed:

Truck Movement

- The traffic study used 2016 data and didn't consider pedestrian movements on Park Avenue linked to sporting activities on Cammeray Park.
- Truck movement around the construction site are not being tracked

Golf Course

- The current plan has the Golf Course being fenced and community access will be lost. CT enquired whether the Melaleucas on Cammeray Rd will be inside or outside the fence?
- Cammeray Golf Club (CGC) was enabled to negotiate directly with TfNSW without reference to the Landlord (NSC) to develop the new layout.
- NSC intends to undertake a Master Plan of Cammeray park to consider community needs.
- The lease on the Greens & Tees expires in 2026, there is a separate lease on the Clubhouse and Carpark between the CGC and the State Government.
- Cr Baker advised that TfNSW has used Section 175 of the Roads Act to resume the Golf Course and NSC has objected on the basis that the Golf Course redevelopment is not the building of a road.

Motion: A motion was moved by JW that the Council provide an umbrella framework to inform and unify responses from all stakeholder groups impacted by the WHT & WFU constructions activities. The motion was seconded by SB and carried unanimously.

6.) Development Matters

No additional DA's were discussed.

7.) AGM

SM tabled his report and tendered his resignation and declared all positions vacant.

GD was elected Convenor

SB was elected Secretary

RF was elected Alternate

Meeting adjourned: 8:21 pm.

Next Meeting: 7:00PM, June 15th, 2022