

## **Minutes of Meeting of Registry Precinct on 25 November 2020 at 6.30pm**

**Venue:** Ros Crichton Pavilion, Ted Mack Civic Park, Miller Street

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**Present:** 13. **Apologies:** 15

### **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The Minutes of the Precinct Meeting held on 28 September 2020 were moved and ratified.

### **Item 1: Western Harbour Tunnel issues:**

GT reported again on latest meeting with planners. \$395m not enough for this mega Infrastructure project. No money allocated yet for Beaches Link.

- Preconstruction/Dilapidation reports being carried out by J Holland for some local houses in Cammeray and North Sydney - this is related to moving some utilities by freeway.
- 1500 submissions were received for the EIS.
- Noise reducing Road Surface Issue - State Government Planners say that noise reducing road surfacing not viable due to cost issues, replacement costs etc. will wear out more quickly but this is a ridiculous response by government, and community and Precinct rightfully assert that this is hardly a viable argument and is more an excuse not to do it. Department of Planning MUST PUT IN A CONDITION requiring TfNSW that it has to be maintained. TfNSW actually said that they would do it if it was put in as a Condition, so community fail to understand why Department of Planning are overriding TfNSW' own argument!
- Traffic Impact is that some intersections have been recorded as "to Fail". They have assigned \$ to keep progressing examination of this. Forecast Consultant is to look at various impacts of WHT.
- There may be some leeway on green space, traffic and noise. Schools mandate that construction vehicles should not use local roads between 8am-4pm, or school hours. Movements are too dangerous. Planners seem to respect this, and it is a Condition that could be included.
- Air filtration: there is definite obfuscation on this point, and nothing has changed on this. One view gets told to the community and later denials in other documents.
- Australia needs to get Emissions and Fuel Standards fixed at the Federal level and expedite this.
- State government is now selling its remaining 49% stake in Westconnex
  
- A vote of thanks was given by Precinct to both GT and MdS for their relentless and ongoing work on the WHT issues, on behalf of us and our wider community.

### **Item 2: Feedback from Council & CPC Meetings**

- Next Council Meeting is scheduled for next week.
- **CPC-** The General Manager presented the EOY Council Financial Reports with the Mayor. [20mins] some key elements:
- NSC delivered \$30.5m Capital Works against \$25m original Budget in 2019/20; this includes \$9.4m on public domain upgrades; \$4.9m on roads & footpaths renewal; \$3.9m property refurbishment; \$2.4m stormwater drainage renewal; \$2.2m retaining

wall/seawall renewal; \$2m traffic & bike facilities; \$1.1m St Leonards Park Masterplan implementation; and \$4.6m miscellaneous.

- COVID-19 Impacts: Complicated operational & financial services; Property portfolio revenue dropped; Business rents waived for NSC's commercial properties; waived footpath & food inspection licence fees; Library & NSOP closed; Customer Service Centre remained open; and use of public spaces & recreation areas significantly increased.
- Profit & Loss Result: \$5.13 deficit [ loss]; Total Income: \$121.3m; Total Expenses \$126.46m. \$12.9m less than forecast (net operating)
- Working to a 5-year horizon.

#### **CPC Agenda feedback:**

- 18 months before the Western Harbour Tunnel Works reaches Waverton, IG reported from his liaison with TfNSW. The Floating Dry Dock will now not be entering Berrys Bay.
- GC met TfNSW re the Western Harbour Tunnel issues on behalf of Neutral Bay Precinct - only upshot was that the Ernest Street overpass will now be 1m wider and there will now be 5 additional parking spots created on Falcon Street.
- Building a Village Feel for Neutral Bay is a key priority focus for Parks Precinct based on the VOC held in Aug 2020 and they seek support from CPC to develop this as a CPC goal & want other Precincts support for this before the next CPC.
- Tree planting on private land will be a focus of NSC going forward & they are developing programs to encourage this.
- Lavender Green - NSC want to purchase Multiplex's lease - pending
- Military Road Planning Study Post Exhibition Report is now available.
- The Olympic Pool redevelopment- same number of showerheads/toilets as a minimum will be in place, but the 50m Outdoor Pool will no longer be fully saline, some saline water will be used. The new depths of the Indoor Pools will be:- 25m pool to be 1.2m to 1.3m deep & Indoor 25m Program - 0.9 to 1.3m deep. CPC Request to reopen the 25m Indoor pool is noted by Council.
- Western Harbour Tunnel Investigation Works - Why are they happening when approval not issued yet? NSC advised they will occur on TfNSW or on Council land as per Aug 2020 advice by TfNSW
- MLC Building- NSC discussed 5 Aug Meeting - see Minutes on web
- St Leonards Park Draft Management Plan CLOSES 20 DEC 2020.
- Social Housing - 287 Miller St, Cammeray to be acquired by NSC for Social Housing. This was raised as continuing to require higher focus at local & state levels

#### **Item 3: Draft Management Plan for St Leonards Park**

- Eastern side of park will be carved up. Look out for plans - submissions close on 20 December.
- Playground in St Leonards Park desperately needs upgrading - residents will make a submission to NSC with regard to this.
- Some residents would like identifying Name Tags on Trees in St Leonards Park.

#### **Item 4: Precinct System Review - Stage 2**

- Volunteers wanted for the forthcoming workshops.
- Precinct strongly argues against suburb lines proposed and wants to retain the current area it represents and will agree to incorporate inactive Bridgeview.

#### **Item 5: AGMs in 2021**

- Have been cancelled due to the Precinct Review & perhaps COVID-19

**Item 6: Moodie Street - Critical Issues:**

- Traffic Committee meeting to take place on 27 November 2020. Council, Police and Urban Transit Authority will be in attendance with the Mayor who chairs that Committee. Locals will attend & present on Zoom.

**Item 7: Overdevelopment Issues:**

- Precinct discussed briefly the Eden St, North Sydney development &
- 812 Pacific Highway - second highest building in Chatswood. Despite much local concern, Willoughby Council supports this development.

**Item 8: Traffic & Parking:**

- West St 2-hour Parking Meters - not liked at all by residents affected and query why they were required?

**Item 9: Other State/Council Initiatives**

- i. Street Play was well received by residents and children and it is a good initiative.
- ii. Young Street Closure: Not good but decision is final.
- iii. what happened to constructing Basketball Courts at the Cammeraygal School Campus on the old TAFE Site @ West Street? After all the push back & negotiations with local residents - did that get constructed or not?
- iv. Luna Park closes for 6 months upgrade, 9 new rides including upgrading current ones, new Big Dipper. Mayor commented how the Pool reconstruction traffic will vie for Olympic Drive with Luna Park construction traffic. The North Sydney Pool Works will cost approx. under \$60m.
- v. NSC will be asked to turn on the bubblers in Anzac Park which have been turned off.
- Vi. The Toilets in St Leonards Park at the Kids Playground are in serious need of upgrading

**Item 10: Other Local Issues:**

- i. Anzac Park Community Garden: The resignation of Eric Sturman (Streets Alive) was met with sadness. He did wonderful work on APG and other community gardens and for Streets Alive and will be missed. APG continues to do well and recently had an influx of new eager volunteers.
- ii. Stanton Library: 7-day openings are welcomed by Precinct.

The last Registry Precinct Meeting for the Year 2020 closed at 7.50pm.

The next Registry Precinct Meeting will be held at 6.30pm on Wednesday 27 January 2021 in the Ros Crichton Pavilion, Ted Mack Civic Park.