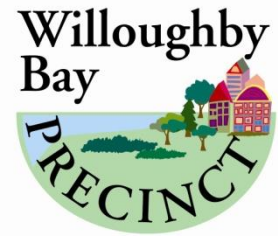


# **WILLOUGHBY BAY PRECINCT**

**PART OF NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY PRECINCT SYSTEM**



## **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD**

**THURSDAY 12th November 2020**

**COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM**

**ATTENDANCE:** 11 people attended the meeting

**APOLOGIES:** 5 were recorded

## **COVID-19 MEETING SAFETY PROCEDURES**

In accordance with COVID-19 meeting safety procedures, all attendees used the hand sanitiser, which was supplied and tables were wiped down before and after the meeting with the sanitiser. The COVID-19 signage was displayed. Social distancing was observed and no one reported feeling unwell. No unregistered persons attended the meeting.

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes for the 8th October 2020 meeting were adopted.

***Motion carried: 10 in favour, 1 abstention, 0 against***

**Precinct Chair advised that there would be no AGM tonight and incumbent office bearers had elected to remain through 2021. Next month there would be the standard Precinct Meeting but no Christmas function.**

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

## **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

- Council Response to Precinct's October 2020 Minutes

**Grasmere Road / Young Street Intersection** – Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that the Councillor Briefing was held. A further report was presented to Council on its 26 October 2020 meeting where it was resolved:

- THAT designs be prepared for a change of priority at the intersection between Grasmere Road and Young Street, Cremorne, and that the change be constructed subject to concurrence from the North Sydney Traffic Committee.
- THAT community notification on the change include details regarding why the change is being made and why a roundabout cannot be installed at the intersection.

**Precinct asks Council: Where do we find the detailed rationale behind Council's rejection of reinstatement of the roundabout?**

**Parking Restrictions for Waste Collections** – Council's Traffic and Transport Engineer has advised that Precinct's feedback has been treated as submission on the 3 street parking restrictions.

**Gerard Street / Macpherson Street Signalisation** – Council’s Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that Council staff are currently investigating the feasibility of alternatives at the intersection and a further report will be provided to Council in due course.

**Brothers Park** – Comments noted by Council’s Manager Parks and Reserves.

Precinct notes that the slab for the storage shed has already been poured.

**Prospect Avenue Road Surface** – Council’s Assets Manager has advised that the re-sheeting of the road pavement of Prospect Avenue is currently on the 2021/22 Roads Program. The Roads Program for this financial year has been allocated. If funds become available this financial year, the re-sheeting of Prospect Avenue will be brought forward.

**Waste** – Council response provided on FYI basis as to Federal assistance for onshore recycling.

**Access to Library** – Council’s Manager Library Services has advised that in order to manage numbers in the Library customers are asked to browse and borrow. On the Library’s website it says: The Library is open for “Browse and Borrow”. Due to current visitor number restrictions, under the Government Public Health Order, we ask that you keep your visit brief to allow other customers to access the Library. See below for more details on available services and spaces.

[Council Website/library](#)

- Memoranda of 12 October 2020 – Public Consultation – Bariston Avenue, Davidson Parade and Ellalong Road, Cremorne – Proposed Parking Arrangement – respond by Tuesday 27 October 2020 (received after Precinct October meeting)
- Memorandum of 21 October 2020 – AGMs not to be held in 2020/21 – current office bearers to continue
- Memorandum of 3 November 2020 – New draft plan of Management for St Leonards Park on exhibition – submissions accepted until Sunday 20 December 2020.
- Memorandum of 10 November 2020 – Precinct System Review – Stage 2
- Memorandum of 11 November 2020 – Precinct Office Bearers and Meeting Dates Form
- Minutes of the North Sydney Council Traffic Committee Meeting of 4 September 2020
- Agenda and Minutes of the North Sydney Council Traffic Committee Meeting of 16 October 2020
- Agenda of the North Sydney Council Committee Meeting of 26 October 2020
- Primrose Park Tennis Courts – The Federal Member for North Sydney, Mr Trent Zimmerman has advised that Council is to receive an additional grant of \$2,175,138.00 under the Australian Government’s Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program – Round 2, to repair the four courts. Council understands that the money will be accessible from 1 January 2021 and that it needs to be spent by the end of the calendar year.
- Voluntary Planning Agreement – 173-179 Walker Street and 11-17 Hampden Street, North Sydney – Precinct discussed the merits of additional affordable housing versus the 60m increase in the height limit.

- Events Update 2020-2021 Season – the event program outlined in this report is contingent on events being permissible under Public Health Orders at the time of the event or an exemption being granted. All events would have a COVID risk management plan in place and a designated Event Officer to ensure its implementation.
- Young Street Plaza and Road Closure Trial – Nov 2 for 8 weeks
- Recycle Right update brochures mail-boxed.

## **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS**

33	Ryries	Parade	DA Plans
21	Ryries	Parade	DA Plans
28	Lodge	Road	DA Plans
74	Ellalong	Road	DA Approved

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **1. Precinct System Review – Stage2**

Stage 2 workshops are open exclusively to active Precinct Committees and will occur in two phases, the first will commence in late November and the second phase from late January.

Phase A dates are Friday 27 November, Wednesday 2 December, Thursday 3 December and Wednesday 9 December.

Registration is open to a maximum of four (4) representatives per Precinct Committee.

For continuity it is expected that the same people will be involved through both phases – as the second phase flows on from the first phase.

Complete the one (1) online registration form per Precinct Committee by Friday 20 November 2020.

Precinct discussion of time spent already on submissions arguably sufficient for Council's Review.

Christmas timing of intense workshopping sessions regretted, but Precinct will seek to participate notwithstanding.

### **2. Brothers Park Gardening Group**

A further gardening bee will be organized next week.

### **3. Bus 243 Timetable**

A Precinct member believes that the Bus 243 timetable is under review. Precinct members will endeavour to check whether any changes are in store for this timetable.

### **4. Recycling Issues**

Precinct thanks Council for changing the recorded option #3 as to kerbside e-waste pickups and directing residents to the Artarmon Waste Centre.

Precinct also thanks Council for a further edition of the Recycle Right brochure – a useful guide to residents in preventing contamination of the yellow lidded recycling bins.

**Precinct asks Council the following questions:**

**In view of offshore market problems, what proportion of the recycled product is actually recycled?**

**Will any of the red bin product previously recycled for landscape use again be put to like use?**

## **Precinct discussion of desirable circular system for usage of resources as against current, wasteful linear system**

**Green Waste Bookings** - Precinct would like to suggest that a simpler system be adopted when residents are making a green waste booking on line, for example, a number signifying that address (or simply address) rather than the resident having to continuously list their name and address, phone number etc every time a booking is made.

**Instalment Notices** – Precinct notes that its draft motion for single notification of annual rates instalment arrangements with tear off slips for those paying quarterly was not accepted by Council to be put to LGNSW. A meeting vote presently opposed pursuing the issue by requesting Council provide an estimate of the cost of mail outs of each rate instalment notice.

**Development Control Plan** has been amended to reduce tree protection dimension from 10 to 5 metres. Precinct previously opposed this change and regrets not only the extra admin trouble and expense for Council and residents but also the animosity which may arise between neighbours.

### **5. Tobruk Avenue**

A Precinct resident in Tobruk (not present at Meeting) raised concerns that 3 Tobruk Avenue may be operating as a guest house. Another resident has been putting notices in neighbouring letter boxes, to alert residents. Precinct Chair advised the resident to contact Council.

### **6. Christmas Decorations**

A Precinct resident would like North Sydney to display more of a Christmas spirit, especially since COVID has impacted our lives.

### **7. Kerbs and Guttering**

A Precinct member raised concerns that kerbs and guttering in this Precinct do not comply with easy access. Precinct members will be making a list of locations where the kerbs and guttering are non-compliant.

### **8. Young Street Closure**

A Precinct member stated that with concern that the Young Street closure cars travelling from the west on Military Road bank up considerably as they wait to turn left into Ben Boyd Road.

Meeting closed at 9.25 pm

Next meeting will be on Thursday 10 December 2020

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