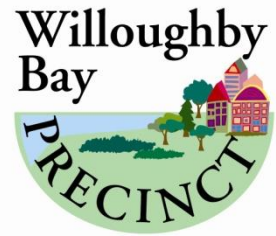


WILLOUGHBY BAY PRECINCT

PART OF NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY PRECINCT SYSTEM



MINUTES OF MEETING HELD **THURSDAY 10th September 2020** **COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM**

ATTENDANCE: 14 people attended the meeting
APOLOGIES: 6 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 13th August 2020 meeting were adopted

Motion carried: 9 in favour, 5 abstentions, 0 against

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

It was confirmed that there be no initials identification of attendees or other residents by initials reference in the Minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- **Council Response to Precinct's August 2020 Minutes**

Brothers Memorial Park – Comments noted by Council's Manager Parks and Reserves – plan to be reviewed once submitted. Council's Streets Alive Co-ordinator has also been advised about the project.

Compliance Development Certificates – Comments noted by Council's Manager Development Services.

Gerard St / Macpherson St Signalisation – Comments noted by Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations.

DA224/2019 – Comments noted by Council's Executive Assessment Planner.

Drainage Grate in Fernhurst Ave / tree planting - Council's Contracts Manager has advised this work has been allocated to a contractor. Estimated completion date is 30 September 2020.

Coles / Woolworths Over Packaging - Comments noted by Council's Senior Sustainability Programs Co-ordinator who has advised that Council has no jurisdiction over the packaging practices of businesses but assists businesses to reduce their waste through the Better Business Partnership (BBP). Regrettably, Coles and Woolworths are not members of this free program.

Precinct System Review - Precinct Committee's submission to Stage 1 has been received. All submissions received will be collated and analysed.

Rate Notices – UPDATE (25 August 2020): Council at its meeting of 24 August 2020 consider all suggested motions (including Precinct’s motion for all instalment notices as slips in the initial notice) put forward by Precinct Committees. It resolved to thank the Precinct Committees for their suggestions and to adopt only Lavender Bay Precinct Committee’s suggested motion regarding educational institutions acquiring additional land to pay rates on such new acquisitions.

UPDATE: Gerard Lane has been re-sheeted from Langley Avenue to Benelong Road today 10 Sept 2020.

- **Minutes of the North Sydney Council Committee Meeting held on 24 August 2020**
- **Business Proposed to be transacted at Traffic Committee Meeting on 4 Sept 2020**

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

1/9 Tobruk Avenue	DA Plans
35 Ellalong Road	DA Plans
8 Fernhurst Avenue	DA Plans
16 Davidson Parade	DA Withdrawn by Applicant
40 Ellalong Road	DA Plans

SUBJECT: 40 Ellalong Road Cremorne – DA176/20

Concerns raised by a representative of Ryries Parade residents.

MOTION: Precinct was shown by a resident DA (plans and photo) of the proposed development and notes shortcomings and possible breaches of NSDCP including (i) privacy (lack of suitable screening devices), width, depth and height of proposed deck; position of large deck on new third storey, (ii) site coverage, (iii) height (2.5m above existing roof structure), (iv) noise impacts, (v) inadequate boundary setbacks. Precinct notes residents’ such concerns and encourages Council to address *the* concerns raised, particularly the issues of overlooking and loss of privacy.

Motion Carried: 14 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Grasmere Road / Young Street Intersection

MOTION: Precinct notes from February 2020 Meeting Minutes the Mayor’s attendance and interest in Precinct’s view that the above roundabout be reinstated. Precinct appreciates the subsequent Mayoral Minute to that end and enquires as to the status of that Minute and progress of the matter in Council.

Motion Carried: 14 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against

2. Gerard Lane 10km/hr Shared Zone

Precinct is unsure whether this proposal has been adopted.

3. Primrose Park Tennis Courts

MOTION: Precinct enquires as to Council's plans for the funding of refurbishment of these courts as they are in disrepair and verging on unsafe.

Motion Carried: 13 in favour, 1 abstention, 0 against

4. Council Regulation of Precinct / Council Representation

Precinct held further discussion of Precinct's submission opposing the Review amendment and the view represented by Precinct's submission was affirmed. Precinct's longstanding practice of evenness in meeting invitation and communication with Council was also affirmed as part of North Sydney's commendable open government policy.

5. 2020/21 7% Rate Increase

Precinct discussion revealed a large disparity in rates; some members' rates had gone down; others had risen by 9.97%.

6. NBN Presentations to Community Groups

To request a session email nbnsessions@nbn.com.au

7. Community Housing Project – New Generation Boarding House

At Council's meeting on 27 July 2020 (Item 8.21. Community Housing Project and Funds: New Generation Boarding House), Council decided that this matter be deferred for a Councillor Briefing to be scheduled as soon as practicable.

MOTION: Precinct asks the Mayor to advise please the outcome of the Councillor briefing on Council Meeting Item 8.21 27 (July 2020) Community Housing Project and Funds: New Generation Boarding House and also the basis for non-acceptance by Council staff of the recommendation to proceed with this project.

Motion Carried: 14 in favour, 0 abstentions, 0 against

8. Disclosure Scheme of Private Interests of Councillors and Senior Staff

Resident raised news of NSW enquiry into present system shortcomings with some Councils and advised procedure to access such disclosure forms. Meeting questioned whether there is any audit or independent scrutiny of disclosure details, random or otherwise.

9. Brothers Park Update

Resident reported that rain stopped the gardening this week, but session organiser will be in contact with the team when a stretch of dry weather returns.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Next meeting will be on Thursday 8th October 2020

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