

## Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) 2019 - Willoughby Bay Precinct

This document is North Sydney Council's response to actions arising from Precinct Committee Minutes. On receipt of the minutes, actions are numbered and allocated to relevant Council Officers for response. To effectively manage and provide clarity, all actions are allocated a status when reporting to Precinct Committees in response to their minutes. There are three categories:

- **Awaiting Response** - action allocated to Council Officer - response awaited.
- **Open/Ongoing** - action allocated to Council Officer, initial response provided. Matter ongoing and further response/update to be provided at later date.
- **Closed for Council** - Council either completed related works/tasks or has taken all reasonable steps within its power to resolve issue (for example when matter is beyond its jurisdiction). If the Precinct Committee feels Council can take further steps, they can request Council reopen action.

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November		<p><b>Grasmere Road-Young Street Intersection</b> - Council has noted Precinct's objection to the speed cushions which were installed after extensive community consultation indicated overall majority support for them. Council officers are continuing to observe traffic conditions at the intersection and investigate how the priority change can be retrofitted to the intersection in accordance with the resolution of Council.</p> <p>With regard to reinstatement of the roundabout, this was considered in the report to Council on 29 April 2019 and was not supported due to inadequate manoeuvrability for buses and reduced amenity outcomes for pedestrians and cyclists.</p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> Precinct asks Council to advise extent of prior local consultation and details of the technical reasons for not reinstating the roundabout, including which regulations or guidelines would be offended by reinstatement of the roundabout.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that the 29 April 2019 report to Council is available on Council's website at <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/files/sharedassets/public/webmeetings/2019/apr_29_2019_700pm/engineering_and_property_services_division_29_apr_2019/eps03_young_street_and_grasmere_road_cremorne_intersection_-_consultation_outcomes.pdf">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/files/sharedassets/public/webmeetings/2019/apr_29_2019_700pm/engineering_and_property_services_division_29_apr_2019/eps03_young_street_and_grasmere_road_cremorne_intersection_-_consultation_outcomes.pdf</a></p> <p>Relevant guideline is Austroads Guide to Road Design Part 4: Intersections and Crossings The 29/4/19 report to Council notes the following technical factors for the suggested roundabout: If a roundabout was to be constructed, it would need to accommodate bus turning movements, service vehicle movements in all directions, and pedestrian crossing facilities that satisfy contemporary design standards (a previous roundabout in the location did not achieve these criteria) – this combination of requirements will result in significant reductions to pedestrian and verge areas, potential loss of parking, and potentially significant</p>	Closed for Council

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		Motion Carried: 11 in favour, 1 against, 2 abstentions	adjustments to services infrastructure, the full extent of which would not be known unless a detailed design and costing was prepared.	
		<p><b>Emptying of Bins</b> A Precinct member raised concerns about how the waste contractor staff often leave emptied bins up to 50m away from residents properties and would request Council to contact URM and request that empty bins are returned to the properties where collected.</p>	Tasked to Council's Waste Operations and Education Officer for response	Awaiting Response
		<p><b>Little Young Street Community Garden</b> Council resolved that a site visit be undertaken by interested Councillors of a proposed Community Garden site at Little Young Street, Neutral Bay.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Precinct supports the establishment of a community garden in Little Young Street Neutral Bay. Motion Carried: 12 in favour, 2 abstentions, 0 against</p>	Precinct Committee's comments noted by Council's Street Alive Coordinator.	Closed for Council
		<p>Military Road Corridor Planning Study Stage 1 Council resolved that a draft Future Direction Paper for the Military Road Corridor Planning Study considers the community feedback as detailed in the Stage 1 Discussion Papers.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Precinct confirms its firm opposition to high rise in the Military Road Corridor Planning Study Stage 1 Discussion Papers. Precinct expresses concern that significant increase in building height would be out of character with Neutral Bay's local village atmosphere/scale. Motion Carried: 13 in favour, 1 abstention, 0 against</p>	<p>Council Senior Strategic Planner – Urban Design has advised that Earlier feedback from the Willoughby Precinct Committee was received Thursday, 10 October 2019.</p> <p>This motion was accepted as a late submission and was considered and reported to Council at its meeting held 28 October 2019. The opposing view to height is considered in the next stage of the MRCPS work, the draft Future Direction Paper.</p>	Closed for Council

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		<p><b>Special Rate Variation</b>  <b>Motion:</b> Willoughby Bay Precinct Committee requests North Sydney Council to advise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Has the Residential Ad Valorem Rate for 2019/20 increased by 10.01% on the 2018/19 rate?</li> <li>2. Has the Business Ad Valorem Rate for 2019/20 increased by 3.75% on the 2018/19 rate?</li> <li>3. Has the Total Residential Rate Pool for 2019/20 increased by 8.21% on the 2018/19 rate, and if not 8.21% what % increase?</li> <li>4. Has the Total Business Rate Pool for 2019/20 increased by 3.87% on the 2018/19 rate, and if not 3.87% what % increase?</li> <li>5. Apart from it being included in the detailed spreadsheets appended to North Sydney Council's IPART submission (Application Part A); where did North Sydney Council communicate the fact that a decision was made within Council that the Business Ad Valorem Rate would increase by 3.75% and the Residential Ad Valorem Rate would increase by 10.01%?</li> <li>6. North Sydney Council's IPART application modelling suggests that within Council a decision was made for the Total Residential Rate Pool to increase by 8.21% compared with a 3.87% increase in the Total Business Rate Pool. What was the basis of the Council decision to not maintain parity between the residential and business rate pools and how was that decision communicated to ratepayers, other than in the detailed spreadsheets appended to North Sydney Council's IPART submission (Application Part A)?</li> </ol>	<p>Tasked to Council's Manager Financial Services for response.</p> <p>Note: Same motion submitted to Council by Combined Precincts Committee for action at its meeting held 19 November 2019</p>	<p>Awaiting Response</p>

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		<p>7. What is the explanation for the Total Residential Rate Pool for 2019/20 being increased by 8.21% and not the 7% increase that was communicated to residents?</p> <p>8. What is the impact on residential ratepayers of the non-application of rate increase parity between the Total Residential Rate Pool and the Total Business Rate Pool over the 3 year period 2019/22 of the IPART approval?</p> <p>9. Does Council intend to amend future rate increases in 2020/22 to restore the 2018/19 parity between the Total Residential Rate Pool and the Total Business Rate Pool, and if not, why not?</p> <p>Motion Carried: 13 in favour, 1 abstention, 0 against</p>		
		<p><b>North Sydney Olympic Pool</b>  Cr. Carr advised that the pool went through a consultative process in 2014 - 2015. Due to proposed Council amalgamations, plans for anything not previously budgeted for and accounted for were put on hold. At the time Option 2 was most favoured, but there has been a massive change; originally priced at \$28m in 2014 it is now budgeted at \$57m. Cr. Carr believes he will be 'extraordinarily surprised' if it comes in under \$80m. Council has received a commitment of \$10m from the Federal Government and asked for \$10m from the State Government which is yet to commit, leaving a shortfall of \$47m.</p> <p>The plans have changed from the original Option 2 which was the refurbishment of the original pool built in 1938 for the Empire Games, which had 2 children's pools, a grandstand, change rooms and a 50m outdoor pool</p>	<p>The next stage of consultation is DA 347/19 closing 13 December 2019.</p> <p>Council's Director Engineering &amp; Property Services has advised that North Sydney Council formally adopted at its meeting of 25 March 2019 - the recommendations of Council Report EPS03 - Option 2b for the redevelopment of the North Sydney Pool where it was reported to Council that the cost of the Project had increased from \$28million (Option 2 - developed in 2014) to \$57.9 million in March 2019 (Option 2b). This report is available on <a href="#">Council's website</a> - relevant section from the front page of the report is below. Within the report there is detail on why the cost of Option 2 - developed in 2014 - \$28million - had increased to \$57.9 million in 2019 (Option 2b). The full report is available here <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Council_Meetings/Council_Reports_25_Mar_2019">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Council_Reports_25_Mar_2019</a></p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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		<p>The new plan, Option 2A includes an update to all the change rooms which was required, a new grandstand and new cover. However there is an OH&amp;S issue because the steepness of the stairs does not meet code regulations. So all of that will have to be replaced. Also included in the new plan is a multi-level gymnasium - put in with a view that a certain percentage of members will help to recover some of the costs, 2 restaurants and a children's theme park. Retention of main heritage items is envisaged.</p> <p><b>Email from Cr Tony Carr on 15 November 2019</b> Why NSOP has changed from what was agreed Version 2- (\$28m) to now be 2A - (\$57m). Where is the funding coming from? Why haven't the community be consulted on the change?</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION:</b></p> <p><b>1. THAT</b> Council resolves to progress the completion of Design Stage 2 (Development Application and Statutory Approvals) for the redevelopment of the North Sydney Olympic Pool based on Option 2b, noting that the current total project cost estimate for this design (inclusive of construction, project management, design and project contingency costs) is in the order of \$57.9 million.</p> <p><b>2. THAT</b> Council continues to pursue funding contributions from the Federal and State Government that will be essential for the project to progress to the implementation (Construction Stage).</p> <p><b>3. THAT</b> Council notes that further community consultation on the developed (Option 2b) will be undertaken as part of the Development Application process whereby the development application is required to be publicly exhibited as per Section 4 (Notification of Applications) of Council's Development Control Plan 2013.</p> <p>A further status update report EPS01 26 August 2019 is available <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Council_Meetings/Council_Reports_26_Aug_2019">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Council_Reports_26_Aug_2019</a></p>	
		<p><b>Care and Protection of Bushland</b> A resident advised that there had been a further example of rubbish dumping in Wonga Road Bushland. Much of this dumping occurs at night, often from passing cars. The view of Precinct is that given the facility of fortnightly collections by North Sydney Council, it may well be that dumpers are more likely to be from outside this LGA.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> In support of bushland care and protection and as addressed in the current and draft Bushland Management Policy, Precinct Committee would support the installation of cameras, covering the known dumping hotspots, including those in Wonga Road Bushland.</p>	<p>Council's Bushland Management Coordinator has advised that that the Bushland Team is grateful that the issue of dumping along Wonga Rd Reserve has been discussed at the meeting and whilst installation of CCTV cameras is not a viable option for us at the moment (due to the costs involved), we will monitor the area and place out "Report Illegal Dumping" signs in known hotspots as they appear.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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		Motion Carried: 10 in favour, 4 abstentions, 0 against		
		<b>Emergency Services Levy (ESL)</b> - Council reply noted but residents remain confused by the apparent vagueness and ambiguity between the response and the brochure enclosed with rates.	Council's Manager Financial Services has advised that residents are not directly impacted. Councils are required to make an annual contribution (11.7% of total ESL budget). North Sydney Council's share is an ongoing operating expense and included in the annual budget process. On 13 August 2019, Council was advised by the Minister for Local Government that the first year increase would be funded by the NSW Government. The flyer was distributed to all residents for their 'information only'.	
October		<b>Special Rate Variation</b> - Precinct is of the view that the response from Council was inadequate. Precinct decided to raise Precinct's concerns at the next CPC meeting on 21 October 2019. Precinct will consider future motions to be put to Council.	Noted by Council's Manager Financial Services and Manager Integrated Planning and Special Projects.	Closed for Council
		<b>Grasmere Road Young Street Intersection</b> - Council has advised that speed cushions were installed on 21 September 2019. Intersection operation will continue to be monitored.  <b>Motion:</b> Precinct raises concerns at the Grasmere Road Young Street intersection and especially objects to the speed cushions and removal of the roundabout. Precinct understood that there was going to be a change in the priority from Grasmere to Young Street. Council has made a safe intersection into an unsafe one not only for motorists but also for cyclists. Precinct requests again for the reinstatement of the roundabout. Motion Carried: 15 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstention	Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that the Precinct Committee's objection to the speed cushions is noted. Council resolved to install the speed cushions following extensive community consultation which indicated overall majority support for the speed cushions, particularly from those residing in the vicinity of the intersection. Council offers are continuing to observe traffic conditions at the intersection and investigate how the priority change can be retrofitted to the intersection in accordance with the resolution of Council.  It is noted that the Precinct Committee has requested reinstatement of the roundabout. This was considered in the report to Council on 29 April 2019 and was not supported	Closed for Council

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			due to inadequate manoeuvrability for buses, and reduced amenity outcomes for pedestrians and cyclists.									
		<p><b>Draft 40km/h and 10km/h Shared Zones Masterplan (Memorandum 6 September 2019)</b> - Included in the plan are the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reducing Gerard Street to 40km/h</li> <li>2. Reducing Parraween Street to 40km/h</li> <li>3. Making Langley Lane a 10km/h shared zone</li> <li>4. Making Gerard Lane a 10km/h shared zone</li> </ol> <p><b>Motion:</b> Precinct robustly objects to all four of the above proposed changes in the Draft Masterplan and wishes to keep the status quo. Motion Carried: 16 in favour, 0 against, 1 abstention</p>	Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that the Precinct Committee's comments are noted and will be taken into consideration when the matter is reported to Council.	Closed for Council								
		<p><b>Development Applications</b></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">10 Shellbank Parade</td> <td>DA Plans</td> </tr> <tr> <td>31 Richmond Avenue</td> <td>DA Plans</td> </tr> <tr> <td>19 Montague Street</td> <td>DA Approved</td> </tr> <tr> <td>390-394 Military Road</td> <td>DA Approved</td> </tr> </table>	10 Shellbank Parade	DA Plans	31 Richmond Avenue	DA Plans	19 Montague Street	DA Approved	390-394 Military Road	DA Approved	Development Applications noted.	Closed for Council
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	6	<b>Arrival of Bins</b> - A Precinct member wished to complement Peter Massey and his team for the supply of new bins.	Compliments noted.	Closed for Council								
	7	<b>Graffiti in Primrose Park</b> - A Precinct Committee member advised that after sending a message to Council on 27 September 2019 with photographs, stating that previous graffiti which had been previously removed, has returned. To locate graffiti on the rock face, walk down the winding path, below the Grafton Street bus stop, down to the tennis courts. Precinct Committee requests removal of the graffiti.	Council's Administration Officer (Works) has advised that graffiti has been removed on 16 October 2019, with feedback from contractor: It took longer time for completions/removals, as the locations of graffiti is down to the tennis courts on the winding path and slippery, and it was difficult to bring the equipment/machines close enough to the rock.	Closed for Council								

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September		<p><b>Graffiti 236-240 Military Road Neutral Bay -</b> Photographs were circulated showing graffiti still clearly visible on three first level shop fronts at 236 - 240 Military Road Neutral Bay. <b>Precinct Committee requests Council please address this matter best to the extent to which it is empowered.</b></p>	<p>Council's Administration Officer (Works) has inspected the locations. The graffiti are above the awnings and is not covered under our regular graffiti removal program (on private properties). Council's contractor has been requested to quote for the following locations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 236 Military Road, Neutral Bay,</li> <li>2. 238 Military Road, Neutral Bay,</li> <li>3. 240 Military Road, Neutral Bay.</li> </ol>	Open/Ongoing
		<p><b>Business Proposed to be transacted from the Traffic Committee Meeting 26 July 2019 -</b> the consultant's report on the Macpherson and Gerard Street signalisation has been referred to the RMS for review and includes four options for consideration. <b>Precinct Committee requests copy consultant's report to view options, RMS report when available and to be kept informed generally.</b></p>	<p>Precinct Committee comments noted by Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations. Council is awaiting further feedback from RMS. Council will endeavour to update the Precinct Committee as these progresses and as appropriate.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (4 November 2019)</b> Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that the RMS has reviewed the draft signal plans and had concerns about the location of the signalised crossing (where the current zebra crossing is) due to the pedestrian volumes being lower than the RMS warrant. We are organising for more extensive counts to be undertaken to support the proposal. The Precinct Committee will be advised when the plan is suitable for public release.</p>	Open/Ongoing
		<p><b>Memorandum 11 September 2019 Community Ward Forums Reinstated -</b> Precinct Committee feedback on agenda "content" and "timing" closes Friday 27 September 2019. Precinct Committee approved the concept generally and also the staff proposals as to content and timing.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Precinct Committee supports the recommendation of Council to reinstate the Community Ward Forums</p>	<p>Precinct Committee comments noted by Manager Integrated Planning and Special Projects.</p>	Closed for Council



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		<p>Program established in 2008/09 as a complementary engagement program to the Precinct System, in line with Council's Open Government Policy. Motion Carried: 15 in favour, 0 against, 0 abstentions</p>		
	2	<p><b>Special Rate Variation</b> - The Precinct Committee Chair advised that at the July meeting, Precinct Committee queried why the residential rate increase was greater than the 7% stated by Council. Council has advised that the Special Rate Variation (SRV) application was approved for 7% over a period of 3 years. The annual permissible increase is applied to the total pool of rating revenue, not individual properties. Valuations on individual properties are then used to determine the spread of that increase across the Council area. The independent valuation of land in the Council area is determined by the Valuer General (VG). The Precinct Committee Chair advised that the reasons provided by Council did not explain the increase. An analysis of Council's IPART application indicates that the real reason was the differential in the ad valorem rates for residential and business rate payers.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Precinct Committee's question is: Where Council advised the community that the ad valorem rate increase for Residential of 10.01% (i.e. 0.000869 to 0.000956) was much higher than for Business ad valorem rate Increase of 3.75% (i.e. 0.005038 to 0.005227), apart from it being buried in the detailed spreadsheets, appended to North Sydney Council's IPART submission? Motion Carried: 15 in favour, 0 against, 0 abstentions</p>	<p>Council's Manager Financial Services has advised that the SRV correspondence/promotional material (including the Information Sheet sent to all ratepayers) was prepared in accordance with IPART guidance showing average and cumulate impact per rating category.</p> <p>All applications were exhibited by IPART who called for submissions during the advertised period. The SRV modelling was prepared using August 2018 rates data, which was used to prepare the Information Sheet based on average impact across residential and business ratepayers and identified the impact of a 7% increase of the minimum rate from \$526 to \$563.</p> <p>As a result of the increase in the minimum, the comparative data from 2018/19 to 2019/20 resulted in a decrease in the total number of minimum ratepayers, which results in an increase in the ad valorem calculation for those ratepayers not on the minimum. The business ratepayers had a slightly increase in the number of minimum assessments, but the impact was not as great as the residential movement in the number of assessments. Each year the rate in the dollar is adopted in July. The 2019/20 rate levy incorporated all land value movements/new registered properties up to the date of the levy (i.e. mid-June 2019), thus the rate in the dollar is a point in time calculation based on the rating category</p>	Closed for Council

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			<p>breakdown (i.e. the number of minimum assessments verses properties on the ad valorem/rate in the dollar).</p> <p>IPART's determination was announced in May 2019, allowing Council to implement the rate increase effective from 1 July 2019.</p>	
	3	<p><b>Emergency Service Levy</b> - Precinct Committee notes the Council flyer on this included "in the interests of transparency" within rates notice envelopes but raises the issues in the motion below.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Precinct Committee asks Council:</p> <p>a) What component is the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) in our rates notices? (Other councils list the ESL separately and Precinct Committee suggests this is the transparent course).</p> <p>b) Why are residents now paying the ESL in both their rates and in their insurance premiums, in some cases approx. equivalent sums?</p> <p>c) What is the outcome of Council representations to State Government (foreshadowed in the flyer) as to ESL quantum and collection shift to local government?</p> <p>Motion Carried: 15 in favour, 0 against, 0 abstentions</p>	<p>Council's Manager Financial Services has advised that the flyer sent with the rate notices was intended for information only, in accordance with the Council resolution of 24 June 2019 (refer to Council's response to related action from May 2019).</p> <p>a) No component of the ESL is included in Council rates. All councils are invoiced annually for the ESL and the NSW Fire and Emergency Services Levy.</p> <p>b) Residential ratepayers are not paying the ESL in their rates. There is possible confusion with the proposed Fire and Emergency Services Levy (FESL) being recovered through rate notices. This was to replace the emergency services component of home insurance policies. The NSW Government deferred this proposal in June 2017. For more information visit <a href="https://www.treasury.nsw.gov.au/projects-initiatives/fire-and-emergency-services-levy">https://www.treasury.nsw.gov.au/projects-initiatives/fire-and-emergency-services-levy</a></p> <p>c) The NSW Government has suspended for 12 months, enabling councils can be prepared 2020/21 operating budgets to incorporate the proposed increase.</p>	Closed for Council
	4	<p><b>Military Road Corridor Planning Study</b> - Precinct Committee discussed the demand for increased commercial and residential space in Neutral Bay, the impact of additional building height on Military Road and the closure of Young Street.</p>	<p>Precinct Committee comments noted by Council's Manager Strategic Planning and will be taking into consideration in the preparation and refinement of the planning study.</p>	Closed for Council

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		<p><b>Motion:</b> Willoughby Bay Precinct Committee has reviewed the North Sydney Council Military Road Corridor Planning Study and wishes to submit the following concerns to Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Precinct Committee considers that the existing development controls allows the opportunity for increased commercial and residential development as evidenced by the recent redevelopment projects completed in Neutral Bay and Cremorne.</li> <li>2. Precinct Committee opposes any increase in the height limit above the 5 storeys and therefore supports the retention of the base case.</li> <li>3. Precinct Committee opposes the closure of Young Street to Grosvenor Lane, as included in options 1, 2 and 3.</li> <li>4. Precinct Committee does not consider Council's small scale property holdings in Neutral Bay as commercial justification for an increase in the height limit.</li> <li>5. Precinct Committee proposes retention of remnant local historic character by preservation of "heritage" shop frontages to Military Rd.</li> <li>6. The Study leaves Precinct Committee uncertain as to which option would permit the construction of an underground car park at Grosvenor Plaza and asks Council to clarify this and elaborate on any such proposal.</li> </ol> <p>Motion Carried:            (Items 1, 2, 4 &amp; 5) 16 in favour, 0 against, 0 abstentions            (Item 3) 15 in favour, 1 against, 0 abstentions</p>		

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	5	<p><b>Community Garden in Little Young Street</b>  <b>Motion:</b> Precinct Committee supports proposal for Community Garden in Little Young Street, Cremorne.  Motion Carried: 15 in favour, 0 against, 0 abstentions</p>	Precinct Committee comments noted by Street Alive Coordinator.	Closed for Council
	6	<p><b>Grasmere Road Young Street Intersection</b> - A resident queried and Precinct Committee asks: What was the current position with regard to the proposed changes to the Grasmere Road Young Street Intersection?</p>	Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that speed cushions were installed on 21 September 2019. Intersection operation will be continue to be monitored.	Closed for Council
	8	<p><b>Cremorne Tidal Flow</b> - Precinct Committee noted broad local concern with safety and aesthetic issues around Cremorne Tidal Flow in vicinity of Cremorne Junction.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Precinct Committee supports the RMS guidelines concerning delineation devices for tidal flow management which dictate they "should not be installed near well-defined areas of pedestrian activity". Contrary to this, such devices are located between two closely spaced signalised pedestrian crossings at Cremorne Junction.  Precinct Committee invites the Mayor and local MPs, Gladys Berejikian and Felicity Wilson, to meet with Council and/or Precinct Committee reps at the site at peak periods to observe these unsatisfactory conditions.  Motion Carried: 15 in favour, 0 against, 0 abstentions</p>	Precinct Committee comments noted by Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations. This would be a matter for RMS or the Local Member. NFA required from Council officers at this stage.	Closed for Council
August		<p><b>Business Proposed to be transacted from the Traffic Committee Meeting 26 July 2019</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That Macpherson and Gerard St pedestrian signals be expedited as a high priority and traffic signals to be included as a standing item on future Traffic Committee agendas.</li> </ul>	Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that the consultant's report has been referred to the RMS for review and includes four options for consideration. RMS will need to determine the preferred option and may require further revisions. A copy can be provided to the Precinct Committee once this is further refined.	Open/Ongoing

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		Precinct requests Council make available a copy of the consultant's draft of the Macpherson and Gerard St signalisation so Precinct can check the design and proposed operation.		
		<p><b>North Sydney Tree and Gardening Teams</b> - Residents expressed general disquiet over stale resident preferences being relied upon for recent street plantings of Camellias/Sasanquas in lieu of appropriate natives, raised referral to Habitat Tree Creation Service for converting senescent trees and noted that the UFS over-arches the Bushland Management and Rehab Plans.</p>	<p>Council's Tree Management Supervisor has advised that Council's Urban Forest Strategy outlines the importance of both natives and exotics within our streetscape. North Sydney currently has a wide diversity of species and a good balance between native and exotic species. This diversity and balance reflects both the local indigenous landscape and the cultural landscape that has evolved since European habitation. Council recognises that all trees regardless of their place of origin, contribute to the environment.</p> <p>The current North Sydney street tree population consists of approximately 54% native species and 46% exotic species, and approximately 30% of the population is deciduous. While many argue that deciduous trees have no leaf area during winter, there are other important benefits derived during this period (i.e. additional sunlight to adjacent buildings reduces energy consumption for heating and lighting, whilst the branch structure still functions to buffer wind and therefore reduce the wind-chill factor).</p> <p>The recent plantings of several Camellias within the Willoughby Bay Precinct was in response to both resident requests and to enhance the existing streetscape. Where possible and viable Council will convert existing senescent trees to habitat, generally in Bushland areas or low usage areas of a reserve.</p>	Closed for Council

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	5	<b>60ltr Carry Bins to be replaced by 80ltr Red Bins and other waste changes</b> - Precinct suggests that Council amend any website or future communication reference to Green Waste bins being "required for more efficient collections" and instead state that they are "recommended for more efficient collections". Precinct continues to oppose firmly any mandating of green waste bins.	Council's Manager Environmental Services has noted wording suggestions and Council's website has been amended.	Closed for Council
		<b>Military Road/Neutral Bay Graffiti has returned</b> - A Precinct member reported that after earlier general removal, graffiti has returned to first level shop fronts on western side, near Military Road/Waters Road corner.	Council's Administration Officer (Works) has advised that graffiti found in the corner of Military and Waters Roads was removed on 23 August 2019.	Closed for Council
July		<b>2019/20 Rating Structure</b> - the 2019/20 Rating Structure has been calculated based on the IPART determination and applies to a special variation increase in the general income of 7% and includes a 7% increase in the minimum rates for both residential and business rateable properties. The minimum rate has gone up from \$526 to \$563, which is 7%. The Chair queried the calculation of the residential rate increase over the previous year.	<b>UPDATE (12 August 2019)</b> Council's Manager Financial Services has advised that the Special Rate Variation (SRV) application for North Sydney Council was approved for 7% over a period of 3 years, the annual permissible increase is applied to the total pool of rating revenue, not individual properties. Valuations on individual properties are then used to determine the spread of that increase across the Council area. Council plays no part in the independent valuation of land in the Council area, this is performed by the Valuer General (VG).  The total land value (LV) for 2019/20 rates was \$18,391,031,946.00 (\$18.4 Billion). This LV is initially allocated in accordance with the number of properties on the minimum rate (\$563) to determine the share of total income. The remaining LV for those properties not on the minimum is used to calculate a rate in the dollar to generate the remaining balance of the total allowable income.	Closed for Council

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			<p>Comparing the current rate in the dollar to the previous year's rate has a number of variables which distorts the % increase. These variables are the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• total number of minimum ratepayers (additional 285 from previous year)</li> <li>• total number of properties not on the minimum rate (additional 142 from previous year)</li> <li>• changes to land values (as a result of revaluations throughout the year)</li> </ul> <p>The 7% SRV increase determines the total revenue pool only. The pool is then allocated in accordance with the adopted rating structure.</p>	
		<p><b>2019 LGNSW Annual Conference Motions</b>  <b>Motion 1:</b> That LGNSW press State and Federal Governments to address the current crisis in sustainable disposal of household recyclables brought about by the recent, continuing, steady decline in overseas markets for recyclable product.  <b>Motion 2:</b> That LGNSW press the State Government to resolve the current impasse in processing and use of "Mixed Waste Organics", towards restoration of a sustainable system for use of this product.  Motions carried 12 in favour, 2 abstentions, 0 against.  Chair to lodge Precinct motions on 12 July.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Governance and Committee Services has included Precinct Committee's motions in the report to July Council meeting.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (24 July 2019)</b>  Council at its meeting of 22 July 2019 resolved:  <i>THAT the proposed 2019 Conference motions received from Councillors and Precinct Committees be endorsed and submitted to LGNSW.</i></p> <p><b>UPDATE (11 November 2019)</b>  Below are the related outcomes from the 2019 LGNSW Conference concerning the proposed motions put forward by Willoughby Bay Precinct Committee:  Motion 1: related conference resolution (No. 5) - That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to reinvest the waste levy to:  1. Fund regions of councils to develop regional waste plans for the future of waste and resource recovery in their regions,</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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			<p>which include infrastructure and circular economy solutions to address the needs of our cities and regions.</p> <p>2. Fund the delivery of priority infrastructure and other projects, procured by local government, that are needed to deliver the regional-scale plans, particularly where there is market failure identified in the regional plans.</p> <p>3. Increase local and state government procurement of recycled goods made with domestic content, for example by:</p> <p>a) adopting recycled content targets to help drive demand and provide incentives to deliver on these targets.</p> <p>b) funding further research, development and delivery of recycling technologies and products generated from recyclables, particularly by local or regional councils.</p> <p>4. Fund and deliver state-wide education campaigns on the importance of recycling to encourage the right way to recycle, the purchase of products with recycled content, as well as promote waste avoidance.</p> <p>5. Work with the Federal Government to introduce producer responsibility schemes for soft plastics and other emerging problem wastes.</p> <p>Motion 2: related conference resolution (No. 6) - That Local Government NSW presses the NSW Government to resolve the current impasse in processing and use of "mixed waste organics", towards restoration of a sustainable system for use of this product.</p> <p>The full record of decisions is available from the LGNSW website: <a href="https://www.lgnsw.org.au/events-training/local-government-nsw-annual-conference-2019/local-government-nsw-annual-conference">https://www.lgnsw.org.au/events-training/local-government-nsw-annual-conference-2019/local-government-nsw-annual-conference</a></p>	



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		<p><b>DA 142/2019 - 390, 392, 394 Military Road, Cremorne</b>  <b>Motion:</b> Precinct notes that these Edwardian shop buildings have long provided a street aesthetic contiguous with the heritage listed Cremorne Orpheum Cinema. Precinct opposes demolition of these facades and favours their retention, with adequate scope existing for stepped modern developments behind.  Motion Carried: 12 in favour, 2 abstentions, 0 against</p>	<p>Comments noted as a submission by Council's Senior Assessment Officer. The Precinct Committee and residents who are interested in the outcomes of this application are invited to register their email addresses on <a href="#">Council's DA tracking facility</a>.  <a href="#">Notify me</a></p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>
	5	<p><b>Footpath Grinding - Fernhurst Avenue</b> - for 2 days last week Council contractors were grinding down the footpath to eliminate trip hazards. The Chair queried whether Council has changed its policy on footpath grinding.</p>	<p>Council's A/Works Engineer has advised that there has never been any formal policy against grinding concrete footpaths, however the use of this method depends on the severity and nature of the defect. In most regards, it can be a cost-effective means of removing a moderately severe trip-hazard defect where one footpath slab abuts the next slab, where the slabs themselves are otherwise in reasonable condition. Council inspects footpaths throughout the municipality on a periodic basis according to their assessed level of use (ie., CBD footpaths with high traffic are inspected more frequently), and any defects identified during the inspection are then categorised using a risk-assessment methodology. The assessed risk category is then used to prioritise maintenance works. In this case, we have been using grinding as a cost-effective method to quickly address identified defects in concrete footpaths. Typically, the works are undertaken by a Contractor under Council staff supervision.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>
June		<p><b>No Parking - Motor Vehicles Excepted</b> - This signage will allow the unrestricted parking of motor vehicles and restrict the parking of all types of trailers, including boat trailers, box trailers and caravans.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that the trailer parking restrictions proposed for Fifth Avenue and Montague Street was raised at the Traffic Committee meeting on 14 June 2019. It was subsequently</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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		<b>Motion:</b> Precinct requests Council to limit this trial, for the test period, to the northern side of that section of Fifth Avenue adjacent to WH Brothers Memorial Park and down to Ellalong Road.	resolved by Council on 24 June 2019:  <i>1. THAT Council restrict the three month trial of No Parking Motor Vehicles Excepted previously proposed for Montague (Road) and Fifth Avenue to only the northern side of Fifth Avenue, between Brothers Memorial Park and Ellalong Road, and a further report be submitted to the Committee.</i> <i>2. THAT Council advise the Willoughby Bay Precinct and residents of this resolution.</i>  Updated notifications were sent to Montague Road and Fifth Avenue residents on 3 July 2019.	
	2	<b>Military Road Tidal Flow</b> - The Chair informed Precinct that the Road Safety Audit of 27 November 2018 identified 14 road safety items of which 8 are designated high risk. Residents expressed concern that dangerous situations are being observed in practice, including a resident raising a Mosman Daily report of a pedestrian, hit by a car on the crossing at the intersection of Military Road and Spofforth Street on 3 June 2019. The pedestrian was taken to RNSH with a fractured pelvis. Cr. Keen to raise Road Safety Audit at the Traffic Committee.	Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that Military Road falls under the care and control of Roads and Maritime Services. Pedestrian safety at Spofforth Street and Military Road has been raised at recent meetings of the North Sydney Traffic Committee and Council wrote to the Minister for Transport and Roads on 28 May 2019 to consider improvements at this intersection.	Closed for Council
	3	<b>WH Brothers Memorial Park</b> - On 13 June, the Mayor unveiled a sign at WH Brothers Memorial Park in honour of WH Brothers, former Mayor and Deputy Mayor of North Sydney. At the event the Precinct Chair thanked Sydney Water, Monadelphus, North Sydney Council and Precinct members for their assistance with the working bees to weed, mulch and plant new plants in the park.	Compliment noted by Council's Manager Environmental Services.	Closed for Council
	4	<b>Jacaranda Tree 10 Fifth Avenue</b> - A Precinct resident at 10 Fifth Avenue is wondering if something can be done	Council's Tree Management Officer has advised that the tree does not extend over property boundary, is well clear of	Closed for Council

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		<p>about the roots of the large Jacaranda tree outside her property which have caused a trip hazard on the footpath and the foliage of which, because of the height of the tree is causing problems with her roof and guttering.</p>	<p>residence and has the clearances set out in Council's Street Tree Strategy. Footpath has minor disruption only and does not appear to require repair at present. Council's Works Overseer has rated the footpath as Category 2 (deferred maintenance) to be inspected in approximately 12 months.</p>	
	5	<p><b>Camellia Verge Plantings</b> - A Precinct member has noted that the large numbers of Camellias planted along Fifth Avenue and Ryries Parade and suggests these non-natives are not bio-diverse and attract yet more Noisy Miners to the area. Therefore, Precinct requests Council advise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Are these camellias part of a Council street planting plan?</li> <li>2. What prior consultation has occurred with Precinct Committee and local residents?</li> <li>3. Are there not hardy, lower maintenance, small flowering natives available to Council for street plantings?</li> </ol>	<p>Council's Tree Management Supervisor has advised the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. There are mix of native and non-native trees located along Fifth Avenue and Ryries Parade including Bottlebrush and Camellia. Council's Street Tree Strategy (<a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Waste_Environment/Trees/Tree_Policies_Strategies">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Waste_Environment/Trees/Tree_Policies_Strategies</a>) outlines the benefits of both natives and exotics under section 2.2.3.2.</li> <li>2. A local resident requested new plantings outside his property and Council staff identified replacement of dead trees along the tree that had been removed. Council staff consulted the adjacent properties and the trees chosen reflect the character of the street and area. The new plantings were well received by the adjacent residents.</li> <li>3. There are many native trees utilised in North Sydney. The <a href="#">North Sydney Urban Forest strategy</a> under section 4.2 outlines species diversity and the percentage of each species used. Contact Council's Tree Management Team on 9936 8100 for further information.</li> </ol>	Closed for Council
	7	<p><b>34 Ellalong Road Numbering</b> - A Precinct member who resides at 1/34 Ellalong Road and her son at 2/34 Ellalong Road, have a serious concern about the new numbering of the new adjoining property 19 Samora Avenue. It has been noted that the two new properties at 19 Samora Avenue have been numbered both 34B and 34B. (Note: Subsequent</p>	<p>Council's GIS Mapping Officer has advised that addressing for the change from 19 Samora Avenue to 34B Ellalong Road was granted in accordance with the NSW Addressing User Manual and to satisfy the condition in the Development Approval. It is not Council's practice to consult with neighbours but to make the appropriate</p>	Closed for Council

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		<p>to the meeting, a #1 and a #2 on each of the 34B and 34B house numbers.) So, the sequence will be 1/34, 2/34, 1/34B and 2/34B Ellalong Road. The Precinct member, who has a disabled daughter, is most concerned if an ambulance goes to the wrong address in an emergency.</p> <p>The Precinct member queries Council as to who gave approval to this change in numbering to 19 Samora Avenue without any apparent consultation with affected neighbours. Precinct also asks whether it is, or can be made, mandatory for all premises (especially commercial premises) to display street numbers; as this is a general community safety and convenience issue.</p>	<p>decision within the addressing constraints that are present. As long as properties display clear signage there should be no confusion. This matter has been forwarded to Council's Compliance section for responding to the customer regarding clear signage.</p>	
May		<p><b>Boat Trailer Parking Signage Trial - Fifth Avenue and Montague Road - Motion:</b> Precinct Committee requests Council to limit this trial to the northern side of that section of Fifth Avenue adjacent to WH Brothers Memorial Park and down to Ellalong Road.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that new parking restrictions for trailers will be implemented in June 2019 in the following streets in response to community concerns about long-term parking of trailers on local roads affecting parking access, road safety, residential and visual amenity: Fifth Avenue &amp; Montague Road, Cremorne; Montpelier Street, Neutral Bay; and Brothers Avenue (Tunks Park), Cammeray. The reason for extending the restrictions along the length of Fifth Avenue and Montague Road is to discourage trailers from simply being shifted from in front of the park to in front of residential properties.</p> <p><b>No Parking - Motor Vehicles Excepted</b> signage will be installed in all unrestricted parking zones along the above streets. This will allow the unrestricted parking of motor vehicles and restrict the parking of all types of trailers, including boat trailers, box trailers and caravans. Note: if a trailer is hitched to a motor vehicle, the combination is considered a motor vehicle and would therefore be exempt</p>	Closed for Council

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			<p>from the restrictions. In Brothers Avenue (Tunks Park), the existing spaces that are designated “<i>Vehicles with Trailer Only</i>” will be retained to enable parking for boat ramp users.</p> <p>Council will review the parking restrictions after 3 months and report the outcomes back to the Traffic Committee meeting on 6 September 2019. Feedback on the new parking restrictions closes 11 August 2019 and will be taken into consideration as part of this review. For more information visit <a href="https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/trailer-parking-restrictions">https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/trailer-parking-restrictions</a></p>	
		<p><b>Young Street/Grasmere Road Intersection</b> - Precinct Committee could not understand the logic of installing speed cushions in Grasmere Road, if priority is given to Young Street. <b>Motion:</b> Precinct Committee confirms Precinct’s opposition to the change of priority and the installation of speed cushions.</p>	<p>Comments noted by Council’s Manager Traffic and Transport Operations.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>
		<p><b>Wonga Road Query</b> - A Precinct resident has queried why in Wonga Road where the No Parking moves from one side to the other, there is a lack of sufficient distance to get around the zig. Precinct has the view that this was done to create an effective chicane to slow traffic down.</p>	<p>Council’s Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that the staggering of the parking on either side of Wonga Road was done to create a chicane effect to slow traffic, and also to improve pedestrian access along the narrow footpaths.</p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>
		<p><b>Emergency Services Levy (ESL)</b> - A Precinct member asks whether residents will be impacted by the 11.7% share of the Emergency Services Levy on top of any IPART-approved increase in annual rates.</p>	<p><b>UPDATE (10 July 2019)</b> Council’s Manager Financial Services has advised that a DL sized flyer will be included in the 2019/20 rates notice mail out. A copy was provided to the Precinct Committee for reference.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (27 June 2019)</b></p>	<p>Closed for Council</p>

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			<p>The minutes of the Governance and Finance Committee meeting held 17 June 2019 were adopted by Council on 24 June 2019. In relation to the ESL the Council resolved:</p> <p>3. <i>THAT the report on the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) be received. (G03)</i></p> <p>4. <i>THAT Council provide an update on the ESL communication to residents, ratepayers and Precinct Committees and also on the Council website. (G03)</i></p> <p>5. <i>THAT Council write to the Minister and Shadow Minister expressing concern in relation the increased cost and shift to local government of the ESL. (G03)</i></p> <p><b>UPDATE (18 June 2019)</b></p> <p>A report regarding this matter was considered at the Governance and Finance Committee meeting held 17 June 2019. The Minutes of this meeting will go to the Council meeting on 24 June 2019 for adoption. The Committee resolved to recommend to Council:</p> <p>3. <i>THAT the report on the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) be received. (G03)</i></p> <p>4. <i>THAT Council provide an update on the ESL communication to residents, ratepayers and Precinct Committees and also on the Council website. (G03)</i></p> <p>5. <i>THAT Council write to the Minister and Shadow Minister expressing concern in relation the increased cost and shift to local government of the ESL. (G03)</i></p> <p><b>UPDATE (13 June 2019)</b></p> <p>The related report (GF03) on the Governance and Finance Committee agenda for 17 June 2019 is available on Council's <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Committees/Governance_Finance_Committee/2019/17_June_2019">website</a>  <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Committees/Governance_Finance_Committee/2019/17_June_2019">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Committees/Governance_Finance_Committee/2019/17_June_2019</a></p>	

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			<p><b>UPDATE (5 June 2019)</b>  Council's Manager Financial Services has advised that a related report will be presented to Council at its June meeting, via the Governance and Finance Committee. After that time a more detailed response will be provided to the Precinct Committee.</p>	
<b>April</b>		<p><b>Traffic Committee Meeting 22 March 2019 - Fifth Ave Boat Trailer Parking</b> - Precinct asks Council to advise when will the boat trailer signage trial period commence?</p>	<p>Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that this matter was considered by the North Sydney Traffic Committee on 22 March 2019 and recommendations of the Traffic Committee were referred to the Council meeting on 29 April 2019. Council resolved (EPS01):  <i>20. THAT Council implement "No Parking --Motor Vehicles Excepted" in the existing unrestricted parking zones on Montpelier Street, Fifth Avenue, Montague Street and Brothers Avenue (excluding the existing "Vehicles with Trailer Only" spaces) and the matter be reviewed in 3 months with a subsequent report to be provided to the Traffic Committee.</i>  As Council resolved to proceed with the proposal, formal community engagement will be undertaken prior to implementation including notification to Willoughby Bay Precinct Committee.</p>	Closed for Council
		<p><b>Agenda and Minutes for the North Sydney Council Meeting held on 25 March 2019</b> - On 11 March 2019, Council was briefed on the developed Option 2 proposal for the North Sydney Olympic Pool now referred to as Option 2b. The developed Option 2 (Option 2b) design now includes the cost of fully replacing the grandstand that was constructed in 1935/36 - not just refurbishing it, which was originally proposed in Option 2.</p>	<p>Council's Director Engineering and Property Services has advised that Council in its adopted Long Term Financial Plan (Resourcing Strategy) has allocated \$28 million for the redevelopment of the North Sydney Olympic Pool complex. Until such a time that there is a change to Council's adopted delivery program, the remainder of the funds will need to be sourced from the State or Federal Government agencies. If funds are not forthcoming in the near future, then Council will need to consider its options with the pool complex which includes the possibility of closing parts of the</p>	Closed for Council

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		Precinct asks Council: If Council's contribution to the upgrade of the North Sydney Olympic Pool is capped at \$28.0m, what is Council's proposal with regard to the redevelopment, if funding from the State or Federal Governments is not forthcoming?	complex (as reported in the media) - namely the 50m pool and accompanying grandstand which already have crowd control measures in place for large events to ensure public safety is not compromised. For further information refer to the relate Council report: <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Council_Meetings/Council_Reports_25_Mar_2019">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Council_Meetings/Council_Reports_25_Mar_2019</a>	
		<b>Tobruk Avenue Signage</b> - Precinct asks Council: Why was a sign stating that 'This is a residential area. Please be considerate of noise levels, especially early in the morning.' affixed to a power pole on the corner of Tobruk & Samora Avenues?	Council's Sustainable Transport Coordinator has advised that Council received feedback from members of the community regarding noise during the early morning from people running and cycling through the area. Similar signs have been used in other Council areas and have been effective in educating people about the impact of early morning noise.	Closed for Council
		<b>Trip Hazards in Fifth Avenue</b> - Workmen have commented to a resident that there are trip hazards on the northern side footpath of Fifth Avenue between the corner of Ellalong Road and Fifth Avenue and WH Brothers Memorial Park. Precinct asks Council to inspect and rectify any trip hazards in this section of Fifth Avenue.	Council's Works Overseer has advised that this issue was completed on 16 April 2019.	Closed for Council
		<b>34 Ellalong Road - Road Surface</b> - A resident raised issues with the condition of the road surface outside her property at 34 Ellalong Road. The road surface is a mess and there is water continually flowing across the road. Precinct asks Council when will this lower section of Ellalong Road in the vicinity of 34 Ellalong Road be resurfaced?	Council's Executive Coordinator Engineering a Property Services has advised that the re-sheeting of this section of Ellalong Road is scheduled to be completed next financial year after sections of the kerb and gutter has been replaced.	Closed for Council
		<b>Blockage of footpath at 102 Macpherson Street</b> - Precinct notes that the crane at 102 Macpherson Street has recently been removed but queries Council as to when the footpath	Council's Customer Service Department has advised that permits were issued for the crane on 3 April and 12 April, being current for three days each. If the footpath continues	Closed for Council



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		will be restored, given that pedestrians are still being forced to walk on the road?	to be obstructed, residents can make a complaint to Council, who will send Rangers to investigate any non-compliance with the permits.	
		<b>Electrical Cable Trenching in Prospect Avenue</b> - A Prospect Avenue resident asks the question: Precinct Committee asks Council what is the timetable for the electricity cable trenching works in Prospect Avenue and when might the Prospect Avenue road surface be restored?	Council's Executive Coordinator Engineering a Property Services has advised that Ausgrid have scheduled work in this area. The re-sheeting of Prospect Avenue is scheduled to be completed next financial year after Ausgrid have completed their works.	Closed for Council
		<b>Restoration of Young Street/Grasmere Road Roundabout</b> - Precinct asks Council why is it not possible to reinstate a low profile roundabout? What is the technical objection? How much space does Council require for a legal roundabout and can it be done by sacrificing some of the garden beds?	Council's Sustainable Transport Coordinator has advised that a mountable roundabout in this location would be constrained by the need to accommodate turning movements for 12.5m vehicles (buses) and provide 2m-wide 'splitter islands' on approaches to the intersection. The splitter islands are required to allow pedestrians to cross roundabout intersections in stages. To accommodate these two design requirements, it is likely that kerbs would need to be reduced beyond that which existed with the previous roundabout intersection (i.e. reducing the verge), or that splitter islands not be provided which would represent a significant pedestrian safety risk (roundabout intersections represent a significantly higher risk level for pedestrians than priority intersections). Young Street, north of the intersection, is narrower than the standard street width in North Sydney (including in other locations where mountable roundabouts are provided), which increases the effect of these constraints. It is also likely that service infrastructure would need to be relocated to accommodate the roundabout, including existing power poles.  Council adopted (EPS03) at its 29 April 2019 meeting the following resolution:	Closed for Council

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			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>THAT, subject to concurrence from the North Sydney Traffic Committee, Council proceed with the installation of six speed cushions as shown on the attached consultation survey letter for the intersection between Grasmere Road and Young Street, Cremorne.</i></li> <li>2. <i>THAT, subject to concurrence from the North Sydney Traffic Committee, Council proceed with the removal of one parking space on Young Street, to the southeast of the intersection between Grasmere Road and Young Street, Cremorne.</i></li> <li>3. <i>THAT subject to concurrence from the North Sydney Traffic Committee, Council change the Stop priority of the intersection between Grasmere Road and Young Street, Cremorne (giving Young Street priority), including any required changes to linemarking.</i></li> </ol>	
<b>March</b>	2	<p><b>Guest Speaker Stephen Barbour, Deputy Mayor &amp; Tunks Ward Councillor: SRV Submissions to IPART -</b> Precinct noted the contents of a letter dated 13 March from the Mayor regarding a letter addressed to IPART on the SRV from Councillors Baker, Beregi and Carr. The Mayor's letter provided Council's response to claims within the Councillors letter to IPART. The Chair advised that Precinct's submission to IPART was approved on 14 February and thus was submitted well in advance of the receipt of the copy of the Councillors submission. With regard to support for an SRV, based upon the Council survey results incorporated in the General Manager's report, it is incorrect to say that there was majority support for an SRV. The Chair emphasised that Precinct had not objected to any special increase but had proposed a special infrastructure levy be set at 2% above the annual rate peg over a maximum period of 4 years.</p>	Comments noted by Council's Manager Integrated Planning and Special Projects.	Closed for Council
	2	<p><b>Young Street and Grasmere Road Intersection -</b></p>	Precinct Committee's submission noted and included in consultation results by Council's Sustainable Transport Project Co-ordinator.	Closed for Council

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		<p>Council has requested feedback by 29 March 2019 on a survey concerning the Young Street and Grasmere Road Intersection.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Does Willoughby Bay Precinct support the installation of proposed speed cushions? Motion Defeated: 0 in favour, 7 against, 1 abstention</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Does Willoughby Bay Precinct support the removal of one car space on Young Street, adjacent to the pedestrian path access to the south west of the intersection? Motion Defeated: 0 in favour, 6 against, 2 abstentions</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Does Willoughby Bay Precinct support the reinstatement of the roundabout? Motion Supported: 5 in favour, 2 against, 0 abstentions</p>		
	5	<p><b>Closure of Young Street at Military Road Neutral Bay -</b></p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Does Willoughby Bay Precinct support the closure of Young Street at Military Road, Neutral Bay? Motion Defeated: 0 in favour, 7 against, 1 abstention</p>	Precinct Committee's submission noted and included in consultation results by Council's Sustainable Transport Project Co-ordinator.	Closed for Council
	6	<p><b>WH Brothers Memorial Park - Tree Planting -</b> Precinct thanks Council for their quick action in planting an advanced native tree in WH Brothers Memorial Park to replace the weed species which were removed including African Olive which is classified as a Class 2 noxious weed.</p>	Compliment noted by Council's Manager Parks and Reserves.	Closed for Council
	7	<p><b>WH Brothers Memorial Park Gardening Bee</b></p> <p>A group of Precinct volunteers will be tackling weeding issues at the park next week.</p>	Compliment noted by Council's Manager Parks and Reserves.	Closed for Council
<b>February</b>		The Precinct Chair attended and addressed the Traffic Committee Meeting on the history of the Gerard Street/Macpherson Street intersection signalisation. The Traffic Committee decided that the signalisation should be	Invitation to Mayor passed on to the Executive Assistant to the Mayor for direct contact with Precinct Committee.	Closed for Council

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		given a high priority. Subject to RMS investigations and approval the signalisations could be completed in the 2019/2020 financial year. Precinct agreed that the Mayor be invited "to commission the lights and press the first button".	Noted by Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations.	
		<p><b>Motion:</b> Willoughby Bay Precinct should lodge this submission to IPART with regard to the North Sydney Council Special Rate Variation (SRV), advising IPART that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Precinct considers that Council has not given the required consideration of the community's willingness to pay rates as required under Assessment Criteria 3.</li> <li>2. Precinct is not convinced that Council's funding cannot meet its declared requirements in the medium term without the withdrawal of existing services.</li> <li>3. Precinct does not support the special rate variation (SRV) which will lock in the proposed rate increases in perpetuity.</li> <li>4. Precinct would support a special infrastructure levy to fund a specified list of backlog capital works.</li> <li>5. Precinct would propose the special infrastructure levy be set at 2% above the annual rate peg over a maximum period of 4 years.</li> </ol> <p>Motion Carried: 15 in favour, 0 against, 2 abstentions</p>	Precinct Committee's motion noted by Council's Manager Integrated Planning and Special Projects. Submissions to IPART closed on 14 March 2019.	Closed for Council
	4	<p><b>Pedestrian Safety Ben Boyd Road Military Road Intersection Pedestrian Crossing</b> - The wife and daughter of a Precinct member had a near miss last Wednesday afternoon. They were walking along the northern side of Military Road and crossing with the green light at Ben Boyd Road. They were almost struck by a car turning in front of them from Military Road into Ben Boyd Road which also</p>	Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that all signalised intersections are managed by Roads and Maritime Services (RMS). Council will refer the matter to the RMS on behalf of the Precinct, however residents and the Precinct are encouraged to contact the RMS directly with concerns regarding signalised intersections. Contact details including submission of online	Closed for Council

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		had a green light. Cr. Baker will ask the Traffic Committee to investigate.	enquiries can be made at <a href="https://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/contact-us/">https://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/contact-us/</a>	
	5	<b>Closure of Young Street at Military Road Neutral Bay -</b> A Precinct member is asking whether Council still has the closure of Young Street at Military Road on their agenda. Cr. Baker will check and reply to Precinct.	Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that Council is planning to undertake community consultation in the coming months regarding the closure of Young Street at Military Road.	Closed for Council
	6	<b>Grasmere Road and Young Street Intersection Safety -</b> A Precinct member has had three near misses on a bicycle (the third one this afternoon) whilst in the bicycle lane coming down Young Street and attempting to turn right into Grasmere Road. The Precinct member had the right of way and would have been struck by the car had he not braked and allowed the other driver to turn in front of him. Precinct feels that car drivers are unsure of what to do. The roundabout did the job. All vehicles know what to do at a roundabout. Precinct asks Council what is the position now, with Council's review of the safety of the Grasmere Road and Young Street Intersection?	Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations has advised that new signage was installed at this intersection on 7 February 2019, consistent with the recommendations of an independent Road Safety Audit. The new signage included the provision of a 'Give Way' sign on the dedicated bike path to clarify the right of way arrangements. Further, Council will soon consult with the community on additional speed calming measures at this intersection, which are anticipated to address the concerns raised.	Closed for Council
	7	<b>Brothers Memorial Park -</b> On the northern side of Brothers Park some trees were removed in late January 2019. This has removed the amount of privacy for the town houses at 1a Fernhurst Avenue. A resident has raised this matter directly with Council. Precinct asks Council for an explanation as to what happened? Were the trees removed by Council and is it proposed that they be replaced to reinstate the privacy of the residents of 1a Fernhurst Avenue?	Council's Manager Parks and Reserves has advised that the vegetation removed from the park were all weed species, including African olive ( <i>Olea europaea subsp. cuspidata</i> ) which is classified as a Class 2 noxious weed under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2015</i> . These have been removed and poisoned with a view to planting native species to replace the loss of vegetation.	Closed for Council