



Wollstonecraft Precinct - Minutes of Meeting held on 14 April 2021 - Face to Face Uniting Church Hall Corner Shirley Road and Nicholson Street Wollstonecraft

The meeting was opened at 7:35 pm.

Attendance (22 members): As per attendance record.

Apologies (5 members): Robert Harding, Barbara DeGraff, Peter Sloane, Cr.Ian Mutton, Sue Wadley.

Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held 10 February 2021: The minutes were confirmed as a true record of the previous meeting. (unanimous).

Matters Arising:

Planning Proposal 7/20 Fiveways (Triangle) Site Crows Nest: It was noted that Council is preparing an assessment report for Council recommending refusal of the PP and that this will probably go to the Council meeting in May. The SNLPP had not yet set a hearing date.

Street Lighting Boronia Lane: Waiting report from Mr A. A. who was dealing with Ausgrid.

Willoughby Road Upgrade: Cr Baker spoke to the meeting and advised Precinct to write to Council to ask for this project to be included in the next three-year plan to ensure funding. We are waiting advice from Council officers regarding the process.

Hume Street Park Upgrade Project Stage 2: Cr Baker again advised Precinct to write to Council to ask for this project to be included in the next three-year plan to ensure funding. (see Crows Nest OSD voluntary planning agreement below).

Have Your Say – (feedback closing dates)

Planning Proposal 6/19 at 27-57 Falcon Street Crows Nest Amendments to the North Sydney Development Control Plan 2013 (16 April): A draft submission was tabled at the meeting for approval. The meeting voted 20 for and 2 against. A formal submission was lodged with Council on the closing date and a copy circulated to all members on the mailing list.

Morton Street and Hazelbank Road Pedestrian Crossing (20 April): Precinct was authorised to complete the survey supporting the proposed alterations and did so before the closing date. A confirmation was received and has been circulated to all Precinct members on the mailing list.

Crows Nest Station OSD - Voluntary Planning Agreement Amendment to North Sydney Development Control Plan 2013 (23 April): A draft submission was tabled at the meeting for approval. The meeting voted unanimously to endorse it. A formal submission including a request to Council that the Project be included in the next three-year plan to ensure funding is allocated, was lodged before the closing date and a copy circulated to all members on the mailing list.

Crows Nest Metro Station Traffic Impacts: Precinct was authorised to request the Traffic Committee to consider:

Amendments to traffic lights at the intersection of Shirley Road and Pacific Highway by prohibiting left hand turns into the Pacific Highway in peak periods and diverting that traffic into Nicholson Street and Hume Street with an appropriate adjustment to the traffic lights at the junction with the Pacific Highway to increase the allowable time for traffic to clear that junction. **(Note for Council Summary of Actions)**

Correspondence: The meeting was advised of a survey originated by the Federal government and supported by State government and LGAs on Precinct Living. The survey document has been circulated to all Precinct members on the mailing list for their action.

General Business:

a) Wollstonecraft Station Access Upgrade: Several members commented upon the poor outcomes becoming apparent as this project progresses towards its ultimate completion in about 12 months. Whilst acknowledging the need for improved access at the station, the meeting perceived adverse outcomes include:

- The height of the lift towers and the visual impact,
- The necessity or otherwise of the long ramp from the rail overbridge on platform 2 side,
- The visual impact of that ramp,
- The destruction of existing waiting room floor tiles and seating and replacement with tiling and furniture completely out of character with the station heritage and
- Disregard for the retention of any of the original character of the station
- Excessive noise outside normal working hours particularly before 0700 and after 1700 hours (disregarding the weekend and night work that was imposed because of public and worker safety)

It was agreed that Precinct will prepare a more complete list of comments and forward these to the Minister and Local MP as well as the project team. Timing during May.

b) On Street Parking Milner Crescent: Council has approved changes to on-street parking in front of two residences in Milner Crescent. This put to an end a long drawn-out effort by the residents, supported by Cr Baker and the Precinct, to improve amenity for residents of the two properties.



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Contact the Precinct Committee for the original version of the minutes.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Wed 9 June and will be on **Zoom**.

Meeting closed at 9:00 pm.