NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL

CROWS NEST SHOPPING AREA STREETSCAPE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE 95th MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 5.30PM IN THE PAT BRUNTON ROOM, CROWS NEST CENTRE

Present: Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services in the Chair.

Denise Ward, Crows Nest Centre Laura Tilsed, Holtermann Precinct Zar Bingham, Crows Nest Mainstreet Tom Appleby, Colliers International Joe Ellen Henderson, Resident Katy Ballard, Holtermann Precinct Josh Dowton, Northside Baptist Church Troy Tannous, Milky Lane Elvis Sabadah, Milky Lane

Council Staff:

Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services in the Chair Diana Mejia, Project Manager, Engineering Infrastructure Peita Rose, Governance Officer (Minutes)

- 1. Meeting opened at 5.33pm
- **2. Apologies:** Councillor Jilly Gibson Mayor, John Meadows Crows Nest/Holtermann Precinct, Dionisios Xenos Crows Nest Mainstreet, Peter Xenos Crows Nest Mainstreet
- 3. Confirmation of the Minutes

The Minutes of the 94th Meeting held on Tuesday 19 February 2019 were adopted.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Nil.

5. Projects Update

5.1 Pacific Highway Public Domain Upgrades (Burlington Street to Falcon Street)

Council's Director Engineering and Property Services stated that there has been some public domain works carried out on the eastern side of Alexander Street in front of Rudy's German Restaurant. New paving works are from Burlington Street all the way to Falcon Street, which are now complete. The Civil Works Team have laid new paving from Burlington Street, through to Alexander Street and Falcon Street, with new planter boxes, as well as fencing and landscaping.

Council recently completed the upgrade to Willoughby Road from Crows Nest Hotel, all the way down to Burlington Street on both sides with new paving, new landscaping and new lighting as well as new streetscape furniture being installed.

Council's next public domain works will be to continue down the western side, from Clarke Street all the way down to the Metro site. The Metro will be doing all the public domain area around the metro site as part of their agreement with Council.

5.2 Alexander Street Carpark additional toilets

Council's Director Engineering and Property Services stated that Council has commenced the additional toilets in the Alexander Street car park on level 1, there will be an additional 5 female toilets, 2 male toilets as well as 2 male urinals and a disabled toilet. It is currently under construction and will be completed and become operational in 2 months' time with both Council and Woolworths being jointly responsible for the cleaning of the toilets in the carpark.

Denise Ward from the Crows Nest Centre asked if Council could have sharps containers installed in the toilets at the car park.

Council's Director Engineering and Property Services stated that he would look into it and talk to the Cleansing and Waste team to make sure they are able to empty the containers and are happy to do so.

5.3 General Streetscape Improvements

Willoughby Road - Outdoor Dining Bays

Council's Director Engineering and Property Services stated that he would like to obtain funding for the outdoor dining bays to refresh Willoughby Road, from Burlington Street all the way down to Albany Street.

Hume Street Park

Council's Director Engineering and Property Services stated that the DA for the Hume Street Park (stage 1) has been approved, it will go to tender this financial year but not sure exactly when. Council has purchased the building at 90-92 Willoughby Road for the purposes of knocking it down and creating a through site link to Hume Street Park, and that is stage 1 of the park development.

Zara Bingham, Crows Nest Mainstreet questioned if there was to be a cinema in the Hume Street complex.

Council's Director Engineering and Property services stated that the Masterplan does show a cinema.

Oxley and Albany Street Upgrade

Council's Project Manager, Engineering Infrastructure stated that there will be an upgrade to the existing roundabout at the corner of Albany Street and Oxley Street with new raised pedestrian crossings and paving, as well as a new tree to be planted at the corner. This will commence at the end of September/early October.

Lights in Trees

Laura Tilsed, Holtermann Precinct asked whether there is a technical or planning reason for not putting coloured lights as previously requested in the Plane Trees outside the Mexican Restaurant or near Rangoon on Alexander Street.

The Director Engineering and Property Services stated that he would investigate lights being placed in the suggested plane trees in Crows Nest.

Logo for Crows Nest

Zar Bingham, Crows Nest Mainstreet stated she has a template for a new Crow Nest logo to be erected on the fences in Crows Nest.

Zar Bingham will send a copy of the template for the logo through to the Director Engineering and Property Services to look at.

6. Crows Nest Mainstreet (CNMS) Update

Zar Bingham, Crows Nest Mainstreet stated that they are working on the Crows Nest Festival which is to be held on Sunday 20 October 2019. This year they are extending it a block down to Chandos Street.

7. General Business

- Josh Dowton, Northside Baptist Church stated they have been talking with the lower north shore domestic violence network, relationships Australia and Mary's House around what it would be like for a community like Crows Nest to activate all different areas of the community to be a safe place for the community and how they can display information on the back of toilet doors etc, with what services are available in what spaces in Crows Nest. It's a group of people saying there are a lot of services in the area to help make it a safer place.
- Denise Ward from the Crows Nest Centre stated that there is Children's Services week festival on the 24 October in Ernest Place from 10.30am to 1.30pm with jumping castle, sausage sizzle and stalls. This is designed for family's whose kids aren't at school, being under 5 years old.
- Josh Dowton, Northside Baptist Church Community stated they were putting a community library box in the garden bed outside the church for all to access.

8. Next Meeting - TBC

9. Close Meeting - 6.15pm