### **NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL**

## CREMORNE SHOPPING AREA STREETSCAPE COMMITTEE

# MINUTES OF 81st MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 12 MARCH 2019 AT 5.30PM AT THE ROS CRICHTON PAVILION, NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL

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

U. Funch, Cremorne Chamber of Commerce

M. De Solom, Co-convenor Harrison Precinct

- J. Shaw, Harrison Precinct
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- C. Quinn, Local Business, Exagym
- J. Henderson, Resident

Council Staff:

Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services Peita Rose (Minutes)

**1. Meeting opened** at 5.40pm, with Council's Director Engineering and Property Services, in the Chair.

### 2. Apologies

John Lucas - Harrison Precinct

#### 3. Confirmation of the Minutes

The Minutes of the 80th Meeting held on 9 October 2018 were adopted.

Council's Director Engineering and Property Services would like to acknowledge the excellent work of Adam Deutsch, who recently left Council to reside in Canberra with his family, and thank him for his hard work during his time with North Sydney Council.

#### 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

'No Smoking' sign at bus stops

Ms J. Shaw from the Harrison Precinct addressed the Committee stating that the State Government banned smoking at all public transport bus stops in NSW and that there are no 'No Smoking' signs at any bus stops in Cremorne, especially at Cremorne Junction where people are constantly smoking at the bus stop benches.

Action: Council will install North Sydney Council 'No Smoking' signs on the STA infrastructure at the bus stops in Cremorne.

### Banner Flag Program

A member of the Harrison Precinct stated that they had asked Council's Projects Manager previously if they could have banner flags installed in Cremorne similar to the ones in Neutral Bay.

Action: Council will continue to look at banner flag options and explore locations in Cremorne where banners can be located. This will be done once the B-Line have completed their works in Cremorne and once Council start its works in July 2019.

#### **Under Awning Lighting**

The Committee mentioned that the under awning lighting on Military Road, Cremorne from McDonald's through to the Orpheum Theatre is currently not working. Mr C. Quinn from Exagym will email the property numbers where the lighting is not working to Council's Director Engineering and Property Services who will contact Council's electrician to have the lighting fixed.

### New Branding for Cremorne

The Committee mentioned the signage in Cremorne needs updating. Council's Director Engineering and Property Services stated the Council has engaged consultants to design new branding for Neutral Bay and Cremorne. New branding and logos for Cremorne fencing, signage and any other public domain elements in the area will be upgraded once a suitable design has been chosen.

# 5. Military Road Corridor Study

The background analysis for the Military Road Corridor Planning Study, Stage 1, has been progressed as follows:

- Following preliminary consultation in July-August 2018, a report outlining the results of the consultation was considered by Council on 24 September 2018.
- External consultant on 'employment' and 'transport' finalised their reports as input into the study.
- Placemaking study including social infrastructure analysis has been conducted by council.
- Built form study is underway and includes testing of the existing built form, existing controls, proposals and options.

Next step is to consolidate all findings into a planning study to:

- Guide future building proposals to avoid ad hoc development in Neutral Bay Centre.
- Determine public benefits that are needed in the area. An important item is the upgrade of the public domain. Council will consider existing opportunities and identify potential future improvements.

Due to the pressure of somewhat unforeseen work such as the St Leonards/Crow's Nest Study announcement by DP&E, some delay in the program has occurred but a more detailed public exhibition is still set for later in 2019.

# **6.** Decorative Lighting

J Shaw from the Harrison Precinct informed Council's Director Engineering and Property Services that the lighting in Spencer Road overall is very poor and needs replacing.

Action: Council's Director Engineering and Property Services stated that this was an issue for AUSGRID and not Council and that he would send a request to AUSGRID to have this attended to.

It was stated that the decorative lighting in the trees in Cremorne plaza is not visible during the summer months when the trees are full of leaves therefore needs a lot more lights added to the trees arms, as well as the lighting be changed from coloured to white lights.

Action: Council's Director Engineering and Property Services will look into having more lights added to the trees in the Cremorne Plaza.

## 7. B-Line Update

B-Line have advised Council that their works will be completed by the end of June 2019. Council will start its works on 1 July once the B-Line works have been completed. The documentation for this project is now ready and will go out to tender. The works on both Cremorne and Neutral Bay will take around 12 months to complete. Council has been having regular meetings with the B-line. A meeting is scheduled for next week.

#### Parraween Street

Council's Director Engineering and Property Services will get back to the Committee regarding the proposed parking changes in Parraween Street and will voice the concerns of Committee in regards to the reflector tape peeling off from safety barrier on Military Road and having it replaced.

Details on the B-Line construction work or queries regarding the project should be directed to the B-Line Project website and phone number below:

https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/b-line-bus

Phone: 1800 048 751

## Trucks in Spencer Road

A resident from the Committee stated the trucks working on the B-Line are parking their large trucks at the top of Spencer Road and then start to move off at around midnight along Spencer Road. The Committee have asked if Council could suggest that this happens away from the high density area as it disturbs the residents.

Action: Council's Director Engineering and Property Services has noted these comments and will talk with the B-Line acknowledging the concerns of the residents in Spencer Street as to the noise of the trucks and workers at night, and that there needs to be better management in that street.

#### Bus Stops

The residents of Cremorne would like to get some notification as to when the B-Line are closing bus stops late at night in Cremorne.

Action: Council's Director of Engineering and Property Services will speak with the B-Line in regards to notifying residents of any bus stop changes on Military Road and that they be directly contacted by their community engagement team with this information.

#### 8. Streetscape Committee

#### Parraween Street Carpark

Council has chosen not to pursue the Parraween Street Carpark at present, it is still on the agenda and may happen in the future but that depends on Council.

#### Rubbish Dumping in Spencer Road

A resident of Spencer Street, Cremorne stated that there is constant rubbish being dumped outside 131 Spencer Road, Cremorne.

The resident has followed up with Council and the matter has been referred to Council's Manager of Environmental Services to see what further Action can be taken. Council's Manager of Environmental Services contact details are Peter Massey tel: 9936 8339 or email: peter. massey and northsydney.nsw.gov.au

### Tree Replacement from B-Line

Council has given B-line a feedback as to where Council would like trees to be replaced and the size of trees. There are 86 trees to be replaced on both Military Road and side streets in Cremorne.

#### 9. General Business

J. Shaw from the Harrison Precinct thanked Duncan at the meeting for his interaction with everyone at the meeting which she found very refreshing in chairing the meeting and also sent the following email to council

I would like to thank Duncan for the manner in which you chaired the Streetscape meeting on Tuesday evening.

This was the first time that I had attended a Streetscape meeting and it was refreshing to have such a professional person chairing the meeting who listened to concerns and ideas. I do hope you will be involved with the Streetscape meeting in the future.

Your courtesy was much appreciated.

Thank you once again.

The Committee have requested for the Mayor and Ward Councillors to attend the next meeting.

#### 10. Next Meeting - Tuesday 8 October 2019