



**Minutes of the General Meeting held on Monday 17th May 2021 at 6.30pm
at Northbridge Golf Club**

COVID restrictions were observed.

Present	47 people attended as per the attendance record. 27 are residents of Bay, Plateau and Bridgeview Precincts. 20 are Northbridge residents.
Apologies:	NM, EM, DM, NM, NW, GW, WM, JC.
Chair:	PW presided. The Meeting was declared open at 6.30 pm.
Correspondence Sent and Received:	<p><u>Correspondence Received:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSC. Various DA's. If you have a particular interest in a specific DA, please contact the Secretary after the meeting. • NSC re COVID-19 Safety Plan. • Linda Rosenman re Parliamentary enquiry into TNSW's land acquisitions for major transport projects. • NSC re Primrose Park Tennis Courts refurbishment. • NSC advising they are conducting a Liveability Census. This was distributed to residents, inviting their participation. • NSC re public attendance at Traffic Committee meetings. <p><u>Correspondence Sent:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bay Precinct residents Minutes of GM held on Feb 15, 2021. • Bay Precinct residents Announcement of this meeting. • Bay Precinct residents DPIE's response to the Beaches Link EIS.
Minutes:	Minutes for the GM on 15 th Feb 2021 were adopted.
Tunks Park Report:	<p>Alicja Batorowicz Council's Landscape Architect presented a report on Tunks Park.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stage 1 -Minor drainage; bubbler installed; beautification of the water's edge with plants. • Stage 2 - Further drainage, park furniture. • Stage 3 - Plans for the Western amenities block to be refurbished have been prepared. No funding from NSC at present but a grant from the NSW government or another body will be sought. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Main users of the block are Norths Rugby Club and North Sydney United Club. ▪ Currently there are no facilities for female players. ▪ Proposal for a modern facility to provide shade, shelter, and lockable male and female shower and toilet facilities. ▪ The concrete pad around the building will be extended to allow for player meetings and barbecues, as well as a servery for the kiosk.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The plan will also improve internal ventilation so that the interior is not as windy and cold. ▪ The new plans include an internal meeting place for 20 players.
<p>Beaches Link Tunnel Project:</p>	<p>JB reported on recent developments concerning the Beaches Link Tunnel project (BL). As a result of the 3,000 submissions to the EIS and campaigning by community groups, further assessment of the EIS is required.</p> <p>The Department of Planning (DPIE) has written to the proponent of the project, Transport NSW (TfNSW), requiring that the proponent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assesses alternative locations for the Dive Site presently planned to be in Flat Rock Creek Gully. • Assesses the impacts to Middle Harbour. • Assesses the treatment and handling of contaminated material. • Identifies local road intersections impacted by traffic changes and identifies measures to mitigate these. <p>The NSW Upper House is conducting a Parliamentary Enquiry. Individuals and organisations can make submissions.</p> <p>Residents were urged to lodge submissions prior to the closing date, June 18.</p> <p>The Secretary advised that guidance about how to lodge submissions will be distributed.</p> <p>LP advised the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Willoughby Council needs to report on contaminated land and ground water for any sites in the LGA affected by the construction of BL. • She has requested that DPIE makes any future changes available for public consultation. • Early pre-work on the Warringah Freeway Upgrade has commenced and has been challenged by some schools. The works have already created about 70 truck movements per day on local streets and roads. • A petition opposing BL, signed by 11,000 people, has been presented to the NSW Government. • More than 3,000 submissions to the EIS from the community, the great majority of which have strenuously opposed the plan.



Quality of Life

Keynote Address: Major Infrastructure Decisions	<p>Roderick Simpson, Adjunct Professor, University of NSW, delivered the keynote address – Major Infrastructure Decisions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Starting point is painting a vision of our city.• Plan for the city as a system, rather than segmenting it.• Rod and others have started Voices of North Sydney. Its method of operation is to involve the members in discussions to identify the top issues for Governments to address as perceived by the community.• Discussion then follows on what we can do about each of the issues identified. <p>Attendees were then divided into groups of 5 or 6 to experience this methodology. Each group discussed their view of the main issues and gave their feedback.</p> <p>Major issues identified were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Integrity and accountability of the political system.• Concern about climate change.• Gender equality. <p>Rod advised that these issues were also identified by many other groups who had participated in a similar workshop previously.</p> <p>Attendees expressed appreciation and thanks to Rod by acclamation.</p>
Close of Meeting:	Meeting closed at 8.40pm.