

## Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) 2022 Waverton 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 allotted 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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December		<b>Western Harbour Tunnel</b> - The meeting requests TfNSW to promptly hand over the 3 parcels of State-owned land plus the related marine leases to the care and control of North Sydney Council. We also request the draft Masterplan for these sites be put into place quickly utilising funds provided by the State Government and that Maritime be directed to promptly remove all the remnant and decaying marina and wharf structures in the Bay as an urgent, related project	Council's Landscape Architect/Project Co-ordinator has advised that the Precinct Committee's comments regarding the Western Harbour Tunnel (Berrys Bay Masterplan and associated property dealings) are noted. Council's liaison with TfNSW on these matters are ongoing, including attendance at Berrys Bay Community and Stakeholder Working Group (BBCSWG), Waverton Peninsula Working Group (WWPG) and other meetings as organised between TfNSW and Council Officers. TfNSW have indicated they wish to attend a forthcoming meeting(s) of the WPWG, regarding the final Berrys Bay master plan and have been advised that the next meeting of this group is scheduled for Tuesday 28 March 2023.	Closed for Council
		<b>Bowling Club site</b> - It was noted that while the Aboriginal Municipal Land Corporation cannot unilaterally alter the zoning, if it remains the owner then logically the land will	Comments noted by Council's A/Director Open Space & Environmental Services	Closed for Council

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		not be able to still be classed as open public space – hence the way forward to get this area integrated back into the surrounding park seems to be the path being currently followed by North Sydney Council. The Council is requesting the State Government to purchase the land and then give it back to Council on the proviso it is used for public open space.		
<b>November</b>	<i>No actions arising requiring Council's response</i>			
<b>October</b>	3	<b>Coal Loader Platform Park</b> - Although the Precinct has long asked for the "Stage 2" of the Coal Loader Platform Park to be completed - being shaded areas, benches and tables, and toilets -there was concern about the cost of the proposed toilet block for the Coal Loader Platform. It was suggested the shade and the benches are the priority and (given the Park is adjacent to the Sustainability Centre) that consideration be given to instead installing compost toilets for the platform area.	Council's Landscape Architect/Project Co-ordinator notes the Precinct Committees comments and has advised that the amount (\$900,000) allocated in the <i>Delivery Program 2022-2026 (DP)</i> for additional toilets (on the Platform) at the Coal Loader is scheduled in the budget for the 2024/25 Financial Year (FY), which is Year 4 of the DP. Note: this project (1.4.1.01) is incorrectly listed in the DP as occurring across Years 1-3. A request to adjust the plan will be reported to Council on 28 November 2022 via the Q1 review.  There is an amount remaining in the 2022/23 FY budget (Year 1) of \$111,074 for additional shade at the Coal Loader. This is proposed to be divided between: establishing vines on the shade colonnade (as per original design intent); picnic settings beneath the colonnade; semi-permanent umbrellas in the central gravel area/along the timber decking (adjacent to the platform interpretation area), with final split/extent of each depending on the outcome of quotation process.	Closed for Council

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			<p>It was hoped to include at least one unisex accessible toilet cubicle facility in the Store 2 (under ramp) fit out works also allocated in this FY budget (\$261,0000). Cost planning has indicated that this won't be possible. However, the intent is to install the basic infrastructure (cubicle shell space, under-slab pipework and related items) such that this facility can readily be added in the future (for example as part of the 2024/25 FY budget mentioned above).</p> <p>In terms of composting toilets, these have been given consideration previously and deemed impractical for the platform. They typically require a large composting bin unit which is required to be either mounted below ground requiring excavation or if above ground requiring ramps to access. We cannot excavate into the platform surface to the extent that would be required for a below-ground unit and the extent of ramps required to access an above ground unit would be intrusive. Consideration was given to locating the composting in the tunnel (no.4) to avoid excavation. However, this is not possible due to the presence of the microbat species in that tunnel.</p> <p>Ongoing maintenance and services requirements may prove to be another issue, as may be the ability of a composting unit to cater for the demand experienced during peak events. It is expected that it would need to be fenced off/closed for larger events, with reliance on portaloos only. Whereas a system connected into the existing pump-out system onsite (which has been upgraded) would not have such a constraint. That said,</p>	

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			should the Precinct Committee have any specific ideas or products that they think could work given the constraints mentioned, Council officers would be pleased to give the matter further consideration.	
	3	<b>WHT</b> - The meeting could not understand the latest proposal from the WHT to use the bund area at the base of Balls Head Rd for a ropes area - not that this is a poor idea in itself, but should be constructed on the top of a car park in that space as a part of coping with the crowds at all the nearby parks, walking trails and other facilities.	Council's Public Projects Interface Manager has advised that these concerns/comments should be directed to the Western Harbour Tunnel project team <a href="#">contact details</a> , as TfNSW are the only party who can change the current proposed use of the various sites.	Closed for Council
	4 c	<b>New Parking Provisions for North Sydney Apartments</b> - Council is considering limiting parking in new apartment buildings to 1 car for each 4 dwellings constructed. The concept is to force residents on to public transport. This was not seen as sensible, or appropriate. Concerns were raised that often public transport doesn't necessarily go where you may need to go to. This could be a real problem for families with children and multiple drop offs. Such a requirement will make these apartments less marketable and impact on the number of new apartments built in North Sydney and could result in these apartments being shunned by the market. The speculation about the future use of autonomous vehicles may be correct, or may not - but a better idea would be to build car parks so they can be converted back into useful alternative uses like saunas, squash courts, etc. There could even be a premium levy on the sale of such apartments instead so that such repurposing	Comments noted by Council's Strategic Planner. The Precinct Committee's comments will be treated as a submission and will be addressed in the post exhibition report.	Closed for Council

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		can be funded, come the time, with the funds given to the body corporate specifically for the purpose.		
September	4.a	<b>Council Capital Works projects budget and priorities for Waverton</b> - Proposed that a copy of the budget be obtained and projects in Waverton Precinct be identified before inviting appropriate councillors to discuss these with the Precinct.	<p>Council's A/Director Open Space &amp; Environment Services has advised that the below projects are included in the 2022/23 (with limited carry over from 2021/22) Capital Works Program in the Waverton area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Merrett Playground Upgrade (deferred until outcome of court case is known) \$260K</li> <li>• Quarantine Boat Depot site and access improvements \$1M</li> <li>• Reintegrate former Waverton Bowling Club into Waverton Park \$320K</li> <li>• Coal Loader Tunnel 2 floor upgrade \$235K</li> <li>• Coal Loader pop up bar \$290K</li> <li>• Coal Loader shade structures and grapevines \$200K</li> </ul>	Closed for Council
	4.b	<b>Planning Proposal 270-272 Pacific Highway, Crows Nest</b> - Insufficient information to fully understand the proposal will be investigated prior to the closure date for submissions.	<p>Council's Manager Strategic Planning has advised that the public exhibition of this Planning Proposal (PP) was hosted and coordinated by the <a href="#">Department of Planning</a>. A large number of documents were included in this exhibition.</p> <p>Council refused this PP on 21 February 2022, but this was "appealed" via a rezoning review. This was considered by the Regional Panel, who supported the progression of the PP on 2 March 2022. It is noted that the exhibition closed on 29 September 2022. Council staff are in the process of preparing a submission for consideration by the</p>	Closed for Council

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			Department of Planning as part of its post exhibition assessment.	
	5	<p><b>Parking in Waverton Village</b> - With the increased business activity in the Waverton Village the availability of parking is becoming a problem. While there are a number of 15 minute time slots these are usually taken and the adjoining 1 hour time slots appear to have become "long term" parking slots. (Determined from a monitoring exercise) Some thoughts expressed were - Remove the restriction on the post box parking spot so no parking at mail pick up time. Given the infrequency of the bus service, can it be located outside this 15 minute zone and still provide a transport service to the community? Can some of the adjacent 1 hour zones be made 15 minute zones?</p>	<p>Council's A/Manager Traffic &amp; Transport Operations has advised that in order to investigate the Precinct Committee suggestions - further information is needed to clarify the request.</p> <p>Removing bus services and post box would require extensive consultation between stakeholders TfNSW, Australian Post, residents and business owners.</p> <p><i>Council's Local Area Traffic Management (LATM) Action Plans</i> (formerly known as TAPAS) procedure adopts a methodology that takes into consideration an area wide traffic management scheme and allows the community's high priority traffic projects to be ranked according to a number of criteria, including safety, traffic volume, speeds, pedestrian and cycling volumes, surrounding land uses, and alignment with the <i>Community Strategic Plan</i>.</p>	Open/Ongoing
August	6.1	<p><b>Transport for NSW 'Community Values Survey' results</b> - While confirming its opposition to the delayed hand-over of surplus land to the NSC as the appropriate land manager, and its opposition to TfNSW apparently assuming the role of land manager, the Precinct noted that - as advocated by residents for a very long time - the highest priorities were found by the survey to be 'cycling, walking, bush walking tracks, scenic amenity and passive recreation' and recognition of connection to country and</p>	<p>Council's A/General Manager has noted the Precinct Committee comments and advised that Council continues, at every opportunity, to advocate the communities' position regarding early access and land tenure.</p>	Closed for Council

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		<p>maritime history, with low importance given to access by car or boat.</p> <p>The Precinct requested the Chair to point out to NSC that the results of the survey strengthen the need for land surplus to the requirements of the tunnel works to be transferred urgently to the Council.</p>		
	7	<p><b>MLC Building</b> - The Precinct requested the Chair to urge NSC to write to the minister for heritage to strongly recommend that he correct the procedural flaw in the listing of the MLC Building and instruct the Heritage Council to add the building to the state register</p>	<p>Cr Baker, Mayor of North Sydney has forwarded the letter to Minister James Griffin, regarding the listing of the MLC Building on the State Heritage Register pursuant to s34(2) of the Heritage Act 1979. A copy of the letter was sent to the Precinct Committee on 26 August 2022.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (16 September 2022)</b> Council has received a response to its letter, from the Hon. James Griffin, Minister for Environment &amp; Heritage dated 1 September 2022, who appreciates the matter being brought to his attention. The Minister understands that the Heritage Council of NSW is considering its statutory obligations in light of the Land &amp; Environmental Court judgement.</p>	Closed for Council
July	3.c	<p><b>Waverton Park/Oval/Bowling Club</b> - The Bowling Club building may have to be demolished because of asbestos issue. It was considered the site should remain a community resource and further consideration should be given to its redevelopment and future use. It was noted this whole issue probably needs to be discussed again with Council and local views sought as it is an excellent site for a multi-use community facility - and could be</p>	<p>Council's A/Director Open Space &amp; Environment Services has advised that Council notes the Precinct Committee's request to put a hold on the redevelopment of the nearby playground until a decision is made on the future of the ex-Waverton Bowling club site. A temporary hold has been put on the playground refurbishment.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (22 August 2022)</b></p>	Open/Ongoing

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		<p>integrated with an expanded Merrett Playground. In this context the Chair was asked to sound Council out about rescheduling the playground upgrade until the question of the site ownership is resolved, as funds may be better allocated to improve all of the site. It is recognised the playground upgrade is currently scheduled for July/August 2022, subject to the weather.</p> <p>Note: related emails to the A/General Manager received 7 July 2022 and 2 September 2022 from the Precinct Chair.</p>	<p>Council's A/Director Open Space &amp; Environment Services has advised that Council is yet to be notified of the outcome of the Land and Environment Court proceedings which took place 11-13 July 2022. The Precinct Committee will be advised when further information is received.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (31 August 2022)</b>  The A/General Manager replied to the Precinct Committee's email of 7 July 2022 advising that Merrett Playground is 15 years old and was due for a refurbishment in the 2021/22 financial year. Concept designs were prepared, community consultation undertaken and a tender process for procurement of an appropriate playground fabrication company completed in June 2022.</p> <p>Subsequently the Precinct Committee has asked for the project to be delayed whilst the Aboriginal Lands Claim is determined. The Land and Environment Court has heard the case between the Crown and the Metro Lands Council, and we are waiting a decision, however the problem for the Council with regards to the continued delay of the scheduled playground upgrade is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• remaining funds for this project from the 2021/22 budget have been carried into the 2022/23 estimates.</li> <li>• we don't know when the decision of the Land and Environment Court will be handed down.</li> </ul>	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• if the Court decision determines that the land claim fails, Council then needs to recommence the negotiations with the Crown for Council to become the Crown Reserve Manager, which could take many months.</li> <li>• funding is included in the 2022/23 budget to remove the building and undertake simple restoration work only (turfing), to allow the community access if the above decisions all fall in Council's favour.</li> <li>• The Council has in earlier consultation with the community regarding the Bowling Club site promised to undertake with the community a Masterplan (currently not funded) before any significant improvements are undertaken.</li> <li>• Under Council's tender process, if we don't accept a tender from one of the playground company within a certain number of dates the tenders for Merrett Playground refurbishment lapse.</li> </ul> <p><b>UPDATE (26 October 2022)</b> Council's A/Director Open &amp; Environmental Services has advised that there are no updates related to the outcomes of the Land and Environment Court hearings.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (8 November 2022)</b> The Land and Environment Court has found the Waverton Bowling Club land (Lot1204 DP 752067) to be claimable land under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act and ordered the</p>	

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			NSW Government to transfer the land to the Metropolitan Aboriginal Land Council.	
	5	<b>Tree removed</b> - Concern was also expressed about significant tree removed by the Navy along its fence line and ironically the drop off by them on tidying up weed infestations in this same area, which leads to a lot of work by the community volunteers, in this same area.	Council's Urban Forest Supervisor has advised that the tree was inspected and authorised for removal by Council's Tree Management Officer in 2020. The tree was affected by canker rot (decaying disease) in two main stems which showed significant decay which determined the trees removal. The tree was located over the Navy base carpark, powerlines, footpath and Balls Head Rd so had a high target rating if the tree was to fail. Council's plan is to remove the rocks from around base/trunk, grind the stump and replace the tree. This work is planned with Council contractors in the near future but is on hold at this stage to consult local volunteers.	Closed for Council
June	6	<b>Waverton Peninsula Working Group</b> - The group met in May with the Mayor as the new Chair. It was reported that the next meeting of this group is to be held on the Quarantine Station site.	Council's Manager Council & Committee Services has advised that no date has yet been allocated for this next meeting. Precinct Committee will be advised accordingly in due course.	Closed for Council
	7	<b>Transfer of Lands</b> - Concern was expressed that TfNSW is not appearing to honour the political commitments made to transfer agreed lands to the care and control of Council, and instead is now talking of TfNSW holding the land titles and possibly leasing the land to Council. Precinct calls for Council to press the Minister for Planning to direct TfNSW to transfer agreed Berrys Bay lands to the care and control of Council.	Refer to response to related Item 6.1, August 2022.	Closed for Council

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	8	<p><b>Bowling Club Site</b> - There was discussion that if the site comes under Council care and control, that a future use study should be conducted prior to any decision to demolish the existing facilities. It was noted that the site represents one of few opportunities to develop facilities for community activities including (but not limited to) games, dog walking and training, picnic areas with toilets, community meetings, walled courts, Council sponsored events such as art classes or shows, mini-playing fields etc.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Corporate Planning &amp; Engagement has advised that the related submission by the Precinct Committee concerning the draft Delivery Program/ Operational Plan was received, and that the following was provided in response via the submission summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council conducted a <a href="#">two-stage consultation regarding proposed usage of the site</a>;</li> <li>• as outlined under the Transformational Projects section (of the Community Strategic Plan), this the short-term reintegration into the existing reserve to expand public open space for community use. The long-term usage of the site is yet to be determined, which may include a community facility; and</li> <li>• <a href="#">Consultation regarding the Merrett Playground upgraded occurred in early 2022</a>, construction is expected to be completed by August 2022 (weather permitting).</li> </ul> <p><b>UPDATE (2 August 2022)</b> The Merrett Playground upgrade is temporarily on hold, refer to response to July, item 3c.</p>	Closed for Council
May	4	<p><b>Berrys Bay</b> - With respect to the community liaison committee, Precinct requests Council to advise the expected timetable for tabling of the proposed masterplan for the western arm of Berrys Bay.</p>	<p>Council's Director Open Space &amp; Environment Services has advised that Council has been advised that the Masterplan would be completed by the middle of the calendar year. Council staff will try to attain a more definitive answer from TfNSW.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (25 August 2022)</b></p>	Closed for Council

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			TfNSW, during its presentation to the Combined Precinct Committee meeting of 16 August 2022, has advised that the "further engagement on the draft Berrys Bay Masterplan is scheduled to commence in September 2022, consultation methods will be inclusive of pop-up information kiosks, interactive online portal and video".	
April	4a	<b>Larkin Street Eastern Footway and Bike Track</b> - Council is requested to provide a status update. Walkarounds with the Mayor and senior Council officers are planned for the coming weeks, and these issues will be canvassed.	Council's Director Open Space & Environment Services has advised that a meeting and a walkaround will take place on 25 May 2022 (9.30am).  <b>UPDATE (7 June 2022)</b> Council's Director Open Space & Environment Services has confirmed that the meeting and walkaround occurred on 25 May 2022. Whilst there is no funding available for the proposed works, Council staff will investigate reducing Larkin Street in width to form an eastern footpath on the current roadway surface and seek external funding for bike tracks as opportunities arise.	Closed for Council
	4b	<b>Merrett Playground</b> - It was noted that a plan for upgrading Merrett Playground is out for public comment, and that Precinct had supported the plans in principle but asked how these would be incorporated into the opportunity presented by the Bowling Club land, should the land claim be unsuccessful. It was noted that the next action on that front may not be scheduled till November.	Council's Director Open Space & Environment Services will contact the Chair to discuss this matter. Regardless of the outcome of the Aboriginal Land Claim, Council will upgrade Merrett Playground.	Closed for Council
	5	<b>Precinct social media</b> - The creation of a Facebook page for Waverton was also suggested and will be investigated.	Noted by Council's Community Engagement Coordinator, also advises that Precinct Committee should refer to the current <a href="#">Code of Conduct</a> regarding the use of social media.	Closed for Council

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March	5c.	<b>Western Harbour Tunnel</b> - The lack of action by NSC in relation to the current WHT designs for Berry Street was noted, recalling that a motion had been passed by NSC committing its representatives to meet with State government to seek changes to Berry Street plans and related matters. Precinct requests Council to promptly advise its planned actions in this regard, so the Precinct can decide if it tries to meet the local MPs directly or with NSC.	Council's Public Projects Interface Manager has advised that Council has strongly advocated against the use of Berry Street for southbound access to the tunnel and instead having vehicles go to the southern end of the Pacific Highway and then north along Alfred Street. This option is being considered by TfNSW as part of the North Sydney Integrated Traffic Plan (NSITP) which is a division within TfNSW separate from the Roadways team. The NSTIP design process for Miller Street and Berry Street has commenced, however, no final decision on the future of Berry Street has yet been made. It is the right of all interested community members to lobby their local MPs and/or relevant ministers.	Closed for Council
	5.e	<b>Use of Complying Development Certificates (CDC) to short-circuit public scrutiny of building proposals</b> - Precinct maintained its view that this system is potentially counter-democratic, despite being in line with State government procedures. In particular, a CDC should not be used for demolition without plans for a compliant new structure and should require prior briefing at minimum with adjoining neighbours. Notifications re DAs and CDCs. MOTION: That formal notification of all planned works be extended to include properties behind and opposite as well as adjacent to proposed works. Precinct members expressed uncertainty regarding the duration of validity of DAs and CDCs prior to substantial commencement of demolition works on a site and seek formal clarification from Council on this aspect.	Council's Manager Development Services has advised that the matter of notification of CDC's is one solely for the relevant certifying authority to consider and is regulated by the S134 of the <i>EPAA Reg 2021</i> . Generally, Council is not the certifier and notification of the proposal is only required to be given to a lot that has a boundary within 20 metres of the boundary of the lot on which the works are to occur with 14 days notice being given. There is no requirement or obligation for the certifier to consider submissions or indeed for the plans to be made available. It is agreed that this is an unfortunate state of affairs but is one outside of Council's control.  DAs are notified by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• direct mail to owners/occupiers</li> </ul>	Closed for Council

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A3 yellow corflute sign on the front of the property</li> <li>• <a href="#">Council's website</a></li> <li>• Precinct Committees - receive notifications weekly to share with its membership and</li> <li>• by subscription to DA eNews - anyone can be notified of any DA received anywhere in the LGA. Subscribe at: <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/E-news">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/E-news</a></li> </ul> <p>Council's <i>Community Engagement Protocol</i> provides, unless otherwise exempted by the <i>Environmental Planning &amp; Assessment Act 1979</i> or this Protocol, a notice of an application will be sent to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) all persons who, according to Council's property records, own or occupy land adjoining the land to which the application relates;</li> <li>b) an extended notification area, including owners and occupiers of neighbouring land who, in the opinion of Council, may be adversely affected by the application;</li> <li>c) any relevant Precinct Committees; and</li> <li>d) the adjoining Council, where an application applies to land near the boundary of an adjoining LGA (in particular, Lane Cove, Mosman and Willoughby councils) and there may be an impact on property owners or occupants in that adjoining LGA.</li> </ol> <p>The advertising area is determined by an internal Development Review Panel who considers such things as</p>	

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			<p>the nature of the proposal, the topography around the site, likely view privacy traffic and other impacts. Consultation is taken seriously and a bigger than minimum notification area often occurs. Concern is often expressed that notification periods are too short. However, in practice submissions are considered up to the determination of the application particularly where new or determinative issues are raised. It is of course wise to have submission in ASAP as Council is under an obligation to determine all applications promptly.</p> <p>Submissions are important to the assessment process as they enable us to understand the concerns of residents and the nature of the local area which may not be immediately apparent to the assessor. It is the nature and issues raised in submissions that are important and most inform the process.</p> <p>If there are concerns regarding an individual application these can be raised with the Assessment Officer.</p>	
		<p><b>Waverton Peninsula Working Group</b> - Council is requested to organise a next meeting of this group to enable a number of matters to be pushed forward. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coal Loader Wharf</li> <li>• Land Transfers</li> <li>• Role of Working Group and Masterplan in avoiding poor outcomes from BBCSWG</li> <li>• Q Depot forward plans</li> </ul>	<p>A suitable date (from May 2022 onwards) for a Waverton Peninsula Working Group meeting is being determined, Working Group members and the Precinct Committee will be advised of the date in due course.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (3 May 2022)</b> A date will be set in the coming week and advised to Working Group Members and the Precinct Committee.</p>	Closed for Council

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coal Loader Platform: Shade improvements, toilets (preferably composting, as part of Sustainability Centre strategy), more garbage bins, benches are suggested.</li> <li>Legacy of decades of maritime neglect including fixed and floating facilities</li> </ul>	<p><b>UPDATE (12 May 2022)</b> The Waverton Peninsula Working Group meeting has been set for 5pm, 31 May 2022. The agenda has been sent to members.</p>	
		<p><b>State government Proposed Changes to Planning Principles</b> - The attention of Council is drawn to State Government proposals which may undermine LEPs by effectively allowing DAs to include spot rezonings. Precinct considers this to be totally contrary to the principles embodied in the existing system and a backward step - not a new facilitating approach as it is being promoted by the Minister. Concern was also expressed that replacing rules with principles, whilst laudable in terms of enunciating why rules exist, would in practice be more likely to fail to ensure compliance and would, rather, result in navigation around the "principles" by use of weasel words and bland unsubstantiated assertions of conformance - while actually deliberately doing the opposite. Council is encouraged to make submissions rejecting the proposed changes which could result in further loss of power by the community in setting and then being able to maintain standards for each and every part of the municipality.</p>	<p>Council's Team Leader - Policy (Strategic Planning) has advised that a report has been prepared for consideration by Council's Legal &amp; Planning Committee meeting of 14 March 2022 (<a href="#">Item 4.02</a>) seeking endorsement of a submission to the proposed reforms to planning proposals. This report (via the minutes of the Committee meeting) will then be subsequently presented to the Council meeting of 28 March 2022.</p>	Closed for Council
February	4.1	<p><b>3 Ross Street</b> - Reply stated that a demolition may be undertaken following completion of a CDC provided that neighbours are given 14 days' notice. Precinct notes that the next-door neighbour stated that he had not been</p>	<p>Council's Team Leader - Building Compliance has advised that Council does not have a register of all active certifiers who currently provide accreditation works within the North Sydney LGA. As such, staff are unable to notify all</p>	Closed for Council

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		notified at all. As a minimum, Precinct requests that Council notify all certifiers working on developments that proper notice must be given and that the full requirements of the relevant legislation be adhered to.	Accredited Certifiers as requested by the Precinct Committee. However, staff will remind the Accredited Certifier of 3 Ross Street of their obligations under the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i> to notify adjoining properties 14 days prior to the determination of their CDC.	
	4.i.v	<b>Larkin Street Eastern walkway north of Wood Street</b> - It was further agreed that Council be asked to reconsider implementation of a bicycle track in the upper Waverton Park area as proposed by Precinct over the last few years.	Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that Council is aware of the request for a bicycle track in Waverton Park. At this stage there are no plans or allocated funding for the installation of a bike track. It could be considered through a masterplan process if Council is successful in acquiring the former Waverton Bowling Club site.	Closed for Council
	7	<b>Ross Street Water Damage</b> - It was mentioned that there is damage to the footpath at the western end near the steps up from the bay walk, due to leakage. Council is asked to inspect the site and initiate remediation or notify the relevant authority.	Council's Engineering Project Manager has advised that footpath repair works were scheduled in Ross Street to commence on 18 February 2022. Due to the wet weather these works have been delayed.	Closed for Council