

Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) 2022 Registry 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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November	7	Increased Tree Loss in Anzac Park - Precinct is shocked at the denudation of Anzac Park and will be pursuing TfNSW to reforest at the earliest opportunity. Action: Having said this, Precinct urges Council to support Precinct's request to TfNSW to reforest along the Ernest Street side of Anzac Park at the earliest opportunity as this area has been re-turfed and is available for replanting.	Council's Public Projects Interface Manager has advised that since mid-2021 the top priority of Council in respect of the Warringah Freeway Upgrade project has been to negotiate the best possible environmental and community outcome. Topmost in those negotiations has been replacement trees and loss of open space. All impacted areas are under discussion. It is noted that the impacted areas are under the control of TfNSW for the duration of the project, so Council is not in a position to commence planting trees. TfNSW recognises the need to replace vegetation and will commence revegetation when impacted land is no longer required and when revegetation plans are agreed with Council and stakeholder groups.	Closed for Council
	9	Tree Planting - A request has been made by MA, a local resident, to have more trees planted along the length of the blue shade-cloth between Jeaffreson Jackson Reserve and the Warringah Freeway, between the fence and the footpath ASAP. MOTION: Precinct supports the call on TfNSW and Council to plant a line of trees at the corner of Ernest and Falcon Streets between the Freeway		

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		and the footpath to ameliorate the noise and visibility of the Freeway. Precinct suggest that this area could be considered for some of the 2 for 1 plantings by TfNSW.	The Precinct Committee and individual community members can provide feedback to TfNSW Tree Replacement Community Consultation via their Have your Say page .	
	10	<p>Registry/Bridgeview Precinct merger proposal - MOTION: Registry Precinct confirms their earlier submission to Council that they wish to represent the inactive Bridgeview Precinct, as they have many common interests within Cammeray. The merged Precinct could potentially be named something like Cammeray West, which would incorporate the West Street attendees. Moved by: GT Seconded by: MT Votes: Carried Unanimously</p>	<p>Council's Manager Corporate Planning & Engagement notes the Precinct Committee's proposal to merger with the adjacent inactive Precinct Committee (Bridgeview).</p> <p>The Council resolution of 25 July 2022 (Min. No. 213) states that <i>"mergers or amalgamations between Precincts or their dissolution are matters for the Precincts themselves to determine"</i> and <i>"that Council will provide administrative support for any such mergers, amalgamations or dissolutions"</i>.</p> <p>Council is currently working with Edward/Union Precinct Committees on their voluntary merger, from which a process is being developed and can be used by other Precinct Committees to guide their voluntary mergers. This includes notification within the affected Precinct areas, consultation with Council staff regarding the new name and boundaries.</p> <p>The proposed process/timeline for merging (should the Precinct Committee resolve such) is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Council staff to respond to Registry Precinct regarding proposed new name (includes consultation with Council's Historian) 	Open/Ongoing

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			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. merger proposal included as agenda item for next meeting, and flyer distributed to Registry and Bridgeview Precinct areas 3. motion seeking formal merger to be listed on subsequent agenda; advise Council of passed motion to proceed with merger 4. hold AGM to "close out books" of both Registry and Bridgeview i.e. present statements of income and expenditure for each account (Council's engagement staff can attend upon invitation) 5. report to Council for information (Council staff to prepare) 6. Council staff to update Precincts area map and webpage new Committee 7. hold AGM to elect office bearers for new Committee (AGM flyer required) 	
October		<p>Submissions from Precincts - On Council Policy issues etc carry equal weight, irrespective of the numbers of members. Council propose to take into account the actual number of Precinct members voting for or against any proposal.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Corporate Planning & Engagement has been advised, that as advised to the CPC meeting held 18 October 2022, all Precinct Committees will be informed in due course of the implications of the Council resolution in regard to changes to procedures - this will occur in context of the revised <i>Precinct System Guidelines</i> and period review of Council's <i>Community Engagement Protocol</i> and <i>Access to Information Policy</i>.</p> <p>For now, in accordance with the current <i>Precinct System Guidelines</i>, ensure that a voting record per motion is included within Precinct meeting minutes, indicating the number voting for, against and abstain.</p>	Open/Ongoing

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		Development over the Metro @ Crows Nest - Action: Precinct sought an update from Council, if possible, as to what is happening there.	UPDATE (11 January 2023) Council's Public Interface Manager has advised that the Crows Nest over-station development will consist of 4 buildings ranging from 7 to approximately 28 stories. To date these buildings have received approval in principle (agreeing to the Height and bulk of the buildings.) When a private party is awarded the tender for this development the will then refine the proposal and a further planning approval will be sought from the NSW Department of Planning. Information about the proposal is available on NSW Government website link as well as additional information and Architectural Drawings in this document	Closed for Council
		Repair Café - Council are undertaking a needs analysis to establish community support for a repair cafe in the North Sydney area. Precinct were in favour of this and noted that one existed at Georges Heights. MOTION: suggested it could be nearby/in conjunction with Anzac Park Community Garden.	Comments noted by Council's A/Environmental Services Manager, who advises that Council staff have visited the repair cafe at Georges Heights. The suggested location of the Anzac Park vicinity will be considered at such time dependent on the outcomes of the community needs analysis.	Open/Ongoing
		Anzac Park - reported that the Japanese Maple (Acer Palmatum) tree had died - probably due to excess rain. It was agreed that a sturdier replacement maple could be sourced to replace it. Consideration perhaps should be given to re-siting it. The Rosemary bushes around the Anzac Park Memorial are to be replaced as they had become very untidy and some were dead.	Council's Urban Forest Team has replaced the Maple at the location of the plaque within ANZAC Park. Council's Parks Team will be replacing the Rosemary around the ANZAC memorial by the end of this year.	Closed for Council
		Traffic & Traffic Management - Several residents from Lytton Street confirmed that Lytton Street continues to	Item allocated to Council's A/Manager Traffic & Transport Operations.	Awaiting Response

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		be a rat run for traffic off Ernest Street. Also the road sign banning heavy vehicles is totally ineffective as many tradesman drive down this road, including Buses.		
		Wall Proposed for Cammeray Ave/Rosalind St - Advised it will be higher than current wall and suggested that locals lobby for one that has Perspex at the top perimeter.	UPDATE (11 January 2023) Council's Public Interface Manager has advised that this proposal has been forwarded on to the Transport for NSW. It is recommended that residents lobby Transport in addition to Council's request.	Open/Ongoing
		ITS Node - Residents of Cammeray Avenue reported that the ugly but permanent ITS Node has been craned into the Anzac Reserve site, causing anger from all residents in this road, and damage to the tiled footpath outside one resident's house. Residents are demanding attractive and substantial screening to hide both the node and security fencing. Precinct asks for NSC support in this.	Council's Public Interface Manager has advised that Council has separately raised the same concerns regarding the intrusive size and bulk of the structure. Council has requested that the footprint of the concrete pad be reduced as much as possible and that the colour scheme be complementary to the surrounds. Room should also be left for screening plants to be grown.	Closed for Council
August		Western Harbour Tunnel - an attendee complained that: The drastic level of the tree removal has led to a total lack of shade which has created problems for users of the Football Field at Cammeray Park. Action: Can Council please ask TfNSW to provide some shade for the Football Field given that they have created the problem by their actions to remove the trees and given that summer is looming.	Council's Public Interface Manager has advised that Council has forwarded the Precinct Committee's request to TfNSW and their works contactors (CPB Downer). It is noted that any structure would also need approval from Council. UPDATE (11 January 2023) Not further update as this matter is still with TfNSW.	Open/Ongoing
		Homeless Sleeping Rough in Milsons Pt & Kirribilli - Precinct members were saddened to hear that this was increasing and asked for more information from Council on Council's strategies and actions. ACTION: Precinct	Council's Access & Inclusion Co-ordinator has advised that she is available to attend to the 30 November 2022 meeting.	Closed for Council

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		invites Council to please send a Housing Rep to address Precinct on this issue at its 26 October 2022 meeting at Ros Crichton Pavilion.	UPDATE (28 November 2022) Council's Access & Inclusion Co-ordinator will be attending to Precinct meeting on 30 November 2022.	
		Affordable Housing - BC advised that no work has begun on the building slated for Affordable Housing at 287 Miller Street, Cammeray yet.	Council's Director Community & Library Services has advised that development is progressing and is currently in the tender process which will close on 29 September 2022. The development of the site is scheduled to begin in the first half of next year.	Closed for Council
		Water Leaks - 212 Falcon St [running down Lytton St] and one at 10 Abbott St, Cammeray a member advised that the Falcon/Lytton St leak has been pouring out water full bore for past month also confirmed that the Abbott St site had a similar issue. Action: Can Council please get Sydney Water to schedule these two sites at a higher priority as water is just pouring out all day long.	Council's Works Manager has advised that works requests have been lodged by Sydney Water for these two sites, on behalf of the Precinct Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 212 Falcon St. Works in progress - Sydney Water waiting to install a Slip Line pipe solution. Ref: WO86973992. • 10 Abbott St-Sydney Water failed repair. Job has now been reopened as it was closed. Ref: WO86973992. Please note that the Precinct Committee can report a leak in public spaces directly to Sydney Water via their website .	Closed for Council
June	3	WHTBL Update & Golf Course Update - Trees are also going to being removed from the median section of the Warringah Freeway, presumably close to the Ernest Street/Falcon Street flyovers. Precinct objects to such early removal. MOTION: Precinct requests that NSC take this up with TfNSW and strongly protest about this unnecessary destruction of trees at this early stage.	Council's Public Interface Manager has advised that Council is, and will continue to, advocate strongly for improved environmental outcomes along the entire route of the WHT and WFU project route. Council has made numerous submissions regarding the loss of landscaping area as well as loss of trees. Such efforts are ongoing. It is also noted that the elected Council has passed various	Closed for Council

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			resolutions encouraging improved environmental outcomes along the lines of the Precinct resolution.	
	4	Tunnels Construction Traffic - TfNSW is proposing to remove the traffic islands on Ernest St/corner of Park St to allow their trucks to move more easily. Precinct objects as this would lead to serious safety issues. There are a large number of children walking to school, going to sport on tennis courts, soccer fields, skate park in this area. Pedestrians walking to Coles; this also impacts the local residents, including social housing opposite Coles. If they are removed, there must be appropriate traffic control to ensure pedestrian safety. Also will these islands be reinstated in the future? MOTION: Precinct Requests that Council object to this action by TfNSW and Precinct to write to Tim James, Department of Transport, Minister of Roads and Planning.	Council's A/Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised Council's Traffic Engineers raised strong objections to the temporary removal of the raised island and provision of temporary painted median island at the intersection of Ernest Street and Park Ave to accommodate turning paths of Truck and Dogs and semi-trailers. This was communicated with the WFU team but was not considered. It is also noted that the island was removed around June 2022 and reconstructed around mid Aug 2022.	Closed for Council
	5	Intelligent Transport System (ITS) - Precinct notes that the ITS building has SSI approval but due to labour shortages is on hold. However, we request Council to support Precinct in requesting green screening of the building. MOTION: Precinct calls on TfNSW/Council to provide green screening such as non-invasive bamboo plus shrubs, to mask the proposed ITS building on Anzac Reserve.	Council's Public Interface Manager has advised that Council has lobbied TfNSW for suitable screening of the ITS building in Anzac Park and the suitable colour scheme to soften the visual impact of the building. The Precinct Committee's request has also been forwarded to TfNSW for further consideration. Precinct Committee will be updated in due course. UPDATE (11 January 2023) Council's Public Interface Manager has advised that Council has been lobbying strongly for these building to be placed underground and landscaping be placed over the	Open/Ongoing

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			roof. To date TfNSW or the State Government have not made any commitments in this respect.	
	6	<p>Anzac Park - Precinct asks Council's Director Open Space & Environmental Services to afford a similar level of attention to Anzac Park, as currently given to St Leonard's Park, in particular to the state of the grassed areas. It should be noted that the mowing contractors simply scalp much of the surface earth creating a huge amount of dust in dry weather when they "mow" around the turpentine trees.</p> <p>Additionally, the planted rosemary around the Anzac Memorial is in need of some attention and tidying plus fertilising and mulching. The young maple tree, planted about a year ago, is also in need of some attention as it has received none since it was planted in the park.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that not a lot of grass is able to grow in and around the Turpentine trees as its heavily shaded. Unlike St Leonard's Park, there is no irrigation throughout Anzac Park which makes it difficult to maintain good quality grass. Most of Anzac Park is currently taken up by Sydney Water and the Western Harbour Tunnel contractors which is also making it more difficult to maintain the normal maintenance practices. Staff have asked to take care when mowing this area.</p> <p>Council recently refurbished the Anzac Memorial including steam cleaning, pointing and bronze conservation works. The memorial's planting will be maintained as per schedule and if replacement plants are required, they will be sourced and planted before the next Anzac Day.</p> <p>The Maple tree will be inspected in response to the Precinct Committee's comments.</p>	Closed for Council
	7	<p>Note of Payment - Precinct resolved to give \$100 as an EOFY one off payment to our steadfast leaflet distributor, John Henry, as appreciation of his ongoing commitment and hard work in all weather and loss of earnings during COVID.</p>	The Precinct Committee is required to clearly note this funding allocation in its Summary of Income and Expenditure.	Closed for Council
		<p>Hybrid Live/Zoom Precinct Meetings - MOTION: Precinct asks Council to please urgently make arrangements to</p>	Council's Manager Corporate Planning & Engagement advises that senior management has made an operational	Closed for Council

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		<p>enable Precincts to hold meetings combining live and online attendance. This would improve attendance levels especially in this heavy rainy winter for our many older attendees.</p>	<p>decision to permit the use of remote/online Precinct Committee meetings subject to consultation with Precinct Committees regarding the format and frequency.</p> <p>The proposal per the Precinct System Review is to <i>“permit individual Committees to use remote meetings (Zoom or equivalent) complemented by a minimum of either 4 (quarterly) or 2 (biannual) in-person meetings (frequency TBD) with a subscription for each Precinct Committee supplied by Council”</i>. An operational decision has since been made to permit remote Committee meetings to proceed, effective immediately under current arrangements until the formal format is agreed. Consultation with Precinct Committees will occur in July/August 2022 as to the preferred licence format, frequency of use and promotional requirements, with view to the new arrangements coming into effect from January 2023. Between now and then, Precinct Committees with their own licences can continue to use such and Council can temporarily assist those without individual licences, upon request.</p> <p>UPDATE (14 October 2022) As advised via the Combined Precincts Committee (CPC) meeting held in August 2022, Precinct representatives had the opportunity to participate in small working groups to progress the Precinct System Review recommendations, including remote meetings. Registry Precinct is represented by MW on Working Group 4: Remote</p>	

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			Meetings. Updates will be provided via the CPC, and to all Precinct Committees in due course.	
April		<p>Precinct System Review: Boundary maps are scheduled to be tabled at the Council meeting next month for consideration and then open to the public for comment. Need to discuss this at next Precinct meeting; individuals can also comment.</p>	<p>In June 2021, the former Council deferred consideration of a report presenting the recommendations arising from the Precinct System Review. The report recommends further consultation occur regarding the proposed boundary realignment options, and a draft Implementation/ Communication Plan. On 23 May 2022, the Council deferred consideration of this report to the Council Meeting of 25 July 2022.</p> <p>UPDATE (14 October 2022) Council's Manager Corporate Planning & Engagement has advised that the recommendations of the Precinct System Review were considered by the Council on 25 July 2022. Regarding Precinct area boundaries, the Council resolved alternate to the officer's recommendation: 3. <i>THAT Council recognises the following:</i> <i>(a) The principle that the question of mergers or amalgamations between Precincts or their dissolution are matters for the Precincts themselves to determine</i> <i>(b) That Council will provide administrative support for any such mergers, amalgamations or dissolutions.</i> <i>(c) That Council will explore ways to increase community awareness of, and participation in, Precinct meetings.</i></p> <p>Per the abovementioned Council resolution, individual Precinct Committees may propose Precinct area boundary changes. We are working with each proposal on a case-by case basis, contact Council's Community Engagement</p>	Closed for Council

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			Coordinator to further discuss proposed boundary changes, as needed.	
		Anzac Avenue Reserve - reported that the ground for a permanent ITS substation plus generator, security lighting and CCTV, surrounded by chain-link fencing and with access ramp for maintenance vehicles, is currently being prepared opposite residences at 3 Cammeray Avenue. No advance consultation was given to residents who oppose the construction of this block.	Council's Public Projects Interface Manager has advised that Council has raised objection to this structure and requested that it be relocated. However, under the State Significant Infrastructure approval process Council does not have the ability to prevent the placement of this structure at this location.	Closed for Council
		Anzac Park and Community Garden - reported that both Park and Garden had suffered greatly in all the rain. The Park is in a very poor condition compared to St Leonard's Park. Precinct urges Council to please conduct regular Maintenance for safety and access of local residents.	Council's Streets Alive Coordinator has advised that the park is located within a natural catchment and experienced extensive water logging with the recent rainfall. The large fig tree also collapsed. Tree has now been removed, with 2 replacements expected soon. The park is maintained regularly by mowing contractors. There are some areas with tyre marks which was due to the boggy soil. Soil has been level and new grass will grow as we approach spring.	Closed for Council
February	3	WHT&BL Update - Cammeray Ave had been closed off for months for the trenching works but that is opening up now. Trucks still being parked but that too is lessening. They are filling in the holes in the Anzac Reserve and restoring the area. MA advised that there are many more trucks now being parked along Parks Ave midway down.	Comments noted by Council's Public Projects Interface Manager.	Closed for Council

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		ACTION: Locals and Council need to keep a watching brief on these works to ensure remediation is up to scratch.		
January	<i>No actions arising requiring Council's response</i>			