Parks Precinct Committee Meeting Minutes – 21 June 2023

(Meeting was held on Zoom)

Meeting Opened at 7.08pm

1. Attendance and Apologies: as per the Attendance Sheet

2. Guest Speaker from Titanium Property – Mr Richard Hamilton and Mr Tim Atkins

The Guest Speakers represented Titanium Property – the company engaged by Coles to design the new Coles development project incorporating the refurbishment of the existing Woolworths store in Grosvenor Street and a brand new apartment development of between 5 to 6 storeys.

The Woolworths lease ends Nov 2024 and Coles plans to create a 'state of the art' supermarket rebadging the Woolworths store to become a Coles store. Titanium will lodge their DA for the total development in July 2023. If the DA is not approved for the apartment project they will simply refurbish and rebadge the store. A public exhibition of development plans is scheduled for Sep to Dec 2023.

Aspect Landscape Design work alongside Titanium and have been engaged to plan the use of the existing Grosvenor Street carpark (behind Woolworths) making it into a green community space. They wish to 'preserve the village feel' of the existing space and have designed the proposed apartment block to be stepped back to allow maximum sunlight to the village green.

Carparks are proposed to be a 24 hour access underground – extending existing car spaces x 85. Coles will retain their Big Bear store.

PP requested a shadow diagram showing the impact of the development on properties in 19A Young Street and 27 – 35 Grosvenor Street Neutral Bay. This was agreed to by Titanium.

3. Confirmation of Minutes (sent by email to mailing list) and matters arising: Moved BB seconded PZ and carried unanimously.

4. Neutral Bay Town Centre Planning Study workshop – This was attended by BB and SM who provided a brief summary of outcomes.

5. DAs under consideration - none reported

6. General Business

Grosvenor Lane – Pedestrian/Traffic shared laneway

A representative from NSC Traffic Dept. met with GD, JA and ES to take a walk down Grosvenor Lane and discuss various issues relating to safety. It was noted that often motorists drove 'aggressively' down the lane making it unsafe for pedestrians. The possibility of more monitoring equipment was discussed as was the possibility of making the laneway 'residents only'. No definite outcomes achieved.

Cammeray Park – no return of 1.5 hectares as previously advised

In relation to the 1.5 hectares of land which was proposed to be returned to Cammeray Park following the loss of public greenspace due to the re-design of Cammeray Golf Course forced by the WHT development – Gren reported that a plan to return the space has still not been provided.

AGM

Parks Precinct AGM will held on July 17 @ 7.00pm at Cammeray Golf Course.

Meeting adjourned: 8.30pm

Next Meeting Wednesday, June 19, 2023 at 7.00pm