

# NORTH SYDNEY PRECINCTS

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**Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 19 March 2025  
at Hayes Street Studio commencing at 6.00pm**

01	<b>Attendees:</b>	18 Attendees, including Council employee/s and guest speakers in attendance. 02 Apologies
02	<b>Welcome</b>	CK gave an Acknowledgement of Country.  TB introduced the Committee members present at the meeting.  TB invited attendees to the upcoming social event, the Four-Legged Fashion Show, this Sunday, 23 March at 2 PM.  TB gave an overview of the Hayes and Kurraba Precinct and its purpose.  TB mentioned the AGM will be on Wednesday 21 May 2025 and encouraged attendees to consider election as Office Bearers.
02	<b>Guest speaker/s</b>	Therese Cole, Chief Executive Officer of North Sydney Council, introduced her background and role within the Council. She provided an overview of several key aspects, including the Council's <b>structure</b> , the responsibilities of <b>elected members</b> , and the <b>executive leadership</b> . She also discussed the organisational <b>culture</b> and the <b>strategy</b> and general direction of the Council, offering valuable insights into how these elements contribute to the effective functioning of the local government.  Therese took questions and comments from attendees, covering topics such as the rate variation and history to costs relating for North Sydney Pool.
03	<b>Previous Meeting Minutes</b>	Minutes of the 29 January meeting were confirmed by TK and seconded by SC.  <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/downloads/file/3897/hayes-kurraba-precinct-minutes-january-2025">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/downloads/file/3897/hayes-kurraba-precinct-minutes-january-2025</a>
04	<b>Council's Summary of Actions (SOA) from Previous Minutes</b>	TB shared a summary of the key updates from the Council's Summary of Actions (SOA): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Council's Summary of Actions for 2025 <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/downloads/file/3968/council-s-summary-of-actions-for-2025">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/downloads/file/3968/council-s-summary-of-actions-for-2025</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Smokers Bins</li><li>○ Planter Box</li><li>○ Wycombe Lane</li></ul></li><li>● Council's Summary of Actions for 2024 <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/downloads/file/3955/council-s-summary-of-actions-for-2024">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/downloads/file/3955/council-s-summary-of-actions-for-2024</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Bins at Hayes Street Beach</li><li>○ Kurraba Wharf Stairs</li><li>○ Hodgsons Lookout Park Children's Playground</li></ul></li></ul>
05	<b>General Business</b>	A discussion was held regarding ongoing safety issues with the Kurraba Wharf Stairs. It was noted that the February 2025 update for item 05 Kurraba Wharf Stairs Update seemed to

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		be inconsistent with the action, indicating an error. A request was made for the Council to revisit the maintenance issue with the stairs leading to Kurraba Point Wharf.								
		<b>General discussion as to management for Lime Bikes left in the precinct after use obstructing entrances to dwellings and driveways</b>								
		<b>Wycombe Lane</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● CB: Remarkd the response from Council regarding the</li><li>● The Precinct requests that the NSC Traffic Management Committee consider reducing the speed limit on Wycombe Lane to 30 km/h and designating it as a shared zone with appropriate signage due to the risk of injury to pedestrians</li></ul> <table><tr><td>Motion:</td><td>The Precinct requests the Council to address the matter with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to reduce the speed limit on Wycombe Lane.</td></tr><tr><td>Moved by:</td><td>CB</td></tr><tr><td>Seconded by:</td><td>TS</td></tr><tr><td>Voting:</td><td>9 in favour 0 against</td></tr></table>	Motion:	The Precinct requests the Council to address the matter with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to reduce the speed limit on Wycombe Lane.	Moved by:	CB	Seconded by:	TS	Voting:	9 in favour 0 against
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		<b>The foreshore of Neutral Bay wharf</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● LM: Highlighted the current poor condition of the public space near the wharf foreshore.</li><li>● The area has a lack of fixed amenities with no furniture, apart from what the local coffee shop provides.</li><li>● It was noted that with the upcoming 1 Hayes St development there will be no Thelma and Louise cafe, so it needs to be addressed for ongoing community use.</li></ul> <table><tr><td>Motion:</td><td><p>The Precinct requests that Council expeditiously upgrade the foreshore area adjacent to 1 Hayes Street Neutral Bay to provide community amenity to foster community engagement in light of the imminent loss of the General Store and Thelma &amp; Louise cafe due to the development of 1 Hayes Street by;</p><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Replacing the 4 Kentia Palms that were removed in April 2019 with like mature species</li><li>2. Provide 2 long tables in fixed position between the existing benches to further forster community engagement</li><li>3. To remove the native grasses and replace them with softer appealing coastal vegetation such as Pigface.</li><li>4. Install a bubbler/tap for dogs to replace the tap that was removed and paved over</li></ol></td></tr></table>	Motion:	<p>The Precinct requests that Council expeditiously upgrade the foreshore area adjacent to 1 Hayes Street Neutral Bay to provide community amenity to foster community engagement in light of the imminent loss of the General Store and Thelma &amp; Louise cafe due to the development of 1 Hayes Street by;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Replacing the 4 Kentia Palms that were removed in April 2019 with like mature species</li><li>2. Provide 2 long tables in fixed position between the existing benches to further forster community engagement</li><li>3. To remove the native grasses and replace them with softer appealing coastal vegetation such as Pigface.</li><li>4. Install a bubbler/tap for dogs to replace the tap that was removed and paved over</li></ol>						
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06	Development Applications	160 Kurraba Road KURRABA POINT - Submission date closes 28/03/2025								

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		<p>S4.55(2) <b>Modification</b> of DA191/23 to accommodate changes to structural conditions of the approved building; dwelling layout changes; changes to approved garages and car parking; window changes; amendments to top floor addition and refurbishment work to original architectural features. The Trustee for Jefferson Living Unit Trust, DA 191/2023/3, <u>Kurraba Precinct</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No issues were raised, however noted no Construction Management Plan submitted to date and there was interest to review this for feedback if necessary.</li></ul>
		<p><b>5-7 Lower Wycombe Rd NEUTRAL BAY</b> - Submission date closes 14/03/2025</p> <p>S4.55(2) <b>Modification</b> of DA 137/23 to provide for various changes to basement, excavation methods, window changes, changes to balconies, elevation changes, new plunge pool to the eastern terrace, modified pool design and location, changes to landscaping and tree protection measures. Ingham Planning Pty Ltd, DA 137/2023/4, <u>Hayes Precinct</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No issues raised.</li></ul>
<b>07</b>	<b>Other business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PG raised concerns relating to modifications relating to 184b-190 Kurraba Road development. He has expressed his concern to the Council and is waiting on a response.</li><li>• PG has recently raised concerns with Council regarding the unsafe stairs leading down from Hodgsons Park to the lower road, where children running down may trip, fall, and end up on the road. There is hope for a positive outcome.</li><li>• AGM to be held 21 May 2025.</li></ul>
<b>08</b>	<b>Meeting close</b>	The meeting concluded at approximately 08:00 PM.
<b>09</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 21 May 2025 at 06:00 pm at Hayes Street Studio (Address: 11 Hayes St, Neutral Bay NSW 2089).