

North Sydney Combined Precincts Committee (CPC)

Tuesday 17 June 2025

6.00pm start, Ros Crichton Pavillion

General Meeting Minutes

Voting Participants: MDS (Anzac Park), JB (Anzac Park), AS (Bay), LS (Brightmore), RM (Brightmore), KH (Euroka), SS (Euroka), SK (Harrison-Bennett), MS (Harrison-Bennett), TB (Hays & Kurraba), TS (Hays & Kurraba), RS (Lavender Bay), JS (Lavender Bay), JN (Milson), MB (Milson), CB (Neutral), SM (Parks), SW (The Plateau), KB (The Plateau), IG (Waverton), MS (Willoughby Bay),

Also present: SW (Anzac Park), LK (Hays & Kurraba)

Manager Aquatics & Leisure (DR NSC), Executive Manager Corporate Affairs (CH NSC)

Apologies: LT (Holtermann), GC (Neutral), JH (Wollstonecraft)

Co-convenor presiding: SM (Parks)

The meeting started at 6.02 pm

1. Acknowledgement of Country

SM (Parks) opened the meeting by acknowledging the traditional custodians of the land on which the meeting was held and welcomed all attendees.

2. Guest Speaker – North Sydney Olympic Pool (DR NSC)

Attachment A – Presentation Slides

DR NSC presented an update on the North Sydney Olympic Pool (NSOP).

MOTION: CPC requests that Council releases the NSOP Strategic Plan to the CPC, redacting any sensitive commercial-in-confidence information.

Moved: JS (Lavender Bay)

Seconded: MB (Milson)

Passed

For	Against	Abstain
Anzac Park x 2 Bay x 1 Euroka x 2 Harrison-Bennett x 2 Hayes & Kurraba x 2 Lavender Bay x 2 Milson x 2		Brightmore x 2

Neutral x 1 Parks x 1 The Plateau x 2 Waverton x 1 Willoughby Bay x 1		
Total: 19	Total:0	Total: 2

Discussion points included:

- Strategic oversight/plan for the NSOP
- Marketing and business development
- Pricing structures
- Exploring opportunities for naming rights sponsorship
- Consideration of implementing a volunteer program for tasks like cleaning
- Parking accessibility and availability for families visiting the pool, such as a “park and swim” program
- Ensuring a minimum number of lanes are reserved for public use during peak times
- Foundation membership and membership structures

The meeting expressed their appreciation of a thoughtful, focussed and effective presentation through a spontaneous round of applause.

3. Minutes of 15 April 2025 meeting

ACTION: CH NSC to edit minutes to include comment from MB (Milson) that Milson Precinct was supportive of the proposed change to the loading zone in Broughton St, Kirribilli and that local businesses are also pleased.

MOTION: The minutes of the general meeting held on 15 April 2025 were confirmed as read and correct.

Moved: JB (ANZAC PARK)

Seconded: MB (Milson)

Passed

4. Council’s Reply to Previous Minutes (Summary of Actions)

Attachment B SoA from 15 April

ACTION: CH NSC to update Council’s reply to item 8.a that DR NSC had presented to CPC on 17 June. Other items are still to be answered.

ACTION: CH NSC to update item 2.b following receipt of details from JC (Milson).

MOTION: The Reply to Previous Minutes (Summary of Actions) were confirmed as read.

Moved: JB (ANZAC PARK)

Seconded: MB (MILSON)

Passed

5. Co-convenors Report

SM (Parks) gave a verbal report which covered Council's request for Precincts to review the revised Delivery Program following IPART's rejection of a Special Rate Variation. Whilst a lot of output was provided by Council the work product was not focused on helping Precincts make the best decisions. The same mistakes are being made now as were made with the original SRV submission to IPART. There is no methodology and no decision criteria. Council is a business and needs to behave like a business – it provides goods and services, has assets and liabilities, customers and employees.

Precincts should consider the business implications when providing their submissions to Council.

6. Council Update (CH, NSC)

Attachment C Meeting presentation slides

CH (NSC) advised:

- i. Reminder of the Code of Conduct for Precinct Office Bearers and Members.
- ii. 2025 Liveability Census
 - Request to Precincts to promote and complete the nationwide survey.
 - Closes Monday 30 June.
- iii. Revised Draft Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2025-2026 on consultation until 24 June.
 - Precincts encouraged to provide a submission in response.
 - A summary video and factsheets on how it impacts the two wards have been added to the Your Say website.
- iv. Current/upcoming consultations (taken as read)
 - [Revised Draft Delivery Program 2025-29 and Operational Plan 2025-26](#) – closes 24 June
 - [2025 Liveability Census](#) – closes 30 June
 - [Planning Proposal at 183-185 Military Road, Neutral Bay](#) – closes 8 July
 - [NSW Government Housing Reform](#): Information only - ongoing
 - [Installation of electric vehicle charging stations in Council car parks](#): Information only
 - [Mapping Queer North Sydney](#) – ongoing

General Business

a. Proposed Motions

i. Tree loss due to water buildup from Freeway WFU & WHT SSI Projects (Anzac Park)

Anzac Park gave a verbal presentation. There was multiple tree loss in due to water build up from Freeway WFU & WHT SSI Projects. Project Teams not showing interest in addressing.

Motion: That CPC urge Council to urgently liaise with TfNSW Management not the TfNSW Comms staff to assess why this is happening and agree on appropriate remediation by TfNSW Project Teams to avoid further tree loss in that area.

Moved: MDS (Anzac Park)

Seconded: SW (The Plateau)

Passed

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Anzac Park x 2 Bay x 1 Brightmore x 2 Euroka x 2 Harrison-Bennett x 2 Hayes & Kurraba x 2 Lavender Bay x 2 Milson x 2 Neutral x 1 Parks x 1 The Plateau x 2 Waverton x 1 Willoughby Bay x 1		
Total: 21	Total:0	Total:0

ii. Council's Revised Resourcing Strategy following the IPART rejection of rate increase (Lavender Bay)

ATTACHMENT from Lavender Bay

Draft Motion: That CPC advise Council to seek the Minister's approval for an extension of one year to satisfactorily develop, following comprehensive community consultation, its new strategic planning including the Delivery Program.

Amended Motion: That CPC advise Council to seek the Minister's approval for an extension of six months to **satisfactorily** develop, following **comprehensive community** consultation, its new strategic planning including the Delivery Program.

Action: SM (Parks) to contact Mayor and CEO with the passed motion urgently this week.

Passed

Moved: JS (Lavender Bay)

Seconded: SK (Harrison-Bennett)

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Anzac Park x 1 Bay x 1 Euroka x 2 Harrison-Bennett x 2 Hayes & Kurraba x 2 Lavender Bay x 2 Milson x 2 Neutral x 1 Parks x 1 The Plateau x 2 Waverton x 1	Brightmore x 2	Anzac Park x 1 Willoughby Bay x 1
Total:17	Total:2	Total: 2

Discussion points included:

- Strong emphasis on the need for genuine, comprehensive, and satisfactory consultation.
- Calls for clearer communication and improved engagement strategies.
- Criticism of previous consultation efforts as being information-heavy but lacking clarity and executive summaries.

b. Information Items (pre-submitted items) –

- i. The Air Quality Community Consultative Committee [AQCCC] Meeting feedback (SW, The Plateau)

SW (The Plateau) took the meeting through the process that the ACCC used to choose the proposed Air Quality monitoring site for the Cammeray WHT exit:

- AQCCC meeting attendees expressed concerns about inadequate monitoring locations and lack of transparency in site selection.
- CPC raised concerns about cumulative pollution effects from multiple infrastructure projects.
- SW (The Plateau) has proposed a new monitoring site at Bellevue Street.

c. Discussion Items (pre-submitted items) –

- i. Visitor economy – excessive parking restrictions within North Sydney CBD after hours for discussion. (Harrison-Bennett Precinct)**

Action: Harrison-Bennett precinct to consider writing to Council to request a review of weekend parking restrictions to support local businesses.

- ii. Increasing traffic flows on secondary roads-Have others noticed this as a result of diversions through road closures & have they spoken to Council about it? (Anzac Park)**

Action: CPC requests that a relevant NSC executive(s) attend a future meeting to provide an update on traffic strategies/management and local road impacts within the LGA.

- iii. What measures have other Precincts tried to increase attendance including hybrid or online? (Anzac Park)**

Discussion points included:

- Hybrid meetings don't work because of feedback problems. Multiple precincts discussed poor experiences with hybrid meeting.
- Importance of timely agendas, engaging content, and catering to boost attendance.
- Parks runs online meetings with guest speakers but attendance was similar to physical meetings. However online meetings are much easier to organise and much cheaper to run.
- In-person meetings with guest speakers and letterbox drops were found to be most effective to drive attendance.

- iv. Given the reduction in service agenda across the council, what can each precinct committee do to prioritise services/ maintenance that is specific to their own precinct. (Bay)**

Discussion points included:

- Frustration over Precinct's role / lack of input into prioritisation of projects by Council.
- Suggestion to formulate a clear proposal for how precincts can better inform Council decisions.

Action: JB (Anzac Park), AS(Bay) & MB (Milson) to form a working group to review precinct guidelines and draft a proposal for how Precincts can better engage with Council and vice-versa.

7. **OTHER ITEMS** - to be tabled at the meeting

JS (Lavender) raised concerns that the CPC motion on the Community Strategic Plan (15 April 2025 meeting) had not been provided to Councillors as cited by Councillor Holding at the 26 May meeting.

Action: SC NSC to ensure all CPC motions are shared with Councillors.

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 19 August 2025

The remaining 2025 meeting dates are:

- Tuesday 21 October
- Tuesday 18 November (General Meeting and AGM)