

## Summary of Actions Arising 2021 - Cremorne Point 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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Month	Item	Actions	Council's Reply	Status
May	6	<b>Ted Mack memorial</b> - resolved to proceed with applying for project funding for the planting of a tree, preferably a red gum, with a plaque. Possible location outside the Laurels at 5 Green Street to replace the habitat tree.	Council's Community Engagement Coordinator advises that the application for project funding has been received. Such activity is not covered by the Precinct Special Project/Event funding. In turn, the application was referred to Council's Historian and Open Spaces & Environmental Services Division for consideration, however, was ultimately denied. Ted Mack has been recognised by Council in various ways including most recently, the renaming of Civic Park, North Sydney to Ted Mack Civic Park (next to the Council Chambers).	Closed for Council
	7.1	<b>Habitat tree in front the Laurels, 5 Green Street</b> - Members noted that the habitat tree was not being used by the birds or any wildlife whatsoever and was very unsightly. Precinct requests that the tree be removed and	Council's Tree Management Officer has advised that Council has received many positive comments on the habitat stag from members of the public including residents of 5 Green Street. The tree poses no danger and removing the tree on the grounds of aesthetics is	Closed for Council

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		suggests that other habitats be developed around the area.	not a valid reason. Contrary to the assertion in the minutes Council is aware that some fauna is beginning to show interest in the stag.	
	7.1	<b>Traffic issues at intersection of Green Street with Cremorne Road (4 Green Street)</b> - Members do not feel that the space between the two driveways is too small for a car as it is often used for parking for cars and other vehicles. Members do not feel that the space should be designated only for motorcycles. Precinct Committee is not supportive of the parking space being changed to motorcycle only parking.	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations notes that the Precinct Committee is not supportive of motorbike parking. No further action required for Council on this item.	Closed for Council
	7.2	<b>Traffic Issue at the intersection of Murdoch Street and Hodgson Ave, Cremorne Point</b> - Members raised safety concerns around the parking on the bend which has a serious impact on visibility. There have been a number of near misses reported by members in the last months. Council is requested to review the parking signposting at the intersection of Murdoch Street and Hodgson Ave, particularly around 10 Hodgson Ave.	Council's Traffic & Transport Engineer has advised that the site has been inspected. Signage complies with Australian Standards however, the double centre line marking faded near the bend. A maintenance request was issued to replace the missing line marking with the contractor due to complete in July 2021.	Closed for Council
	7.3	<b>Poor lighting</b> - along the path at the top of stairs at Cremorne Point Wharf to the toilets and the path north of the stairs. Members noted that Council has previously been advised that the area is very poorly lit and remain concerned about the safety at night in this area, particularly for young people coming off the late ferries. It was acknowledged that Council had previously surveyed local residents who had raised concerns around the	Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that as per previous communication with the Precinct Committee, these are all Ausgrid lights not Council's. Council investigated having an overhead light installed but as per the Precinct Committee's commentary, Ausgrid would not do this based on the complaints they had when there was one in there. Council surveyed	Closed for Council

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		possible impact from overhead lighting, even with a deep shade. Council is requested to extend the bollard lighting around the path leading away from the stairs coming up from the Cremorne Point Wharf so that the area is much better lit and safer at night.	residents who also express they did not want a light there.	
	7.4	<b>Painting the mild steel railings green from the SASC up to Green Street</b> - Council is requested to arrange for the mild steel railings leading up from harbour reserve park from the SASC to the top of the stairs to Green Street Cremorne Point be painted green, similar to the colour used on other railings in the area.	Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that these hand rails were installed as part of a major pathway project in Cremorne Point for which public consultation was undertaken. Painting hand rails like this adds to further maintenance in the future as the paint thins over time, chips off etc. Unless specific requests arise from consultation processes, Council place handrails in situ unpainted. If they were to be painted it needs to be carried out as a powder coat and that decision needs to be made prior to installation. It is not feasible for the handrails to be powder coated at a later date this requires them to be removed and reinstalled.	Closed for Council
	7.5	<b>DA 2/10/20, 14 Milson Road</b> - Members noted that there appears to have been no progress on this development for quite some time. Precinct requests that Council provides an update on the status of this development Council is requested to provide an update on the status of this development.	Council's Executive Assessment Planner has advised that the review of determination application confirmed the refusal of the modification application. The matter remains with Council's Environment & Building Compliance Department in relation to the unauthorised works.	Closed for Council
	7.6	<b>DA 85/03/4, 57 Cremorne Road</b> - Development at 57 Cremorne Road - Members noted that there appears to have been no progress on this development for quite	Council's Executive Planner has advised that once a development has been commenced, there is no time limit in the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 within which the development must be completed.	Closed for Council

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		<p>some time. Precinct requests that Council provides an update on the status of this development.</p>	<p>Council does not provide "status updates" on the progress of developments - there is no statutory requirement to do so, nor does Council have the resources to track the progress of all development in North Sydney. If a resident or Precinct Committee has a particular interest in a development site, they are able to view the file with a <a href="#">GIPA request</a>. If, however, there is a compliance issue, then the concerned party should contact the Council's Environment &amp; Building Compliance Department to register the details of the issue and the appropriate action will be taken.</p>	
February	Email	<p><b>Traffic issues around Precinct</b> - Intersection of Green Street with Cremorne Road 4 Green Street blocking the driveway/garage - This is situated at the intersection of Cremorne Road and Green Street. A resident has asked that this also include the single parking space between our driveways to ensure safe line of sight for oncoming traffic. I made this request in the context of my submission to the Council regarding a pending development application at 38 Cremorne Road which is attached. The reason is that ongoing development work in the area leads to oversized vehicles using this driveway area as a parking bay, often early in the morning well before 7am while the drivers wait to start work. Photos are attached and included in my submission. It creates terrible noise for residents and mess pollution as well as obstructing access to and from garages and safe line of sight of oncoming traffic. For example, cement mixers churning, metal scaffolding equipment being adjusted, loud conversations, truck motors idling</p>	<p>Council's Manager Traffic &amp; Transport Operations has advised:</p> <p>1. We understand you are requesting for the area in front of the driveway of No. 44 Cremorne Road to be signposted as No Stopping. The Road Rules regarding parking across a driveway (Rule 198) and No Parking (168) are the similar and infringements of these Rules attract the same penalty. No Stopping signs are generally only used where there is a safety or traffic network issue as the infringement attracts a significantly higher penalty than No Parking. No Parking allows motorists to stop for up to 2 minutes whilst remaining within 3 metres of their vehicle to load or unload passengers or goods. Therefore, residents and taxis would also be prohibited from this activity if No Stopping signs were installed. When Council does install such signage across driveways, it is Council's policy that the resident benefiting from the</p>	Open/Ongoing

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		<p>loudly etc. propose that 'no stopping' signs are the best option for deterrence. The lesser option of 'no parking' signs would permit stopping for 2 minutes which truck drivers then take advantage of and stay longer. Even when I have asked drivers to move on, they respond they have nowhere else to go. Clearly this should be managed in advance as part of a traffic management plan - for example parking bays in front of the property where the development is occurring. In the past I have tried calling for the ranger but been told they are unavailable at the time or cannot attend each time there is a vehicle parked there. I would appreciate if you could consider this matter and if appropriate at your next Committee meeting.</p>	<p>signage pays for the cost of the signage - 2020/21 fees are \$810 for the signage. In this regard, Council would require a request in writing from the body corporate of No. 44 Cremorne Road indicating support for either No Parking or No Stopping signage along with payment for the signage. For application form see <a href="https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Transport_Parking/Parking_Management/Parking_Signs_Rules/Parking_Across_Driveways">https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Transport_Parking/Parking_Management/Parking_Signs_Rules/Parking_Across_Driveways</a></p> <p>2. We understand that you are requesting for the area between the driveways of No. 42A and 44 Cremorne Road also become a No Stopping zone. As you are aware, parking in many areas of North Sydney is in very high demand. As such, we endeavour to preserve parking spaces where possible. The space between the two driveways is often too small for a car, however it can accommodate one or two motorbike parking spaces. It appears that the space is regularly used by motorbikes. If the Precinct Committee is supportive of the parking to be changed to motorbike only parking, Council can consult with the immediately adjacent residents and this can be referred to the Traffic Committee for consideration. Please advise if the Precinct Committee wishes to proceed with motorbike only parking. [response to Council provided via Item 7.1, May 2021]</p>	

## Summary of Actions from previous years

Year	Item	Actions	Council's Reply	Status
2020		<p><b>DA17A 19-21 Kareela Road</b> - The heritage value of the original DA appears to have been breached by the amendments as the 2 car parks are still missing the required heritage features. Council is requested to confirm that the builder has met all of the requirements under the DA for this development.</p>	<p><b>UPDATE (4 June 2021)</b> Council's Senior Assessment Officer has advised that the development has a number of non-compliances with the original development consent (including the treatments of the carports). The matter has been referred to Council's Environment &amp; Building Compliance Department for further action.</p>	Awaiting Response
2016	16/8a	<p><b>Poor lighting</b> - Council has been advised that the lighting at the lower footpath between numbers 4 and 16 along Milson Road is very dark at night. One person is already known to have fallen there recently and that there are ongoing concerns of this being a significant risk and that others may incur serious injury.</p> <p>Note May 2021: Council is requested to provide a copy of the consultant's lighting strategy report/document.</p>	<p><b>Update as per SOA November 2019</b> Council's Traffic Operations Officer has advised that Ausgrid are responsible for supplying, installing and maintaining street lighting, including the poles and lamps. Council pays Ausgrid for this service.</p> <p>It is Council's responsibility to ensure that the level of lighting is compliant with the relevant Australian Standard. To meet this responsibility Council is developing a <i>Street Lighting Strategy and Masterplan</i> for the whole Local Government Area. This will include all streets and parks/reserves. Council is engaging a new lighting consultant to complete the Masterplan. The new lighting consultant will be assessing the lighting levels in all streets as part of this project. This will include the areas of concern raised by Cremorne Point Precinct Committee.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (8 June 2021)</b></p>	Open/Ongoing

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			<p>Council's Traffic Operations Officer has advised that the Lighting Strategy and Masterplan for the North Sydney LGA has been put on hold due to budget constraints. Council is responsible for all Streetlighting. All the street lights in Milson Road and Cremorne Point Reserve are Ausgrid lights. Council is Ausgrid's customer and we pay Ausgrid to install and maintain the lights. Ausgrid does not conduct audits of the lights. In the next financial year Council will be engaging a consultant lighting engineer to assess the level of lighting in Milson Road to ascertain if it meets the current Australian Standard. If it does not meet the standard we will be requesting a solution. This may be difficult due to the number of trees in the street.</p> <p><b>UPDATE (11 August 2021)</b> Council's Traffic Operations Officer has advised that due to the current COVID restrictions Council has had to defer engaging a lighting consultant until the restrictions are lifted. This is due to the fact that investigating and assessing the level of lighting in Milson Road requires onsite inspections.</p>	
	16/8b	<p>In addition, we have been advised that the walkway between 90-70 Milson Road on the reserve side is also a dark area - is this Ausgrid or can the council assist here?</p> <p>Note May 2021: As per request from Council, Precinct Committee has confirmed it is the Reserve.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Parks &amp; Reserves has advised that the Precinct Committee's description suggests it's the Milson Road Footpath of which Ausgrid would have street lights on. If the Precinct Committee is referring to the path through Sirius Street Playground to Cremorne Point Reserve, Council is not aware of any lights down this path at all. Council has no plans to light this path.</p>	Closed for Council

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2015	28/15	<p><b>Cremorne Point eyesore</b> - Residents have advised Council repeatedly that the cabling and light fixture at pole (M30161), in the vicinity of Cremorne Point Wharf, continues to be an eyesore, spoiling one of the most beautiful views of Sydney from a public place by both day and night. This location has over 1 million visitors each year. This has been a long-standing item of significant concern to Precinct members.</p> <p>Note May 2021: Council is requested to provide an update on the status of this work.</p>	<p><b>Update as per SOA November 2019</b> Council's Traffic Operations Officer has advised that Council is still investigating the structure of the roadway to install Council owned lights.</p> <p><b>Update (8 June 2021)</b> Council's Traffic Operations Officer has advised that this project had been suspended but now resurrected. A consultant lighting engineer has been engaged to have the design certified with Ausgrid and progress the project to installation of new Council lights.</p> <p><b>Update (11 August 2021)</b> Council's Traffic Operations Officer has advised that the lighting consultant has been engaged and they have sent the lighting design for this project to Ausgrid for certification. Council is awaiting Ausgrid's response.</p>	Open/Ongoing