

Lavender Bay Precinct

Minutes of Meeting

Thursday, 26 November 2020 Starting at 7 pm

McMahons Point Community Centre 165 Blues Point Road, McMahons Point

Chair: RRS rrs@7thfloor.com.au

Secretary: BPS <u>lavenderbayprecinct@gmail.com</u>

1. Welcome / Apologies / 29 October 2020 minutes

There were 28 attendees (including 10 via Zoom) plus 2 guests, with 16 apologies. The meeting accepted the minutes of the previous meeting.

2. Sydney Heritage Fleet proposed relocation to Berrys Bay

The Chair welcomed Alan E, Relocation Director, and Stephen R from the Sydney Heritage Fleet, who gave a presentation on the fleet's proposed relocation from Pyrmont to Berrys Bay.

The Heritage Fleet would like to make sure that the process is as transparent as possible, with real community input. The goal is to create a new attraction for Sydney Harbour, the Museum of Sydney Harbour (MOSH). Berrys Bay is special, highly relevant and appropriate for this display of heritage working vessels. The project would be focused on preservation, placemaking, cultural identity history and the cultural identity of the community.

In response to questions from attendees, Alan and Stephen indicated that the Woodleys shed would be retained as much as is possible, pending its state of repair. The High Line group has been consulted and the consensus is that the SHF proposal would provide a destination at the Waverton end of the proposed High Line. The project time line starts with the State Government's upcoming public consultation, with a masterplan to go out at the end of 2021. Works would start once the Western Harbour tunnel is completed. No rezoning is required for the project.

The Chair thanked our guests for the presentation. A copy of the presentation is available from the Secretary and any further questions can be emailed to aedenborough@shf.org.au

3. Chair's report

1 Henry Lawson Avenue, McMahons Point: The State Member's office has advised that the Government acquisition process continues, with nothing specific to report. The Chair will keep the precinct informed.

4. State Government items

(a) Luna Park: Luna Park has <u>announced</u> that it will close for 6 months from the end of January in order to install nine new rides including a new roller-coaster. The meeting noted that public access to Lavender Green has been cut off and asked whether the locked gates mean an encroachment on public land.

The meeting heard that Lavender Green was set aside for temporary rides in the Plan of Management, which was the result of extensive consultation in the 1990s. The Plan is only advisory and not binding. The meeting also heard that DA 10196 for additional rides on Lavender Green was withdrawn because Lavender Green is not included in the State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) for Luna Park.

The replacement rides are apparently within the Luna Park SEPP footprint. Because of the SEPP, local planning approval and consultation is not required.

From January 2021, there will be extensive development at Milsons Point with the North Sydney Olympic Pool also closing for redevelopment. Traffic management and people moving around will need to be considered.

The meeting discussed whether the SEPP, which was put in place several years ago, should be set aside, so that the community can have a say and the heritage of Luna Park and surrounds be protected.

<u>Resolution</u>: The Lavender Bay Precinct Committee takes exception to the current SEPP governing the Luna Park site as it excludes community involvement and consultation. Carried unanimously.

- (b) New Year's Eve: The State Government has <u>announced</u> that there will be no 9pm family fireworks or activities around Sydney Harbour this year. The foreshore areas around Kirribilli, Milsons Point and McMahons Point will be part of a Green Zone and will not be accessible to residents or the public. Residents entering the Green Zone after 5pm will need a pass from Service NSW.
 - Details on road closures will be announced in coming weeks. Council's normal alcohol-prohibited areas (the foreshore parks) and alcohol-free zones (most streets between Kirribilli and McMahons Point) will still apply.
- (c) Pacific Highway pop-up cycleway: Transport for NSW has <u>released</u> further details about this cycleway, which will run along the kerbside lane of the Pacific Highway going north and on a combination of kerbside lane and shared paths going south.

5. Council items

- (a) Precinct System review: Council has collated feedback from Stage 1 of the review and has appointed a consultant to carry out workshops with Precinct Committees and a survey of people not currently involved in the Precinct System.
- (b) Lavender Street pedestrian crossing: Council has received Black Spot funding to <u>raise</u> the pedestrian crossing near Walker Street. <u>Feedback</u> closes <u>Sunday</u> 10 January.

6. Development applications

- (a) 20 Waiwera Street, Lavender Bay (269/20): Alterations and additions to terrace house, new rear wall and landscaping works. Comments due <u>Friday</u> 27 November. The meeting noted the application.
- **(b) 15-17 McManus Street, McMahons Point (**<u>278/20</u>**):** Alterations and additions including new pool, additional garage and landscaping works. Comments due <u>Friday 4 December</u>. The meeting noted the application.

7. Community events

Wendy's Secret Gardening: The next gardening morning is on Saturday 5 December. RSVP to Ian C by Wednesday 2 December.

8. General business

There were no items of general business.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Next meeting: 7pm, Thursday 28 January (subject to COVID-19 restrictions).