

Lavender Bay Precinct

Minutes of Meeting

Thursday, 30 January 2020Starting at 8 pm

McMahons Point Community Centre 165 Blues Point Road, McMahons Point

RRS

Chair:

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

1. Welcome / Apologies / Minutes of previous meeting

There were 28 attendees, plus 3 guests, and 14 apologies. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

2. Kirribilli/Milsons Point 40 km/h High Pedestrian Activity Area

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The Chair welcomed MK, Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, DM, Project Manager for the HPAA, and the Mayor to the meeting.

MK outlined the safety benefits of a 40 km/h speed limit, average vehicle speeds in Kirribilli and Milsons Point, and spoke about the results of Council's 2018 traffic study, including the most recent available crash data for 2011-16. This included 7 crashes involving pedestrians in Broughton St, Kirribilli, & Alfred St South, Milsons Point.

MK outlined the proposed treatments: 4 flush thresholds (upon entry to the HPAA), 7 raised thresholds (along Broughton Street and Alfred Street South), 6 continuous footpaths (where vehicles give way to pedestrians at some of the minor intersections) and 2 raised pedestrian crossings (on east Burton Street and Alfred Street South).

Matters raised by attendees included vehicle compliance at continuous footpaths, entry and exit vehicle queuing at continuous footpaths, updating of the statistics, and clarification of the purpose.

MK advised that the purpose is to improve overall safety in the area, particularly for vulnerable road users including pedestrians. The proposed treatments are designed to alert road users to the change in road conditions, create a self-enforcing 40km/h road environment, and improve pedestrian access and amenity within the HPAA.

Attendees also raised issues of vehicle queuing at the William Street pedestrian crossing near Mount Street, North Sydney, and the lack of a right-turn arrow from Blues Point Road into Lavender Street, McMahons Point, creating rat runs.

The proposed HPAA arrangements and an online submission form are available until Monday 17 February at https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Kirribilli-Milsons-Point-HPAA

The meeting thanked our guests for their attendance.

3. New Year's Eve 2019

The meeting heard about the negative impact on residents in the McMahons Point managed access area of the 8am start, and about access difficulties for residents. Positive aspects were minimal anti-social behaviour and an efficient clean-up.

In relation to ticketing, comments included the possibility of free resident tickets, the lack of atmosphere and impact on local business, reconsideration of a return to crowd-counted access, and using ticket proceeds to light the harbour bridge.

It was noted that road closures and ticketing result from police recommendations, that Blues Point numbers would be increased after removal of the Metro site and that ticket income is currently used to meet additional security costs.

Feedback on ticketing arrangements can be provided until <u>Friday 31 January</u> at https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/nye2019-feedback

The Chair thanked the Mayor for her attendance.

4. Chair's report

- (a) Blues Point Hotel: Further to Council's investigation of the matters raised at our October meeting in relation to the first-floor terrace, the hotelier has commenced proceedings in the Land and Environment Court seeking a declaration regarding existing use rights. A directions hearing is scheduled for Friday 7 February.
- **(b) Greenwood Hotel (**DA 169/19**):** The November conciliation conference did not reach an agreement. A hearing has been scheduled for Wednesday 4 March.
- (c) 1 Henry Lawson Avenue (DA 395/18): We are awaiting judgment from last year's Land and Environment Court hearing. The Chair has been advised that the State Government compulsory acquisition process has been delayed by the LEC hearing.
- (d) Warung Street: Resurfacing is now scheduled for completion by 30 June.

5. State Government items

Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade: The Environmental Impact Statement for this project has been released.

Drop-in information sessions will be held in Fred Hutley Hall from 11am to 2pm on <u>Saturday 8 February</u> and 4-7pm on <u>Thursday 13 February</u>. More information and an online submission form can found via this <u>link</u> until Thursday 12 March.

6. Council items

(a) Small watercraft storage: Council has developed 2 options for storage of dinghies and kayaks near the metal bridge at Sawmillers Reserve. Detailed plans and an online feedback form can be found here until Tuesday 18 February.

- **(b) Public forums before Council meetings:** The meeting unanimously endorsed a proposal asking Council to resolve that a Public Forum be held prior to each and every ordinary and extraordinary meeting of Council and each and every meeting of Council committees.
- (c) Shared footpaths: The meeting heard a proposal to return shared footpaths to pedestrian only following introduction of the 40 km/h HPAA in Milsons Point.
- (d) St Peters Park pathway: The meeting heard about activity to clarify the status of cyclist access to this pathway.

7. Development Applications

- (a) 32 Waiwera Street, Lavender Bay (376/19): Demolition of existing balconies and addition of larger balconies with new access doors. Comments due 13 January. The meeting noted the application.
- (b) Latitude building, 55 Lavender Street, Milsons Point (92/05/6): Extend term of consent for 2 illuminated roof signs by 15 years to 2035. Comments due Friday 31 January. The meeting unanimously maintained Precinct's previous opposition.
- (c) 23 Waiwera Street, Lavender Bay (401/19): Reconstruction of lower levels in southern facade. Comments due Friday 31 January. The meeting noted the application.
- (d) 9 Bay View Street, Lavender Bay (412/19): Alterations and additions to dwelling. Comments due Friday 31 January. The meeting noted the application.
- (e) 94-96 Alfred Street South, Milsons Point (5/20): Balcony enclosure to unit 78 and awning additions to units 77 and 78. Comments due <u>Friday 7 February</u>. The meeting noted the application.

8. Community Events

- (a) Wendy's Secret Gardening: Next gardening morning is Saturday 8 February. For catering purposes, please RSVP to IC by Wednesday 5 February.
- (b) Seniors Festival: Will run from Wednesday 12 to Sunday 23 February. Nearly all events are free, but some require booking. Programme available at https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Community_Services/Aged_Access/Seniors_Festival
- (c) Clean Up Australia Day: <u>Sunday 1 March</u>. 9-11am at Sawmillers Reserve. From 10am at Quibaree Park. Details at cleanupaustraliaday.org.au/join-a-clean-up

9. General Business

There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Next meeting: 8pm, Thursday 27 February.