

MILSON PRECINCT MINUTES - MEETING (Zoom) THURSDAY 1 July 2021

- **Welcome**
- **Attendees - Total Nos: 24**
 - Councillors: 5: Mayor, Crs Keen, Mutton, Barbour, Brodie
 - Office Bearers: 5 SG, TB, EW, VB, JC
 - Community: 14. JN, EB, DB, AB & RB, PR, MS & CML, JB, TD, KB & GB, TW, JC
- **Apologies:** 4 Crs Beregi, Baker, MG, PO
- **Meeting Minutes - 3 June 2021** Moved: SG Seconded: TB
- **Matters arising:** NSC Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) 2021 since last meeting – June 2021. Kirribilli to Cremorne Cycleway - Submission included in the meeting papers for NSC meeting of 28.6.21; DA 135 Carabella St - comments noted, as greater than 10 submissions, is going to be assessed by planning Panel.

1. Cycleway through Kirribilli, Milson Pt and Cremorne.

Council debate seems to be about whether to miss out on the money or try to delay a decision: but what is missing is any community-supported alternative that would come out of delay. Is there any section of the cycleway that can go ahead?

Mayor stated that TfNSW would not allow the funds for a small portion, hence the motion was to be for bike path from intersection of Clark, Rawson & Kurraba roads along Kurraba, Wycombe, Harriet street, to meet up with Bannerman St. Bike path. The money can't be held for future use, can't be used for other bike area options; will be allocated to other communities; Mayor assured everyone that she will endeavour to ensure that Kirribilli roads will not be touched.

SG - effectively, the question is to take the money or not.

TB - do not want isolated 'orphaned' sections of bike lanes - need holistic approach

MS - 2016 survey data showed 90% cycle traffic was through to SHB

CML - Road users' priority from TfNSW dated 27.1.21, puts cars 6th, focus on pedestrians & bikes. If Kirribilli becomes the missing link to SHB, this will create pressure to build cycleway through Kirribilli in the future.

JN - Consultation was poor – not notify all impacted, and everyone in Kirribilli is impacted

Cr. KB – will forward the notification distribution map

EB - Errors in the Kirribilli sections – so can assume there will be errors in other sections;

Community and Residents group very happy with the motion from NSC meeting of Monday 28.6.21 - effectively, isolate funds, stop, redo looking at alternatives, then re-consultation

JC - Suggested that the bike funds be directed to Route 2, West St., which has undergone extensive community consultation some years back, and main route from Ryde, Lane Cove through NS to SHB, and was mentioned in Nigel Turner motion of 28.6.21 as priority route

MOTION: Milson Precinct recommends that NSC not take the TfNSW money for the Kirribilli to Cremorne cycleway, and should not proceed with this project now.

Moved: TB Seconded: EW Voting: For: 18 Against: 1 (SG)

2. Cycle access to Sydney Harbour Bridge - ramp proposals

SG - Local member, Felicity Wilson, is sitting on the fence with regards SHB access

Cr. SB - stated FW supports NSC position & does not like either option
Cr. IM - Incorrect - FW supports the ramp.
MS - Within WHB&BL there must be trade-off for loss of trees / greens spaces and alternative positions MUST be provided.

MOTION: Milson Precinct supports the Council's opposition to the two options proposed by TfNSW. The Precinct supports a comprehensive and integrated approach to the cycling needs through the North Sydney LGA & communities, onto the SHB bridge, to be incorporated along with the WHT&BL & WFU works.

Moved: SG Seconded: JC Voting: For: Unanimous

3. Precinct System Review

JC update: deferral of exhibition of the Precinct review System, until after local government elections and new Council is formed - was supported by most Councillors.

MOTION: Milson Precinct supports the decision to defer the exhibition until after the LG elections in September 2021.

MOTION: Milson Precinct extends a standing invitation to all councillors to attend its monthly meetings, generally held on the first Thursday of each month (excluding January) without having to go through the added bureaucracy of Council.

Moved: SG Seconded: EW Voting: For: Unanimous

4. Update on Combined Precincts Meeting

TB gave summary of June CPM meeting, noting its useful discussion of topics affecting more than one precinct.

MOTION: Milson Precinct supports the Combined Precinct Committee, its meeting format, and the usefulness it provides for the wider community.

Moved: SG Seconded: MS Voting: For: Unanimous

5. Ben Boyd Road Rename Proposals

VB gave short history, as per June NS News, including 1840 'not guilty' verdict for blackbirding of South Sea Islanders.

EB advised of massacre of indigenous, with comments that 'Whites' would never be convicted for killing 'Blacks', therefore 'not guilty' may not be relevant.

Cr. KB - who moved the motion at NSC, would like everyone to have their say.

MOTION: Milson Precinct suggests everyone make a submission on Council website: <https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/>.

Moved TW, seconded EW

6. Local traffic safety issues

Several longer-term issues were mentioned, for future discussion:

- Possibility of pedestrian crossing at Carabella Street and Willoughby St
- What is status of Kirribilli Village Plan? Why not test the Burton St Tunnel closure at weekends during the trial?
- Loreto Pedestrian crossing & major drainage pipes and works finally started. Should be finished mid next week

MOTION: Milson Precinct requests that NSC inform the community when the 'trial' period of Kirribilli Village Masterplan is to commence and its duration.

Moved: SG Seconded: MS Voting: For: Unanimous

7. Development Applications –

- 481/2007 119 High St. - modifications of consent for car hard stands retaining walls planter etc.
- 22-24 Carabella St. DA 323/20 - granted approval

Noted

8. Liveability Survey

Survey completed 30.6.2021 - May still be accepted, given lockdown

9. Environmental Sustainability Strategic Plan NSC Draft – feedback

Make the following submission of matters that should be included under the following headings:

1. Our Carbon Footprint (1) - North Sydney Olympic Pool has had a CO-Gen system and it is a pity to not be pursuing more co-gen or tri-gen systems within NSC properties and encouraging it in private properties. This is not mentioned anywhere within the strategy and should be.
2. Water conservation (2) and water quality (3) - WHT&BL tunnel projects will impact upon the Cammeray water harvesting, with unknown impacts long term; therefore suggest that NSC look at further water harvesting, at Tunks Park, Anderson Park, Milson Park; which will also help to improve the water quality being released into the harbour too.
3. Urban Ecology (5) - The indigenous artefacts throughout NSC bush lands should be listed, recorded & suitably maintained; should use indigenous cultural burns to maintain our natural bush lands, to control the fuel load.
4. Resource Recovery (6) - NSC has previously had its waste turned into compost for landscape purposes, this should be pursued again.
5. Resource Recovery (6) - an EARN & RETURN deposit collection point needs to be provided within NS LGA area. The nearest is now at Taronga Zoo or Lane Cove; many people living rough or trying to make ends meet, collect recyclables, to earn money for food etc.

therefore they need to be able to use a local Return and Earn facility, without having to go into another LGA.

6. Sustainable Transport (7) - Electric Vehicle Charging Points to be provided on the streets for both car share pods as well as residents' vehicles, which do not have off-street parking, so as to encourage more EV.

7. Sustainable Transport (7) - NSC should be negotiating with TfNSW to ensure that they build the elevated "HarbourLink" sustainable transport infrastructure, or similar, alongside the Warringah Freeway, as part of the WHT&BL plus WF Upgrade; for cyclists and pedestrians to enable easy access to the Sydney Harbour Bridge (SHB) from Cammeray along a 3 degree gradient 1.3km 'missing link' Shared User Path (SUP) to enable cyclists from Ryde, Lane Cove, Naremburn to avoid NS local roads to get to the SHB. This important and needed infrastructure has failed to be mentioned in the Draft Environmental Sustainability Strategy.

8. Sustainable Transport (7) - Foreshore access for small craft - 1 Henry Lawson Drive has been purchased by TfNSW and NSC should ensure that the site is used for the launching of small craft, while ensuring continuous foreshore walks.

9. Sustainable Transport (7) - Foreshore walks- the missing links should be pursued by NSC, to enable continuous foreshore walks for all. There should be some means for gaining the foreshore via any DA subdivisions, the foreshore needs to be given over to council as well as the use of boardwalks. This was an aim of NSC more than 10 years ago and should be reinstated.

Many of these suggestions have been discussed at Combined Precincts Committees, the Sustainable Transport Reference Group's last meeting of 3 May 2021, and precincts generally.

MOTION: Milson Precinct to make a submission to Council along the lines above.

Moved: JC Seconded: KB Voting: For: 9 Against: 3

10. Topics for Information

1. Torpedo Building Platypus Update

EW update – Foreshore park to replace one third of torpedo building, demolition of the sections of the building will start end September, park should be completed mid 2022.

Community Session on site Saturday 17 July 2021 from 10 am -2 pm

2. Horse Trough at Clark Rd and Kurraba Rd

What about a horse statue here instead of modern abstract sculptures?

MOTION: Milson Precinct appreciates Council taking interest in horse troughs.

Moved: SG Seconded: JC Voting: For: Unanimous

3. MLC Centre North Sydney

Some discussion supporting the heritage listing and retention of this building.

4. Coal loader lights - weekends from July 16

Coal Loader has been heritage listed - gazetted 18 June 2021

11. General Business - NONE

Trips and Hazards – forward to Council directly on 9936 8100.

NEXT MEETING - 7.30 pm - Thursday 5 August 2021