

Summary of Actions Arising (SOA) 2020 - Parks 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
November	4	<p>Young Street Plaza - Precinct to write to Council suggesting that Council monitor traffic and speed through Grosvenor Lane as traffic has increased following the closure of Young Street Parks Precinct expects this to be a No Thoroughfare Street i.e. no through traffic but deliveries and access to parking is allowed.</p> <p>Grosvenor Lane - The Precinct was informed that Grosvenor Lane is open to through traffic. Precinct suggested to ask Council to study the number of vehicles using the lane.</p>	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that on 2 August 2019 Council resolved to undertake a temporary closure and trial plaza in Young Street for a period of 3 months, which included a commitment to undertake further analysis and modelling of traffic impacts to assess the long-term impact of the permanent installation of the plaza. Data gathered before and during the trial plaza will be used to evaluate the long-term impact, including Grosvenor Lane.	Closed for Council
October	<i>No actions arising requiring Council's response</i>			
September	3B	<p>Precinct System Review - Parks Precinct made a submission opposing Precinct mergers. Suggested for members to contact their Local Ward Councillor to raise concerns. Question from the floor raised about the right to speak up as a Precinct.</p>	Precinct Committee's feedback has been received by Council's Community Engagement Coordinator and will be treated as a submission. All submissions received will be collated and analysed.	Closed for Council

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	3C	Parks Precinct Priority Survey - Discussion by all in attendance with significant agreement that the following are major concerns of this Precinct: Members have responded with the need for open space, a requirement for low rise and limiting development. Members expressed concern over losing Neutral Bay village's atmosphere. Concerns raised over high-rise buildings together with associated problems with traffic and parking	Precinct Committee's feedback/priorities has been noted by Council's Manager Integrated Planning & Special Projects and will be distributed to responsible staff for noting/action as applicable (i.e. within adopted Delivery Program, budgets etc).	Closed for Council
	4	Parking limits in Park Ave - Where before most commuters would park in Park Ave, they are now parking in nearby streets, taking away easy parking for local residents. Residents fear Council may change restrictions to their streets forcing residents to pay for parking permits. There is a desire to learn how to raise objections to North Sydney Council planned changes. It was suggested this might best be pursued by lodging concerns to North Sydney Council.	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that parking restrictions in Area 26 including Park Avenue were installed following community consultation. The outcomes were reported to the Traffic Committee on 26 July 2019 and the adopted changes were implemented in March 2020. The report can be viewed on Traffic Committee Meetings . A six-month review will be reported to the Traffic Committee meeting on 27 November 2020, including any community feedback on the changes. Residents can provide feedback by mailto:council@northsydney.nsw.gov.au	Closed for Council
June	2a	Military Road Corridor Planning Study Stage 1: VOC Motion 1: Parks Precinct objects to an increase in the height limits surrounding Grosvenor Lane. In addition, any new building should not increase the existing shadow profile. Of the total 132 responses to the VOC, 31 responses were in favour of the motion that there be no increase in height restrictions and 1 was against the motion. Result: Motion Carried Note: Submission sent to Council on 9 July 2020.	Precinct Committee's feedback has been received by Council's Senior Strategic Planner and will be treated as a submission.	Closed for Council

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	2b	Precinct System Review: VOC Motion 2. Parks Precinct does not support a merger proposal. Of the total 24 responses, 22 responses were opposed to a merger and 2 supported a merger. 9 respondents preferred Registry Precinct and 5 respondents preferred Brightmore. Based on majority, a merger with Registry Precinct is preferred.	Precinct Committee's feedback has been received by Council's Community Engagement Coordinator and will be treated as a submission.	Closed for Council
May	<i>No meeting due to COVID-19 restrictions</i>			
April	<i>No meeting due to COVID-19 restrictions</i>			
March	6a	Parking restrictions in the Precinct: A concern was presented regarding planned changes to added vehicular parking restrictions in the precinct. In particular, the addition of numerous reductions in time allowances will create the need for many residents to pay for parking permits (previously unneeded). Example: changes from no restrictions to 4 or 2 hours. There is a desire to learn how to raise objections to North Sydney Council planned changes.	Council's Manager Traffic & Transport Operations has advised that Council surveyed residents in 2019 to determine if there was support for changes to parking restrictions in Parking Area 26. Based on the resident feedback received, a number of changes to the restrictions were recommended and were implemented in March 2020. The changes generally balance restricted and unrestricted parking to reflect the community feedback. Further information is available https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/traffic-surveys/survey_tools/area-26b-parking-restriction-survey As noted in Council's notification letter, the new parking restrictions will be reviewed six months after the date of installation and any feedback received during that period will be taken into consideration when the matter is reported back to the Traffic Committee. Should you have any further enquiries please contact Council's Traffic Engineer, Nathan Wu on 9936 8100 or email council@northsydney.nsw.gov.au	Closed for Council

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	6b	<p>Fitness trainers in Cammeray Oval: A concern was presented regarding fitness trainers hooking ropes on public fencing rails at the Cammeray Oval. Concern is the potential for damage to the public fencing and feeling that unless engaged in the training you weren't welcome there. Chair indicated this might best be pursued by lodging concerns to North Sydney Council.</p>	<p>Council's Manager Parks & Reserves has advised that Fitness trainers should be abiding by the Council's Outdoor Fitness Trainers Code of Conduct which specifically states the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Park structures and furniture (e.g. buildings, shelters, fountains, walls, seats, picnic tables, signs, bubblers), trees, plants and garden beds, etc must not be used for training • Non-complying personal trainers will be moved on by Council's Rangers. Continued non-compliance may result in a request to permanently cease the conduct of fitness activities on public open space in North Sydney. <p>Precinct Committee members are advised to contact Council's Rangers to report infringements at the time of occurrence, phone 9936 8100 (24 hours, includes after hours service).</p>	Closed for Council
February	8a	<p>WHT EIS Motion: Parks Precinct realises the value of North Sydney Council's recycled water and the positive impact it has on local Parks. North Sydney Council is requested to explore ways of saving this project from destruction when the Tunnel works start.</p>	<p>Council's Director Open Space & Environment Services has advised that Council has been in discussion with TfNSW who have indicated that a replacement for the storm water re-use system will be investigated as part of the WHT project.</p>	Closed for Council