Waverton Precinct Minutes Tuesday 6 April 2021



This month's meeting was held at the Uniting Church Hall with correspondence laid out for viewing, gloves and hand sanitizer available in accordance with COVID rules. Further, QR Code check-in was available, as provided by the Uniting Church.

Meeting opened: 7.30pm

Chair: IG Minutes: SF Attendance: 11

1 Welcome and apologies

Attendees were reminded that the meeting was being held under COVID rules with a QR Code available for check-in.

The Chair welcomed attendees. Apologies included KA and AG.

2. Correspondence and Minutes of Last Meeting

The correspondence having been made available for viewing prior to and during the meeting:

Moved HB

Seconded VY

"The Minutes and correspondence be accepted"

Vote: In favour 11 / Against 0. Carried

3 North Sydney Council replies

The replies are summarised below:

Noakes and Floating Dry Dock

Council has advised that they will not release details of discussions with Noakes but that they will enforce compliance with DAs when advised of any non-compliances.

Precinct was advised that in relation to infringements and DA discussions, that an agreement was signed. This agreement has no confidentiality and will be made available on the Precinct website.

In relation to the Floating Dry Dock, Noakes have lodged an objection and appealed to the Land & Environment Court. It is understood that there will be a hearing or mediation on 12-13 July. A notice of appeal has been posted.

Moved HB, Seconded MS

"That Precinct request NSC to advise, following lodgement of their submission, the position they will take at the appeal. Further, Precinct requests NSC to advise if they intend to submit evidence of objections already tabled by concerned residents such that community representatives will be able to appear and make representations to the hearing."

Vote: In favour 11 / Against 0. Carried

Speed Limit in Waverton Village

NSC advised that implementation is subject first to installation of self-enforcing speed humps.

Moved BD, Seconded KA

"Precinct points out that such speed humps are already in place at each end of the village, and request that, on that basis, the speed signs be modified to reflect the speed already determined by council (40kph)."

Vote: In favour 11 / Against 0. Carried

4. Reports from Committees

WWRNAG:

No update on trials.

Waverton Peninsula Working Group

It was reported that the meeting was held on March 30 which was attended by Council and community representatives but no government reps. NSC advised that negotiations are ongoing with TfNSW over transfer of Berrys Bay lands as a quid pro quo for loss of lands in Cammeray Golf Course. Otherwise there was no reported progress on carparking, walkway diversion or retention of the new wharf following completion of the WHT.

The Chair reported on a meeting with people affected by other TfNSW tunnel projects and suggested that monthly community meetings should be set up with TfNSW and the Contractor to address such issues as truck waiting areas, vehicle idling, parking, noise, vibration etc.

In relation to the Heritage Fleet, it was noted that issues of smoke from coaling/steaming activities could be a community concern, but that the daily ferry services would not be coal fuelled.

Berrys Bay Project community consultation group

lain Bartholomew and Kevin Alker were congratulated on their inclusion in this committee which is being led by TfNSW. It was stressed that representatives should support the principles already enunciated by the existing Working group.

Committee for North Sydney

MLC Building

JD reported on the history of the heritage listing process of the MLC Building. It appears that the Miller street frontage may be accorded higher protection than the eastern parts.

Berry Street

It was discussed that the current WHT proposals for Berry St will materially damage the CBD of North Sydney (by bisecting it with a four-lane freeway ramp) in a manner which would not be tolerated in the Sydney CBD. The EIS totally failed to address traffic effects within North Sydney, presumably because it was evident, they would become worse. CNS is seeking support from councillors to assist in having this design failure remedied. It was agreed that Precinct would seek to meet with senior NSC to gain their support.

5 General DAs

DA 11&13/216 Noakes sheds. These have been previously opposed
DA 219/20 31 King St – Revised. Submissions close20 April

- Crows Nest Triangle. NSC has proposed zoning to allow buildings to 21m. This is on exhibit till April 16 and residents were encouraged to view and comment.

6 New Items

Treasurer role

KA volunteered for the role and was elected with acclamation.

Navy Matters

VY recommended that Navy be congratulated for weed clearing works which have been undertaken since the last meeting.

Confidentiality of Attendance Lists

It was mentioned that other precincts were concerned that attendance lists might be used by Council or others in contravention of the explicit statement on the sheets that they are confidential in accordance with Council's Privacy Management Plan. Precinct would expect to be asked for concurrence before any change to this arrangement so that potential attendees could make an informed decision whether to attend/register.

8 Date of next meeting 4 May 2021

The meeting closed at 8:55 pm.