Waverton Precinct Minutes Tuesday 3 November 2020



Meeting was held at the Uniting Church Hall with correspondence laid out for viewing, gloves available in accordance with COVID rules.

Meeting opened: 7.30pm

Chair: IG Minutes: SF Attendance: 10

1 Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed attendees. Apologies included SA, KA and AG.

Attendees were reminded that the meeting was being held under COVID rules.

2 North Sydney Council replies

Coal Loader Wharf: The site has been advertised for heritage listing. (Sec. note: There was a link to the nomination on the NSC website but it is no longer accessible.)

Quarantine Depot: Comments by Precinct have been noted by NSC. The Chair is to seek clarification of forward intent.

Bowling Club site: It is noted that the site is subject to an aboriginal land claim. NSC stated that there was insufficient time for community consultation before they made a submission objecting to the claim. Precinct remains of the view that negotiations should be held in good faith and with full community engagement.

Tree Cover in Municipality: NSC noted that there was an online session on 27 October where Council officers explained the situation. The Chair offered to negotiate an offer for a remote presentation at a future meeting.

Waverton Park cycle track. The Chair noted that the response from NSC said that the project is funded and he will seek confirmation of proposed action.

Graffiti removal: NSC confirmed that it had removed graffiti from the area in question but noted that it cannot remove material on railway land. However, they have been notified and asked to action removal.

3. Waverton Peninsula Working Group.

BD spoke to inclusion of the following items for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting:

- 1. Woodley's site: The group should push for this to be excluded from the WHT area and made available for transfer to NSC control.
- Quarantine Depot Foreshore: This to be transferred as well. It was noted that financial transfers were inappropriate for sites requiring remediation of contamination.
- 3. Dolphin Wharf: Removal of this wharf should be addressed.
- 4. Coal Loader Wharf: The excellent proposal by NSC should be supported.
- 5. Bowling Club land: This should be addressed as part of the area.

- 6. Carradah Park pedestrian link during WHT works: To be firmed up.
- 7. Rezoning of the area to RE1 or 2 should be considered.

There was general support for this agenda.

4 New Items

Berrys Bay Community and Stakeholder Working Group (BBCSWG)

There has been a public call for nominations for this committee which is being set up by State Government (via Property and Development NSW) to masterplan 1 and 3A Balls Head Road which are the Woodley's land site and the former BP land site respectively. The Chair and Secretary advised that they are nominating and encouraged others to consider nomination. Concern was voiced that the scope of the committee was restrictive in that it did not include foreshore or water areas controlled by TfNSW. The site area can be viewed at this location.

5 Subcommittee Reports

Streets Alive:

VY informed the meeting of a gathering at 10:00 on 28 November in Balls Head Rd near Woolcott St to plant trees and unveil a plaque in memory of the contribution to the community by Bruce Burns over many years.

It was reported that a plant, raised by a volunteer from seed, had been stolen by some lowlife from Brennan Park. Anyone having seen evidence of this theft should contact the Chair.

Rail Noise: There was no word from Slovenia.

6 DAs

No new DAs

General: The Chair reported that applications and drawings are now submitted online and that physical copies are not held at Council. The view of the meeting was that this is to be regretted as online viewing is not satisfactory for many. The Chair will raise this matter at the Combined Precincts meeting.

7 Correspondence and Minutes of Last Meeting

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

Moved KA

Seconded TW

"The Minutes and correspondence be accepted"

Vote: In favour 10 / Against 0. Carried

8 Date of next meeting December 1, 2020, and cancellation of elections

The Chair advised the meeting that NSC had instructed Precinct to not have a Christmas party. Attendees at the next meeting were advised that they could only bring refreshments for personal consumption.

Further, that there would not be elections of officebearers for 2021. Rather, all existing officeholdings would be extended unless individuals had problems with this.

The meeting closed at 8:40 pm.