

Waverton Precinct Minutes

Tuesday 1st May 2018

Meeting Opened: 7.35pm

Chair: IB

Minutes: IG

Attendance: 15

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies were received from NW (Base Commander)

2. Existing Business

a) Replies from Council

The Chair noted an update had been received, but that many issues were “under investigation” Waverton Peninsular Working Group

This group met in late March. RMS attended and were asked by the State Member to provide clearer information to the community on the various tunnelling projects; ventilation and smoke stack locations; the possible use of Berrys Bay for a temporary holding site for waste from tunnelling; and so on - as related to Waverton. Highline committee

Drawings have been produced for discussion by Transport for NSW; and the Highline Association has also produced a video of what it would like to see done. Destinations NSW has also started to lend its public support to the project. It was noted their AGM is late this week if residents want to join or attend.

b) Upgrade of computer systems

The Chair has met the head of ‘Friendlyware’, the company which helped set up the website for the “Save Berrys Bay” campaign. They are confident they can get our membership list online and all our minutes and key correspondence and create a website for the Precinct.

c) Ross Street upgrade

This issue remains a problem with RO getting an unsatisfactory reply from Council to his personal submission. It was agreed to pursue a holistic approach from NSC aimed at fixing the physical problems but also to get vehicular traffic safer and pedestrian access improved.

3. New Business

a) Combined Precinct meeting

This meeting will be held on May 22. It is intended to ask that the North Sydney CBD and the integration for pedestrians, tourists and commuters between the North Sydney railway station and the new Victoria Cross station; and between the St. Leonards and the new Crows Nest station be on the Agenda.

b) NSC planning for the North Sydney CBD

The Chair has talked with Zoe Baker about the lack of clarity and she has offered to convene a meeting with Council planners and engineers for the Precincts to be briefed on and to start a dialogue around the current plans and developments.

The meeting is tentatively set for 15 May.

c) NSC Public Domain Strategy

There was confusion around this – because Council already has a Public Domain Plan - and great scepticism about the consultants which have been selected. Nonetheless, residents were encouraged to attend the first session, which is at 7:00pm on 16 May, at the McMahons Point Community Centre and will encourage other Precincts to attend.

d) Making NSC a 'place for people'

The Precinct decided to continue to seek good, innovative, integrated, people-friendly approaches to the physical redevelopment of the CBD ; both in the immediate and in the longer term.

4. Development Applications

There were no new DAs.

It was noted the Noakes DA is expected to be considered by NSC in August.

5. Other Business

It was suggested Ross St. be not zoned for apartment development but be added instead to the existing Bay Road 'conservation zone', but after discussion it was decided check on the implications of the various possible zoning options before pressing for a change.

It was suggested the whole of Balls Head be nominated for Heritage listing, and while there was a lot of support it was agreed to see how the attempt to zone the Coal Loader site goes first, then maybe link that to the Quarantine houses, then aim to extend to elements of the Woodleys boat shed.

It was

Moved SF, Seconded IG

"Noting that Bruce and Carole Burns are leaving Waverton in a fortnight, the Precinct should write to them thanking both of them for their valuable and long term contribution to both the functioning of the Precinct committee and the liveliness of its discussion and also for the conduct and strategies behind various major campaigns : most notably the 'Save Berrys Bay' campaign"

Passed unanimously.

6. Correspondence

There was no correspondence

8. Next meeting

The meeting closed at 8:50 pm. The next meeting is on Tuesday June 5th