

# Waverton Precinct Minutes

## Tuesday 4 February 2020



**WAVERTON**

**2060**

Meeting opened: 7.30pm

Chair: IG

Minutes: SF

Attendance: 17

### **1 Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed residents and visitors.

There was an apology from PK

### **2 Minutes of the meeting of December 2019**

The minutes of the last meeting, including the AGM, were outlined by the Chair.

Officeholders for 2020 are:

Chair IG

Deputy Chair JD

Secretary SF

Treasurer RO

The Secretary apologised and explained that a problem with the website has potentially resulted in the minutes not being received by all on our mailing list. This problem is being addressed, with help from Friendlyware in Waverton.

Moved KA

Seconded VY

**"The December 2019 Minutes be accepted"**

Carried

### **3 General Business**

The Chair updated on changes to various previously live matters since the last meeting:

- **Ward Boundaries:** NSC has adopted a two ward split (North and South), with the dividing line being generally along Military Road/Falcon Street.
- **Floating Dry Dock:** It is understood that NSC has told the proponent that the DA cannot be finally assessed in its current form. When additional information is submitted, the DA will be re-exhibited.
- **Olympic Pool:** Waverton formally submitted comments on the current proposal, as did several other Precincts. NSC decision is pending.
- **Coal Loader Platform:** Precinct has received a letter from the Mayor confirming that active consideration is being given to a second round of works which may include toilets and better shading. The Mayor also offered to attend a meeting.

It was agreed that the Mayor should be invited to one of the next meetings to present information on her proposed plans, talk over any issues she likes, and the Precinct should advise her of our priority issues for this year as well so that she could hopefully talk on these items as well..

- **Berrys Bay lands:** It was noted that discussions are to occur between relevant

parties with the aim of transferring lands, not needed for the WHT, to the care and control of NSC.

#### **4 Reports from Standing Committees**

##### **Waverton Wollstonecraft Rail Noise Action Group:**

The Chair summarised that positive indications have come from negotiations with the key stakeholders, particularly around noise monitoring.

##### **Committee for North Sydney:**

JD reported that a workshop was held in December which generated an agenda for the future of the North Sydney CBD. He noted that local identity Ray Martin has agreed to chair the Committee.

#### **5 Community and Other Activities**

**Bushcare** has suspended most activities due to the stress on vegetation of the drought.

**Privatisation of Buses** A brochure on the implications was made available at the meeting. For further information, see <https://ourtransport.org.au/take-action/>

**North Sydney Seniors Festival:** February 12-23, see <https://northsydney.nsw.gov.au/seniorsfestival>

**Climate Change public rally:** 11:00, 1<sup>st</sup> March, in St Leonards Park. Speakers include Zali Steggall and the rally is to publicise and gain support for her Private Members Bill.

#### **6 New Business**

##### **Western Harbour Tunnel**

It was reported that the EIS is now open for public comment, and Waverton residents were encouraged to look online at:

<https://v2.communityanalytics.com.au/rms/wht>

and then to submit objections if they so wish. Closing date for objections is March 12.

Residents interested in assisting in doing research and providing input for a submission in response to the EIS should contact the Chair. The EIS and associated documents including Appendices is around 9000 pages! The Precinct will be putting in a formal submission.

There was discussion on the likely impacts around the North Sydney area generally.

Moved VY  
Seconded MP

**“That the responsible person from NSC be invited to make a presentation at the next meeting, summarising NSC’s analysis of the WHT, its impact on North Sydney and surrounds, and to tell us what further actions they are taking. ”**

Carried unanimously

## 7 DAs

**18 Carr St:** Proposed works include a carport, pergola and bin enclosure. No Precinct comment.

## 8 Priorities for 2020

The Chair encouraged the meeting to table matters worthy of Precinct input during 2020. After a wide ranging and open discussion, the following were agreed as being our primary concerns for this year:

- **Coal Loader Platform:** Facilities improvement as previously decided (benches, shade, toilets) is essential
- **Coal Loader Wharf:** Pressure government to implement the NSC concept for a shortened wharf and a tourist ferry wharf, to be done as part of preparatory works for the coffer dam.
- **Berrys Bay/Carradah Park:** Push for community-oriented outcomes and an overall agreed list of outcomes – plus get in place whatever can be done before the WHT work starts.
- **Bowling Club:** Push for community-oriented outcomes, as previously decided, and push for these to happen fast.
- **Balls Head Road pathway:** Complete the safety repairs (only Waterhen Drive has been repaired so far)
- **Waverton Peninsula:** Investigate having the full peninsula heritage listed and then placed into the existing Trust
- **North Sydney Pool :** The way forward outlined in the submission is to be actively pursued.

## 9 Other Business

- It was noted that Michael Parker, long time resident of Larkin Street, died this week.
- A Certificate of Appreciation from NSC was handed to IB for his work for the Precinct. This was accompanied by general acclamation from the whole meeting.

## 10 Correspondence

The correspondence having been circulated through the meeting to everyone:

Moved IB

Seconded JD

**“The Correspondence be accepted”**

Carried unanimously

## 11 Date of next meeting March 3, 2020

The meeting closed at 8:50 pm.