

RANDWICK PRECINCT

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Minutes for General Meeting 1 August 2018, 7.30 pm

Please note all resolutions passed unanimously unless stated

Precinct	Randwick
Date, meeting time and venue	7.30pm 1 August 2018 in the Malabar Room, Randwick City Council, Avoca Street, Randwick
Welcome:	<p>Larry Vincent, Chair.</p> <p>Larry welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave an Acknowledgement of the local Indigenous People: "I would like to acknowledge that we are here today on the land of the Bidjigal people of the Dharwahal Nation. The Bidjigal people are the traditional owners and custodians of this land and form part of the wider aboriginal nations of the Sydney area. On behalf of Randwick Precinct Committee, I would also like to acknowledge and pay my respects to the Elders both past and present, and the many rich cultures of the people who live in Randwick."</p>
1. Attendance:	Larry Vincent Chair, 9 residents as per Attendance book, Cr Lindsay Shurey (Mayor), Cr Kathy Neilson
2. Apologies:	Vivian Reed, Jennifer Tuckwell, Mary Gallagher
3. Declaration of interests:	Jo Chittick, minute taker (Council staff)
4. Confirmation of previous minutes:	Minutes of July 2018 meeting were accepted.
5. Correspondence:	Response from Precinct Coordinator
6. Business arising from previous minutes:	<p>Precinct coordinator's response to July resolutions:</p> <p>Outdoor firepits Resolution 04072018(1): Could Council please confirm its environmental policies relating to the use of outdoor firepits and indoor wood heaters. <i>Please see Randwick City Council's website: http://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/services/health-environment-and-regulation/pollution/air-pollution</i></p> <p>Oversize and abandoned vehicles Resolution 04072018(2): Would Council please provide a representative to the next Precinct meeting to clarify rules relating to oversized and abandoned vehicles parked in residential streets? <i>Council will advise as soon as possible if a Council Officer can attend a future precinct meeting to discuss oversized and abandoned vehicles.</i></p> <p>Decibel level of school bells of Moriah College, Queens Park Resolution 04072018(3): The Randwick Precinct meeting requests that Randwick Council ask Waverley Council to contact Moriah College to reduce the decibel level of the school siren. <i>Residents that have concerns with the noise from the operations of Moriah College should, in the first instance, contact the College directly. If the concerned residents are not satisfied that their concerns are being addressed adequately then those residents should contact Waverley Council directly requesting that the matter be investigated.</i></p> <p>Demographic makeup of Resident Precinct Meetings Resolution 04072018(4): Representative(s) of Randwick precinct meeting meet with community manager of Randwick Council to discuss how to expand the reach of the precinct meeting attendees. Representatives to report back to precinct group meeting.</p>

Council will be in touch with the Precinct Chair soon about meeting to discuss the precinct's request.

Expanding the value of 'Random Acts of Kindness in Randwick' as reported in Council newsletter

Resolution 04072018(5): Representative(s) of Randwick Precinct meeting meet with community manager of Randwick Council to discuss how to expand the value of Random Acts of Kindness in Randwick. Representatives to report back to precinct group meeting.

The "Randwick Acts of Kindness: campaign was an initiative of our former Mayor, intended to run for a short time. The campaign has now ended, but we hope that random acts of kindness continue in our community irrespective of the campaign.

Volunteers for community gardens

Resolution 04072018(6): That Council supports the community garden at the Randwick Campus Development.

Council's Bushland Officer contact details have been provided to the Precinct Chair to pass on to the organiser of the community gardens for the Randwick Campus Redevelopment.

Resolution 04072018(7): That members of the Committee volunteer or pass on contact details for participating in the building and maintenance of the new community gardens at the Randwick Health Campus.

Encroachment of public land

Resolution 04072018(8): The precinct requests that Council take all steps to prevent encroachment of items of a private and personal nature onto its public land, which should be sacrosanct and any addition or alteration be in consultation with the community.

Randwick Council has policies in place for the management of public space, including approved activities and the placement of private assets on public land. When a situation arises that is outside our current policies, Council will investigate and where required, report the matter to Council.

Resolution 04072018(9): Could Council please provide a response to the precinct's June resolution 06062018(2) and also advise the status of the swing on Albi Place reserve.

At the Council meeting on 24 July 2018, Council resolved to remove the rope swings. The swing will be removed in the coming weeks.

Impounding amendment – Unattended boat trailers

Resolution 04072018(10): Randwick Precinct supports Council's proposal to declare the city area applicable for implementation of the unattended boat trailers amendment.

The Precinct's resolution regarding boat trailer parking restrictions has been included as a submission for the recent consultation.

Renewal of licences for Wylies and McGiver Pools

Resolution 04072018(11): The precinct requests for Wylies and McGiver pools that prior to the expiry of the existing licence requirements that Council undertake

- (i) community consultation about the running of these facilities including Council running these facilities directly and also providing free or reduced access fees for residents and if Council decide not to run these facilities directly,
- (ii) advertising for expressions of interest to run these facilities as a non-profit concern and limiting the term of licences granted for two years;

and that the Chair of Randwick precinct advises the Coogee precinct of this resolution. (Larry forwarded to Coogee)

The renewal agreements with the Wylies Baths Trust and the Randwick & Coogee Ladies Swimming Club Inc. will be undertaken in accordance with Council's adopted Community

Facilities Management Policy and the Coogee Beach Foreshore Plan of Management. Both groups are community not-for-profit organisations. Both licensees are compliant with all terms of the agreements. There have been no breaches of the terms of the agreements. The Community Facilities Management Policy relates to buildings and facilities which are used by community based not-for-profit groups to provide and organise recreational, cultural, sporting and community service activities. Council recognises that both these community groups have a strong historical affiliation with the facilities and have contributed in cash and kind to their development. The agreement renewals will be prepared in accordance with the Crown Land Management Act 2016, and Local Government Act 1993 (NSW).

Resolution 04072018(12): The Precinct supports Council's initiatives in reducing plastic waste. *The Precinct's motion has been noted. Thank you for your feedback.*

Replacement of trees

Resolution 04072018(13): Centennial Parklands and Moore Park Trust advised the precinct meeting some time ago that trees removed from Alison Road side of light rail are to be replaced by new trees grown in North Ryde. The precinct requests the that Randwick Council contact the Trust to request advice when/what these replacement trees will be planted.

Council has contacted Transport for NSW to provide an update on Alison Road plantings.

Resolution 04072018(14): The Precinct suggests Council accelerate the pace of sustainable tree planting along the light rail corridors to provide shade for commuters walking to the light rail stops. *Council has passed the Precinct's request to Transport for NSW.*

Venue Hire charges

Resolution 04072018(15): The Precinct suggests Council review the current venue hire charges as they are unaffordable for new small local community groups and that they could do this through having an exemption sponsorship provision available to Councillors to waive fees.

The Precinct's resolution is noted.

The rates for all community centres are based on a review undertaken in 2018 for market evidence and valuations. The reasoning for different rates for different centres is that there are differences in the age, capacity, condition, accessibility, amenity and location of the venues across the LGA. This presents an opportunity to offer a portfolio of community centres at different price points.

The Venues and Centres are extremely well utilised. This is because the fees charged represent good value in the market. Private hirers (i.e. children's birthday parties, christenings, etc.) pay the commercial/private rate.

Council has a number of programs that offer financial assistance for community groups and organisations seeking to run programs within the LGA, including providing financial assistance with community centre hire fees.

Update on Bus Shelter

Resolution 04072018(16): The Precinct asks for an update on the upgrade to the Alison Road (Opposite Dutruc Street) old tin shed bus shelter.

Council is not able to upgrade the bus stop on Alison Road opposite Dutruc Street. Council has been advised by the bus shelter provider (JC Decaux) that the location does not meet the current setbacks and safety margins required to allow a shelter to be placed at this location. The structure met the standards in place at the time it was constructed (but not anymore). As a result, if Council attempts to undertake any major work or redesign, the bus shelter would not satisfy current standards and would have to be demolished. As advised by JC Decaux, no shelter would be able to be built in its place.

<p>7. Presentations:</p>	<p>Cr Shurey, Mayor was welcomed to the meeting. Cr Shurey answered questions and gave an update on what is happening at Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Value of precincts' advice and input • General Manager Ray Brownlee is leaving after 14 years in the role. He has been a very strong advocate for precincts. • Some areas now without a precinct – Council has introduced a different format – “lets chat” sessions. 3 councillors of the ward go along and invite people to come and have a chat. • Starting works at Coogee - undergrounding powerlines Coogee Bay Rd, widening footpaths, starting soon. • Mahon pool amenities block, going ahead. • Heffron centre going ahead with new gym and indoor sports arena • Adopted new waste policy. Opt in for food recycling for flats that want to do that. • We have become a plastic free council for our events. From 1 Jan all our contractors carrying out events for us will be asked to be single use plastics as well • We've taken on the La Perouse museum. Getting 8,500 people through the doors, open Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun. and looking at ways to invigorate that space • Low density SEP – RCC asked for an extension of that so we can put it in our housing strategy • Sima Truvert retired as Planning Director. We are currently looking for a new Planning Director, and a new GM. • Cr Neilson –There will be a planning scholarship of \$5000 In Sima's name to go towards students who have applied, to help with uni fees. • Cr Shurey to look into oversized vehicles around Darley Road. <p>Larry thanked Cr Shurey for attending.</p>
<p>8. Cr report</p>	<p>Cr Neilson reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verge gardens policy went through. • Policy re boat trailers moving every 28 days went through. • Will have four fill up stations for electric vehicles: Brooke St, Silver St car park, Randwick community centre, Des Renford Leisure Centre. Cr Neilson asked if they will be suitable for electric wheelchairs – waiting for answer. Larry – there was a good overview on electric charging in Randwick eNews. • Southern Courier last week had a very good article on recycling. Cr Neilson will ask if that will be printed out. • Acknowledged work of GM Ray Brownlee to the Council as a very pro-active, hands-on GM who was very good with staff. Larry further acknowledged that he had been good to work with at Coordination meetings, dealing with issues personally and he would be a loss to council.
<p>9. Treasurer's Report:</p>	<p>Nil</p>

10. General Business

Vote of thanks to General Manager Ray Brownlee

Resolution 01082018(1): Randwick Precinct notes that the General Manager, Ray Brownlee is moving to Northern Beaches Council and we thank Ray for his services to Randwick Council and wish him the best for the future. Randwick Precinct appreciates Ray's commitment to listen to the community. Paul/Larry CARRIED

Pedestrian Access to Light Rail Terminals

Alec reported on a response from ALTRAC about pedestrian access to Light Rail terminus - there will be direct access from Centennial Park to Randwick Racecourse between the two ponds. The stop will take 324 people in peak hours with access from both sides.

Bus shelter in Eddie Ave – on right hand side, glass panel with advert that prevents people seeing approaching buses. Also issues with long queues. Alec has had negotiations with local member. The Precinct notes Alec's action in following up these matters. He will report back when he hears more.

Safe Cycling

Resolution 01082018(2): The Precinct requests that Randwick Council and the RMS make safe for cyclists the main roads leading to the Light Rail terminus at Randwick from all directions and that these works be given priority over all other cycleway works except Anzac Parade, which also enjoys a Light Rail terminus at Kingsford. These roads, e.g. Avoca Street and Perouse Road, are already the busiest and, for cyclists, most dangerous in Randwick east of Anzac Parade and will become more so with the opening of the Light Rail. The Precinct suggests that these works should be completed before the Light Rail opens, which means that other planned cycleways may need to drop in priority. It is also suggested that Frenchman's Road be included as (a) we have already requested it be made safe for pedestrians by resolution 06062018(6) and (b) with Avoca Street it provides the only relatively flat, and therefore busy, connection to Waverley and Bondi Junction, where there is a Heavy Rail terminus. We request that Randwick ask Waverley to make Bronte Road safe for cyclists, as it is not at present, or jointly to provide an alternative safer route via Carrington Road. Jonathon/Larry CARRIED

Medium density zone areas

Resolution 01082018(3): Randwick Precinct would like to move that Randwick Council, when reconsidering the state low-rise medium density code, consider applying it to medium density zone areas. Jonathon/Larry CARRIED

Community Sponsorship Program

Resolution 01082018(4): Randwick Precinct acknowledges and welcomes the decision by the Council on 26 June 2018 to unanimously support expanding and improving the current community sponsorship program, specifically,

- a) is a community that welcomes refugees;
- b) supports the work associated with the 'My New Neighbour' community sponsorship program;
- c) calls on the Federal Government to improve and expand the community sponsorship program to ensure the program:
 - does not take from others in need;
 - provides adequate support and services;
 - limits the costs on sponsors;

- allows community, family and businesses to act as sponsors individually and build in mechanisms that would encourage collaborative sponsorships; and
- creates more places for people in need of protection to settle in Australia.

Larry/Jonathon CARRIED

Connecting Cycleways from Montefiore to Centennial Park

Resolution 01082018(5): The Randwick Precinct asks Council to investigate and make repairs to the connecting cycleways from Montefiore, an aged care provider, to Centennial park. [Later in 2018 Cycling Without Age volunteers will be taking residents in electric trishaws to Centennial Park for recreational outings].

Reducing Plastic Consumption

Resolution 01082018(6): The Randwick Precinct supports Council's initiatives in reducing plastic consumption [WIRES volunteers work on the front line every day rescuing wildlife that are found choking on, ingesting, or entangled in rubbish]. Larry/Paul CARRIED

Randwick Campus Development

Public information sessions: 13/8 at 3.30pm to 5.30pm at Margaret Martin library
 Saturday 18/8 10am to 1pm: function room Edmond Blakett POW hospital
 Volunteering for community garden at hospital development - Helen to forward details to Larry and he will forward to members.

Death of former Mayor, John Buchanan

Cr Neilson advised that John Buchanan, former Mayor of Randwick died on 20 June and a funeral service was held at St Anthony's, Clovelly. The Precinct noted that John was very good on development and environmental issues. He supported open space, lower densities, etc. The Park beside Coogee Senior Citizens is to be named "John Buchanan Park".

11. Meeting closed:	8.52 pm
12. Next meeting:	Wednesday 3 September, 2018 at 7.30pm – Malabar Room, Avoca Street