

Clovelly Precinct Committee Meeting Minutes

When: Monday 19th February 2024 @ 7.30pm

Where: Clovelly Surf Club

Type of Meeting: Ordinary

Chair: Bill Brennan **Minute Taker:** Lori St John

Local North Ward Councillors:

Christie Hamilton; Kathy Neilson; Raphaela Pandolfini

Agenda

1.Attendees: Bill Brennan, Lori St john, Pauline Wall, Juliet London, Patrick Thompson, Tina, Michael McKeon, Kathy Neilson (Councillor), Martin Venier, Nick Herd, Margarita Duffy, John Duffy, Horst Bode, Judie Bode, Peter Kahn,

2.Apologies: Maggie Lo, Raphaela Pandolfini (Councillor), Edwin Osbourne, Phil Allan;

3. Minutes of the meeting of December 2023

Corrections: George Stent and Gesine Cheung were present

Receipt and adoption:

Moved: Tina Seconded: Michael McKeon

Carried

4. Declarations:

None

5. Matters arising.

5.1 Burrows Park Project:

Bill gave a short report on the meeting of February 12th where Todd Clarke, Manager of City Services gave a brief update on the project and responded to questions and comments from the attendees. Bill said that the meeting was held in a very open and civil manner.

Bill then opened the precinct meeting for comments from members on their impressions of the presentation last Monday:

- Upgrading the change rooms does not imply a bigger development of the field;
- It was notable that there was no representation from any of the rugby and rugby league clubs at the meeting;
- There was dissatisfaction with the questions on the survey document, the implementation and the outcome;
- At a meeting in December 2022 the clubs stated that they were no longer pursuing the lengthening of the field but subsequently reversed that. .It is unclear if this is the decision and if there is written reversal of that initial decision.

- How does the upgrading of Burrows Park fit with the Clovelly Bay Plan of Management Master Plan.

Kathy Neilson took the opportunity give her perspective on the motion approved by Council. She had moved an amendment that strengthened the communication process as the project evolved so that the local community would be involved. She observed that with proposals such as that at Burrows Park all Randwick residents and councillors had the right to consider and provide comment on what was being proposed. She agreed that the survey documents were methodologically flawed and could be seen as favouring the development view.

The following resolutions arose out of the discussion:

Resolution: 19022024(1)

That the Director of City Services provide the documentation from the rugby and rugby league clubs relating to their decision (following the December 2022 community meeting) to support the lengthening of Burrows Park football field

Moved: Juliet London

Seconded: Michael McKeon

Carried

Resolution: 19022024(2)

As it is now 25 years since the Clovelly Bay Plan of Management was developed and in light of the community concerns over the Burrows Park project, that Council consider establishing a representative consultative committee to review and upgrade the plan.

Moved: Nick Herd

Seconded: Martin Venier

Carried

Resolution: 19022024(3)

That the resolution below be followed up with the Council.

Resolution 11122023 (3) to the Director of City Services

That the Scope of Works for the firm chosen for the Burrows Park project be made available Precinct Committee and other interested groups.

Moved: Juliet London

Seconded: Martin Venier

Carried

5.2 Randwick Flood Catchment Study (RFCS)

Bill gave a brief report that the **Randwick Flood Catchment Study (RFCS)**. It was to be considered by Council at its February 27th meeting but has been postponed to a future date.

The follow up motion was moved at the December meeting:

Resolution 11122023(1): That at least one month prior to consideration by Council of the peer review of the Clovelly Flood Management Study, the review document be made available to the residents affected by the study.

The Council response: ***The process for review and adoption of documents for Floodplain Management involves a review of the draft document by the Floodplain Management Committee and then it is referred to Council for endorsement / adoption.***

On this basis, the request cannot be acceded.

The meeting discussed the importance for all potentially effected residence to have the opportunity to view the documents prior to Council considering the document. It was felt that the next step was to appeal to the General Manager for access to the study document with a reasonable time to consider its findings.

Resolution: 19022024(3) to the General Manager

That in line with the General Manager's proposal for the Council officers to be more active in improving the customer experience with the community, that he enables the request for access to the Randwick Flood Catchment Study (RFCS) by interested and potentially affected residents.

Moved: Michael McKeon

Seconded: Tina

Carried

5.3 Clovelly Beach Inspection

Bill reported that the Council's *Have your Say* set up at Clovelly Beach on Sunday was well attended with many suggestions from beachgoers and walkers. Bill took the document the Precinct had developed following our inspection with Kerry Colquhoun last year and submitted it for further consideration.

Bins at Gordons Bay

Resolution: 13112023(6)

The Council return the bins, removed from Gordons Bay to their place.

Response: The bins have been replaced with larger new ones.

5.4 Clovelly Road, Mount Street, Fern Street intersection (Resolution 14082023(1))

Response

The precinct discussed the comprehensive report provided by the Transport Committee. It was noted that the Clovelly Road Master Plan had made a couple of additional proposals related to traffic movements and resolved to seek the Traffic Committee's view on these.

Resolution 11122023 (3) to the Traffic Committee

Thanks the Traffic Committee for its comprehensive response to our resolution and asks if the Traffic Committee could consider the proposals 01 (raised threshold treatment) and 06 (relocation of existing bus stop) on page 69 of the master plan.

The Traffic Committee considered it impractical to move the bus stop but the raised threshold treatment for the intersection is to be included in future traffic calming works by the Council

4.8 Resolution regarding permanent parking in Boundary Street

Resolution: 13112023(3)

The Clovelly Precinct Committee seeks the expert advice from the Randwick Traffic Committee, on what options are available to minimise the use by permanently parked vehicles in this important parking resource. One option may be restricted parking that prohibits extended day stay. The current arrangement that exists in Burnie Street adjacent to Burnie Park is an example of what could be considered. __

Response

This matter has been referred to Council's Rangers for investigation. Often such investigations can reveal numbers of unregistered trailers / vehicles in an area. If so, the last registered owners of these vehicles and trailers would be posted a penalty notice and the remaining trailers / vehicles would be further investigated as suspected abandoned vehicles.

With regard to any registered trailers, observed to be parked legally, Council's Rangers would make a determination whether to further investigate them, as unattended items, under the Public Spaces Unattended Property Act 202

Resolution: 19022024(4)

The Clovelly Precinct Committee requests through the Transport Committee 1) a report from the ranger/s on their findings on the vehicles parked in Boundary Street eastward from Andrews Street and 2) again consider parking restrictions as implemented in Burnie Street adjacent to the park.

Moved: Lori St John

SECONDED: Martin Venier

Carried

Vehicle permanently parked outside Clovelly petrol station.

Resolution: 13112023(7)

To The Randwick Traffic Committee

The Clovelly Precinct request the Traffic Committee considers options for ensuring that large vehicles are unable to obstruct the view of drivers leaving the Clovelly Road petrol station when they have to turn right.

Council Response

The Council does not impose parking controls to limit the parking of specific types of vehicles adjacent to driveways. However, a review of 3 years of aerial photos shows that the subject trailer, shown in your image above, has not been moved since about December 2020. Accordingly, the matter has been referred to Council's Ranger Services to investigate:

- *If the trailer has current registration*



• If action could be undertaken, regarding this trailer, under the Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act

Resolution: 19022024(5)

The Clovelly Precinct Committee requests a report be provided from the Council's Ranger Services on what they have found in relation to this issue and if action of any type is possible.

Moved: Lori St john

SECONDED: Martin Venier

Carried

5.5 Hot Showers at the beach.

Resolution: 13112023(4)

That council be requested to consider the feasibility of installing a hot shower powered by solar panels on the Northern side of Clovelly Beach. If possible to include showers on the south side of Clovelly Beach.

Response: The Council has responded that it is not practical to provide outdoor hot showers, but they will consider hot indoor showers in the change rooms on the south side. Bill explored this further online and reported back he was unable to find any outdoor sites with continuous hot water available on other beaches. We will look for another solution.

7. Correspondence incoming and outgoing

7.1 The Spot festival - We have been invited to have a presence at the Spot Festival on March 24th with other Precincts. Bill has accepted the invitation.

7.2 Clovelly pool steps - We have been advised that consultants have been engaged to undertake the design of the steps, but plans are not yet available for discussion with the community.

Following investigations Bill has received a quote from a company that manufactures mobile outdoor pool steps which could be used for the Clovelly pool. They can easily be removed when the pool is being used for races and then replaced for all other times. The total cost is \$12,024. Bill will pass on the details to the Council.

8. Treasurer's Report

- The balance is \$4000.07.

9. Reports from local councillors

- Kathy Neilson reported that no asbestos had been found in any parks or other areas in the suburb.
- The provision of a permanent environmental levy had been approved by Council and is now was before NSW IPART for its consideration and progress.
- The Carrington Road / Clovelly Road pocket park is progressing. The left turn from Clovelly Road into Carrington Road is now legal. The bus stop will return to its original position once works have been completed.
- The Burnie Street Pocket Park project plan was not ready yet for consideration by the community. Kathy emphasised the need to get the parking issues addressed to meet the needs of the local business centre.
- The NSW government housing reform was yet to be considered by Council but a briefing with councillors has occurred.

10. Any other issues

10.1 The committee has recently received the following response to a motion moved in mid 2023

Precinct resolution 19062023(1a): That a Council officer be invited to the August 14th meeting to talk about the Greening Randwick strategy

Council response:

Normally, our Urban Forest Planner would attend the Precinct Committee meeting to provide an update on our Greening Randwick initiatives. Unfortunately, the role has been vacant. On this basis, a representative has not been available to attend the precinct committee meeting.

However, an update on our initiatives is provided below.

- Greening our City Grant - \$1.88M – Planting of 2,000 Trees to commence in March 2024. Planting will be targeted in the south of the LGA where canopy cover is lowest.
- We propose to develop a Green Grid Strategy in line with the NSW Strategy
- Planting of 500 trees from council's budget. These trees will be planted in town centres, open spaces and streets.

Bill will follow this up with council. He suggested that if any members can identify areas in the precinct where tree planting would be valuable could you let him know and he will pass it on to the Council

10.2 Leanne Warner wrote to the committee raising the follow issue:

The north stairs and rocks into the Clovelly Bay are very slimy with sea moss and can be very dangerous. The south side gets cleaned by Council often but north does not and is in desperate need.

Resolution: 19022024(6)

The Clovelly Precinct Committee requests the council address the potentially dangerous nature of the steps and rocks for swimmers entering and leaving the water on the north side of the beach. Options to consider are more regular cleaning or structural changes to alleviate the problem.

Moved: Pat Thompson
SECONDED: Martin Venier
Carried

10.3 Lighting in Surfside Avenue

Pauline Pall raised a problem about lighting in a section of the footpath in Surfside Avenue adjacent to 17 – 19 where the light from the streetlight is almost totally obscured by overhanging trees making it very dark at night and causing concern for pedestrians using that section of the footpath. The council has previously trimmed the nearby trees but this has not significantly improved the problem.

Resolution: 19022024(7)

The Clovelly Precinct Committee is appreciative of the Council's response to residents' earlier concerns about the darkness of the area around 17 -19 Surfside Avenue but is seeking further consideration of measures to markedly improve the light availability in that area.

Moved: Pauline Pall
SECONDED: Nick Herd
Carried

Meeting Closed 2045hrs

Gordons Bay Bushcare



SUN 3 MAR 2024

9 am - 12 pm

Frequency

Every month on the 1st Sunday of the month, until Dec 1, 2024

Location

Access via the UNSW Cliffbrook Campus, 45 Beach Street Coogee

Become a bushcare volunteer and work with Council's Bushcare Officers on the bush regeneration program.

Bookings

Call the Bushcare Officer on 02 9093 6708

Email

bushcare@randwick.nsw.gov.au

Gordons Bay is Randwick Council's longest running Bushcare group. They have transformed a weed infested area into a coastal heath reserve with epic views. Maintenance weeding and revegetation with indigenous plants.