Clovelly Precinct Committee Meeting

When: Monday 10th March 2025 from 730pm

Where: Clovelly Surf Club

Minutes

Type of Meeting: Ordinary Chair: Bill Brennan Note Taker: Lori St John

1.Attendees: Bill Brennan, Lori St john, Don Munro, Jason Young, Juliet Munro, John Duffy, Mary Henning, Peter Kahn, , Aaron Magner (North Ward Councillor), Clare Willington (North Ward Councillor), Christie Hamilton, (North Ward Councillor, Bobbie Waterman, Vanessa Ard, Annie Malcolm, Daryl Roberts, Daniel Smith, Phillipa Dimakis, Zoe Velez, Jeremy Spear, Angela Mork, Greg Wilesmith, Ross Feller, Rob Aird, Tina, Pauline Wall

- **2.Apologies.** Pat Thompson, Edwin Osbourne, Martin Venier, Horst Bode, Julie Bode
- **3.** Declarations of Interest. None asked for, none declared
- 4 Minutes of the November 2024 meeting & February 2025 meeting:

4.1 Corrections: Nil

4.2 Receipt and Adoption:

Moved: Nick Herd Seconded: John Duffy

Carried

5. Matters arising from the November & February meetings:

The matters arising are covered in the Action Sheet

- 6. Action sheet update:
- 1. Surfside avenue lighting- this will be held open until the May meeting
- 2. **Gordons Bay steps** We are still seeking clarification about our resolution requesting the construction of a rail on the left side (descending) of the stairs in Gordons Bay at the Clovelly Beach end.

3. **Residents parking issues** – Resident Parking Survey, Burnie Street (awaiting a response from Council), Thorpe Street (see action sheet).

There was considerable discussion about the current Resident Parking Scheme Survey for CL1 Zone which covers Eastward on Boundary street to St Thomas Street, south to Clovelly Road, west to Flood Street then east on Battery Street, Cliffbrook Parade to Victory Street then Eastbourne Avenue and Ocean Street.

3.1

In response to the survey Jason Young proposed Resolution 100325 (1):

The Clovelly Precinct Committee as part of the CL1 four yearly review proposes the implementation of "No Parking - Motor Vehicles Excepted" across all non-residential street frontages in the CL1 zone.

This option would provide extra residential parking in both the Western and Northern sides of CL1 as these vehicles rarely move and therefore provide no parking turnover during busy seasonal times of the year. Owners of these vehicles are very reluctant to park them out the front of a residential property. If boat trailers are parked in front of residential street properties, their owners are more likely to have them moved on after the 28 days. Such an inconvenience to the boat/trailers will cause them to seek out other parking options elsewhere.

The resolution was seconded by Nick Herd Carried unanimously

3.2

Nick Herd was concerned that the survey was premature in that it would be more informative and worthwhile if it followed the completion of the Clovelly Bay Plan of Management that is to be undertaken in the coming months. To that end Nick proposed the following resolution.

Resolution 100325 (2):

The Precinct Committee requests the Council suspend the current offer of resident parking in the CL1 zone until the completion of the Clovelly Bay Plan of Management.

2. The Plan of Management must include a comprehensive study of traffic and parking management around Clovelly Bay.

Moved: Nick Herd
Seconded: Jason Young
Carried unanimously

7. Correspondence Incoming & outgoing-

7.1 Precinct Coordinator's meeting 19th February.

- 7.2 Randwick's presence at the Precinct Stall at the Spot festival Day 23rd March.
- 7.3 Burrows Park Master Plan Concept Have Your Say

8.Treasurer's report -

8.1 (The treasurer was a late apology (via email) due to illness. The current balance is \$4407.22).

9. Reports from Randwick Councillors -

Christie Hamilton urged everyone to take the opportunity to reply to the Have Your Say on the Burrows Park Concept Plan which will close on Wednesday. She said that exploring new and different ways to address the parking issues in Clovelly could be very helpful. She discussed ways to increase the communication between the Council and residents. Clare Willington suggested that people log into the Council website the week before council meetings to review the agenda and associated papers for issues of local interest and relevance.

Aaron spoke of the Council's support for a resolution on antisemitism. He discussed the issue of fishing in Clovelly Bay saying that the Council had limited powers but were looking at minimising such activities.

10. Any other issues or business for 2025

- **10.1**Time and venue of monthly meetings discussion postponed
- **10.2** Tree Canopy cover in Clovelly

Appeal against the removal of the Hills Weeping Fig in Quail Street Clovelly Rob Aird addressed the meeting to discuss a decision by Randwick Council to remove a Hills Weeping Fig in Quail Street Clovelly, one of 5 that adorn the street at the Beach Street intersection following a complaint from a resident. A group of local residents consider that this may be unnecessary and would cause great damage to the streetscape which is an important contribution to aesthetics and canopy cover in the area. They have commissioned an independent assessment by a industry expert in this field. They have been in contact with council about a number of measures and have sought the support of the Precinct Committee.

The resolution by Rob for the committee to consider is 100325 (3):

- Council defers any decision to remove the tree until all evidence including another independent engineering report—is properly considered.
- Council and its insurer reconsider the factual basis of their decision in light of any new information that will be provided following this second report.

- 3. A rescission motion or new notice of motion be allowed so that Council can formally reconsider the matter.
- 4. Council explore alternative solutions, including self-performing any rectification work to avoid triggering an insurance claim.

 While we acknowledge the precedent risk, this seems a far more balanced approach than losing a magnificent tree.

We the precinct Committee strongly believe that a collaborative and evidence-based approach will help Council reach a fair resolution—one that avoids unnecessary costs and stress, avoids diminishing the cultural and aesthetic environment and avoids legal action.

Seconded. Nick Herd

Carried unanimously

10.3 The replacement of dying trees on Clovelly Road

Juliet Munro provided the meeting with a list of places along Clovelly Road where street trees and shrubs are dead, dying or missing detracting from the streetscape. The list is below. .

Opposite Clovelly Hotel

338 Clovelly Road

328 Clovelly Road

Opposite Keith St

Opposite Pizzavelly,

Near Beach St

Opposite Fewings Street

Opposite Dans Avenue

Opposite Bishops Avenue

Opposite Conway Avenue

Resolution 100325 (4): The Council's Tree Management Service be requested to replace the trees and shrubs in the places identified and discuss with the committee how we can assist in their maintenance.

Moved. Juliet Munro Seconded: Ann Malcolm

Carried

10.4 The replacement of the car park lighting at the back of the surf club. Moshe Atar asked if the Council could investigate the options in changing the lighting on the Clovelly Beach car park especially the ones closest to the surf club. Their height and brightness mean that they cast a very bright light across the bay and light up the up all of the houses in Eastbourne Avenue. It is very disruptive to the residents for the whole of the time they are on from sunset to sunrise.

Resolution 100325 (5):

The Council be requested to review the positioning and intensity of lighting in the Clovelly Beach car park to reduce its impact on surrounding houses, especially in Eastbourne Avenue.

Moved: Moshe Atar Seconded: Don Munro

Carried

10.4 Children' Bicycle track in Burnie Park

Dan Smith asked if the Precinct Committee could support a proposal for the building of a children's' cycleway in Burnie Park. He said that a cycleway skirting the play areas would provide an excellent venue for young children and add to the park's appeal as a venue for families with young children.

Resolution 100325 (6):

That the Council consider constructing a children's cycleway at Burnie Park.

Moved. Dan Smith

Seconded: Vanessa Ard

Carried

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm

Next Meeting: Monday April 7th 7.30pm Clovelly Surf Club