



KINGSFORD EAST PRECINCT

Minutes of the General Meeting 4 June 2025, 6:30pm
Please note that all resolutions passed unanimously unless stated.

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Precinct	Kingsford East
Date, Meeting time and venue	6:30pm, Wednesday 4 June 2025 (Via Zoom)
Chair	Tim Longhurst
Secretary	Heather Hibbert
Treasure	Tim Sneesby
Welcome	
1. Attendance	Tim Longhurst, Heather Hibbert, Tim Sneesby, Sally Kenny, Simon Ronald, CR Philipa Veitch, CR Andrew Hay, Kerry Cobain, Chirag Handa, Matt Lynch, Jan Hart, Sally Kenny, Sophie Berlot, Philippa Star, Diane Nazaroff, Natarsha Single, Louisa Lowes, Brad Sutton, Charmine Francis and Jan Hart.
2. Apologies	Penny Johnson, Chris Petit and CR Alexandra Luxford
3. Declaration of interests	None
4. Confirmation of previous minutes	Tim moved to approve the Minutes from last meeting and was seconded by residents present at the meeting. Minutes were confirmed.
5. Correspondence	None
6. Update from West Ward councillors	CR Andrew Hay update Meeks street public toilet has been approved in the budget. Currently there are 24hr toilets at McDonalds and Churchills Sports Bar. See street Kingsford will have a median put in the middle of the road and tree planting. Snape Park upgrade will come up at the next council meeting on 17 June. The NSW Low and Mid-Rise housing policy has come into effect. Allows for developments up to 6 storeys within 800m of light rail stations or town centres with a supermarket and reduces the minimum lot size of dual occupancy development to 450m2. More info can be found on this link and also on CR Andrew Hay's Facebook page. Randwick councillors have been shown a confidential plan for 9 ways Kingsford. Randwick City Council bought the carpark opposite the light rail some time ago. Francis street council admin building is old and not fit for purpose, therefore they want to move staff. 9 ways Kingsford is meant to be a better location and better suited for Council admin. The plan is to also have a theatre space, library, residential apartments, underground parking and hopefully a grocery store. Will be nice to have council staff in the area as they will be able to notice issues and be able to support change. CR Philipa Veitch – update The draft 2025-29 Delivery program and 2025-26 Operational Plan and Budget has just come off exhibition and will come back to council for the 17 June council meeting. Kensington West Kingsford Precinct has put in a submission. Kingsford East precinct will put a last-minute submission on 5 June. Randwick City Council is developing a Resilience Strategy to enhance the community’s ability to handle challenges and adapt to change. The council wants to hear from you. Your experience, knowledge and ideas will help shape the priorities and actions of the resilience strategy.

	Survey is open from 2 June to 6 July 2025. More info can be found on the following link. The council has received significant grants for tree planting and there is a 40% tree canopy target for Randwick council. However, the council is having trouble meeting this target due to vandalism. There is a working group to look at tree vandalism in Randwick City Council. It’s happening frequently on both private and council owned land. Safe & Inclusive streets update from Sally Kenny – Traffic representative STURT ST - Increased traffic. (Resolution 16102024) will re-submit Response from council – Local councils don’t have the legal authority to change speed limits. Council has been successful in applying to TfNSW for \$6.2M of funding to implement 25 individual traffic control devices in the Kensington/West Kingsford area. Once installed it is expected that TfNSW will endorse a 40km/h speed limit. This is likely to take 2 years. In 2021 they identified the following priority areas Clovelly, Coogee, Randwick and Maroubra beach residential areas. We will go back to council to and keep bringing this issue up. BOTANY ST / BUNNARONG RD pedestrian crossing (Resolution 02042025) Response from council – they have organised a re-design of the intersection and have managed to get approvals and funding to install pedestrian refuges and other signage in the area. The exposure to pedestrians will decrease from 27 meters down to 10.8 metres. This should be installed in the next 2 months. Removal of parking near the hospital (Resolution 04122024) Response from council – given the removal of parking spots would cause a loss of local parking supply for residents and potentially likely cause higher speeds they don’t agree with the motion. Tim Longhurst will call the committee member and discuss options to pursue further. ANZAC Pde Kensington - parking (Resolution 16102024) Response from council – Whilst it is considered that the evening hour traffic volumes along Anzac Parade could not be accommodated within a single lane of traffic. The matter will be taken up with TfNSW. Council will advise when they hear back. Major Development representative – Simon Ronald update Snake Park upgrade (02042025 resolution update) Response from council - Our motion will be included in the feedback results from community consultation report to council Mid 2025. Newmarket update Standard construction hours are 7-5pm weekdays and 8-5pm on Saturdays. No work will be done on Sunday’s or public holidays. They will be finishing the installation of capping beams on the pile foundation. Some of this work will involve use of a noisy saw-cutting and jackhammering equipment. This will only be done between 8-1pm on weekdays.
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	Permanent construction zone will be set up on the western side of Young Street, starting at the sites access gate down to Middle Street. Parking will be restricted during construction hours. Young Street western footpath is closed until the project is completed in 2027.
7. General business	8. Tree planting/removal – Randwick City Council authorised the removal of a mature tree on Byrd Avenue to allow a resident to build triple garage. Council was contacted and they advised that there was no intention to provide any new street trees. 9. Draft Operational Budget 2025-2026: a. Paine Reserve Outdoor Gym (not planned in immediate future) b. Newmarket Stable – we asked that the building be a broader community use. c. Kingsford Public Toilets – councillor Hay spoke about that.
10. Motions	<u>Kingsford 9-Ways Redevelopment</u> <i>Motion</i> The Precinct supports this potential redevelopment and requests any future design of this building should consider: • A ground floor footprint large enough for a full-line supermarket. • The library and civic uses could be 1st floor, like Maroubra and Randwick Library, to accommodate a larger ground floor footprint for retail uses. • Investigate partnerships with Community Housing Providers to do a larger share of affordable rental housing for key worker housing than 15%. • Reviewing the intersection of Rainbow and Anzac to consider any improvements that could be facilitated as part of the development to offset any additional traffic generation created by this development. • Installing parking in a future development. Passed <u>Draft Operational Budget 2025-2026:</u> The Precinct supports the allocation of funding in the draft Operational Budget for the following items: • Newmarket Stable feasibility study. • Kingsford Public Toilets. • Paine Reserve Outdoor Gym. • Half-basketball court, ping pong table or other teenager-focused facilities at Paine Reserve. • Local Area Traffic Management (LATM) in the Kingsford area to improve pedestrian safety. Passed <u>Norton Street traffic management issues</u> The Precinct requests that Council address illegal parking, speeding and unsafe driving in Norton Street, Kingsford such as installing traffic management devices, such as speed humps or other suitable mechanisms. Passed
11. Meeting closing	8:00pm
12. Next Meeting	6 August 2025