

MAROUBRA Precinct Committee

GENERAL MEETING Minutes 8 October 2025

Juniors at the Junction, Maroubra 7.00pm

Chairperson:	Stephen O'Shaughnessy
Secretary:	Rachel Deering
Attendance:	12 Residents attended the meeting.
1. Opening and welcome:	S. O'Shaughnessy opened the meeting at 7.11pm, welcomed all residents and visitors and undertook the acknowledgement of Country.
2. Apologies	1. Christine Baramilis; 2. John Burgess; and 3. Sam Danionas.
3. Declaration of interests:	Nil
4. Ratification of previous minutes:	Minutes of the Maroubra Precinct Meeting held 4 September 2025 were received. The Minutes, as received, were nominated by Mary Richard as true and accurate. The Minutes, as received, were seconded by Stephen O'Shaughnessy. The Minutes were carried.
5. Business arising from previous minutes: (a) Update(s) to resolution(s) received from Council (b) Updates(s) to requests made to Council (c) Maroubra Precinct Community Notice Board	(a) Update(s) to resolution(s) received from Council Resolution 28072025(1) The Maroubra Precinct Committee request Council to provide the minutes of the 6 May 2025 meeting (that was organised by Council with the view to investigate initiatives at addressing the ever-increasing anti-social behaviour) and any follow-on actions Council is undertaking. Update: Council provided a copy of the redacted (for privacy reasons) Minutes on 3 October 2025. A copy of activities scheduled at the LexoHub in October 2025 was also provided. Unfortunately, on 8 October 2025 Council confirmed that neither Lexi Mafoe nor Trina Soulosto were now available to speak at this Precinct Meeting to provide an update. The Maroubra Precinct Committee will continue to actively work with Council in seeking an update on any progress. (b) Update(s) to requests made to Council At the 4 September 2025 Maroubra Precinct Committee meeting a request - in relation to the material that was displayed on the Maroubra Precinct Community Noticeboard and subsequently deemed by some to be offensive - was asked of Council to provide "a copy of the 'offensive' material for review by the Committee". As at today's meeting Council had not provided a copy, as requested. However, a copy was provided to the

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	Committee at the meeting by an attendee of the meeting. The Committee will now look to initiate a set of rules to determine the appropriateness of all Precinct material for public viewing and liaise with Council in due course. (c) Maroubra Precinct Community Notice Board There was further wider discussion in respect of the removal of the Maroubra Precinct Community Notice Board. While the Precinct Committee expects that the Council will honour its existing commitment to replace the Notice Board, no formal progress has been provided to date. (d) Proposed Redevelopment of Maroubra SLSC While it is well documented the support and gratitude the Maroubra Precinct Committee has for everything that the Maroubra SLSC and its members undertake in keeping the wider community safe, it is to be noted there are still concerns associated with the proposed redevelopment plans – in particular the use of the venue once completed. A suggestion put forward was that Council organise an “<i>Have your say</i>” review in relation to gauging the opinion of the wider community in respect of gaining maximum use of the venue when not in use by the Maroubra SLSC. There were many suggestions put forward to maximise the use of the venue by the wider Community, such as sessions for youth mentoring, homework club, tai chi or gentle movement classes, bridge and/or card games, chess/board games, guest speakers, book club, various discussion groups, etc. It was noted that space at the Library is generally fully booked. In relation to the proposed redevelopment of Maroubra SLSC, it is noted that a formal response from Council is still pending as per Resolution 23062025(2): The Maroubra Precinct Committee calls on Council to investigate putting a binding obligation on Maroubra Surf Club to provide access to the wider Maroubra community eg the Maroubra Precinct monthly meeting.
6. Treasurer’s Report:	No Treasurer’s report available at the meeting.
7. Council Update:	(a) Councillor Rosenfeld was not in attendance at the meeting and hence no updates available. (b) Other -
8. General Business	(a) Modified DA from Catholic Healthcare for the old bowling club site on Malabar Road Concern was raised at the meeting in respect of the proposed change in development plans by Catholic Healthcare as indicated in letterbox drop pamphlet dated 29 September 2025 (see attached). Concern centred around the proposed reduction in Residential Care beds to 44 (previously 108).

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	Resolution 08102025(1) The Maroubra Precinct Committee understand that an updated DA may be forthcoming for the previous Maroubra Bowling Club site on Malabar Road by Catholic Healthcare. The Maroubra Precinct Committee request that Council seek Community feedback prior to approving any application. Nominated Therese Weise Seconded Kerri Hamer (b) Dogs on Maroubra Beach, in beachfront reserves eg Arthur Byrne and Jack Vanny, on the beachside promenade and other walkways, at Mahon Pool, in picnic areas, and in and near cafes Concern was raised to the increasing number of dogs physically on the beach at Maroubra and also the number of dogs off-leash in beachfront reserves (eg Arthur Byrne and Jack Vanny, on the beachside promenade and other walkways, at Mahon Pool, in picnic areas, and in and near cafes). Resolution 08102025(2) The Maroubra Precinct request that Council be more proactive - especially over the upcoming busy summer period - for those in breach of the current laws and regulations ie in regard to dogs physically on Maroubra Beach, and dogs off-leash in beachfront reserves and other nearby areas, such as picnic sheds and bench seating. Nominated Mary Richard Seconded Sue Swan (c) Redevelopment of South Maroubra Shopping Village Discussion centred around all the current “<i>chatter</i>” – across multiple sources - in respect of any redevelopment proposal of South Maroubra Shopping Village. While initial investigations - including speaking with people who would be directly affected by any such proposal/subsequent change - have not provided any light on the subject, history tells you that with so much “chatter” something in the imminent future may well be afoot. Resolution 08102025(3) The Maroubra Precinct seeks clarification from Council if there is and/or, if Council is aware of, any potential proposal(s) for the redevelopment of the South Maroubra Shopping Village site located at 3 Meagher Avenue, Maroubra NSW 2035 – including any potential high-rise residential tower. Nominated Janet Hutchinson Seconded Therese Weiss (d) Removal of Lantana vegetation and maintenance of land near houses The Lantana vegetation located at the northern end of Pioneers Park in the bushland area was partially cut down and left in piles a few weeks ago. The understanding is that Council arranged for this to happen. However, it is noted that the removal of the remaining Lantana vegetation has not been undertaken nor has the physical removal of the Lantana vegetation that has been left in piles.
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	The Maroubra Precinct seeks clarification from Council as to when the complete removal of the Lantana vegetation will be completed. The maintenance of land near houses located at the rear of houses in Bowen Place (namely 2-10) that back onto either Council Land, Crown Land, or National Parks Land is not being maintained by the relevant authority. The on-going and regular maintenance of this land is critical as the land forms part of the fire break between the houses and the National Park/Pioneer Park. It is not acceptable that due to the lack of maintenance elderly residents are having to maintain the land in an effort to protect their home. Local residents are experiencing confusion with varying information from the different authorities in respect to which entity has responsibility for the maintenance of the land. Resolution 08102025(4) The Maroubra Precinct Committee request that Council provide a map outlining the Malabar headland/Pioneer Park area and identify areas with clear boundaries that are the responsibility of the correct authority eg Randwick Council, National Parks and/or Crown Land. Nominated Sue Swan Seconded Rachel Deering (e) Other – Traffic Lights located on the corner of Wise Street and Anzac Parade, Maroubra At the corner of Wise Street/Anzac Parade/Haig Street there are eight (8) physical traffic light poles with lights that control the traffic through the intersection. Two of the light poles have the lights tilted forward to the point that the lights are very difficult to see especially during the daylight hours and hence causing concern for residents that an otherwise avoidable accident will occur. The Maroubra Precinct requests that Council please liaise with the relevant authority to have the traffic lights reviewed and advise in due course. Expression of thanks to the Council The Maroubra Precinct members would like to express thanks to the Council for attending to the beautification works in the centre of the road outside Pacific Square – greatly appreciated. Concern with ever increasing crime/motor bikes, etc Members are concerned with the seeming ever increasing crime in the local area. Illegal use of motor bikes/electric bikes/scooters and damage being caused by them – especially at Pioneer Park. These motor bikes/electric bikes/scooters continue speeding and causing inherent danger to pedestrians on local public streets and spaces.
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	Cronwell Park proposed Pump Park While much has been documented and said in relation to the proposed construction of a Pump Park at Cronwell Park – more needs to be said. Increasing Local Awareness of the Precinct Committees In an attempt to aware local awareness of the local Precinct Committees a suggestion was put forward to investigate having a stall at the local markets. It was further noted that there was a circulation provided to some residents that the Mayor and others from the Council will be available to speak with at the Markets scheduled on 1 November 2025.
12. Next Meeting:	The next Maroubra Precinct Meeting will be held: Date: Monday, 10 November 2025 Time: 7.00pm Venue: Juniors at the Junction, Corner Anzac Parade and Haig Street Maroubra
13. Meeting closure:	The Chairperson confirmed there was no further business and declared the meeting closed at 8.50pm.