

KINGSFORD EAST PRECINCT

Minutes of the General Meeting 17 September 2026, 6:30pm

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Precinct	Kingsford East
Date, Meeting time and venue	6:30pm, Thursday 17 September 2026 (Via Zoom)
Chair	Tim Sneesby/Jan Hart
Secretary	Heather Hibbert
Treasurer	Vacant
Welcome	The meeting proceeded with low attendance due to a conflicting event at Rainbow Street Public School.
1.Attendance	Tim Sneesby, Jan Hart, CR Andrew Hay, Tim Longhurst, David Franco, Chris Maher, Diane Nazaroff, Brenda Cox and Kerry Cobain
2.Apologies	CR Philipa Veitch, Heather Hibbert and Sally Kenny
3.Declaration of interests	Nil
4.Update from West Ward councillors	CR Andrew Hay: CR Hay provided updates on items to be discussed at the upcoming Council meeting, including: • His proposal for a wheelchair ramp for the Anzac Parade and Sturt Street parking area, and inviting suggestions for any additional locations that would benefit from similar installations. • Plans for Stage One of the Snape Park development and the outdoor gym in Payne Reserve. • The proposed development on the corner of Wallace and Botany Streets, including CR Luxford's motion. • The potential Rainbow Street, Kingsford development.
5.Business arising – resolution and motion updates	Randwick Council / Souths Juniors potential collaboration (Resolution 5/26) An August update was received from Todd Clarke, Director of City Services, which referenced ongoing discussions with a third meeting scheduled for August. It was noted that this item was also listed for confidential discussion at the upcoming Council meeting. Kennedy Street traffic volume and pedestrian safety Council staff responded to the Precinct advising that a report recommending a full traffic study of the area would be prepared for an upcoming Council meeting. A proposal for a comprehensive traffic study of the area bounded by Anzac Parade, Rainbow Street, Avoca Street and High Street was listed on the agenda for the Council meeting scheduled for 22 September. Kingsford student accommodation towers An update on two large student accommodation developments in Kingsford: 494 – 516 Anzac Parade and, effectively opposite it, 345 – 355 Anzac Parade. The

	developments are 9 storeys and 5 and 9 storeys high respectively. There were concerns about the limited retail space proposed in both projects. Tim and Jan attended conciliation conferences as part of the Land and Environment Court process to represent the Precinct's objections. Conciliation was not successful for the 494 – 516 Anzac Parade site, which is now listed for a Court hearing on 1 December. The outcome for the second site is not yet known.
6. Major Developments update	Botany / Wallace Street SSD EIS The Precinct detailed concerns about this proposed development, highlighting serious issues with groundwater contamination, traffic impacts and potential damage to surrounding properties. Local residents also believe that the site sits outside the distance required to trigger the higher density under the Low and Mid-Rise Housing SEPP (LMR). This was also discussed in the context of the State Government's planning reforms that allow State Significant Developments (SSDs) to bypass local council approval. Frustration was expressed about the short public consultation period of only 14 days, with a deadline of 23 September. There had been debate regarding whether individual submissions would be more effective than Precinct-wide objections. The group agreed to share submission details with residents to encourage individual responses before the 23 September deadline. It was acknowledged that Council is preparing its own submission in response to this development and has also asked for an extension of time for submissions. Full details of the proposal are available at: https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/residential-development-infill-affordable-botany-and-wallace-street-kingsford Link for submissions: https://majorprojects.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/prweb/IAC/app/default/Cc0BJsDJ6OdBNUpuWBJD7zYCxcJRCjpn*/!STANDARD HDA SSD sites Housing Delivery Authority (HDA) State Significant Development (SSD) declarations. a 12-storey, 138-unit building at 17 – 23 Harbourne Road and an 18-storey, 124-unit building at 15 – 21 Sturt Street and 419 Anzac Parade, Kingsford.
7. NSW planning reforms: reduced exhibition periods for DAs	The group discussed significant changes to development application (DA) exhibition requirements. DAs for smaller developments will no longer be publicly exhibited, meaning neighbours will not be notified about nearby construction.
8. General business	Nil
9. Next Meeting	12 November 2026 – potentially a hybrid format.