

Clovelly Precinct Committee

Meeting Minutes

When: Monday 14th August @ 7.00pm

Where: Via Zoom

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

Local North Ward Councillors:

Christie Hamilton; Kathy Neilson; Raphaela Pandolfini

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Agenda

1.Attendees: Bill Brennan, Lori St John, Michael McKeon, Raphaela Pandolfini (Councillor), Kathy Neilson (Councillor), Martin Venier, Maggie Lo, Anne Davies, Ingrid Maganov, Toni Wren, Amanda Mather, Will Moll, John Halkitis , Tina , Nigel Langton

2.Apologies: Jenny Adamson, Mark Adamson, Susan Smith, Patricia Chillicot, Karen Lenau, Caroline Odgers, Edwin Osbourne,

3. Presentation: Jordan Kelly from JOC Consulting provided a report on the Clovelly Road and Burnie Street Green space.

His presentation focussed on the desire to develop a family friendly space.

The proposed key features of the draft concept design involve:

Dense planting and increased tree canopy to create a green oasis at Burnie St shops.

Interactive steppingstones, totems and planting to create a sense of adventure

Seating to encourage passers-by to stop, relax and take a break.

An informal gathering space for the local community to enjoy.

A tiered staircase to create levels and separation from Clovelly Rd

Greater separation between pedestrians and cars to increase safety.

Increased traffic calming and pedestrian crossings to cross both Burnie St and Clovelly Rd safely.

The discussion raised the following issues of concern that residents had identified:

- The loss of parking spaces will have an adverse on the businesses in the area. There was some dispute about the number of spots that would be lost. John Halkitis was particularly concerned about the ease with which his clientele which includes a large number of children can get access to his business. He also expressed concern over where the crossing is proposed to be situated and its design.
- There was also an issue about how much timing would be associated with the parking in the area and how it would be policed.
Jordan Kelly said he would clarify this for the meeting and would discuss these issues with John Halkitis at the community consultation on Thursday afternoon.
- Entry to Burnie Street travelling east on Clovelly Road was now quite an acute turn. There was concern at the safety aspect of this.

- An increase in antisocial behaviour by people moving on from Clovelly Hotel and using the park as a place to stop and continue their antisocial behaviour.

The project team will be available for face-to-face discussion on Thursday afternoon and Saturday morning on the site of the proposed park

4. Minutes of the meeting of June 19th, 2023

Alterations to the minutes. The minutes incorrectly associated the issues of blocked stormwater drains with the Flood Catchment Study (FCS) so the minutes were altered to read:

.....This will align with the Waverly Study and contain recommendations to mitigate the risk of flooding.

On an unrelated matter, Anne Davies told the meeting that another problem experienced locally is the blockage of street drains.....

Moved: Lori St John Seconded: Edwin Osbourne

Carried

5. Matters arising

Tina raised issues about the veracity of the June minutes, and the March and May minutes, in relation to the process, the role of different members of the FCS committee and the scientific basis for the decisions made by the committee, and the lack of communication with the affected residents. As these were significant issues, Bill asked if these concerns about the record of events in the minutes be put in a motion or motions and presented to the September meeting.

5.1 Burrows Park proposal.

No further progress

(The committee is awaiting a response from Council on the following motion:

Resolution: 13032023(1)

That the chairman requests a meeting between the Director of City Planning, the lead design consultant for the Burrows Park project and the Clovelly Precinct Committee and Friends of Burrows Park as soon as practical after the appointment of the lead consultant.

Moved: Martin Venier

Seconded: Lori St John

Carried)

Amanda Mather, Community Consultation Coordinator said that she had spoken to Todd Clarke, Director of City Services about providing an update to the Precinct on the **Burrows Park Proposal**. In addition he would be able to discuss the **Randwick Flood Catchment Study (RFCS)**. Bill said that a larger venue would need to be organised for such an event and would seek one out once confirmation of Todd's attendance had occurred.

5.2 Randwick Flood Catchment Study (RFCS)

No further progress to report at this time.

5.3 Resolutions from previous meetings:

Resolution 06122021(3): That a face to face meeting be arranged with an appropriate Council officer to discuss disability access to Clovelly Beach.

A meeting has been arranged with Kerry Colquhoun and members have been invited to attend.

5.4 Handrail on the Gordons Bay steps

The resolution with relevant images has been sent to council for their consideration.

8.5 Dead Tree on Clovelly Road

The tree has been removed

5.4 Tree planting and birdlife in the precinct – Bill to invite a council officer to the next meeting to talk about the tree planting strategy and greening of Clovelly and how we can assist.

Resolution 13032023(6) That a Council officer be invited to the meeting on Tuesday April 11th to talk about the greening Randwick strategy

Moved: Lori St John

Seconded: Edwin Osbourne

Carried

6.. Treasurer's Report

The balance is \$4,007.22

7.Report from North Ward councillors

Raphaela Pandolfini and Kathy Neilson gave their report on the following:

- ⇒ On Wednesday 16th there will be an open night at the Heffron Centre to give residents an opportunity to explore the facilities that are there;
- ⇒ The Council is providing access to local halls and centres at a significantly reduced rate for community groups;
- ⇒ The **Eco living** event is being held on September 10th from 10am to 3pm with a variety of events for people to attend. The details are on the Randwick website;
- ⇒ There is a **Lets Chat** on the corner of Clovelly Road and Mount Street on Saturday September 2nd from 10am to midday with al 3 North Ward Councillors in attendance;
- ⇒ Al fresco dining opportunities are being trialled at 3 locations in Randwick. Consultation will then occur with the community to assess the success and possible expansion of such dining.

8. Any other Business

8.1 Michael McKeon raised the matter of traffic concerns at the corner of Clovelly Road and Fern & Mount Streets

He outlined some details on the concerns:

1. The intersection has high traffic volumes which make exiting Mount street onto or across Clovelly Road extremely difficult. In particular at peak morning periods it is difficult to make this entry in a safe manner.

2. The STOP sign on Fern Street & Clovelly Road is regularly ignored by drivers, which makes crossing Fern street extremely risky.

3. The high volume of traffic on Clovelly Road and the proximity of the pedestrian crossing to the intersection requires maximum caution when being used. Due to the difficulty for cars to exit Fern Street and Mount street they often use speed to exit these streets and are then approaching the pedestrian crossing and are unable to stop quickly.

4. With the large number of shops on Clovelly Road in this area there are many trucks making deliveries. This then reduces visibility for cars when exiting the cross streets. In particular, on both sides of Mount Street when trucks park close to Clovelly Road there are obstructions to drivers' visibility, making entry to Clovelly Road dangerous.

5. No pedestrian crossings are on Fern Street & Clovelly Road or Mount Street & Clovelly Road making crossing the roads extremely dangerous. In particular for people with prams and older people crossing safely at these points is difficult.

The recommendations of the Committee to improve driver and pedestrian safety are:

1. Install a roundabout at the intersection

2. Install Pedestrian crossings on Fern Street & Clovelly Road and Mount Street & Clovelly Road

Resolution 14082023 (1)

That the Randwick Traffic Committee be requested to consider the 5 problems identified at the corner of Clovelly Road and Fern & Mount Street and the 2 recommendations of the Precinct Committee.

Moved Michael Mckeeon

Seconded Martin venier

Carried

Action report -June 2023

Resolution 0112021(5): The precinct resolved that Bill forward the amended traffic report as tabled to council, seeking their response. Nigel/Edwin CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Traffic Report

As summer approaches and the traffic to and from Clovelly Beach increases dramatically the Clovelly Precinct Committee is very keen to address problems that are worsened at these times. We have 2 areas that we are keen to see improved and are on our actions list. The first is the reduction of traffic in **Victory Street** and the second is the speed and volume of traffic in **Bruce Street**.

Other issues

Issues related to the intersection of Clovelly Road and Keith Street, Clovelly

1. The number of pedestrians crossing Keith Street at the intersection, going towards the beach who are not observant, particularly of vehicles coming down Clovelly Road that are turning into Keith Street.

Could signage on the road at the corners alerting people to “Look Right and Left before crossing” for example be considered for both sides of the intersection?

2. People crossing Clovelly Road near the intersection particularly after alighting from the bus
Is the safety island further up Clovelly Road sufficient or should another one near the bus stop be considered?

3. For vehicles turning right from Keith Street, the view to the left of is often obstructed by vans and other large vehicles, just on or past the No Stopping sign in Clovelly Road.

Is it possible to move the sign a further distance from the corner to improve the motorists view of vehicles coming from the beach direction?

Issue at the intersection of Surfside Avenue and Keith Street

1. Vehicles entering Surfside Avenue from Keith Street often cut the corner as do vehicles leaving Surfside Avenue heading north into Keith Street effecting oncoming traffic.

Could markings be placed on the road clearly identifying the centre of the road and the point where north bound traffic should turn?

Traffic Flow in Ritchard Avenue, Pauling Avenue

A number of recent minor accidents in this serpentine avenue that runs between Mount Street and Alison Road highlights its narrowness and limitations of vision of oncoming traffic.

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