

# Clovelly Precinct Committee Meeting Minutes

When: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December @ 7.30pm

Where: Clovelly Surf Club

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

Local North Ward Councillors:

Christie Hamilton; Kathy Neilson; Raphaela Pandolfini

## **Agenda**

**1. Attendees:** Bill Brennan, Lori St John, Tina, Michael McKeon, Maggie Lo, Kathy Neilson (Councillor), George Stent, Glenn Sneddon, David Bluff, Leanne Warner, Jane Rodger, Steve Whatmore, Lucie Whatmore

**2. Apologies:** Raphaela Pandolfini (Councillor), Martin Venier, Gesine Cheung, Edwin Osbourne, Phil Allan

**3. Minutes of the meeting of October 2023**

Moved: Lori St John    Seconded: Maggie Lo  
Carried

### **4. Matters arising.**

#### **4.1 Hot Showers at the beach.**

**Resolution: 13112023(4)**

That council be requested to consider the feasibility of installing a hot shower powered by solar panels on the Northern side of Clovelly Beach. If possible to include showers on the South side of Clovelly Beach.

**Response:** The Council has responded that it is not practical to provide outdoor hot showers but they will consider indoor showers for the change rooms.

**Action: Bill will explore this further and report back to the next meeting.**

#### **4.2 Bins at Gordons Bay**

**Resolution: 13112023(6)**

The Council return the bins, removed from Gordons Bay to their place.

**Response:** As Edwin Osbourne was an apology we don't know if the bins have been returned.

**Action: Bill will follow up with Edwin.**

#### **4.3 Randwick Flood Catchment Study (RFCS)**

**Resolution 13112023 (1) To the General manager:**

As the original study had generated considerable anxiety amongst residents, following the completion of the peer review of the Clovelly Flood Management Study and before the report is considered by Council that the document be circulated to the effected residents of Clovelly with sufficient time to fully consider its contents.

**Response:** The Council has responded to say that the resolution had been noted.

It was felt that we needed to be more specific about the consultation timeframe to ensure all interested residents had adequate time peruse the documents and seek advice on any issues of contention.

The follow up motion was moved:

**Resolution11122023 (1) To the General manager:**

**That at least one month prior to consideration by Council of the peer review of the Clovelly Flood Management Study, the review document be made available to the residents affected by the study.**

Moved: Tina

Seconded: Leanne Warner

Carried

**4.4 Burrows Park proposal.**

There was a vigorous discussion about the motion that was passed by the Randwick at its meeting of Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November and the loss of an amended motion, (see below)

There was also concern that Bill had addressed the Council meeting on the resolution. He said that his address was aimed at emphasising the need to gain unbiased expert assessment of all the issues and ensuring that all of the community was consulted during this exploratory period. His statement was perceived by those in attendance at the Council meeting and who were against part a) of the original motion, as being in support. Bill pointed out that the Precinct Committee did not have a position on any proposed changes to Burrows Park and that he had stated that he was not representing the Precinct.

Kathy Neilson said that her emphasis in moving the resolution was to ensure that the community was fully consulted in the process of developing a master plan. She said we need to know what is possible and all of the implications of the recommendations that are made.

Kathy Neilson

Following the discussion, the following resolutions were moved:

**Resolution11122023 (2) to the Director of City Services**

**The Clovelly Precincts rejects any increase in the size of the playing field at Burrows Park particularly any involving earth works.**

Moved: Leanne Warner

Seconded: David Bluff

Carried

**Resolution11122023 (3) to the Director of City Services**

**That the Scope of Works for the firm chosen for the Burrows Park project be made available Precinct Committee and other interested groups.**

Moved: Leanne Warner

Seconded: David Bluff

Carried

**4.5 Clovelly Road/Burnie Street Green Space**

No further progress to report at this time.

In response to concerns about how to make best use of local open space., the committee was keen to pursue opportunities for beautification and use of the space bounding Clovelly Road, walker Street and Melrose Parade.

**Resolution 13112023(2) To Peter Maganov, Manager Sustainability, and the Greening Randwick Committee (if extant)**

The Committee consider opportunities for the green space bounding Clovelly Road, Walker Street and Melrose Parade to beautify it and provide facilities for more community use and enjoyment.

**Council response:** The triangular island at the Clovelly Road, Walker Street and Melrose Parade is included in the Clovelly Road Masterplan (see attachment pages 21 and 33). In the future when funds are identified it will be designed and upgraded including planting. As the Precinct would be aware Council has expended substantial funds on the upgrade of the pocket park on the corner of Carrington and Clovelly Road. This project will commence early next year. Additionally, we are undergoing a process to deliver improvements at the corner of Burnie Ave and Clovelly Road. Both these projects are included in the Clovelly Road Masterplan

- [Clovelly Road Precinct Streetscape Master Plan PDF, 7767.73 KB](#)

**4.6 Clovelly Beach Inspection**

No further progress to report at this time.

**4.7 Clovelly Road, Mount Street, Fern Street intersection (Resolution 14082023(1)) Response**

(The resolution and the Council response are at the end of the minutes)

The precinct discussed the comprehensive report provided by the Transport Committee. It was noted that the Clovelly Road Master Plan had made a couple of additional proposals related to traffic movements and resolved to seek the Traffic Committee's view on these.

**Resolution 11122023 (3) to the Traffic Committee**

Thanks the Traffic Committee for its comprehensive response to our resolution and asks if the Traffic Committee could consider the proposals 01 (raised threshold treatment) and 06 (relocation of existing bus stop) on page 69 of the Clovelly Road Masterplan.

**Moved: Michael McKeown**

**Seconded: Stephen Whatmore**

**Carried**

**4.8 Resolution regarding permanent parking in Boundary Street**

**Resolution: 13112023(3)**

The Clovelly Precinct Committee seeks the expert advice from the Randwick Traffic Committee, on what options are available to minimise the use by permanently parked vehicles of this important parking resource. One option may be restricted parking that prohibits extended day stay. The current arrangement that exists in Burnie Street adjacent to Burnie Park is an example of what could be considered.

**Response**

**We have not yet received a response.**

**Action: Bill will seek information about when it will be considered by Council.**

**4.9 Vehicle permanently parked outside Clovelly petrol station.**

**Resolution: 13112023(7)**

**To The Randwick Traffic Committee**

The Clovelly Precinct request the Traffic Committee considers options for ensuring that large vehicles are unable to obstruct the view of drivers leaving the Clovelly Road petrol station when they have to turn right.

**Response**

**We have not yet received a response.**

**Bill will seek information about when it will be considered by Council**

**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 11<sup>th</sup> to talk about the greening Randwick strategy

Moved: Lori St John

Seconded: Edwin Osbourne

**The invitation will be extended for a 2024 meeting.**

**6.. Treasurer’s Report**

As the treasurer was an apology, the treasurer’s report will occur at the next meeting.

**7.Reports from our North Ward local councillors.**

**Kathy Neilson** gave a report to the meeting on current Council activities.

- Environmental Levy

She reminded people of the Environmental Levy community consultation timeframe

- Risk Appetite Statement (The full statement is on the Council minutes of December 12<sup>th</sup>). The following is an extract:

***Council’s Overall Risk Appetite***

*Council’s overall risk appetite is open. This means that Council will accept a low degree of risk together with a reasonable certainty that there is reward to gain by taking on the risk, averaged across the appetite for each strategic risk category. However, the individual strategic risk categories have different risk appetites according to defined statements, these are detailed further in the document below.*

*Risk Appetite options are:*

- ***Averse*** means that there is no appetite for risk and Council should avoid the risk and/or uncertainty
- ***Cautious*** means that Council’s preference is for safe options that are very low risk, tightly controlled, and which only pursue a potential for reward when it safely outweighs the risk/s taken
- ***Open*** means that Council’s appetite is to take a low degree of risk together with a reasonable certainty that there is a reward to gain by taking on the risk
- ***Expansionary*** means that Council has an appetite to consider all potential options to pursue the reward and is certain to take on a low to medium risk in order to achieve the return.
- ***Visionary*** means Council are eager to be innovative, a change driver and to actively choose options offering potentially higher community or business rewards with an appetite for taking medium to high risks to do so

- *Resolution on the current conflict in the middle east to be considered by Council at the December 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.*
- *Cardiac Services at The Sydney Childrens Hospital.*

- *The state governments proposal to overturn local planning rules to increase opportunities for*

## 8. Any other general Business

Nil

**Meeting Closed 8.40pm**

**Next meeting: Monday 12 February 2024, Clovelly Surf Club**

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### **Resolution from November 28<sup>th</sup> RCC meeting regarding Burrows Park:**

**CS55/23 Director City Services Report - Burrows Park - Community Consultation Outcomes (RESOLUTION: (Neilson/Hamilton) that:**

1. a) Council officers proceed to develop a masterplan of Burrows Park to explore its configuration with a larger sports field and upgraded amenities building, and the associated impacts;
2. b) Council officers proceed with the development of a concept design for an amenities building upgrade to suit the existing field configuration;
3. c) cost planning and an associated funding strategy be prepared for the two options; and
4. d) the outcomes be reported back to Council and go out to community consultation.

**MOTION: (Pandolfini/Olive) that:**

1. a) a report be brought back to Council on current field usage across all of the fields in Randwick;
2. b) Council officers proceed with the development of a concept design for an amenities building upgrade to suit the existing field configuration;
3. c) cost planning and an associated funding strategy be prepared; and
4. d) the outcomes be reported back to Council and go out to community consultation. **LOST.**

The **DIVISION** was taken and the names of the Councillors voting FOR and AGAINST were as follows:

**FOR** | **AGAINST**

Councillor Pandolfini Councillor Chapple Councillor Olive Councillor Veitch

Councillor Hamilton Councillor Neilson Councillor Hay Councillor Luxford Councillor Rosenfeld Councillor Parker Councillor McCafferty Councillor Wilson Councillor Said Councillor Burst Councillor D'Souza

**Total (4) Total (11) MOTION: (Neilson/Hamilton) CARRIED – SEE RESOLUTION.**

### **Resolution and response to Clovelly Road and Fern & Mount Street Issues**

PRECINCT: Clovelly Precinct EMAIL: precinctclovelly@gmail.com

MEETING DATE: 14 August 2023 FILE: F2005/00497

ACTIONED TO: Tony Lehmann, Manager Integrated Transport

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 14082023(1)

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**Resolution:**

**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.

Traffic concerns at the corner of Clovelly Road and Fern & Mount Streets:

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

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**Council response:**

Thank you for relaying to Council, the concerns of some community members regarding the Clovelly Road / Mount Street / Fern Street intersection. To set the scene, the Precinct would be aware that in mid-2019 the Council improved the situation at this intersection by shifting slightly west, the Clovelly Road pedestrian crossing. Additionally, this 'zebra' crossing (paint only) was converted to a 'wombat' crossing (a pedestrian crossing placed upon a raised platform. The raised pedestrian crossing at the intersection served the purpose of slowing vehicles and also increasing the visibility of pedestrians due to the increased height. The results from Australian research shows that such raised crossings can result in a reduction in mean speed of up to 8 km/h. Also, at Australian sites where these facilities have been installed, there has

typically been a 45% reduction in vehicle-pedestrian crashes, a 40% reduction in casualty crashes and a 30% reduction in serious and minor injury crashes.

In consideration of the quite large volumes of traffic passing along Clovelly Road (and to a lesser extent along Fern and Mount Streets) this intersection does not have a poor crash rate – and the installed raised crossing is likely assisting in keeping the local crash rate low.

In fact, an examination of the most recently available crash data indicates that there have been only two crashes reported at the subject site; in the five years through to 30 June, 2022.

**Crash No.1:**

*At 11:40am on Saturday 16th September, 2017, a 52 year old male, from the Randwick area, was riding a motor scooter – on his own – easterly along Clovelly Road, when a light truck, driven by a 36 year old man (on his own) from the Bondi area, emerged northbound from Mount Street, and the two vehicles collided. The sealed surface was dry and the road has a straight alignment; there was no particular safety hazard evident and no temporary traffic control was in place. It was almost midday and the weather was fine. The crash did not occur during school travel times. However, the crash did result in one minor injury to the scooter rider. Neither of the vehicles caught fire and neither required towing. No pedestrians, or pedal cyclist were involved in the crash and the crash was not determined as being related to excessive speed nor fatigue. Also, the crash was not related to brake failure or fault, steering failure or fault, tyre failure or fault (blow out or thrown tread), tyre tread smooth, wheel, axle or suspension failure or fault, towing or coupling fault or separation, headlamp failure or fault, rear lamp or clearance lamp failure or fault, vehicle with insecure or projecting load, vehicle overloaded, or any other vehicle equipment failure or fault.*

**Crash No.2:**

*At 12:05pm on Friday 10th May, 2019, a 20 year old male, from the Randwick area, was riding a motor cycle – without a passenger – easterly along Clovelly Road, when, for reasons unknown, he left the carriageway and struck a parked car some 10 metres east of Mount Street. It was just after midday; the weather was overcast, and the sealed surface was wet. The road has a straight alignment. The crash did not occur during school travel times. However, the crash did result in a serious injury to the motorcyclist. Neither of the vehicles caught fire and neither required towing. No pedestrians, or pedal cyclist were involved in the crash and the crash was not determined as being related to excessive speed nor fatigue. Also, the crash was not related to brake failure or fault, steering failure or fault, tyre failure or fault (blow out or thrown tread), tyre tread smooth, wheel, axle or suspension failure or fault, towing or coupling fault or separation, headlamp failure or fault, rear lamp or clearance lamp failure or fault, vehicle with insecure or projecting load, vehicle overloaded, or any other vehicle equipment failure or fault.*

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With regard to the installation of a roundabout or not, my advice to the Council is as follows. Currently, our two preferred north / south routes through your neighbourhood are via Carrington Road and via Arden Street. If we were to make it easier for north / south motorists to travel through this intersection (by, say, installing a roundabout), we would likely see a significant increase in north / south traffic volumes along Fern Street and Mount Street. Given the curvilinear and steep nature of Mount Street, and, given the challenging intersection of Fern Street and Albion Street, I do not believe that (from

a road safety perspective) we should be encouraging more traffic along these streets. Also, given the primarily residential nature of Fern Street and Mount Street, I consider that we shouldn't take action which would result in poorer residential amenity - due to likely significant increased traffic flows along both Mount and Fern Streets.

In the longer term, there are traffic improvements proposed through the [Clovelly Road Masterplan](#) process.

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Council contact

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22 October 2023