

Clovelly Precinct Committee

Meeting

When: Monday 14th April 2025, 7.30pm

Where: Clovelly Surf Club

Draft Minutes

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

1.Attendees: Bill Brennan, Lori St John, John Duffy, Edwin Osbourne, Martin Venier, Mary Henning, Peter Kahn, Clare Willington (North Ward Councillor), Christie Hamilton, (North Ward Councillor), Jeremy Speer, B Waterman, Brian Elton, Mark Stenberg, Greg Robertson, Michel McKeon, Chris Paull, Iain Rennie, Lyn Cowper, Jennifer Kelly, Mark Kelly, Col Blake, Shirley Blake, Bronwen Graham, Tony Lehman (Manager Integrated Transport, Randwick Council), Jeremy Spear

2.Apologies. Pat Thompson, , Horst Bode, Julie Bode, Aaron Magner (North Ward Councillor), Jason Young

3. Declarations of Interest.
none declared

3.1 Suspension of normal business to hear from Tony Lehman, Manager, Integrated Transport, on the Resident Parking Scheme Survey in sector CL1 and other issues.

Tony gave an outline of the scheme as it operates throughout Randwick City. The survey is undertaken about every 4 years to gauge the views of residents in defined areas , about the option of restricted parking in their street. The scheme gives on-street parking priority to residents who cannot park on their own property. Every resident is provided with a survey and the responses from each street are analysed to address the wishes of residents.

The following points were addressed in the presentation and questions session.

- The Resident Parking Permits can only be issued to residents for the parking area in which they live.
- A maximum of 3 vehicles is considered per residence with all off street parking considered when determining how many permits are provided.
- Permits are not transferable to other vehicles. If a resident changes vehicles a new application must be made.
- The Resident Parking Scheme does not guarantee a parking spot. It reduces parking pressure on that street.

- Parking permits are for 12 months renewable each year with an annual fee for the first permit and an additional fee for a second vehicle.
- Parking is limited to 2hrs for non-permit holders and usually operates from about 0800 -1800. The scheme runs for 12 months and is not restricted to a particular time of year.
- Short term visitors (day visitors for example) cannot apply for permit but visitors staying for a longer time (up to 3 months) can apply.
- Residents who use business vehicles can apply for a permit.
- The Council Rangers are responsible for checking on vehicles in a Resident Parking Zone and enforcing the rules.
- Motorbikes are eligible to participate in the scheme but not boats, trailers and similar vehicles.
- The street signposting for the scheme is minimised to avoid clutter.

Tony indicated that the survey will end on April 28th and have the results and recommendations pertaining to CL1 completed to be considered, probably, at the June 10th Transport Committee Meeting. (The agenda for the meetings are available online the week prior to the meeting and residents may attend the meeting if they wish to make a short presentation about an agenda item).

Bill brought residents attention to the April 8th Traffic Committee agenda which included the report on the Randwick Resident Parking Scheme, Area RA4. This shows how the data is collected and what decisions are made from it. *(It is on the Council website under Business and Minutes)*

Tony indicated that the Traffic Committee was considering the resolution proposed by Jason Young and passed at our March meeting and then at the last Council meeting that:

As part of the CL1 four yearly review proposes the implementation of " No Parking - Motor Vehicles Excepted" across all non-residential street frontages in the CL1 zone.

The committee was also considering the restricted parking beside the park in Burnie Street which had inadvertently caught out local residents.

Bill thanked Tony for his presentation and the question-and-answer session both of which were very informative.

As some of the issues raised in Tony's session related to the role of the rangers. Bill will invite a representative from the Rangers to a future meeting.

(There is some more information provided in the FAQ information sheet below)

<https://www.yoursay.randwick.nsw.gov.au/ResidentParkingSchemeSurveys/widgets/244492/faqs#46103>

4. Minutes of the March 10th 2025 meeting:

4.1 Corrections: Nil

4.2 Receipt and Adoption:

Moved: John Duffy

Seconded: Edwin Osbourne

Carried

5. Matters arising from the March meeting:

The matters arising are covered in the Action Sheet

We are still awaiting an initial response to the following motions:

The replacement of dying trees on Clovelly Road

Juliet Munro provided the meeting with a list of places along Clovelly Road where street trees and shrubs are dead, dying or missing detracting from the streetscape.

Resolution 100325 (4): The Council's Tree Management Service be requested to replace the trees and shrubs in the places identified and discuss with the committee how we can assist in their maintenance. The list is below. .

Opposite Clovelly Hotel	338 Clovelly Road	328 Clovelly Road
Opposite Keith St	Opposite Pizzavelly,	Near Beach St
Opposite Fewings Street	Opposite Dans Avenue	Opposite Bishops Avenue
Opposite Conway Avenue	Moved. Juliet Munro	Seconded: Ann Malcolm

Submitted March 13th

The replacement of the car park lighting at the back of the surf club.

Resolution 100325 (5):

The Council be requested to review the positioning and intensity of lighting in the Clovelly Beach car park to reduce its impact on surrounding residences, especially in Eastbourne Avenue.

Submitted March 13th

Children' Bicycle track in Burnie Park

Resolution 100325 (6):

To enhance the attraction of the play area at Burnie Park that the Council consider constructing a children's cycleway in the Park.

Submitted March 13th

6. Action sheet update:

6.1. **Surfside avenue lighting-** this will be held open until the May meeting

6.2. Gordons Bay steps – We are still seeking clarification about our resolution requesting the construction of a rail on the left side (descending) of the stairs at Gordons Bay at the Clovelly Beach end (64 steps).

6.3. Residents parking issues – Resident Parking Survey, Burnie Street (awaiting a response from Council), Thorpe Street (see action sheet).

7. Correspondence Incoming & outgoing-
Nil tabled

8. Treasurer's report –

8.1 Treasurer Martin Venier reported that the current balance is \$4407.20.

9. Reports from Randwick Councillors –

Clare Willington discussed the Council's deliberations over the Quail Street weeping fig issue.

10. Any other issues or business for 2025

10.1 Quail Street Tree Residents Group Motion to Randwick City Council

Jeremy Spear addressed the meeting on the Council's decision to retain the Quail Street Hills Weeping Fig. He gave a comprehensive overview of all of the actions the Group undertook to ensure the Council gave full consideration to all of the facts surrounding their decisions to cut down the tree. It involved seeking the documents that informed the Council and the insurance company's decisions using Freedom of Information requests. The Group made representations to local and metropolitan news outlets at all times confident of the rightness of their campaign. This all involved many hours of work by members of the Group and the expenditure of considerable funds.

Having been able to reverse the Council decision the resident group felt that it was important to achieve certainty about the future of all of the Quail Street Figs and more generally to ensure that the decision-making by Council gives primacy to the retention of trees throughout the RCC. To that end Jeremy proposed that the precinct committee endorse the proposal being put to Council that:

We, representatives of the Quail Street Tree Residents Group wish to propose a Motion to Council, seeking to have 6 Hills Weeping Fig Trees from Quail Street being placed on RCC's Significant Tree Register, thus documenting, recording and protecting them.

(This would take the form of the following listed trees of same species, in 3 other streets nearby, as found at:

https://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0019/2_3059/Significant-Tree-Register-Volume-2.pdf

and that this registration be made by June 30th 2025

Resolution 140425 (1):

That the Clovelly Precinct Committee fully endorse the proposal by the Quail Street Residents Group that Council have all Hills Weeping Fig Trees from Quail Street being placed on RCC's Significant Tree Register, thus documenting, recording and protecting them.

That would take the form of the following listed trees of the same species, in 3 other streets nearby, as found at:

https://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0019/2_3059/Significant-Tree-Register-Volume-2.pdf

and that this registration be made by June 30th, 2025.

Moved Edwin Osbourne

Seconded: John Duffy

Carried unanimously

10.2 Bill said that a new committee established by Council, The Resilience Advisory Committee has as an objective:

Committee provides advice on council and community strategic approaches and programs that support:

- *biodiversity conservation, including increasing tree canopy and urban greening;*
- *action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate climate change;*

He proposed that the committee could review the case of the Quail Street Fig and develop principles that would preserve the future of the trees that support the tree canopy, enhance urban greening and enhance the local environment. Two of the three council representatives are North Ward councillors Clare Willington and Aaron Magner who have been very active in the fight to save the fig.

Resolution 140425 (2):

That the Clovelly Precinct Committee requests the Resilience Advisory Committee review the case of the Quail Street Fig and develop principles that would preserve the future of the trees that support the tree canopy, enhance urban greening and enhance the local environment across Randwick City Council.

Moved: Lori St John

Seconded: John Duffy

Carried unanimously

10.3 Lori St John offered to seek information from the Lake Macquarie Council that had been awarded an international award for their greening policy.

10.4 Time and venue of monthly meetings – discussion postponed to next meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Next Meeting: Monday May 12th 7.30pm Clovelly Surf Club

Resilience Advisory Committee

This Committee provides advice and input into preparing for and tackling emergency events like severe storms, cyber attacks and pandemics. Additionally, it focuses on long-term challenges like climate change, biodiversity conservation and housing affordability.

Committee purpose

The Resilience Advisory Committee provides advice on council and community strategic approaches and programs that support:

- biodiversity conservation, including increasing tree canopy and urban greening;
- action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate climate change;
- conserving resources, including circular economy practices, waste reduction and water conservation; and
- community resilience, working with Randwick's diverse communities to build resilience to shocks and stresses impacting our community.

Committee membership

The Committee is comprised of eight representatives including the mayor, three Councillors and four volunteer community members.

- Mayor Dylan Parker
- Councillor Philipa Veitch (chair)
- Councillor Aaron Magner (deputy chair)
- Councillor Clare Willington
- Community representative (vacant)
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The committee operates in accordance with its adopted [Resilience Advisory Committee Terms of Reference](#).

Meeting dates

The resilience committee meets quarterly in the evening at a Council venue.

- Wednesday 7 May 2025
- Wednesday 30 July 2025
- Wednesday 29 October 2025
- Wednesday 28 January 2026