

Clovelly Precinct Committee Meeting

When: Monday 19th June @ 7.00pm

Where: Via Zoom

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

"I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on the land of the Bidjigal and the Gadigal peoples; being the traditional owners who, for thousands of years, occupied and cared for vast areas along the Sydney Coast.

On behalf of the participants of this meeting I acknowledge and pay my respects to the Elders past, present and emerging, and also to those Aboriginal people participating today."

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), Edwin Osbourne, John Grunberger, Martin Venier, Sandra Alexander, Nick Herd, Maggie Lo, Jane Whatmore, Leanne Warner, Gesine Chung, Anne Davies
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2.Apologies: Jenny Adamson, Mark Adamson, Susan Smith, Patricia Chillicot, Karen Lenau, Caroline Odgers

Minutes of the meeting of May 15 th 2023 Moved: Lori St John Seconded: Edwin Osbourne Carried

4. Matters arising

4.1 Election of secretary. Bill Brennan called for nominations for the position of secretary of the committee. As there were none it was held over to the July meeting.

4.2 Burrows Park proposal.

Bill has sought an update from Amanda Mather of where the feedback from the **Have Your Say** is up to and pressing for a public meeting as requested in the motion below.

Leanne Warner gave a report on a meeting that was held a couple of weeks ago convened by Todd Clarke, Director of City Planning and attended by himself, representatives from the junior rugby clubs that use the oval, and a Friend of Burrows Park member John Grunberger. (*note: the Clovelly Precinct was not invited to attend, nor were our local councillors*). The discussion centred mainly around the changerooms and not about extending the field. A request was made to provide another container vessel near the changeroom to provide more storage for the rugby clubs. It was proposed at that meeting to visit changerooms constructed at Heffron Park to get some ideas for what is possible at Burrows Park.

The following resolution was proposed:

Resolution: 19062023(1)

That at any future consultations to discuss aspects of the Burrows Park project, to ensure stakeholder involvement, the Clovelly Precinct, and Friends of Burrows Park be invited to send a representative and the local councillors also be invited to attend.

Moved: Leanne Warner

Seconded: Martin Venier

Carried

(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)

4.3 Randwick Flood Catchment Study (RFCS)

Bill gave an update on progress of the RFCS. The peer review that is being undertaken is expected to be reported to Council in February 2024. This will align with the Waverly Study and contain recommendations to mitigate the risk of flooding. Anne Davies told the meeting that an associated problem is the blockage of street drains. She had identified some that were nonfunctioning and suggested that it would be helpful to have this problem addressed on an ongoing basis.

Bill will put up a notice up at the Burnie Street noticeboard outlining the status of the study and actions that that local residents can take in the interim. Taking photos of any problems would be helpful in identifying what needs to be done.

Resolution 15052023(1)

That the Clovelly Precinct Committee seek a face to face meeting with interested local residents and the relevant council officers after the peer review, and before Council considers the peer review report.

Moved: Annette Ribbons

Seconded: Michael McKeon

Carried

4.4 Presentation on Gordons Avenue DA129/2023

Bill will follow this up with Michael Lane, Misha Pavelkova to find out where the application is up to.

4.5 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

We are awaiting a response from Kerry Colquhoun who is currently on leave.

Resolution 06122021(3): The precinct requests council to reconsider elevating the seating area next to the Clovelly Beach pool, within 30 metres of the pool, to enable better access by people with disabilities.

Bill will provide a more detailed submission to council

Clovelly Pool steps: Email received about progress on Clovelly pool steps. Council agreed, but no timeframe.

The provision of entry steps has been budgeted for in this financial year and the project is awaiting finalisation of the design.

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 19062023(1a) That a Council officer be invited to the August 14th meeting 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 a report on the following:

1. *A Have Your Say* the **Active Transport** Strategy is open for residents until July.
2. The Meeks Street Plaza was completed March 2023. An official opening will be held on Saturday 17 June 2023 from 4-8pm with a community celebration currently being planned.
3. All three pop-up pedal parks, including Clovelly Beach car park, are back for winter 2023, running from Friday 9 June until the end of August,
4. **Space to Create** is a residency program located on the third floor of the Lionel Bowen Library. It is a 6-12 month trial to provide affordable spaces for local writers and creatives working across different art forms (e.g. digital art, fashion, calligraphy, collage, crafts, drawing, décollage, graphic art, installation art, jewellery, mixed media, painting, mosaics, textile art, film, video, video games etc.).
5. Heffron Centre Opening Randwick Arts Society Exhibition, Chemical Cleanout, Coogee Corroboree 26/5
6. Both councillors gave an update on the Randwick Flood Catchment Study (See 4.3 ABOVE)

8 Any other Business

8.1 Burnie Street Pocket Park

Bill reported that the **Burnie Street Pocket Park** proposal was going to the Traffic Committee on 16th June for consideration. Bill has written to the committee expressing concern about the loss on 14 car parking spaces in the business area and its potential impact on the businesses in the area. He will follow this up.

8.2 Sydney Airport update

Ted Plummer from Sydney Airport has contacted the precincts with an offer to meet with members if that they had any concerns about the noise from the incoming aircraft. No concern was raised by any member.

8.3 Burrows Park ; report by John Gruberger

John Gruberger gave a report of the meeting with Todd Clarke and others on the Burrows Park Project on site.

The following issues were discussed:

- a. Short term initiatives;
 - A bubbler to be installed;
 - Repair of the canopy of the change room
 - An extra shipping container to be supplied to for storage for the Leagues Clubs;
- b. The extension of the playing field was unlikely because of the need for potentially very costly excavations both north and south of the playing field.
- c. Lateral extension of the field would require relocation of the lights which would be prohibitively expensive if not totally impractical.

8.4 Handrail on the Gordons Bay steps

Ozzie raised concern about the lack of a rail on the northern side of the steps at Gordons Bay which makes descent more hazardous particularly when there are walkers or joggers ascending or descending at the same time.

Resolution 19062023(2)

The council consider the installation of a handrail on the north side of the steps at Clovelly Beach end on the Gordons Bay coastal walk to improve its access and safety for walkers particularly those with any type of disability.

Moved: Ozzie Osbourne

Seconded: Lori St John

8.5 Dead Tree on Clovelly Road

Sandra Alexander raised concern about the tree on Clovelly road opposite the intersection with Keith Street, that was obviously dead and was potentially very hazardous should it totally or its branches fall either on the road or the footpath.

Resolution 19062023(3)

That the council, as a matter of urgency remove the tree on Clovelly Road opposite the intersection with Keith Street, that is obviously dead and is potentially very hazardous should it totally ,or its branches ,fall either on the road or the footpath

Moved: Sandra Alexandra

Seconded: Nick Herd

Carried

Action report -June 2023

Resolution 01112021(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.

Resolution 06122021(3): The precinct requests council to reconsider elevating the seating area next to the Clovelly Beach pool, within 30 metres of the pool, to enable better access by people with disabilities. Edwin/Bill CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Edwin sought for this motion to be resubmitted. Councillor Neilson will follow it up with Council and Bill will provide a more detailed submission to council.

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