

Randwick Precinct Minutes – 4 June 2025 at 7pm via Zoom

Welcome:	Randwick Precinct is for residents and ratepayers within the boundaries defined by Randwick Council, who sponsor the Precinct which operates on a democratic basis, run by elected volunteers. The traditional lands of the Bidjigal and Gadigal people were acknowledged.
1. Attendance:	RCC: Anthony Baradhy, Tony Lehmann, Cr Masoomah Asgari, Cr Clare Willington 30 residents: Katrina Drewer, Chris Daly, Alec Walker, Emma Longworth, Brian White, Carmen Avila, Elena Gildina, Jason King, Kathy Neilson, Margate Betteridge, Silvio Quadrio, Carolyn Quadrio Jonathan Milford, Graca Gomes, Gara Baldwin, Leanne Hardaker Bergan, Cameron McMorrow, Catherine O'Sullivan, Vanessa Joubert, Margaret Astar, Paul Chilcott, Max Setz, Saidie Mir, S G, Tom Levi, Louise Crowle, John Brooks, Vanessa Shepherd, John Brooks, Tom Deal
2. Apologies	Cr Aaron Magner
3. Declaration of interests (including any media representatives) :	Carmen Avila is a resident of Waratah Plaza, Randwick
4. Confirmation of previous minutes:	Minutes of meeting on 7 May 2025 moved by Elena Gildina, seconded by Katrina Drewer
5. Guest Speaker	Tony Lehmann, Manager Integrated Transport, Randwick City Council Anthony Baradhy, Acting Coordinator Integrated Transport, Randwick City Council 1. Govett gates onto Darley Rd - pedestrian safety (conflict between pedestrians crossing Darley Rd and vehicles exiting Centennial Park) and opposition to closing the gates – This project has been on the backburner for some time. A traffic study (with the cooperation of Greater Sydney Parklands) will be done to determine effect of closing Govett Street Gates and directing traffic to Randwick Gates. Results expected in the next 3 months. Residents again expressed concern about closing the gates and creating a bigger problem at Randwick Gate (further west). Residents asked that multiple solutions be put forward prior to decision being made. Action: Anthony Baradhy will update the precinct each month before first Wednesday of the month with progress. 2. Frenchmans Road pedestrian safety Frenchman's Road is a TfNSW road responsibility and Tony is yet to receive a response from them to issues raised. Action: Tony will follow up 3. St Marks Road - Angle Parking eastern side near the electrical substation Traffic Committee Report No. TC118/22 stated, "Investigations into other locations for the installation of angled parking will continue and any outcomes will be reported upon at future meetings of this Committee" Issue identified was the path on the eastern side was too high for cars parked at an angle

and the passing space for cars on the road too narrow. Lowering this path would see vehicles overhang impacting pedestrians, while moving the path would see loss of vegetation.

Action: Tony to revisit angle parking, possibly at a 60-degree angle

4. St Marks Road - Trucks in angle parking adjacent to the OGD Hotel

Residents highlighted issues with large delivery trucks unloading outside The DOG now and especially once the on-road activation of 76 Clovelly Road happens. The parked trucks impede vision for cars entering St Marks Road.

Action: Tony to look at truck parking safety issues

5. On-road Activation 76 Clovelly Road (cnr of St Marks Rd)

Randwick Precinct raised safety concerns at the April 2025 meeting due to increased pedestrians & cars. Tony advised it will be a single car space 10M from the corner and he had no objections to it on safety grounds given that there only had ever been one reported collision in 10 years. Also at this intersection, Tony advised that as part of the Clovelly Road Masterplan a raised pedestrian crossing is planned across St Marks Rd at this intersection.

No further action.

6. Dangar Street & Darley Road pedestrian crossing ramp

Modifications to existing median island and kerb to provide an additional pedestrian refuge on Darley Rd, east of Dangar St (refuge west of Darley Rd is non-compliant with current standards and very small). Tony agreed that the proposed new (east) crossing that meets the newer regulations should be better, and he will look at it. Timeframe 2-3 months.

Action: Anthony Baradhy will update the precinct each month before first Wednesday of the month with progress.

7. Govett Reserve on Dangar Street

Trailers and trucks park on Dangar street making it very hard to see children exiting the park and making it difficult for park users to cross safely. In June 2024 Council was asked to provide a solution that did not entail losing parking spots e.g. a sign that says "No parking unattached trailers" etc

Action: Tony to investigate where the council engineers got to on this item

8. Accident data (top 5) both City wide and for Randwick

Tony presented this data to the group

Cluster_Type	Primary_Road	ID_FEATURE	TOWN	All_Crashes
PedalCycle	GRAND DR	PARKES	CENTENNIAL PARK	23
WetSurface	ANZAC PDE	AUSTRAL	CHIFLEY	17
PedalCycle	GRAND DR	DARLEY ROAD	CENTENNIAL PARK	16
HighRiskCurve	DARLEY RD	GRAND	RANDWICK	16
MidBlockSpeedLT80	GRAND DR	DARLEY ROAD	CENTENNIAL PARK	15

No further action.

9. Carr/Carrington Rd intersection

Discussed the May'25 Precinct resolution for a 'Give Way' sign on Carr St westbound at this intersection as a possible solution to traffic congestion on this major intersection.

Residents also brought up the issue that it is very difficult to cross the intersection safely with children, bikes, prams etc and that action needs to be taken to improve safety for pedestrians

Residents also requested Council to check and refresh the faded road signs and markings to improve pedestrian safety at the intersection

Action: Tony to investigate and give a response.

10. Coogee Bay Road angle parking approved as part of The Spot streetscape upgrade (NOTE subject to a rescission motion at June 2025 Council meeting)

Residents raised with Tony that the angle parking plan was rushed without adequate community consultation, ignores the needs of the residents, nearby schools, bus users and that the proposed solution does not consider the long-term active transport plan for Coogee Bay Rd approved by the Council. Tony has advised that any future bike path would be located on the northern side of Coogee Bay Rd (in front of Claremont College, at its school pick-up zone) as opposed to southern side of the Coogee Bay Road (near the wall alongside Brigidine with minimal impact).

The residents have also highlighted that the proposed angle parking will result in a removal of 1 traffic lane on Coogee Bay Rd.

The residents have urged Tony to review the plans and take steps to improve them prior to any implementation

Action: Tony to take another look at the details of the plans and revert

Separately in this area, residents noted the location of the P (parking sign - indicating Wilsons parking facility) on Perouse Rd (intersection of St Pauls St) was confusing and should be located further east on St Pauls Street.

11. Randwick Public School - Avoca & Cowper Streets - safety concerns

Residents concerned about crossing difficulty to get across from Cowper St to the other side of Avoca St. Children must negotiate a pedestrian crossing and wait on a very small, unprotected traffic island (SW corner of intersection). The traffic island must also accommodate prams, kids on bikes and dogs on leashes sometimes. Options to extend pedestrian crossings to this SW corner were proposed.

Action: Precinct to raise it with TfNSW/Marjorie O'Neill as involves traffic lights and Avoca St, both the responsibility of TfNSW

OTHER MATTERS RAISED

Waratah Avenue (Plaza) parking for trucks and services

There is a parking spot allocated however without signage it looks like a No Parking space and rangers could book people.

Action: Tony to investigate appropriate signage as per original plans for Waratah Plaza

Exiting area bounded by St Marks, Chapel, Caerleon, Dutruc and Rae Streets - particularly northbound travel

Residents expressed concerns exiting this area to travel (particularly northwards) was difficult with traffic building up due to timing of lights it's almost impossible to get out of Chapel Street to Frenchman's Road – this has been made worse due to the pedestrian refuge that only allows one car to pull out at a time. A roundabout would help.

Tony advised that roundabouts on Avoca and Rae and Frenchmans and Chapel are the responsibility of TfNSW/Marjorie O'Neill and would be unlikely to be supported given the need for traffic flow on Avoca St and

	Frenchmans Rd (state responsibility). In addition, opening this area was likely to encourage 'rat running' by motorists Exiting Young Street, eastbound onto Barker St Residents expressed concerns about cars turning out of Young Street onto Barker Street east bound due to buses parked on the southern side of Barker Street. As each additional stage of Newmarket is released it will be even worse. Tony advised that this was an authorised bus terminus parking area and a 17m no stopping on the southern side of Barker St, east of Young St had been implemented. Action: Tony agreed to a spot check of buses from time to time to ensure adhering to 17m distance
6. Business arising from previous minutes:	1. The Spot Centre Streetscape works - parking issues (including Coogee Bay Road) CS20/25 Director City Services Report - The Spot Streetscape works - Concept Design and Community Consultation (F2024/00011) was on the agenda of the 27 May 2025 Council Meeting. There was no mention of Lee or Steward Street in the report which may mean they are no longer in the scope of work. However a rescission motion on this item was submitted by Crs Hamilton, Hay & Rosenfeld and will be dealt with at the June 2025 meeting of Council. Once the wording of rescission motion is published, residents are encouraged to contact Councillors to ensure residents are not adversely affected by the proposal. 2. Monthly Minute Taker for Precinct (Deferred until July)
7. Correspondence:	Deferred until July meeting 1. Resolution 05032025(5): Given Waratah Plaza was opened in April 2024, moved that Randwick Precinct requests more activation for Waratah Plaza. Response: Council activated Waratah Plaza throughout December 2024 and January to February 2025 with weekly performances as a part of our Summer Sounds program. Council continues to consider Waratah plaza as a possible location for future events and activations on a regular basis. 2. Resolution 07052025(2): Randwick Council to urgently install lights along the footpath through Bob's Garden. Response: Council officers have reviewed the resolution and note that there are 2 lights on long brackets off power poles at each end of the pathway between Dudley Street and Carrington Road. This lighting will be inspected at night to determine if the lights are working and whether the vegetation obscures the lighting. After the lighting design is finalised, the project will be listed for consideration in a future capital works program.
8. Clr Report	Clr Willington answered questions in the meeting
9. Treasurer's Report:	Deferred until July meeting
10. New Business	Deferred until July meeting

	1.The number of homeless residents at Waratah Plaza is increasing 2. NSW Government Housing Delivery Authority has recommended Royal Randwick shopping centre site redevelopment with 237 apartments (3% affordable housing) in a 13-storey building with 3 levels of commercial and community GFA https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2025-05/housing-delivery-authority-record-of-briefing-20250516.pdf
11. Meeting closed:	9.05pm Chair decided to close the meeting
12. Next meeting:	2 July 2025 at 7pm - will be via ZOOM only during winter months