

WAVERTON PRECINCT MEETING 2 May 2023

MINUTES

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm at the Waverton Uniting Church Community Hall.

Chair: Kevin Alker

Minutes: Deborah Lloyd

Attendance: 13

WELCOME AND APOLOGY

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting.

Keith Anderson, Ian Grey were unable to attend this month's meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The confirmation of previous minutes was moved by Kevin Alker, seconded by Bob Neal ***“That the April 2023 Minutes be accepted”***.

Carried unanimously.

EXISTING BUSINESS

Guest speaker delayed until June meeting

Waverton Precinct were due to host Ms Therese Manns, the new GM of North Sydney Council. However, she sent apologies and will attend the June meeting.

Transport for NSW are to attend a future meeting to present on the masterplan for land at the head of the west arm of Berry's Bay. A date for their attendance is to be confirmed.

Western Harbour Link Project

The Precinct committee reported to residents that boring under the Harbour has commenced. and it will not be likely to change the route to avoid key positions under North Sydney as the Mayor had hoped. The Council and Precinct remain concerned at the traffic implications around Berry Street.

North Sydney Olympic Pool update

Although not in our Precinct, the Pool will remain a concern for all residents as the cost has significantly increased from \$20m to \$60m. It is due for completion in 2024.

The link to Mayor Zoe Baker's letter to residents on the position with the pool upgrade can be found here:

<https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/news/article/100/an-open-letter-to-our-community>

Berry's Bay Masterplan

BD said that he was in favour of a car park and that it would be unrealistic to expect there not to be a traffic issue if the Berry's Bay masterplan upgrade was to go ahead. This is to be noted .

Two groups assigned to discuss the ideas for the area at last month's Precinct meeting resulted in a very similar list of priority areas. One of those was to retain Woodley's Shed. We will return to the issue of how Woodleys Shed, as a community function centre may operate, in more detail in the future: what ideas are preferred, and those that are not not wanted at the July meeting. .

Pot Hole/speed bump degradation on Bay Road

It was raised that there is a nasty dip in the road at Bay Road, almost directly outside the Uniting Church Community Hall. Some residents said that they had already contacted the Council however no action had yet been taken. Residents expressed concern that this was a significant safety hazard and needed to be rectified.

Moved KA

Seconded DL

“The Precinct asks Council to make good the dangerous degradation of the speed hump in Bay Road, and for the task to be completed to a high standard as soon as possible.”

Carried.

Continued closure of the Coal Loader Cafe

It was raised that the cafe at the Coal Loader has been vacant for a period of months. This was a primary reason why some residents visited the Coal Loader precinct and is an important community hub and draw for other facilities at the Coal Loader.

Moved IB

Seconded DL

Motion:“The Precinct asks Council to update the Precinct on the status of the Coal Loader Cafe lease as the community are concerned that it has been left empty for an extended period of time“

Unanimously passed.

Bus zones to provide for additional opportunity for local car parking

One of the two bus zones on Bay Road has been changed so that short term parking is permitted after 7pm and on Sundays, when bus routes are not operating. It was suggested that the other bus zone also be changed in this manner.

Moved LH

Seconded KA

“That North Sydney Council to add the second bus zone to short term parking after 7pm and on Sundays adjacent to the shops on Bay Road as per the other zone so both zones are consistent.”

Unanimously passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Remembering Sid French

There will be a tree planting with a plaque for Sid French at the lower section of Carradah Park on Saturday 27th May at 3pm. This is a fitting way to show respect and remembrance for someone who contributed so much to the Waverton community over many years. All are welcome to attend.

Coal Loader Future Direction Survey

This Council survey closes on 13 June. Any resident can make their own submission. This will be discussed at the next meeting so that a Precinct Committee response can be made.

<https://yoursay.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/>

Community Notice Board

Concern was raised regarding people taking down notices with which they might not agree. This needs to be discouraged. The Precinct supports the use of the noticeboard as a way of encouraging respectful debate and providing information.

DAs

115, 117 & 119 Holt Street Cremorne. Amended plans were distributed to interested parties.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Nil to report.

The meeting finished at 8.45pm. Next meeting is on Tuesday 6th June, 2023.