

Minutes of Charing Cross Precinct Pubs and Residents
Meeting 7 Feb 2017

Apologies: Danny, Kate Marshall, Nigel Harvey, Mary O'Malley, Paula M will be arriving later
Charing Cross Hotel Manager, Donna ?

1. Attendees: Julie McAlpin, Mora Main, Dan Whitton, Stephen Brajack
2. Minutes of last meeting: Moved: Julie McAlpin Seconded: Dan Whitton
3. Report from RH
 - Air-conditioning unit was fixed
 - Business As Usual, no reports of unsocial behaviour
 - Planned 2018 Events include Hunter Valley Wine and cheese tasting, proposed fee around @ \$25 PP, Jack's Creek (Tamworth) Steaks, events upstairs
 - Planning for promotions
 - New security company commenced around 2 ½ months ago
 - No progress on the re-development plan however Dan reported that within the next few months the community can expect a decision; he is looking at two options and stated that there opportunities to liaise with others in relation to the redevelopment
4. There was no report from the Charing Cross Hotel
5. No other business
6. Next meeting 11 April

MEETING CLOSED 7.20pm

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Date: 7th February 2018

Held at (rear) 45a Victoria Street, Charing Cross

Present: see attendance list

Chair: Julie McAlpin,

DA rep: Steve Brjak

Business rep: Robyn Brown

late apology Danny Caretti (at St Catherine's Consultation meeting) Cr Paula Massellos

apologies: Kate Marshall, Nigel Harvey, Mary O'Malley, Mayor Wakefield, Cr Marjorie O'Neill

Minutes: Mora Main

1. Meeting started 7.30 pm
2. Welcome: JMcA outlined meeting agenda starting with presentation on proposed Funeral Parlour
3. PROPOSED FUNERAL PARLOUR AT 249-251 BRONTE ROAD
Presentation by Dale Moroney - CEO, Walter Carter Funerals (5th generation Carter)
Pleased to accept opportunity to present business history, and scope of activities
Established over 130 years ago - always in Waverley area. 1901-2 great grandfather mayor
Family owned funeral business. Served generations of local families. Operated from Bondi Junction; no longer suited to the business. Believe that family services are best served locally. Inevitable that move would happen - Charing Cross suited to the service offered. Much misinformation and speculation about activities. Generally:
 - hosts funeral service business behind front doors
 - suites for families to view deceased
 - not operating mortuary or crematorium on site - no chemicals, odours etc
 - traffic and parking: issue everywhere. Won't have any strong or unusual impact
 - through flow of people will blend with the area
 - vast majority of activity will be meetings with families for planning arrangements for small gatherings
 - funeral services, not many - 2 per week, average 40 people per ceremony: site chosen for transport availability
 - less than 1/2 the size of BJ site i.e. 6 staff - will use public transport
 - deceased handled in transfer vans completely enclosed, will park on premises behind closed doors, discrete, fleet won't be garaged on site - garage will be in Alexandria area
 - nature of funerals changing - now few cortege type, more about small intimate family gatherings; mourners move to other venues afterwards
 - opening hours: reality most client related activities 8 am to 5 pm. Sometimes outside these hours.
 - families expect funeral services to happen during the day. Some requests for viewing on weekends or at night, modelling shows only 10 times during a year, only 5 family members per viewing
 - Bronte Road premises ideal. Heritage nature of shops is valuable and fits with 130 yr-old business. Impact of operations will be positive for businesses in the area, bringing in people;
 - nature of service - local families. Close links with aged care facilities, key provider for Waverley Cemetery
 - will generate custom for other businesses - likely to go for coffees, meals, drinks
 - Site won't be dormant, always going to be activity of some kind. People popping in for

an arrangement only 1 hour, fits with parking out front;
- good neighbour - excellent record in BJ
- non religious
- average 40 people per ceremony - if people want big location, church, hall etc will be suggested; max 60 people on this site; ceremony area has been reduced

Presentation followed by questions from the floor and invitation to further clarification (contact details provided by Dale Moroney to JMCA)

Key issues raised by residents -

Traffic and congestion, parking, suitability of site for body viewing, impact on the value of surrounding properties, trading hours, long term plans for heritage site

VOTE OF THANKS TO DALE & DONNA for attending and answering questions.

DISCUSSION: Cr Massellos answered further questions. Note there were 46 objections - will go to an assessment panel, backlog at Council, no timeframe at this point. Not a councillor decision. Either by Council officers or Waverley Development Assessment Panel (WDAP). Officers will write a report. WDAP will conduct a hearing; panel members will inspect. Tend to be held during the day. Objectors encouraged to co-ordinate presentations to the panel. Cr Massellos did ask for an extension of time and for late objections to be received. Suggests that any further submissions should be submitted now.

4. MINUTES OF MEETING OF 5th DEC 2017: adopted, moved Steve Brajak, seconded Danny Caretti

5. MATTERS ARISING:

- i) 95 Carrington Road: ongoing complaint about tenants. JMCA spoken to them and expecting improved behaviour
- ii) footpath outside Legion Club: Cr Massellos has walked around with Emily Scott and Dan Joannides to inspect Bronte Road footpaths for damage, including NBN installations. Carrington Road from Robin Hood drive to Reece needs fixing too (trucks and heavy vehicles park on foodpath). also pothole near bus stop, western side. Mess of markings on the footpaths - request cleaning.
- iii) Waverley Police - Jackie - will present at April meeting
- iv) Centennial Parklands - rep will present at April meeting
- v) Dockless bicycles: fees and charges changed so that they will be impounded if hazardous - Rangers can impound and the companies have to pay to release them. Also companies are inspecting, and fewer bikes put out on the streets. Most use Bondi Junction to Bondi Beach, not much the other way. Council asking state government to act. Melbourne system better.
- vi) St Catherines (separate item)
- vii) Creative Streets Grants: planter boxes in the laneway - discovered that the alley is owned by 280 and 278 Bronte Road (ie strata managers need to approve). Shopping centre generally looking a bit shabby. JMCA and SB have researched and we need a discussion about the street. Incorporate into creative streets grant. Bellagio garden on nature strip seems to be thriving.
- viii) Bus Depot: Cr Massellos working on bringing back 378 bus. Bus depot will be part of the plan - public transport essential, site is polluted and on a dangerous corner - unsuitable for a school. Rose Bay Secondary college has a large catchment - needs reviewing, opportunity to expand other sites e.g. Frenchman's Road school. Public transport is a huge issue; Government has Transdev running pilot to privatise services. Council to be an advocate for Bus Depot and public transport

6. ST CATHERINE'S SCHOOL COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (CCC)t

- Stage 1 of \$67mn development. Operational Transport Management Plan (OTMP) submitted to council, has to be approved before trucks come in. School is looking for a building contractor. S.96 submitted, adjusting size of rooms, variation to plans. Construction Certificate due shortly, construction will start in about 2 weeks. When building starts, school will lose lots of drop off zone, vehicles will back up at roundabout into Albion St. Sticking with same drop off zones; Traffic committee may not approve pedestrian crossing relocation. Lots of infringements are being issued; Facebook page has list of events. Next meeting of CCC 14th March. 4 of 8 trees to go, not yet approved by Council. CCC going to draw up boundaries for letterbox drop. Suggest Bronte Beach, Charing Cross Village and Queens Park precincts. Invite Bruce Notley Smith to next meeting.

7. DA REPORT:

- Boarding house at 27 Macpherson Street. ALERT! potential for backpackers?
- DAs: 5-23rd January: 5, 7 and 9 Zarita Av boundary realignment (needs more information); 89 Henrietta St, 32 Gipps St (swimming pool), 16 High Street (garage), 302 Bronte Road (Pheast - upstairs dining for 32 patrons), 1/102 Carrington Road, 36 Henrietta St, 14 Campbell St.

8. PUBS AND RESIDENTS SUB COMMITTEE

- met briefly at 7 pm, Charing Cross hotel not in attendance (sent apology);
 - Robin Hood air con fixed, new development proposal coming to Council within the next 2 months - working on 2 proposals
- JMcA written to Legion Club to discuss. Keeping an eye on this one. Value of development will determine approval authority.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- policy on weeds in streets and footpaths. Not addressed unless requested. Cr Massellos asked for a proper cleaning regime.
- Council recruiting a new GM: needs to make sure the environment is properly managed. Place managers should be appointed.
- Have your say - opportunity through consultative process - register by 13th Feb; vision for Waverley. This is the plan for 10 years. Email views to councillors
- Gipps Street new foot paving - construction workers left cement in grass, difficult to mow verges. Uneven. Chase up whether council officers inspect. Request re-instatement of grass.

Meeting closed 9.20 pm

Next meeting 11th April 2018

Walter Carters : Dale Maroney CEO