

Minutes

Penkivil Precinct General Meeting

Held on Monday 3 June 2013 at Waverley Council Chambers
Corner Bondi Road and Paul Street, Bondi Junction

Meeting commenced at 7:38pm

In Attendance:

Precinct Convenor: Mary Doyle (Chair)
Secretary: James Szczepanski
Transport Representative: Keith Bryars
Assistant to the Executive: Susie Hoppe

Councillors: Tony Kay, Bill Mouroukas, Ingrid Strewe

Guest Speaker: Mr. Peter Monks

Number of persons in attendance: 12

Number of persons eligible to vote: 9

GUEST SPEAKER:

Mr. Peter Monks – Director Planning and Environmental services

Mr. Monks introduced a new planning white paper and bill, he conveyed concerns about the white paper, namely

- Sustainable development (focussing on environmental impact),
- Third party right of appeals,
- The right of MP's to invoke D.A., and;
- Heritage development.

Mr. Monks went on to elaborate that the focus of the paper was on changing the *culture* of the planning system.

Currently, state planning overrides local planning. The proposed white paper aims to give planning priority back to the local level through the development of a streamlined process.

In addition, the DCP has now been renamed "Development Guidelines".

APOLOGIES:

Julia Varga, Sally Betts, Graham Dixon, Vivian Dixon, Bob Williamson

Moved: Eva Vargas

Seconded: Mary Goldfinch

Motion Carried

CONVENOR'S REPORT

No convenors Report

REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS

Councillor Strewe tabled a report..

Councillor Bill Mouroukas reported:

Construction Safety Fence King Street:

DA-49/2013 to replace the retaining wall in King Street was granted approval on 14th March. Council officers to investigate reasons for delayed commencement.

Birds in Bondi Beach fast food outlet eating areas.

Reported to Manager Environmental Health and Compliance. Officers have inspected on a number of occasions. No major incidence observed however in consequence of concerns raised by Penkivil Precinct Council will write to shop keepers.

64 Penkivil Street 'No Parking' zone.

The March meeting of the Waverley Traffic committee recommended the establishment of a 'No Parking' zone across and extending 2m to the north side of the driveway of 64 Penkivil Street. Northern sign post appears to be incorrectly installed to about only 1m north of the driveway.

Included in this determination was a requirement that the 'No Parking' sign situated at the southern side of the drive way at 56A-60 Penkivil Street be relocated 2m to the north with the painted island adjusted accordingly.

The above works were to be undertaken concurrently however no work has been carried out in the area immediately to the south of the driveway at 56A-60 Penkivil Street.

I have written to the Divisional Manager of Technical Services requesting works be carried out as specified in the WTC Recommendation of 28th March.

DCC Outcomes:

4 Bon Accord,
56 Ocean Street

Watson/Wellington Street Intersection

Wellington Street Traffic Island completed

Meeting with RMS on 29 April. Tony & Keith may wish to speak on this:

RMS agreed to urgent timing adjustments at Watson Street lights

RMS was meant to report back on various technical matters by 13th May – not aware of any response to date

Waverley Crescent (North of Bondi Road).

The Divisional Manager has reported that the road re-sheet project will follow replacement of a section of kerb and gutter between Bondi Road and Gowrie

Avenue. Design has been completed and issued to PW&S who are intending to start the project in the September Quarter.

TRAFFIC REPORT

Keith Bryers reported as follows:

Main Issues:

The main issues are Wellington Street/ Bondi Road intersection, Old South Head Road/Flood Street intersection and buses on Bondi Road.

Issue: Ausgrid remedial works

Ausgrid should have advised Council of its program for the work. The majority of the asphalt conservation works has completed, e.g. Park Parade, Birrell Street.

Issue: Parking meters at Bronte

Council is looking at idea of installing parking meters at Bronte. A public forum was held from 9am to midday on Saturday 30 March.

Tony Kay advised that 4 options were put forward:

1. retain barriers – existing situation
2. retain barriers - unmanned
3. parking meters – time restriction 4 hours
4. parking meters – unlimited time.

When a report is prepared for Council, there will be a further opportunity for community comment.

DA REPORT

No D.A. Report.

ADOPTION OF APRIL MINUTES:

Motion that the *amended* minutes of the previous meeting be received

Moved: Bruce Morrow
Motion carried.

Seconded: Eva Varga

The amended minutes can be found online

GENERAL BUSINESS

In her absence, Julia Varga prepared a document to be read at the meeting as follows;

- Waverley council needs to review the current standard for hardstand car spaces, carports and driveways.
- Public Safety should be the council's number 1 priority in regards to these.

- There are many driveways in the area where as a pedestrian it is almost impossible to see if a car is reversing. There should be a reasonable clear distance from at least 1 meter from the footpath upwards to provide good visibility.
- By providing this clear view, it is also providing the driver of the vehicle reversing a better line of sight across the driveway and to see oncoming pedestrians.
- Obviously there is not much that the council can do about existing hardstand car spaces, carports and driveways, but as more developments are happening in Waverley, and as the population of Waverley grows, the safety of all new driveways should be reconsidered.
- In QLD and some other local councils, they have changed the standard for all new driveways to be gated at a minimum. Waverley council should do the same.
- Our elderly and our children (both distinctly growing areas of the Waverley population) need to be provided with relative safety whilst walking along council footpaths.

Issue: Bondi Beach plan of management; Andrew Goldfinch raised concerns with the Bondi Beach plan of management, namely 'increased green space' as it will inhibit accessibility and is impractical. Concerns about Campbell parade and the lack of view from the shop side were also expressed.

Issue: Motorists ignoring arrow signals on Birrell St turning into Bennett St between 2 and 3 pm.

Meeting Closed at 9.53 pm

Next Meeting: 7.30pm, Monday 5 August 2013

REQUEST

If you have a matter for which you propose the Precinct consider a motion, and that motion is at all complex, would you please email the motion to the convenor beforehand so that it may be properly tabled and also assist greatly with the compilation of the meeting minutes.

No Service Desk request open at the time the Minutes were prepared.