

Minutes of meeting of the Rose Bay Precinct held at the Waverley Council Chambers on Monday, 3 July 2017:

Chairperson: Bruce Woolf

Attendees: 6 residents attended plus Committee members; Sanday and Woolf

Councillors: Cr. Miriam Guttman-Jones, Mayor Sally Betts

Apologies: Cr. Leon Goltsman

Minutes: Chairman Woolf reviewed the Minutes of the previous meeting, held on 7 Nov 20; (note: the planned meeting for 6 March 2017 was cancelled due to insufficient suitable agenda items.)
The Minutes were read and accepted by the meeting.

Matters arising from the Minutes:

Onslow Street residents advised the meeting that the incidents involving slashing of car tyres and other forms of damage to residents' cars had been stopped. The residents complimented the police on their efficient work and proactive support in responding to and solving the problem.

Agenda:

1. New Boat/Trailer legislation update.

The Councils' Manager for Health and Compliance, Healey Holt provided the meeting with a written update on the State Government's new Boat/Trailer Legislation, (a copy of that letter is included with the Minutes for this meeting). Mayor Betts advised the meeting that there were a 'number of holes' in the legislation in terms of effectively enforcing the legislation and that the matter had been referred to the Minister for Roads, Melinda Pavey seeking clarification on a number of points.

Mayor Betts advised the meeting that the letter to Minister Pavey had been sent three (3) weeks prior to the meeting date.

Resident Gregg Levy advised the meeting that he had an issue with a caravan that had been parked for an extended period in the Plowman/Stewart area.

2. Residents Parking Scheme (RPS) e.g. North Bondi – Open Forum

There had been a number of letters to the Wentworth Courier on the subject of a proposed Residents Parking Scheme (RPS) for parts of North Bondi. Streets affected by parking issues included (but not restricted to) Blair St, Wairoa Ave, Vickers Ave, Oakley and O'Donnell Streets.

Mayor Betts advised the meeting that the Council had agreed to go forward with a survey of residents to allow an RPS for this area of North Bondi because it had been established that 'beach goers' were using this part of North Bondi to park their cars while visiting the beach. Other issues for considering an RPS for this area was the high use of the streets by back packers and long term parking (i.e. people travelling overseas for extended periods while leaving their cars parked in these local streets).

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2. Residents Parking Scheme (RPS) e.g. North Bondi – Open Forum (contd.)

A negative of the implementation of an RPS is that the two (2) hours parking restrictions for visitors could be a deterrent for the families of residents who live outside the municipality.

However, resident's sentiment seems to be that the two (2) hour limit is better than no visit at all if the RPS can create more opportunities for parking.

Mayor Betts commented that given the volume of visitor cars coming into the local area on a yearly basis, the RPS scheme, over time could be extended north from Blair St to Murrivierie Road.

Resident Peter Schonstein suggested that Council should look at different strategies for parking costs in Queen Elizabeth Drive to make parking more attractive rather than visitors overloading local streets; one suggestion was to offer cheaper rates during school holidays.

Resident Gregg Levy advised the meeting the garbage bins in Stewart St were being placed in the gutter thus restricting residents parking options. Mayor Betts to request Council write to Stewart and Reiner streets to advise them to keep their bins out of the gutter.

3. Changes to Exempt & Complying Development Codes – starting 17 July 2017

Chairman Bruce Woolf tabled the above titled document & led the discussion.

Changes to the State Policy for exempt and complying are to commence on 17 July 2017. The Department of Planning and Environment gives an "overview of changes" stating that the General Housing Code is a new simplified housing code setting clear planning rules for complying development including one and two storey homes, renovations and extensions.

4. Development Applications (DA's)

Chairman Bruce Woolf distributed a list of DA's, relevant to Rose Bay Precinct that had been submitted to Council for process. One in particular was the subject of discussion by the meeting; it was an amended DA for the 503 Old South Head Rd. Currently this building houses the Beds Online business and Dare Gallery furniture business. The DA is proposed to replace these businesses with a residential block of units. The issues around this DA include:

- Location on busy Old South Head Rd (during construction phase)
- No rear public road and/or laneway access
- Enough adequate off street parking.

Mayor Betts advised that she would look into the details around this DA.

5. General Business

Mayor Betts provided the meeting with an update on the Bondi Pavilion Upgrade and Conservation in response to request from resident Julia Hatsatouris:

- DA in Phase 1 for upgrade and renovation
- Depot behind the Pavilion is an eyesore added resident Peter Schonstein
- Music Room to stay.
- Council is not suggesting that it wants to privatise the Pavilion
- Bucket List restaurant can re-tender as per normal commercial practices.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.45