

BRONTE BEACH PRECINCT

Minutes of the Bronte Beach Precinct on Wednesday, 1st March 2017.

Meeting at Lugar Brae Church Hall, Bronte, at 7.30 pm.

Present: 34;

Apologies: Sandy Bruns; Christine Newman; Mayor Sally Betts.

Councillors in attendance:

Angela Burrill; Paula Masselos

Attendees welcomed by co-convenor Virginia Milson.

Minutes of the previous meeting:

Motion to adopt proposed by J.S. Batts, seconded Andrew Goffe. Unanimous approval.

Committee Elections under Standing Orders. Presided over by Paula Masselos. The existing committee had all indicated a preparedness to stand again for re-election. There being no further nominations, the committee was re-elected:

Virginia Milson, John S. Batts (co-convenors)

Sally Kendall; Roger Rajaratnam; Andrew Goffe; and Michael Hudson.

Resident Parking Scheme: Dan Joannides and Rachel Jenkins (both from Council) brought the meeting up to date on the current state of regulations 25 years after paid parking was introduced to Waverley. There was particular interest in the Resident Parking Scheme, carefully explained in its current format. Council conducts regular surveys on turn-over rates, patterns of use, etc. Rachel outlined the different kinds of permits in our area, including short-term options for which there are costs. Dan suggested his department was willing to look at petitions and suggestions from the public. There is an interest in rolling out a common policy across the Waverley L.G.A.

Bronte R.S.L: Invited guest Dr Lightfoot of Save Bronte brought the meeting up to date on the latest moves by the new developer (Avidan) of the site; despite a previously negotiated application allowing concessions to Waverley regulations, he wants further concessions and has lodged a new DA and s.96 amendment. In the course of his explanations, Stephen was interrupted by a voice at the back which became increasingly vocal. The Chair judiciously suspended Dr Lightfoot's remarks temporarily and moved on to the next item of business; Dr Lightfoot then concluded his update, responding to sensible questions. He feels that the developer will go the Land & Environment Court for a favourable decision. Overall, Stephen remarked that there are still likely to be unreasonable impacts upon the local community. He mentioned child safety, traffic, impacts and further loss of amenity to nearby residents – "we're back to 2012!"

Dr. Lightfoot also raised concerns about asbestos removal at the site as they started the demolition process and advised the meeting that many calls had been made to the relevant authority, Safe Work.

St. Catherine's School: Kathy Davitt spoke about the newly-struck Community Consultation Committee of which she is a member. The meeting has concerns about the removal of two local bus-stops near the school. The Headmistress is unwilling to increase on-site parking. Kathy hopes the Consultation Committee may be able to insist on DA conditions being followed.

Development Applications: Virginia Milson spoke about a DA for a heritage listed house at 75 Gardyne Street (formerly known as “Mount Eden”) subject to a demolition request and a rebuilding that seeks to breach Council regulations. The Precinct has lodged an objection that and another application at 44 Gardyne St. which she advised the meeting would have an adverse impact on the public views of the beach from the upper part of Gardyne St.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm.