

Bondi Pavilion Stakeholder Committee Further Report

1. Introduction

The Bondi Pavilion Stakeholder Committee submitted a first report to Waverley Council in accordance with its terms of reference on 20 February 2018. The Committee met on 1 March 2018 to consider further recommendations as to the uses and functions of the Bondi Pavilion. Those in attendance were:

Cr John Wakefield	Mayor of Waverley (Chair)
Cr Dominic Wy Kanak	Deputy Mayor of Waverley
Cr Leon Goltsman	Councillor Waverley
Joy Clayton	Bondi North Precinct
Gemma Deacon	Friends of Bondi Pavilion
Rhonda Dixon Grovenor	
Mark Gould	
Lenore Kulakauskas	Bondi Beach Precinct
Terence Jenkins	
Adrian Newstead	
Leo Shaw-Voysey	

Staff in attendance:

Linda Bathur	A/Director, Waverley Life
Matt Henderson	Project Manager, Waverley Renewal
Delia O'Hara	Senior Producer, Cultural Programs

The recommendations from this meeting are provided in this Further Report, which should be read in conjunction with the report of the Bondi Pavilion Stakeholder Committee submitted on 20 February.

2. Uses and functions of the Bondi Pavilion forecourt and curtilage

The forecourt of the Bondi Pavilion extends to the roadway (Queen Elizabeth Drive), and at present contains a mix of permanent and temporary seating and tables for the various cafes and restaurant tenants. In addition, temporary permits are let to companies to do various promotions on the forecourt.

The curtilage runs around the entire building and takes in the paved areas that adjoin the tables and bench seating within the alcoves around the building. Consideration was given to current and past use and functions of these areas, and how this use supports the use and function of the building.

3. Recommendations

Curtilage on all sides

- Suitable environmentally sustainable low level lighting be introduced and the Bondi Pavilion be included in Council's lighting policy.
(unanimously agreed)
- Lighting design should address both the aesthetics and safety of the curtilage and the colonnades.
(unanimously agreed)

Southern Dolphin Court

- The current layout and relationship of types of surfaces and landscaping is generally appropriate.
(unanimously agreed)
- The area lends itself to being a place for passive recreation and is only suitable for limited small-scale free public events.
(unanimously agreed)

- c. The area should not be used for exclusive access events, as the Committee considers that the internal courtyards are more suitable for this use.
(unanimously agreed)
- d. Steps should be taken to make more attractive and encourage greater use of the colonnade seating and tables, including upgrade of furniture, ongoing maintenance and improved lighting.
(unanimously agreed)
- e. Consideration should be given to reinstatement of a pergola and other shade elements with seating.
(unanimously agreed)
- f. Improve the aesthetics of the area through use of planters and colour.
(unanimously agreed)
- g. Consideration be given to relocating and/or remounting the dolphin statue as part of an art installation that tells local Aboriginal stories including the dolphin dreaming story.
(unanimously agreed)

Western side curtilage and colonnades

- a. The current bush setting should be improved and enhanced.
(unanimously agreed)
- b. The Committee accepts the need for the rear to be used for access for waste removal, loading and deliveries.
(unanimously agreed)
- c. Any necessary landscaping associated with providing for waste removal, should not include removal of established trees.
(unanimously agreed)
- d. The Committee recognizes that the homeless community live in the colonnade area and recommends that due consideration be given to their welfare.
(unanimously agreed)

Northern side curtilage and colonnades

- a. The Committee recognizes that this area could be improved, but further consideration is dependent on the outcomes of designs for the adjacent building.
(unanimously agreed)
- b. The Committee fundamentally views this area as a thoroughfare from front to back
(unanimously agreed)

Forecourt

- a. Tables and chairs and space-defining fixtures should be permitted on the forecourt, adjacent to and associated with a café/restaurant.
(unanimously agreed)
- b. Sufficient pedestrian access should be retained around any outdoor seating.
(unanimously agreed)
- c. Sturdy, fixed umbrellas should be installed.
(unanimously agreed)
- d. Consideration should be given to retaining the existing and/or incorporating a new enclosed glassed-in area at one or both ends of the forecourt.
(unanimously agreed)