

Bronte Precinct Meeting

Monday 15 May 2017

Bronte Public School, Hewlett Street Bronte

Meeting opened at 7PM

Attendance: Refer to attendance sheet

Apologies: Michael Donnan, Cr. Tony Kay

February meeting acceptance: Grant Beard

Agenda:

1. Bronte Park Plan of Management

Council spokesperson Andrew Chan, presented the Bronte Beach Plan of Management which he stated was a vision for the future management of the area.

Andrew answered many questions from the meeting.

Some concerns expressed

- the increased use of hard surfaces undermining the Park grass
- extension of any buildings already in the area
- increased parking problems
- character of the park to be maintained.

2. Hewlett Street Community Garden

A grant of \$3000 has been allocated to set up community garden in the Hewlett Street reserve.

3. Council Elections

Elections for positions on Waverley Council will be held on September 9. A meet the candidates will be arranged for Bronte Precinct when nominations are confirmed.

4. Reports

Traffic

- February 2017 a motion was presented to Council regarding a traffic hazard (tree) corner Alfred and Darling Streets. The reply received was considered unsatisfactory so we present this motion again.

Motion *Bronte Precinct again requests Council to remove the tree on the corner of Alfred and Darling Streets and relocate it at least 20 metres north up Alfred Street. Bronte Precinct makes this request on three grounds:*

1. **Safety.** *The tree presents a safety hazard as it blocks the view of drivers turning from Darling Street into Alfred Street.*

2. **Economy.** *In its present location the tree needs to be trimmed at least once a year, the cost of which outweighs the cost of removal and replanting.*

3. **Ecology.** *As one tree is being replaced by another, there is no loss of trees in the neighbourhood.*

Background. The Council planted the tree in an inappropriate location in the first place. About a year ago, following a request by Bronte Precinct, Council trimmed this tree, which temporarily improved the dangerous sight problem for traffic. But within twelve months the tree had grown again to an even greater extent, creating the same safety issue for traffic. Bronte Precinct thus moved the motion of 20 February 2017. It is both inefficient and a waste of time and money to repeat this process every year

- Murray Street

Residents are concerned about excessive speed in Murray Street, Cr. Mouroukas to investigate.

5. General Business

- Fire Levy, explanation given re. proposed ESL
- Rubbish still a problem, will press Council to implement a permanent solution to this problem.

Meeting drew to a close at 9PM
With thanks to all who attended.