

QUEENS PARK PRECINCT PUBLIC MEETING

10 August 2016

commencing 7pm Waverley Library Theatre

Convenors: Peter Cohen, Simon Swifte

Apologies: Councillor Burrill

Councillors present: Councillors Cusack and Masselos

Welcome to residents at the meeting for the first time.

Centennial Park – representative Geoff Reinhard presented overview of *Draft Moore Park Master Plan 2040*

- Moore Park has never had its own Master Plan. Moore Park provides 80% of the Parklands' income. *Centennial Park Master Plan* was developed in 2013 and the *Queens Park Master Plan* in 2006. It will be reviewed in the next 12 months.
- Residents can access the *Draft Moore Park Master Plan* on the Centennial Parklands website and have their say until 25 September.
- Key proposals are:
 1. Improve amenity of natural lookout from top of Mt Steel and introduce public access to lookout adjacent to E.S. Marks Athletics Field
 2. Enhance green open space following the progressive removal of the temporary event on-grass parking in Moore Park East
 3. Adaptive re-use of Moore Park Toll House and integrate into a new sporting community hub
 4. Maintain, enhance and interpret the historic Kippax Lake while maintaining its importance as a hub for social and cultural activities
 5. Examine potential relocation of event bus loop on Driver Avenue when light rail completed
 6. Adaptive re-use of Tram Shed and integrate use with new Entertainment Boulevard along Driver Avenue
 7. Primary entrance to Entertainment Quarter linked directly with the future Moore Park Light Rail stop
 8. Prominent new pedestrian and cycle boulevard along Dacey Avenue with potential new entry to Centennial Park improving access to the Park for 17 the growing number of Green Square residents
 9. Encourage 'park and ride' car parking opportunities linked with new light rail stops such as at E.S. Marks Athletics Field (Carlton Street Stop) and at Randwick Racecourse (Centennial Park Stop)
 10. Encourage greater range of pre- and post- game activities through improved integration of entertainment and sports precinct
 11. Increase flexibility of sporting facilities to meet future demands, eg new multi- purpose fields and/or courts
 12. Upgrade E.S. Marks Athletics Field facilities and services and provide for high performance sports training and community sports facilities.
 13. Return the former Show Ring to its historic use as an active multi-purpose sports and events venue
 14. Rejuvenate open space and sporting fields in Moore Park West when light rail completed
 15. Review the planning controls for Entertainment Quarter to increase activation and balance between commercial, recreation and public access
 16. Enhance and revitalise Equestrian Centre facilities including potential for a new welcome centre at the main entrance
 17. Continue relationship with neighbouring school for additional event car parking options outside of school hours
 18. Create Moore Park Common adjacent to Kippax Lake in Moore Park East - as a community hub for passive and active recreation

- A resident questioned why parking was permitted on busy Saturday mornings on York Rd just east-north of the Darley Rd lights. This causes traffic gridlock around Queens Park. Pointed out that this is a Council/RMS issue.

Police Report – Ian Barber reported from the Community Safety meeting on 30 June 2016

- Alcohol related assaults have risen. Noisy parties on private premises being shut down
- Steal from retail is increasing, possibly because of better detection with liaison between police and Westfield security
- Decrease in stolen vehicles
- Residential break and enters have decreased
- Under age persons are buying fake identification to access hotels. Those selling these being investigated with the view of charging them
- Question was raised on exchanging details at an accident scene if you don't feel safe. Has been a spate of car hijackings in Victoria after a minor accident. Advice is to drive to the nearest police station or stay in your vehicle and ring 000
- There is an Eastern Suburbs LAC Charity Trivia Night on Thursday, 20th October 2016 at East Leagues Club, 93 Spring Street, Bondi Junction. \$50 per head for entry, food and lucky door prizes

From Facebook site

- Drug Use (June) - cocaine, ecstasy and cannabis offences have skyrocketed in Bondi and Paddington while the number has dropped back in Double Bay
- Under Age Drinking (June) - police have vowed to continue their crackdown on underage drinking after 34 young people were caught trying to sneak into the Eastern Hotel in Bondi Junction in just two hours
- Domestic Violence (June) - pressure on wealthy households to “keep up with the Joneses” has contributed to an alarming increase in domestic violence assaults in the eastern suburbs. New figures from the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research showed a 56 per cent increase in domestic violence assaults in the Waverley local government area, from 136 in the 12 months to March 2015 to 212 in the year to March 2016 and an 18 per cent increase in the Woollahra local government area, from 82 to 97, over the same period.
- Scam watch website <http://www.scamwatch.gov.au/>
- Police Facebook, Eastern Suburbs LAC <https://www.facebook.com/EasternBeachesLAC>
- Community Portal for reporting crime, malicious damage, lost property and stealing. http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/community_portal/home

Council amalgamations – Councillor Cusack provided update

- Woollahra Council's court appeal should be known on 28 August
- If Woollahra is not successful, amalgamation of the three Councils will take place early September when Councillors will be sacked and administrators appointed
- Former Councillors will be appointed to various committees to advise administrators
- Elections won't be held until September 2017
- State Govt will choose a name for the newly amalgamated Council

Minutes from 12 May 2016 meeting *Moved: Michael Ahrens* *Seconded: Ian Barber*

- Business arising: Daniel Bando confirmed he'd remain on Precinct Committee; Sarah McCarthy had previously confirmed she'd be on the Committee; unable to confirm George Feuerlicht
- Letter re Eastgate speed humps sent to Council but no response

West Oxford St update

- Proponent requested the Joint Regional Planning Panel review its planning proposal that was not supported by Waverley Council. The proposal included a request to amend Waverley LEP 2012 for the site by increasing permissible building height from 15 to 38 metres; increasing permissible floor space ratio from 1.5:1 to 5:1; and removing local heritage status in relation to the four terrace houses at 194-200 Oxford St

- The Panel recommended that the proposal be submitted for a Gateway determination and the controls should be those submitted to Council in October 2015, namely a building height of 36m and an FSR of 3.5:1 for both Sites 1 and 2
- Before the proposal is exhibited, the applicant is to enter into negotiations for a planning agreement with Council and prepare a site specific DCP to be exhibited with the planning proposal. A clause should be included in the draft LEP for a design competition before DA lodged.

Graffiti in the area

- Wentworth Courier (20 July) reported a graffiti attack near Rawson St and Lynch Ave.
- Council's graffiti management plan can be found on its website. Council will clean up public areas and charge for cost of materials on private property
- Important to clean up graffiti as quickly as possible, take photos and report it

Eastgate car park speed humps – Councillor Cusack reported

- Council passed a motion to make Eastgate exits safer
- Parking staff decided to put in more speed humps
- Have been many complaints (including from this Precinct) about the danger and discomfort from these humps. Councillor Cusack tried to have them removed
- Council employed a consultant to report on the exits – recommended increasing the space between them
- Councillor Cusack stressed that the height and ride were also issues
- Will be debated next Monday

Wentworth Courier deliveries

- For some time, there have been many complaints from residents about the way the Courier is now "delivered" i.e. thrown in the street outside homes. They are littering Queens Park streets
- Many residents access their homes from the back lane and the Couriers remain a litter problem outside some homes for some time
- Meeting agreed that the Committee should write to the Courier requesting a return to the papers being properly delivered into front yards. Council to be contacted if necessary.

Moriah College – meeting scheduled for 4 August was postponed. Awaiting rescheduling

General Business

- Councillor Cusack advised that he would be seeking to confiscate shopping trolleys and seek fines from retailers if trolleys continue to be dumped in our streets

Next meeting: 9 November 2016