

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
DOVER HEIGHTS PRECINCT**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February**

**at Magnolia Healing Centre**

**Old South Head Rd, Rose Bay – 7:30pm**

**Apologies:** Hilma O'Reilly

**Attendance:** Mayor Cr Wakefield, Cr Betts, Cr Goltsman, Cr Guttman-Jones  
and as per attendance sheet

**John Lewis: Meeting Chairman**  
**Michael Lewis: Secretary**  
**Meeting commenced at 7:40pm.**

**Minutes of Meeting Held 21<sup>st</sup> November 2011**  
**Arising from Minutes**

**NYE Clearways:** Length of Military Rd "south" had been included but was then returned to normal before NYE.

**Rodney Reserve:** No report from subcommittee yet.

Cr Betts said this will be a future issue. (Changes to cater for spectators). It is the only full-size soccer field in Waverley. There wasn't any watering system currently. Plans exist for the provision of rudimentary spectator seating and toilet improvements. Would need Council to allocate money to prepare a "Concept".

John Lewis (JL): Why not ask locals first.

Paul Wilmot (PW): Upgrading grass would be an improvement.

Jackie Lewis: No one wants night lights.

Ron Nothman (RN): Natural shape allows banking.

Cr Betts: Hugh Bamford Reserve is used currently by Bondi United – who will move to Waverley Oval.

PW: What about training at night at Hugh Bamford and games at Rodney during the day.

Cr Betts: Would hold a street meeting first.

JL: If Maccabi pay for improvements, they will feel that they own it.

**Cliff Reserve Dog and Cliff Walkers**

Patrick Ritchie (PR) (lives near Lola Rd): Dog dirt and holes sourced from dogs led by professional dog walkers.

Cr Betts: There several "off leash" areas in Waverley – including Cliff Reserve. Sometimes there are 5 sets of 9-10 dogs which dig as dogs do. Elderly and unsuspecting people may fall into the resulting holes.

Question: Is there a policy on dog numbers with respect to professional dog walkers?

JL: Can they be licensed?

PR: Many dogs come in single large vehicle.

RN: Dogs now need a harness when travelling in vehicles.

**Sydney Water/Sewerage Diversion Scheme**

JL: Withdrawing from subcommittee.

Peter Cappe (PC) – Chairman of subcommittee): Reported on the subcommittee’s meeting on previous Thursday – with PW and RN and meeting with Member for Vaucluse, Gabrielle Upton and Cr Betts on following Friday – with PC and RN.

Cr Betts: The last Sydney Water proposal (not proceeded with) was described by Cr Betts. We have no idea of current thinking by Sydney Water. Probably be a re-run of previous efforts. Not really an issue until raised by Sydney Water who have much more important issues. We must maintain a “watching brief”. It was very useful, discussing the matter with Gabrielle.

RN: Mentioned a further option. Dropping pipes off the cliffs and using the resulting force from gravity to then run the flow in pipes around the bottom of the cliffs down to Bondi plant. Pipes would be welded plastic which were very strong and corrosion resistant.

### ***Boat Parking in Military Road***

JL: The day’s Sydney Morning Herald reported on a “combine of 30 councils” moving for timed parking for boats/trailers. Waverley Council was part of this endeavour. Some areas now have timed parking (Woollahra). Majority of boats/trailers are not local.

### ***Matter of proposed Rodney St Day Care Centre***

Had not yet come up at Council. “On watch” by local councillors.

Acceptance was moved by Vicki Saffer and seconded by Jackie Lewis – Carried by Meeting

## **Reports of Subcommittees**

***Footpaths and Infrastructure:*** Emailed by Dov Fraser:

Palm Trees in Caffyn Reserve and Pocket Park below have finally been trimmed.

Area along entire length of fencing in Rodney Reserve has been sprayed with weed killer

The steep embankment south of the Radar Memorial is MEANT to be fixed sometime soon as per SD below.

Many dead/dying trees in our area have been removed.

Graffiti on Kesser Torah Wall facing Rodney Reserve has been removed.

Dov personally cleaned up the trash in Eastern Ave Reserve and along the Wood Stairway from Lancaster to Bulga that council workers seem unwilling to remove, especially the trash on the cliff side of the fence where the fisherman leave tons of rubbish

Please enquire when the discussion turns to the Bike Track in Dudley Page whether there will be any upgrade to the park entrance in the South East corner of the page or anywhere else.

Thanks so much and have a great weekend

Dov

15/05/2011 09:26 pm Closed Parks - General (comment / complaint / request)

### **Request Description**

In Rodney Reserve just south of the Radar Memorial and just south of the football pitch there is an area where the wire fence goes down towards the cliff. Just at this corner and continuing about 10 meters to the south the ground has

collapsed and there are several areas with quite steep drop offs. These areas are open to the public, quite steep and could cause injury were a pedestrian to fall. Please see attached photo. Please fill these collapsed areas and support the material somehow so it does not simply continue to collapse down the steep hill. This is a serious safety concern.

Thank you so much for your speedy attention to this... :)

Properties		
Name	Value	Example
History		
Date	Type	Summary
01/02/2012 01:05 pm	Close	Quotes are being sourced for works to stabilise the embankment. Works are expected to begin shortly.

**General:**

RN: Really good maintenance done in Diamond Bay.

**Roads – Electricity Renewal:**

Cr Betts: The road works in OSH Rd and other streets will continue. Energy Australia is carryout a massive upgrade of infrastructure.

JL: Will roads be repaired when complete?

Cr Betts: There is a sequence of actions for each road opening. Only when all works are done is Council allowed to finally rebuild the road (paid for by EA).

**Footpath Renewals:**

There were several comments on the progress and the less patchwork approach now being carried out by the contractors. All were largely favourable.

**NYE Feedback**

**Caffyn Park:**

The large lights were left on during the actual fireworks – time clock was set to just one on/off (1:00am). Toilets/Clean up were all done vey well.

**Dudley Page:**

Very well done

**In General:**

Whilst the Dover Heights part of the Bondi Beach/Dover Heights NYE contract package is working very smoothly, there are complaints from some people in Bondi about the Bondi Beach function having to subsidise the Dover Heights one.

Cr Wakefield: The issue was not about the DH function which he wanted retained as is, but about why BB was “saddled” with such a large noisy event. He said that BB also needs a better outcome. He wanted the BB event to be a family event like the DH one. The contract is up for renewal. BB residents are lobbying councillors. Council has to choose a model.

**Bike Path at Dudley Page Reserve**

Cr Wakefield: Discussed Waverley Council’s response to the previous DH Precinct meeting’s concerns. The new plans were now “in”.

Cr Betts: asked for referral so that precinct could look at proposals. The “Middle” path was the preferred option.

The Precinct recommended acceptance of the “preferred option – Option 2 Central Area” – subject to room being sufficient for children’s sports use.

Cr Wakefield: Project must be completed by 30/4/2012 else government funding will be lost.

**General Business**

**Speedy Recovery:**

The meeting expressed its wish that the Council's Precinct Officer – Mary Shiner, speedily recover from her medical procedure.

Meeting closed 9:30pm

**Next Meeting** (AGM) Mon May 14<sup>th</sup> 2012