

MINUTES OF COMBINED BONDI BEACH & BONDI PRECINCTS MEETING

18 APRIL 2016: 7:00PM TO 9:00PM: OCEAN ROOM BONDI PAVILION

Chair: Lenore Kulakauskas

Meeting Opened 7:05

1. Welcome and apologies

Welcome: We acknowledge this land as the traditional lands of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People of Australia, and specifically the Kadigal people, who traditionally occupied the Sydney Coast. We respect their spiritual relationship to Country and acknowledge the Aboriginal Elders both past and present.

Apologies: Cr John Wakefield, Cr Joy Clayton, Cr Sally Betts, Richard MacPhillamy, Marilyn Tanner

2. AGM - election of Precinct Executive Committee for Bondi Beach and Bondi Precincts

(ITEM MOVED TO END OF MEETING)

Current committees stood down and Councillor Dominic Wy Kanak ran the AGM elections for the Bondi Beach Precinct committee followed by the Bondi Precinct committee.

AGM Bondi Beach Precinct Committee

Convenor: Nomination from Lenore Kulakauskas. No other nominations. Lenore Kulakauskas declared elected

Secretary: Nomination from Richard McPhillamy. No other nominations. Richard McPhillamy declared elected.

DA rep: Nomination from Brad Cole. No other nominations. Brad Cole declared elected.

Committee member: Nomination from Marilyn Tanner. No other nominations. Marilyn Tanner declared elected.

AGM Bondi Precinct Committee

Convenor: Nomination from Gabrielle Tobias. No other nominations. Gabrielle Tobias declared elected.

No other positions received nominations.

Councillor Wy Kanak expressed appreciation for hard work done by the precinct committees.

3. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of 12 October 2015 meeting accepted.

Proposed: Ray Johnson, seconded Richard. Minutes accepted. Unanimous.

Minutes of 1 Feb 2016 not yet published.

4. Business arising

Insert Response Report.....

Even though the Minutes of 1 Feb 2016 are not yet published the following Motion was sent through at the conclusion of that meeting

MOTION 1: Bondi Beach Precinct requests an extension of time for submissions concerning the Bondi Pavilion upgrade until the 31 May 2016

Proposer: Marilyn Tanner, Seconder: Karen Weiss Voting Unanimous

and was taken to the Council Meeting on Tuesday 16 February 2016 where Mayor Sally Betts pre-empted any discussion of this Item plus the 2,000 odd signed Rescue Bondi petition by introducing a Mayoral Minute that gave the residents an extra 2 weeks to 13 March 2016.

5. BONDI PAVILION update

Lenore gave a background to the pavilion upgrade and summarised community actions in response. Residents voiced concerns over the proposed commercial use of the first floor of the pavilion. Lenore encouraged residents to attend the council meeting tomorrow night, 19 April 2016.

The following Motions are to be sent urgently to Council for attention at the Council meeting tomorrow night 19 April 2016.

MOTION 1: That people be allowed to audio visually record the council meeting on 19 April 2016 tomorrow night in relation to the agenda item on the Bondi pavilion upgrade for the purpose of transparency.

Proposer Jay, seconded Gaby Tobias. Passed. Unanimous

MOTION 2: That a report from the Waverley Council meeting of 19 April 2016 on the Bondi Pavilion Upgrade go to the NSW and National Heritage Councils requesting them to provide feedback on the upgrade, and that this feedback be provided to the community in a future public Council report.

Proposed: Graham Fuller, Seconded: Botond Bandy. Passed. Unanimous.

MOTION 3: That the incorporation of aboriginal culture be included in the considerations for the Bondi Pavilion Upgrade in order to rectify a serious omission in the design concept. Bondi Beach Precinct's previous support for an aboriginal cultural festival at the beach and Bondi Pavilion to be noted.

Proposed: Graham Fuller, Seconded: Savva. Unanimous

Paul Paech advised he has applied to Council for the release of documents on the budget for the Bondi Pavilion concept design. He will provide these to the precinct committee when received.

Discussion regarding Bondi Pavilion upgrade budget item on the agenda for the Council meeting on 19 April 2016 including discussion of the business case for the proposed \$38 million cost of the project. Budget commitment tomorrow night will be a Council decision on committing \$10 million toward the project.

Action: Botond Bandy to register to speak to budget item at tomorrow night's meeting.

Discussion regarding NSW government protocols requiring councils not to commit to discretionary capital works projects prior to the amalgamation of councils.

MOTION 4: That given the NSW Government has protocols preventing new large expenditure commitments, further progress on the Bondi Pavilion Upgrade be postponed until after council amalgamation is finalised.

Proposed Ray Johnson Seconded Botond Bandy Unanimous

MOTION 5: That speakers against Item CM/7.4/16.04 the Bondi Pavilion Upgrade & Conservation Project be allocated 6 minutes instead of the usual 3 minutes, in view of the very large number of submissions received and the wide community interest in this Item.

Proposed Lenore Kulakauskas Seconded Eliane Morrell Unanimous

6. PARKING - New parking regulations

Lenore advised council has issued information regarding changes to residential parking permit zoning. Anyone who has not been notified to contact Council. Will put info on Facebook page.

7. How Precincts can help you with noise/anti-social problems

Lenore advised of recent meetings with two backpacker hostel Lamrock Lodge and Surfside Backpackers Bondi between owners, residents, council and police to discuss problems and find solutions.

8. AMALGAMATION update

Lenore advised there will be a public meeting regarding amalgamation on 5 May 2016 at Club Bondi RSL, Gray St, Bondi Junction at 7:00PM. Speakers to include: lawyer acting for Woollahra council's legal challenge to NSW State Govt, Mosman and North Sydney mayors and representative from Save Our Councils Coalition,. Alan Jones has also been asked to speak.

Amalgamation is not a done deal.

Topics are the Agendas behind Amalgamation and Evidence based argument against amalgamation.

9. EVENTS ON THE BEACH update

Camels part of Bondi Winter Magic:

Lenore advised that the Mayor announced at a Waverley Business Development Meeting there will be camel rides on Bondi beach during Bondi Winter Magic. Council is providing free parking spaces to the Camel operators.

Precinct also asked Lorna Bussell from Events on 7 April (with a reminder today 18 April) *whether Council is charging the camel operators for the use of the beach?*

No reply to date.

Also note that the Ice Rink operator doesn't pay for his space either.

10. General Business

Savva addressed the meeting regarding the activities of the Eastern Suburbs Heritage Society (Easter.suburbs.heritage@gmail.com) which focuses on heritage aspects of the built environment. There are around 40 members and a newsletter. He gave an example of numbers 7 and 9 Glasgow Avenue, Bondi Beach - 7 is heritage listed but 9 is not. Council relied on a photograph of number 9 with a tree obscuring the frontage when deciding heritage merit.

MOTION 6: That council make an interim heritage order to preserve number 9 Glasgow Avenue Bondi Beach given that number 7 is heritage listed and number 5 has recently been knocked down. Note there is an active DA on number 9 Glasgow Avenue.

Proposer: Savva, seconder Michelle Frazer.

Passed. Unanimous.

Aman addressed the meeting re the beach volleyball community request to council to provide three sets of permanent courts located on the sand in front of the skate park. Currently Council permits beach volleyball on Bondi Beach using temporary posts and nets.

Discussion re merits of permanent posts. Permanent posts give stability and save time and effort carrying the posts to the beach. Margaret McNiven spoke against the proposal stating that permanent posts do not belong on Bondi Beach. Safety issues with posts on the beach were raised. How would the beach cleaning tractor drive around the posts? Precedent setting effect of having permanent posts. Would other sport groups seek permanent access to the beach. Beach sand shifts during storms - posts may be buried. What is the foundation or structure to secure them? They are buried to a depth of 1.3 meters in the sand. Lenore: Plan of Management does not cater for permanent posts to be erected. Permission has been granted by council for temporary posts.

MOTION 7: That the precinct committee support the installation of three sets of permanent posts for beach volleyball at the southern end of Bondi beach in front of the skate park.

Proposed: Aman, seconded Brad. Votes: 4 voted in favour and 10 voted against the proposal.

Motion not passed.

Ray Johnson: beach end of Francis Street: commercial waste collection in a residential zoned street from around 5:15 in the morning creating noise pollution, broken glass, flies, broken furniture. Residents have made numerous representations to: council, council ours, general manager (copies provided to meeting).

MOTION 8: That the Bondi beach precinct committee supports residents' request to Council for a Francis Street (beach end) Renewal Project to address health, safety, noise, amenity,

parking, aesthetic, and governance issues at the beach end of Francis Street (zoned R3 - medium density residential).

Proposed Ray Johnson, seconded Jay.

Passed, Unanimous.

Gabi Tobias advised that a DA has been lodged for a development on the Wellington Street tennis courts site. Bondi precinct to provide further information as the DA progresses.

Meeting closed 9:05pm

Minutes taken by Brad Cole

Lenore Kulakauskas Convenor Bondi Beach Precinct & Gabi Tobias Convenor Bondi Precinct Precinct