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Waverley Council Response Report to requests from 4 December 2023 Bondi Beach Precinct meeting

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4 December	<p>MOTION 1: Bondi Beach Precinct is concerned that longstanding community groups are being advised that they may not have access to rooms at the Pavilion in 2024. We are aware that there was a pre-election commitment regarding a fair and balanced use of the Pavilion for its community stakeholders.</p> <p>We therefore request the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That Council provides a copy of the comprehensive review of Bondi Pavilion operations. • That Council advises whether the community will have access to the physical and recreational classes that were previously run in the Pavilion at a set time each week. 	<p>Bondi Pavilion's Venue hire EOI is undertaken mid-year for regular hirers</p> <p>Council is not aware of any community group not having access in 2024 and is happy to discuss any specific examples.</p> <p>Pavilion hosts an average of 36 regular hire sessions each week (Seagull/High Tide/Ocean Rooms)</p> <p>Mix of fitness, wellness, dance, support & community group sessions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 31 x sessions run by small businesses o 2 x sessions organised by Council o 2 x support groups o 1 x community dance group <p>2,200+ regular/casual bookings this calendar year (so far!)</p> <p>Spaces can be booked by anyone subject to availability Casual hirers inc arts organisations, not for profits, conferences, meetings, festivals, private functions/events Council-run initiatives inc Arts & Culture programs, community programs (Sunshine Singers, Tai Chi), volunteer expo etc Larger scale Council-supported events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Head On Photo Festival o Ocean Lovers Festival o Festival of the Winds o Flickerfest Short Film Festival o Bondi Festival o Bondiwood <p>The Bondi Pavilion Operations report is due to be tabled at Council in 2024. When this is considered by Council it can be provided to precincts as requested.</p>	Community, Culture and Customer Experience	In progress

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	<p>MOTION 2: Given the continuing safety problems with the placement of rental bikes on public footpaths and parks by users and bike companies themselves BB Precinct asks council to:</p> <p>i Investigate the installation of fixed single bike parking hubs/docks that secure bikes in appropriate zones</p> <p>ii Consider repeating the exercise with an earlier iteration of rental bikes when Waverley Council physically seized abandoned bikes and impounded them to force the rental companies to take more responsibility. See the Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act 2021 No 38</p>	<p>Council is actively working with Share Bike operators, neighbouring Councils and TfNSW on this matter.</p> <p>Council has previously installed and worked with bike share providers with the principle of fixed “hub” style areas. Unfortunately, this has not worked. Bike users did not follow the requirement of placing their bikes within the designated zones. Council is in ongoing discussions with bike share operators on how to improve the placement of bikes.</p> <p>Similarly, enforcement and impounding is continually being discussed with the providers. We have found that under the legislation it is difficult to impound bikes because we need to substantiate that they have been abandoned for 7 days or more. This is still an option that we are investigating.</p> <p>Council is working to find solutions to these matters and will investigate the suggestions the Precinct has made. Council will provide an update as soon as possible.</p>	Assets & Operations	In progress
	<p>MOTION 3: Bondi Beach Precinct requests that council liaise with TOMRA to facilitate the reinstatement of the bottle return facility at Bondi Beach.</p>	<p>The creators of Return and Earn, Tomra, have recently installed a Return and Earn location at the Diamond Bay Bowling Club in the north of the Waverley LGA.</p> <p>They are looking for additional locations across the LGA as QED is not a suitable location for a Return and Earn unit.</p> <p>You can view additional locations via the following link: Return Points Near Me Recycle Centre Return and Earn NSW</p> <p>Council will update the Precinct as more details emerge.</p>	Planning, Sustainability + Compliance	In progress

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	<p>MOTION 4: Bondi Beach Precinct has become aware of a significant revenue stream for council and ask that the following be considered for implementation:</p> <p>That the council require developers to apply for an exclusive construction zone permit for commercial developments over a certain size before demolition or construction certificates are issued. This permit to be paid up front and the appropriate signage (building zone 7:30am to 5:30pm) installed for the life of the development.</p> <p>This would replace the current haphazard situation where developers self regulate and regularly use witch's hats indiscriminately to block parking areas. It is becoming increasingly obvious that self-regulation doesn't work.</p> <p>While it is recognised that delivery and removal of materials is intermittent, it is also recognised the space is used for vehicles associated with the build, thus nullifying any argument for intermittent use.</p>	<p>Developers are required to submit Construction Traffic Management Plans (CTMP) as part of their application for a Construction Certificate.</p> <p>Council Officers assess the required traffic / parking requirements prior to approval of the CTMP. Measures in CTMPs to support consistent and effective management of construction activities include but are not limited to Construction Zones.</p> <p>In most cases, Construction Zones are required as part of the conditions stipulated for the Construction Certificate. Where residents witness (self regulated) parking and traffic management related to construction activities, they should report them to Council (information available via the following link https://www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/top_link_pages/contact_us) or notify illegal construction activities to the Community Liaison Coordinator.</p>	Planning, Sustainability + Compliance	Complete
	<p>MOTION 5: Bondi Beach Precinct supports the long term continuation of Flickerfest in the outdoor space at the Bondi Pavilion and supports an appropriate subsidy.</p>	<p>Feedback has been noted by Council.</p> <p>At the 12 December Council meeting, Council decided the following:</p> <p>DECISION</p>	Community, Culture and Customer Experience	Complete

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		<p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Treats the report as confidential in accordance with section 11(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, as it relates to a matter specified in section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993. The report contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business. 2. Notes that Flickerfest Pty Ltd is a for-profit enterprise 3. In accordance with section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993, grants \$133,979 of in-kind support and \$61,000 in cash to Flickerfest Pty Ltd to support the cost of Flickerfest 2024. 4. Requires Flickerfest to provide audited financial statements from February 2024 for any future financial assistance from Council. 5. Considers alternative outdoor locations near Bondi Pavilion for Flickerfest in 2025. 6. Notes that the Pavilion is unable to be utilised by any other hirer during the outdoor evening screenings of Flickerfest. 7. Authorises the General Manager or delegate to execute an event licence with Flickerfest Pty Ltd to deliver Flickerfest 2024. <p>Division For the Motion: Crs Betts, Burrill, Fabiano, Goltsman, Gray, Kay, Keenan, Lewis, Nemesh and Wy Kanak. Against the Motion: Cr Keenan.</p> <p>Minutes can be viewed at https://waverley.infocouncil.biz/</p>		

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	<p>MOTION 6: Given what appears to be an increasing disregard by local businesses of various council controls that protect the public amenity relating to footpath seating, prompt removal of waste bins, noise etc), Bondi Beach Precinct asks council to instruct its compliance officers to investigate the operation of the business in the local area to ensure businesses are both aware of their responsibilities and actually meet them. In particular, Belle's Chicken (excessively loud music) and Ikaria (excessively loud music and seating encroachment).</p> <p>Note: Ikaria has been previously followed up by Lenore with council regarding its seating. Belles Chicken's is causing noise issues for residents as it is functioning more like a bar than a restaurant. This is the same for Ikaria.</p>	<p>Council Rangers attended and inspected the businesses Belles Chickens and Ikaria Bondion the week commencing 8 January. Outcome as below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Belles Chickens is currently closed until further notice due to water damage as a result of flooding over the Xmas period. Closed sign displayed at front of Shop. • Ikaria was busy at time of inspection. There were no issues with loud music, noise or seating arrangements (footpath encroachments) or rubbish at the time. Ikaria's hours of operations are from 5pm-12 midnight. <p>Council Rangers will continue routine Checks and Inspections for Compliance with hours of operation, footpath seating, noise control. These patrols take place between 6am and 8pm over the summer season and 6am to 6pm during winter.</p> <p>In addition, Councils Authorised Officers (Environmental Health) together with NSW Police (Eastern Suburbs conduct late night trading operations (site inspection) from 10 pm to 2 am at least 4-6 times per year. The scope for these operations includes noise control , trading hours and footpath seating.</p> <p>Councils' records indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one complaint received on 25/10/23 for noise emanating from Belle's Chicken. This was investigated by a Council Authorised Officer. A Warning Letter relating to this complaint was issued to the business owner. 	Planning, Sustainability + Compliance	Complete

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> one noise complaint on 06/09/22 and no further action was taken as the complainant did not submit a noise diary with details of the noise. 		
	MOTION 7: Bondi Beach Precinct urges council to investigate and address the widespread practice of property owners with single vehicle width on-site parking painting lines on the public roadway indicating that there is a greater restriction of public parking than required for access to their property (i.e. driveway), sometimes to the extent of occupying more than two public parking spaces.	<p>Driveway line marking can assist in reducing the chance that someone blocks the access to a property.</p> <p>Council installs driveway line marking on behalf of residents and businesses. Other parties do not have authorisation to install driveway line marking.</p> <p>New South Wales Road Rule 198 states that a driver must not stop on or across a driveway unless the driver is dropping off, or picking up, passengers. The edge of the driveway is taken as the edge of the wings/splays at the gutter as shown below. Driveway line marking will only be installed at these locations.</p> <p>The marking of lines on the road to delineate a driveway is a guide for drivers. If a car is parked partly into the driveway the driver would be infringed under NSW Road Rule 198 (2) – Stop on/across driveway/other access to/from land.</p> <p><i>If the Precinct believes there are areas where the painting lines are incorrect, please inform Council.</i></p>	Planning, Sustainability and Compliance	Complete
ACTIONS				
4 December	Clearer Signage at Notts Avenue re speed limits and shared zone Council response was: Notts Ave is a designated 10K shared zone and has been successfully working as such since completion. Signage for shared zones are regulated and must be approved through a TMP that is endorsed and	Precinct to discuss at February 2024 Meeting.	Assets & Operations	In progress

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	<p>approved through the WTC and Transport for NSW. The current set up at Notts Ave is compliant and in line with TfNSW guidelines.</p> <p>Officers will check if any signage refresh or reorientation is required.</p> <p>ACTION 1: To be discussed at next meeting</p>			
	<p>Living in Waverley Liveability Survey – Report from Lenore Kulakauskas</p> <p>A part of the brief for the newly created community planning advocate role is to “Conduct surveys with residents, businesses, the community and visitors about the cumulative impacts of overdevelopment.”</p> <p>The survey called Living in Waverley Survey was outsourced to .ID (Informed Decisions) Alana Novak provided an update for the meeting – see Appendix A</p> <p>It is noted that in August when Mary Shiner and Alana Novak were both present, BB Precinct expressed concerns that in the creation of survey questions care had to be taken to manage agenda bias and that community input into the types of questions included in the scope would be beneficial.</p> <p>ACTION 2: To be discussed at next meeting</p>	<p>Council Officers are awaiting results from the Report – expected to be received in early 2024. Once the report is finalised, Council Officers will be able to share the findings with the Precinct.</p>	Executive Services	In progress
	<p>ACTION 3: That Margaret Merton and Adrian Findlay seek a meeting with the director Fletcher Rayner to clarify the status</p>	<p>Meeting held in December 2023.</p>	Planning, Sustainability + Compliance	Complete

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	of the DA, the decision-making processes available to council in respect to this DA and the implications for residents in having a say over what are essentially new plans and not amended plans.			
	ACTION 4: Bondi Beach precinct requests a status update from council on the approval of the installation of the bronze statue of Pauline Menczer	The donor is still looking at different design options for the Pauline Menczer statue. Council will update the Precinct and the community once more progress is made.	Community, Culture and Customer Service	In progress
	ACTION 5: Council approved re-installing the “Mermaids” on the rock at the North end of Bondi Beach years ago. Bondi Beach Precinct requests a status from council on the reinstallation of the Mermaids.	Council adopted South Bondi Park as the site for a new Mermaid inspired public artwork in the Waverley Public Art Master plan. An Open EOI process calling for interested artists was run in May last year through the tender portal. Artwork concept designs works will go on display for community feedback in April next year. Precincts will be notified when the concepts go out for public consultation.	Community, Culture and Customer Service	In progress
	Seating at Bus stop newly installed on Glenayr Avenue (near corner of Hall Street) The newly installed seat on Glenayr Avenue has been placed with its back to the road and on the curb side of the footpath. This does not allow for those waiting for the bus to have shelter under the awning and visibility of the approaching buses and traffic. ACTION 6: Bondi Beach Precinct requests council to relocate the seat so that it faces the traffic and is underneath the awning.	Council’s Executive Manager of Infrastructure advised that the seat installation facing the property was intentional. Seats are no longer being installed against property boundaries as they cause impediment for visually impaired persons who use the boundary as a means of guiding them in village centres. This is also why Council is advocating for Ausgrid “green pillars” to not be installed against property boundaries. Given the seat cannot be placed against the boundary it has to be facing away from the road so that users can access the seat and there is no risk of falling into the road (for less mobile users) when using the seat. The awning in this area will be replaced when the site adjacent is developed (approved DA). Officers will work with the design team to see what options there are for extending the awning to cover the seat.	Assets & Operations	Complete

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	<p>Leaflets notifying Bondi Beach Precinct meeting were not received by some buildings in Lamrock Avenue, Consett Avenue, Jacques Avenue, Campbell Parade. Also, the agenda for the meeting was also not available on the website.</p> <p>ACTION 7: Bondi Beach Precinct requests Jessica to follow up regarding leaflet deliveries and the agenda not being available on the website.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p>	<p>CLC has reached out to our distributor and requested photographs be taken to demonstrate delivery in 2024.</p> <p>The Precinct may also wish to follow suite of other Precincts. This includes privately hiring a distributor, for example a student, or having Precinct Committee Members to assist in the delivery. Council can provide funds for this. Please reach out to the CLC if you would like to investigate these options.</p> <p>Council has also increased our communication and advertising efforts to ensure more people are aware of your meeting through a variety of channels, not just the Precinct Flyer.</p> <p>This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advertising in the Beast 1x per month - Advertising on Social Media - Promoting via Council's eNewsletter Waverley Weekly - Promoting in Council's Print Newsletter Waverley News - Promoting on Council's website in the What's on Calendar <p>In regard to the agenda not being available on the website, this was a technical error that has now been fixed. Apologies. All meeting resources have now been uploaded to the following page: https://www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/residents/precinct_committees/meetings_docs/bondi_beach</p> <p>Copies of the agenda were emailed to Executives prior to the meeting and printed copies were made available for the meeting.</p>	Executive Services	In progress

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	Mike Lyons has resigned as the Traffic Committee rep. The Precinct expresses its thanks to Mike for his contributions. ACTION 8: LK to email Mike and thank him on behalf of the Precinct	With Precinct to action		
Next meeting: February 2024				