

Bondi Precinct Meeting Minutes

21 June 2023

7 – 9pm

Attendees: (18 – including 2 Councillor) Clr Michelle Gray, Clr Leon Goltsman, Jessica Ilacqua (CLC), Di Robinson, Lynne Cossar, Annie Parnell, Lesley Tucker, Rex Walsh, Alison Leitch, Gwen Zeller, David Burgess, Lee Wright, Zina Kaye, Nick Coleman, Alexandra Heron, Ruth Moran, Diana Hanaor, Petra

Apologies: Clr Dominik WyKanak

Welcome/Acknowledgment of Country

- The Convener DR welcomed everyone to the meeting and said a Welcome to Country.

Minutes

- Minutes were tabled for acceptance.
Moved: Rex Walsh
Seconded: Zina Kaye
Carried

Matters arising from Annual General Meeting

- Summary of April AGM elected Precinct Office Bearers outlined.
 - Co-convenors: Lynne Cossar, Di Robinson
 - Secretary: Zina Kaye
 - Arts & Heritage Rep: Rex Walsh
 - DA Rep: Annie Parnell and Lesley Tucker
 - Media Rep: Mark Gould

Response Report from April Meeting

- The Convenor went through the Response Report that was prepared by Council. The response report can be viewed [here](#).
- ZK would like more information on how water moves throughout Bondi via Hydrology reports.
- **MOTION:** Bondi Precinct requests that Council find out the purpose and scope of the works being done by Sydney Water at O’Sullivan Street, Diamond Bay and Forest Knoll Avenue.
Move: Zina
Second: Nick Coleman
Carried
- **MOTION:** Bondi Precinct requests that Council advise what it can and will do to mitigate existing and future water and geohydra issues that are occurring as a result of overdevelopment and inappropriate development in the local area. We request that the appropriate Officer attend the next Bondi Precinct meeting and explain the disparity

between the Council technical implementation of the DCP and the NSW Department of Plannings implementation of the DCP.

Motion withdrawn on 21 August 2023 – further discussion to be had between Precinct members.

Parking Update

- **MOTION:** Bondi Precinct's local village centre is Hall Street. As such, Bondi Precinct believes residents of all ages should have equitable transport access to essential services that fall within this village centre such as doctors, chemists, grocery stores and other food and service outlets. Bondi Precinct requests an immediate parking review of Area 4 with the view to extending the areas boundary so that residents of this precinct can park legally in Hall Street. Bondi Precinct believes this request is informed by Council's Our Liveable Places Centres Strategy 2020 – 2036 which emphasises the importance of local village centres and their significance in terms of liveability and sustainability.

Move: David Burgess

Second: Rex Walsh

Carried.

Traffic Update

- **MOTION:** Bondi Precinct is concerned about the increasing number of large construction and delivery vehicles using residential streets and the impact these heavy trucks are having on the standard and safety of our roads and potentially on our homes. Bondi Precinct requests that Council investigate installing road signs on residential streets, urging vehicles of a certain size and weight from using them. Bondi Precinct also requests that Council reach out to local businesses and business organisations including developers and request they assist in this matter.

Moved: David Burgess

Second: Alexandra Heron

Carried.

- AH concerned about safety at roundabout on Wellington and O'Brien / O'Brien and Barracluff as there is a high number of pedestrians – kids and parents, and cars are driving too fast. AH suggests a pedestrian crossing and a raised roundabout.
- **MOTION:** Bondi Precincts asks Council to investigate in active consultation with residents taking road safety measures especially #1 zebra crossing at Wellington and O'Brien / O'Brien and Barracluff and raised roundabouts, and #2 speed limits.

Moved: Alexandra Heron

Second: Annie Parnell

Carried.

- DR noted this has been raised before, via the Bondi Traffic Study and the Precinct would like to receive an update as soon as possible.

Pavilion Update

- DR raised that the Precinct would like to see the strategy and operational plan for Bondi Pavilion to ensure we are reaching our targets and fulfilling the promise to the community.
- **MOTION:** Bondi Precinct thanks the Council for its response regarding the Pavilion, stating that the ultimate responsibility for the Pavilion rests with the Council. Bondi Precinct therefore requests the elected Council for a copy of the 5-year strategic plan for the Pavilion. Like any strategic plan, we assume this includes a vision and mission statement and key deliverables in specific areas with KPIs for the Pavilion for the next 5 years, in areas such as Usage, Revenue, Sustainability, Management, Reporting, Community Engagement and Inclusion. We would also like to see the Council Officers operational plan which enacts this strategy so that we have a clear and transparent way of understanding decision making and future planning for things such as diversity targets, usage targets, retail and hospitality targets, diversity and revenue pricing policies etc for inclusion and community engagement targets and outcomes.

Moved: Rex Walsh

Second: Annie Parnell

Carried.

Overdevelopment & Development Applications

- AP raised she has not received DA Report from Council recently.
Action: CLC to follow up with Council's DA team.
- AP noted one large development on Gould Street/ Beach Road – heritage building. Proposing to gut the building, build underground car park, plunge pool etc.
- Noise Trial at Gym on the corner of Cox Avenue and Hall Street following noise complaints due to amplified music and microphone at 5am.
- Clr Grey noted Council's new Community Planning Advocate – Alana Novak is on board and how Alana can support residents in dealing with development.

General Business

- RW raised Bondi Festival is on 30 June – 16 July. Support your local festival.
- LC noted that Council will be trialling televised sporting events at Bondi Pavilion. Will be done for Women's World Cup (July – August).
Action: CLC to provide information to Precinct on the Screening Trial at Bondi Pavilion.
- Concerns over State Government overriding Council's Planning decisions and changing Bondi.
- **MOTION:** Bondi Precinct is concerned about the long-term vision for Bondi. The Bondi we know and love is under threat from commercial overdevelopment there are very real long term concerns about the sustainability of the natural environment this impacts on the amenity of all the residents and visitors now and into the future. Overdevelopment, and in particular major excavation for additional car parks, directly impacts traffic and impacts the fragile basin of sand dunes, sandstone, and waterways. Bondi Precinct calls on Council to deliver a long-term vision and plan for Bondi Beach Basin.

Moved: Annie Parnell

Second Lynne Cossar

Carried

- AP mentioned Randwick and Woollahra have joined FOGO and would like Waverley Council to join too.

Next meetings: 23 August 2023

1 November 2023