WAVERLEY WARD BRONTE PRECINCT

Waverley Council Response Report to requests from the September 2023 Bronte Precinct meeting							
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4 September 2023	Bronte Precinct asks Council when in the 2023–24 financial year the remaining sections of footpath on the south-eastern side of Mirimar Avenue are scheduled for replacement, as previously advised by Mr Joannides.	Council Officers will reinspect the site to ascertain if works are required. Advice to come shortly.	Assets & Operations	In progress			
4 September 2023	Bronte Surf Club Information Session It seems there was an information evening at the Surf Club last week but the precinct group were not notified of it. We are also questioning how normal local residents would have been aware and were they? There was no mail drop and nothing through Council. Alma went to investigate at the Service Centre on Spring St. Significant projects were historically displayed there in both plan form and model form. Nothing present at Council and the customer service staff were not even aware of the community impacting project. This really is unacceptable in a post covid world, especially given the DA rejection and controversy of the first plans. This second submission is completely different and a different Architect. General consensus is lack of information available and it seems cagey. Why is it such a closed book? DA-455/2022 for reference. Questions asked about where the funding is coming from. There are several figures	Information Session at BSLSC – August 2023 Statutory DA notifications regarding the amended DA of the Bronte SLSC and Community Facilities Upgrade were sent by Council's Development Assessment team to surrounding properties. Bronte SLSC hosted a project update session during the DA notification period. This was not a Council event and no Council staff attended to avoid any actual or perceived conflict of interest with the DA process. The session details were communicated by BSLSC to their members. To assist Bronte SLSC, Council included the session information in a media release, on the project Have Your Say page, council's website and social media. Resources at Customer Service Centre As all planning applications are now lodged online via the NSW Planning Portal, Council does not have physical copies readily available. The DA Department have been 100% digital for the past 3 years. In order to assist those that come into Cust Service for help to understand proposals, Council organised some time ago for a separate independent computer to be available for the public in the foyer area to view documents, and the Duty Planner or Planning counter staff can assist these persons when required.	Assets & Operations	Complete			

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	discussed about the amounts the Council is putting forward, the Surf Club, the State Government and Federal.	Council Staff are always happy to residents in viewing the plans and can print out specific documents if requested.						
	dovernment and rederal.	Funding for Bronte Surf Club						
		As outlined on Have Your Say, Council voted to increase its funding contribution by \$2.9 million to a total contribution of \$7.5 million and negotiated an updated Heads of Agreement to reflect this change.						
		Bronte Surf Life Saving Club \$2,030,000						
		Federal Government \$2,000,000						
		State Government \$345,000						
		Further information can be seen at https://haveyoursay.waverley.nsw.gov.au/bronte-surf-club-and-community-facilities						
4 September 2023	Background is given for the previous request made to Council for permanent Traffic Control staff to be present in Mirimar Ave, Thompson St and Ashley St during the Sculptures by the Sea period.	Council reviews all Sculpture by the Sea-related traffic operations during and after each exhibition and implement any identified changes that have a chance of improving traffic flow and safety. This is an ongoing process.	Community, Culture & Customer Experience	Complete				
	Cr Kay mentions there is a council meeting zoom coming up with the Traffic Committee so this should be mentioned in the minutes and Cr Kay will address.	Council will consider the Precincts request in planning for next year. Council is also happy to discuss any suggestions and to try to explain some of the issues and constraints that we face.	+ Assets & Operations					
	GB will check whether the item is included in the agenda for the September Traffic							

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	Committee. If not, he will discuss with Cr Kay.							
4 September 2023	Alma recently discovered the Council Service Centre no longer accepts cash for the payment of rates. She was then charged a further \$17 in credit card fees to pay electronically. Cash is legal tender and there is no longer a covid risk with handling cash, she would like this reversed and cash accepted. We have many older residents who would like to pay cash. Alma to bring this up at Combined Precincts Meeting also.	Council's Customer Service Centre does accept cash for rates and for all transactions at the Customer Service Centre. Council no longer has cash floats so ratepayers are advised that the whole amount will go towards their rates balance. We also take cheques and EFTPOS which has no surcharge. The Bondi Pavilion Welcome Centre however does not take cash or cheques, but they do accept EFTPOS cards which do not have a surcharge.	Community, Culture & Customer Experience	Complete				
		Please note, Council has opted to impose a 0.8% surcharge on all credit card transactions across all Council services.						