

Minutes of Bronte Precinct meeting held 13 May 2013

Accept minutes of previous meeting.

Moved: Robin Cooke

Seconded: Malcolm Edwards

DA Matters:

It was noted that the Tamarama Surf Club Function Centre DA has been suspended while Council seeks further information from the Club.

A motion was moved that:

Bronte Precinct Committee vigorously opposes the elements of the Tamarama Surf Club DA which pertain to its intended use as a function centre.

The concerns expressed relate to the licence hours which a function centre may be granted. In particular, the frequency of late night functions and the resulting disturbance to the neighbourhood.

Moved: Michael Donnan

Seconded: Grant Beard

The motion was carried unanimously.

Also minuted was a request that Council investigate whether the use of the red brick house on the corner of Pacific & Gaerloch Ave complies with its lease ie. it appears to be de facto short term / holiday / backpackers' accommodation, contrary to zoning. Reference was made to the high frequency of noisy, all night parties and apparently high turnover of residents.

Traffic Matters:

A motion was moved that

- 1. Council investigate placing a pedestrian crossing across Birrell St, somewhere between Ocean & Tamarama Sts.*
- 2. Council ask Roads & Maritime Services to better synchronise the traffic lights at Birrell & Bennett Sts with those at Birrell St & Carrington Rd, to ameliorate the build up of traffic on Birrell St in the mornings.*

It was noted by Cr Kay that Roads & Maritime Services have a 14 parameter formula called a "warrant", which they use to decide whether or not to put in a pedestrian crossing. For example, a crossing cannot be too close to a roundabout.

Moved: Peter Miller

Seconded: Malcolm Edwards

The motion was carried.

Dogs and Bronte Gully:

It was noted that the proposal for Council to examine off leash areas in Bronte Gully is worded in a manner which may not accurately represent the wishes of many residents in favour of the proposal.

It was noted that dog owners have for many years let their dogs off leash in the western (upper) part of the gully ie. the part around the stormwater drain, the hill up to Bronte Rd which comes out next to #484 and the stairs and small park near the waterfall.

It is this area in particular which is sought to be formalised off leash.

The area north of the gully in the park near Marine Drive has been mentioned in the proposal. Residents in favour of the off leash proposals wanted it made clear to Council that this area is distinct from the gully area west of the playground described above and ask Council to consider these areas as distinct proposals.