

**Minutes of meeting of the Rose Bay Precinct held at the St Anne's Church,  
Cnr Blair and Mitchell Streets Bondi on Monday, 2 March 2020:**

- Chairperson:** Bruce Woolf
- Attendees:** 2 residents attended plus Committee members; Sanday & Woolf
- Councillors:** Cr. Sally Betts, Cr. Will Nemesh
- Apologies:** Cr. Steven Lewis, Allan Harris (resident)
- Minutes:** Chairperson Woolf reviewed the Minutes of the previous meeting, held on 4 November 2019.  
The Minutes were read and accepted by the meeting.

**Matters arising from the Minutes (and Agenda).**

As a follow up to the last Precinct Meeting, which was led by resident Julia Hatsatouris on the subject of new residential flat and shop developments along both sides of Old South Head Rd and its impact on traffic flow and density, Convenor Bruce Woolf detailed for the meeting follow up work he had done on the subject.

Bruce wrote to both Woollahra and Waverley Councils on the subject of 'Development Along Old South Head Road.'

Bruce's letter requested traffic data for OSH Rd between Hamilton St, Rose Bay to the Junction with Oxford St, Bondi Junction. The data requested covered:

- Level of traffic along OSH Rd
- Level of traffic at peak hours and out of peak hours.
- Current figures compared to 10 years ago
- Level of traffic v capacity for a road classified as OSH Rd
- Comparative figures for travel along OSH Rd v near & around Flood St and the Junction

Woollahra did not respond by the time of the meeting.

Waverley Council's Dan Joannides replied that OSH Rd was a state road under the control of the Transport NSW (formerly RMS) & referred Bruce to Mark Carruthers at Transport NSW (TNSW).

TNSW's Carruthers provided traffic flow information for the intersection of Old South Head Road and Towns Road along Old South Head Road.

Separately, Bruce accessed TNSW online services and found the following reports:

1. Traffic Improvements on Old South Road from Bondi Junction to Bondi – Engagement Report, RMS June 2019.
2. Sydney Clearways Strategy – Keeping Sydney Moving, December 2013.

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Three key points from the report;

1. OSH Rd is a key state road.
2. This section of OSH Rd is approx. 1.6km and investigations carried out in May 2018 found that 35,000 vehicles travel on OSH Rd during most week days and weekend.
3. The Sydney Clearways Strategy (published 2013) identifies benefits of introducing Clearways based on the following criteria:
  - Directional Traffic flow exceed 800 vehicles per hour per lane
  - Travel speeds are 30km an hour or less during peak periods.

Currently, Directional Traffic Flow along OSH Rd between Towns Rd and Curlewis St is 500 cars per lane.

**Note:** A 2 page report of Bruce's presentation to the meeting is attached to these Minutes. The document is titled: 'Rose Bay Precinct – Meeting 2 March 2020 Old South Head Road Traffic.'

Residents' concerns expressed at the meeting:

- What impact will the developments have on OSH Rd?
- How are we going to handle the volume of more cars on OSH Rd?
- Have sufficient numbers of car parking spots per development be allocated?
- What do residents really think of the unit /shop developments along OSH RD and potential? impact on traffic flow on OSH Rd?

There was discussion of the traffic data and the need to have further data. Sally Betts offered to make further inquiry from the local member. There was discussion about the level of traffic and the Sydney Clearway Strategy as it may apply to Old South Head Road.

## **2. Development Applications**

### **2.1 – 598 Old South Head Rd.**

This is a residential building on the Woollahra Council side of OSH Rd which is planned to be replaced by yet more residential units.

### **2.2 515 Old South Head Rd**

Called the Beaumont building situated on the cnr of OSH Rd and Beaumont St was before Council to replace the three (3) shops with residential units & has been knocked back by Council.

Now going to appeal by the owners/developers.

## **3. General Business**

**3.1 Onslow St –** Resident Julia Hatsatouris commented that the Councils' garbage collectors were leaving the bins on the road rather returning them to the footpath.

**3.2 Onslow Place –** Cr Nemesh the meeting that that \$29K had been set aside in the Councils; budget for an upgrade of Onslow Place.

**3.2 Flood Study -** Waverley Council is carrying out a detailed flood study of the Local Government Area (LGA) catchments to define the existing flood behaviour and better understand the flood risks within the LGA. This study will establish the basis for subsequent floodplain management activities and is being prepared to meet the objectives of the NSW State Government's Flood Policy.

There being no further business the meeting was closed.