Bondi Precinct Minutes Wednesday 15 February 2023 Meeting held via Zoom

AGENDA ITEMS

- Welcome
- Minutes
- Matters arising from previous meeting
- Traffic Study update
- DA update, Overdevelopment & Private Certifiers
- Sustainability & Recycling (FOGO)
- Rubbish dumping
- Stormwater drainage
- General Business

Meeting opened at 7.02pm Convener: Di Robinson

1. Attendance

Present: 20 attendees

Councillors in attendance: Cr Michelle Gray, Cr Dominic Wy Kanak, Cr Leon Goltsman

Council Representatives: Jessica Ilacqua, Community Liaison Co-Ordinator

Apologies: 3

2. Welcome/Acknowledgment of Country and date of next meeting:

The convener welcomed everyone including Councillors, and said the next Precinct meeting would be the AGM on 19 April 2023 at the Bondi Pavilion.

NB Request for people to add their emails to chat for contact by Precinct directly.

3. Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

Minutes were tabled

Moved to be accepted: David Burgess

Seconded: Annie Parnell

Carried

Matter arising and action points from Previous meeting (5 motions arising)

- 1. <u>Motion 1</u> Around *Destination Hall St* and one way proposal with traffic diversion. Thanks to those who supported the precinct's opposition to this under-thought-out plan.
- 2. **Motion 2** Write to Fletcher Rayner, new director of Sustainability and Compliance re CDCs, a council-produced flyer and DA Advocate position.

- 3. **Motion 3** To seek update on local traffic study. Nick Zervos, Exec Mgr of Infrastructure was contacted by Precinct. He responded on 7 Feb and said a likely update on the traffic study should be available in May. Study results analysis is underway.
- 4. **Motion 4** Support of retention of Tree Canopy in area. This has been raised in council and Precinct's position forwarded to Council Officers.
- 5. **Motion 5** White Dinner event proposal Bondi Precinct opposes private events on Bondi Beach.
- 6. **Motion 6** Bottle Shop trading hours Mayor has raised issue with Police Commissioner- compliance order issued for breach of hours. An issue also on Bondi Road
- 7. **General Business:** Dog droppings on beaches and what can be done about it.
- 8. **Concern for speed on Wellington St** forwarded to Snr Mgr of Traffic Mgt.

4. Traffic Study

Bondi Traffic Study is currently underway.

MOTION:

Bondi Precinct requests the action plan and overriding principles governing the development of the traffic management plan for the Bondi Basin.

Bondi Precinct believes important traffic principles have been established by Waverley Council and should be included in the traffic management plan. These are:

- 1. No street closures as this just shifts traffic onto surrounding streets;
- 2. No street changes without majority residential support;
- 3. Residents first and residents to be protected in all traffic planning considerations.

Moved by Lynne Cossar.

Seconded by David Burgess.

Carried.

5. Bondi Pavilion and Current issues

Major concern expressed by residents and precinct members about the pop up bar/retail outlet at front of the Pavilion, that is seemingly unauthorised by Council.

MOTION:

Bondi Precinct strongly objects to the front of the Pavilion being used as a branding exercise for *Loubi's On the Beach*, a French company selling shoes. The Pavilion is a historic NSW landmark, restored at vast expense by the ratepayers of Waverley. The current commercial adornment cheapens the façade and obscures the magnificence of this building.

Bondi Precinct requests that Waverley Council provides examples of contracts being offered to cafes, restaurants and other commercial leases at the Pavilion.

Bondi Precinct also requests that Waverley Council release the governance guidelines, Plan of Management for the Pavilion, including who oversees managing the building maintenance, leasing and space and how the community is involved and represented in this process.

Please provide by the end of March.

Moved by Lynne Cossar. Seconded by David Burgess.

Carried.

Discussion around this motion followed

Cr Gray advised that the Pavilion Plan of Mgt is on council website:

https://www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/building/major projects/buildings and facilities/bondi pavilion restoration and conservation project/bondi park, beach and pavilion plan of management

Mentioned that new artistic director is starting and will be curating artistic activities.

Cr Gray thinks that there will be more free community activities for the locals at the Pavilion. Cr Gray keen to get more big scale events viewing (e.g. football, major events) happening in courtyard perhaps.

It was observed as "incredible" that councillors/council officers are letting the Loubi's pop up to go on.

On behalf of precinct, Di Robinson contacted a number of people at Council who knew nothing about it, including Council's Heritage Officer.

Other residents wrote to council with no response.

Di Robinson noted that both Clrs Goltsman and Wy Kanak had responded to her email.

6. DA Update / Private Certifier and Overdevelopment

Several motions arose from this topic of discussion and reporting. DA Update

A DA update was given – mainly focusing on DA 271-2022 – 34-38 Hall St (Le Paris-Go café site). Precinct was contacted by various people in the area to attend a Land & Environment Court public conciliation meeting next Tuesday 21 Feb between council, community and developers.

In general, Precinct supports better planning on this development that serves the needs of the community before the developer.

Bondi Precinct supports the residents' amenity and rights.

MOTION on DA 271/2022:

Bondi Precinct objects to DA 271/2022 on the grounds it is a gross overdevelopment of the site, exceeds height limits and overall bulk, does not comply with the Waverley DCP 2012 and LEP, provides insufficient setbacks, loss of residents' amenity, and is commercial creep into residential areas.

Moved by Lynne Cossar.

Seconded by David Burgess.

Carried.

General discussion about over development and non-compliance issues. With a State Election coming up, this is a big issue in Waverley. The precinct is asking councillors how we can support council in regaining planning powers that benefit the community.

(Note: Cr Kanak – declared his interested as a candidate in the upcoming election.)

The meeting was also told that Our Liveable Centres Strategy has been passed and now informs Waverley's LEP and WDCP. It was passed by Council in September 2020 but is difficult to find on the council website.

It was suggested that a Council Officer attend the next Precinct meeting to talk about it.

Precinct will follow up.

MOTION on Zoning Changes

Bondi Precinct requests a briefing from appropriate council directors on zoning changes and the current status of the Our Liveable Centres Strategy, its impact, and how it informs the LEP, the WDCP and any developments in Bondi.

Moved by Lynne Cossar.

Seconded by Zina Kay.

All in favour. Carried.

Private Certifiers and CDCs

MOTION for pamphlet regarding CDC process and Community Planning Advocate

Bondi Precinct requests that Waverley Council produce a pamphlet as soon as possible outlining the process of CDC's, including:

- 1. The council officer and go-to point for residents with concerns,
- 2. The role and obligations of council,
- 3. The rights of residents and how they can protect themselves,
- 4. Clear lines of escalation for CDC concerns and enquiries,
- 5. Plan for internal training for council staff on CDC's.

Moved: Lee Wright. Seconded: Lisa Hynes.

Carried.

7. Environmental Sustainability and FOGO action

Precinct Executive Member asked where Council was at with FOGO.

The meeting was told Council was conducting an education campaign around the infrastructure launch. This would occur later in 2023.

The meeting was also told Councillors had voted to adopt FOGO in December 2022. However, an education campaign needed to happen first. Broad trial to start in 2023. State Govt has mandated FOGO across state by 2030.

8. Rubbish Dumping, littering and recycling

Rubbish dumping on the streets

A resident spoke to the increase in rubbish on the streets etc. and concern

Cr Wy Kanak mentioned the upcoming Clean Up Australia Day as one way to address rubbish on beach and streets.

MOTION for rubbish dumping issue

Bondi Precinct calls on Waverley Council to develop a plan and enforcement strategy to address the dumping of rubbish on our beaches, roads and pathways.

Moved: Annie Parnell Seconded: Rex Walsh

Carried.

12. Community Advocacy Co-ordinator

MOTION

Bondi Precinct expresses its disappointment at the lack of progress on the appointment of a Community Planning Advocacy Co-ordinator to assist residents navigate the planning process.

Moved: Di Robinson Seconded: Rex Walsh.

Carried.

GENERAL AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Dog Waste on our beaches

Issue was raised on behalf of a resident concerned about allowing their dogs to defecate on the beach and streets. To be followed up.

2. Storm Water Drainage

Concern raised re stormwater draining into the beach at southern end of Bondi Beach.

MOTION

Bondi Precinct calls on Waverley Council to consider alternatives for better managing the drain at the south end of the national heritage listed Bondi Beach.

Moved: Rex Walsh Seconded: Annie Parnell

Carried.

Meeting	closed	at 8	.58pm.
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Next meeting Wednesday 19 April – AGM at Bondi Pavilion.