

QUEENS PARK PRECINCT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

13 May 2019

commencing 7pm Waverley Library Theatrette

Convenors: Peter Cohen

Apologies: Councillor Masselos, Simon Swifte, Michael Ahrens, Daniel Bando, Andrew Stewart

Councillors present: Councillors Burrill and Keenan

Queens Park Pedestrian and Cycle Path - presented by Geoff Reinhard, Planning Manager, Botanic Gardens Centennial Parklands

- Pedestrian and cycle path on the Darley Rd border of Queens Park is in the consultation phase. Feedback is due by 24 May. Online survey and details can be found on the following website:

<https://www.centennialparklands.com.au/about-us/parklands-projects/queens-park-cycleway-project>

- Project is being undertaken by Centennial Parklands in partnership with Waverley and Randwick Councils with funding support from Roads and Maritime Services.
- Consultants have been engaged and project will be delivered in 2020
- Design involves pushing the curb out for pedestrians, with cycle path inside park boundary
- Angle parking will be replaced by parallel to curb parking, reducing parking spots in the lower section but additional spots in the form of angle parking will be provided towards Carrington Rd.
- A few trees of little value will be removed with extra trees to be planted.
- Will provide missing east-west link for cyclists and better access to the park.
- In response to a question about the status of the revision of the Queens Park Master Plan, it was said not to be a priority at the moment but this project fulfills one of the main features of the existing Master Plan.

Election of the Committee – Councillor Keenan officiated

Co-convenors

Peter Cohen nominated by Roma Gillam, seconded by Sarah McCarthy

Simon Swifte nominated by Roma Gillam, seconded by Peter Cohen – to be confirmed

Secretary and DA rep

Roma Gillam nominated by Peter Cohen, seconded by Tony Erikson

Other Committee members

Sarah McCarthy

Phyllis Fong

Rodney Duarte

Michael Ahrens – to be confirmed

Ian Barber – to be confirmed

Daniel Bando – to be confirmed

Michael Eyers – to be confirmed

Minutes from 11 February 2019 meeting

- Motion to accept: Sarah McCarthy Seconded: Phyllis Fong

Bondi Junction Cycleway update

- Planner engaged to review Statement of Environmental Effects and submissions
- Plans close to finalisation

- Two way cycleway on northern side of Spring St
- Start in Spring St likely August 2019 – Newland St to Denison St section first
- Section of bus depot on Oxford St will be used for cycleway and separated bus stop
- St James Rd will be closed off and some of the grassed area be used to compensate bus depot; stone wall erected

West Bondi Junction proposed development update

- Council opposed the Planning Proposal from the outset and has met with senior officers of the Department of Planning and Environment
- Department has delegation from the Minister to determine planning proposals
- Department sought advice from the Independent Planning Commission and Commission approved the Proposal
- Council is now trying to meet with new Planning Minister Rob Stokes to express its concerns
- Roma commented that apparently major candidates for both the recent State and upcoming Federal elections have expressed support for the community in its opposition to this Proposal

Waverley Architectural Mapping Project

- Councillor Burrill informed the meeting of our concerns at the lack of criteria used and the seemingly haphazard nature of the work done by students on behalf of Council.
- Apparently there were no adequate explanations from the project's managers
- Peter informed the meeting that he had prepared a draft spreadsheet and requested criteria for resident volunteers to use in assisting with input for the project.
- Precinct did not receive a response.
- Volunteers are still keen to provide input but it is not clear if the project is ongoing and how the information will be used.
- Tim Sneesby, Manager of Strategic Planning is managing the Project.

Moriah Community Consultative Committee

- At the meeting held on 21 February, school suggested that behaviour of students and parents had improved after a rocky start to the year.
- A Queens Park Rd resident emailed the Precinct Committee informed the meeting that the school community is still breaching the TTPP dozens and dozens of times every school day. Main breaches are:
 - Students parking in the exclusion zone,
 - Parents dropping children off along Queens Park Road and other nearby streets in the mornings,
 - Parents parking in Queens Park Road and Alt Street to walk their children to the school,
 - Parents picking children up in the afternoons along Queens Park Road, Alt Street and surrounding streets,
 - Parents parking in the area to collect their children after school.
- Issues to be discussed at next MCCC meeting on 25 July 2019

General Business

- Councillor Keenan reported that Council rejected the Planning Proposal submitted by a developer for the Robin Hood Hotel site that is in a conservation area. Will now go Planning Review etc
- A number of other issues on the upgraded *Have Your Say* website: Bronte Beach Amenities; new Council office building; Fees and Charges Review; VPA for affordable housing proposed rise to 25% from 10% (already 6000 sq m in Bondi Junction from VPAs)
- Councillor Burrill reported that the War Memorial Hospital Planning Proposal has been

- approved by Council; max height 21m instead of 25m; some buildings 15m
- Council rejected the rezoning to R3, approving seniors housing only
 - Edina Nursing Home to be knocked down; original entry gate to be reopened.
 - Resident Rodney Duarte raised problems he had dealing with Council re stormwater and airconditioning noise. Convenor and residents at the meeting suggested these were personal rather than Precinct matters.
 - Also raised issue petition about the developer of RSL in Gray St wanting to change the internal layout.

Next meeting: 12 August 2019