

Dover Heights Precinct Meeting

November 16, 2014

Location – Body Express Gym – Blake St & Military Road, Dover Heights

Meeting opened 7:30pm

Present: 16 people

Minutes of previous meeting:

Moved. Ray Leonzini Seconded Ben Falk.

Matters arising:

LOOMBAH VERGE.

Report by Ray L: Council contractors cleared the reserve and removed the wheely bin.

Who is responsible for the "Run Off" of rubbish?

Loombah Trees.

Peter Cape addressed Precinct:

I have attempted for 3 Years to get Council to remove the trees that Council planted, which are blocking the views to the Bondi.

On the 7thm of November I sent a letter to Council about the Banksias on the upper boundary of the "Bowling Site", the trees are " A breach of the Tree Policy".

I wish to thank Miriam and the Precinct.

Communications have been touted about the establishment of a hedge as a 2 stage process, How long will this take to establish??

Motion 1– Peter Cappe, Dov Seconded – passed unanimously

DHP requests that the banksias on the upper boundary of the bowling club site be removed ASAP as agreed per Craig Woods. The entire row of trees are meant to be cut, an entire hedge of lilly pilly bushes are meant to be planted below these trees. Once the hedge has taken root the trees are to be removed

completely.

Entry to Raleigh Reserve

"Dog on/off leash area"

Cnr Raleigh and Lola rds.

Sally: Director Cathy Henderson and Sally had a meeting about this matter, Sally will keep us apprised.

Rodney Reserve Master Plan

- * To be developed by 2015.
- * Dov wants to link all reserves.
- * Wood fencing near Weonga "Particularly Bad"
- * Dov wants to make the Precincts wishes known to Mr Glen Carter from Council and would like Glen Carter to attend the next precinct meeting
- * Dov asked Glen to replace the fencing and was told by Glen to make a submission outlining the issues he is concerned about. Dov made his submission which is attached to these minutes

Tres Pani (Local Cafe)

Located Cnr Blake and Military Rds.

Part Owner Mr Peter Brown addressed the Precinct, and explained that he wished to extend trading hours of the Cafe.

Peter expressed that " The decision did not reach Council in time".

Peter claimed that only 1 neighbour had complained about noise, and had over exaggerated and fabricated complaints to Council.

Motion 2 - Ron Nothman, Second Dov Frazer

Dover Heights Precinct AGAIN supports the DA to extend the trading hours of "TRES PANI" (Unanimous)

Bush Care Report.

Dov: 14th September (Dera Sacha Sauda) from Bush Care met with Dov and spent 5 hrs cleaning and removing garbage, bottles, couches, building materials etc with 7 free volunteers, all of Indian decent, who were fully equipped.

Dover Heights Bush Care Group -Philip Glick volunteered to help Dov

Tree Vandalism at the end of Weonga Rd, a chainsaw attack by " end of the road" residents seeking view enhancement.

Safety Report

Ron: There has been an increase of graffiti on all types of structures including wooden power poles and Sydney Water property.

The taggers "JEBS" , "FUNDS" are back and many new tags have become apparent.

Sydney Water is fantastic and remove within 48 hrs.

Power poles have been painted over with greenish/ brown paint.

NEW Business

1 - A Council approved "Charity Event" was held on Dudley Page Reserve.

One vexatious complainant was registered.

Miriam: The resident claimed they were only notified 1 day before the event, and that noise levels inside their home was an issue.

Sally:

- * All neighbours were advised,
- * 2 Council staff were on site.
- * Council Staff did not feel it was disruptive.
- * Staff will be cautious in future.

Dov and Ron: It is important that the Precinct be involved next time.

2 - Blake and Military Road upgrade.

CR Leon is Setting up a meeting and will be working on it.

Sally noted that it is Not on Budget at this time.

Dov: Motion 3 for fencing . Moved, Dov Frazer Seconded Ron Nothman – passed unanimously

Motion – DHP requests that the entire fence line along the cliff from Weonga Road to Raleigh St be filled in at the bottom of the fence with dirt or wood chips so that the garbage, litter, paper and plastic do not continue to flow through the fence and make the cliff side look like a trash receptacle

Dov: Motion 4 regarding Liverpool weeds in park.

Moved Dov Frazer, Second Ron Nothman, passed (Unanimously)

DHL requests that the council remove the grass and weeds growing in the small playground at the end of Liverpool St and do a better job of maintaining this playground year round

Meeting Time Closed - 9:30pm

Submission to Glen Carter by Dov Frazer regarding fencing in Weonga, Rodney and Raleigh Reserves:

Submitted by email on Nov 27, 2014 to Glen Carter

As you know the Weonga and Raleigh Reserves have wood picket fencing between the park and the cliffs. This fencing is completely the WRONG material for the position next to the ocean. The fence is always falling apart and needs large maintenance in replacing broken palings.

Rodney Reserve has a very tall metal and wire fence. While this fencing has weathered better than the wood it is also not imperious to the salt water and rusts over time. It is also extremely ugly and blocks the views from the park to the ocean.

I would like to encourage that your technical manual recommend a fence that is no more than 1.5 meters in height. The fence should NOT be constructed of wood or metal as neither material will last in the salt water environment next to the cliff. I encourage the use of a synthetic material such as what is used on decks that have wood look alike . A synthetic material will such as Enviroslat would be ideal

<http://www.futurewood.com.au/fencing-and-cladding/enviroslat/>

It is also important that the fencing have no gaps at the ground level. Currently large amounts of trash blow UNDER the fencing and end up on the cliff side of the fences. Council refuses to clean up this mess and this problem should be rectified in any future cliff fencing

It is also important that the bushes, grass and trees be cut back at least 50 to 100 cm from the fence so that they do not overtake the fencing as is currently the case in Ralaigh and Weonga Reserves. Council should maintain this clear zone as it currently does in Rodney Reserve

I would like to invite you to come to our next Dover Height Precinct meeting to report on the progress of your technical manual and to address our concerns. Please let me know if you are willing to come to our next meeting which will be in February of 2015.

Thank you so much for letting me know you received this message

Sincerely

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