

DHP meeting Feb 22, 2021- Via Zoom - Started at 7 PM

Attendance - See addendum attendance sheet

Welcome to Hunter Ward Councillors Steven Lewis and Sally Betts

Ron Nothman is our secretary. Kerry Gottlieb is our DA Rep

Special thanks to Mary Shiner for her help organizing our ZOOM meeting in this space

No need tonight to sign the attendance roster as I can see who is here and Ron will note your presence for our attendance list

#### MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING –

Do all agree the minutes are a fair and accurate representation of the meeting:

Moved - Richard Morris

Second -Robert Harvey

ACCEPTED

Dave Sharma Visit - Great Attendance and thanks to everyone for showing our spirit to Dave

Letters from Karen Andrews - See attached letter as pdf

Dov already heard from Dave Sharma. Karen said that Ruby is already well-commemorated at Collaroy Plateau, and with the Medal and Award, and so no federal funding for a Dover Heights construction.

Dave Sharma said endorses our vision and would continue to seek funding

Ron Nothman suggested we contact Bunnings to see if they might want to partially fund a local project - All agreed that was a great idea.

Response Report To Previous Motions

OLD Motion 1

DHP implores council to perform a peer review of the Rodney Reserve Report as per suggestions of both councillors and residents

Response - A peer review of the Geotechnical report (2019) has been completed. The findings of this review will be presented to Council in the March 2 Committee Meeting. The advice provided in the peer review concurs with the previous geotechnical report commissioned in 2019 and recommends the fence alignment remain at the top of slope.

Dov has asked Sally and Will to get a copy of the report. One wonders if any test holes were actually drilled and if so where. Mary says that we will not be able to see the report until a few days before the March 2 council meeting. We should campaign to reject the report

New Motion 1 - DHP requests that council defers a final decision on the fence alignment the peer review of the geotech report of Rodney Reserve until all of the details of the original report and peer review can be fully studied by DHP and concerned residents

Moved - Ron Nothman

Second - Valerie Safer

Approved

OLD Motion 2 - DHP requests that the 1.8 meter high section of the new coastal fence in Rodney Reserve NOT extend beyond the end of the playing field end zone

Response - This request will be taken into consideration when the final alignment of the coastal fence is completed. The height of the fence will transition from 1.8m to 1.2m as soon as practical to prevent balls being lost over the fencing. We expect the extent of the 1.8m high fence will not be as extensive as it currently is.

Question - Is there a legal requirement that the fence be 1.8 meters near a playing field? NO There is a long discussion in previous RR report about Rugby Union and Soccer Clubs and what they think of the location of the fence. The report makes clear that there are no hard rules about the location and height of fence near a playing field.

Who made sports ball the most important consideration in this fence? Is it worth spending all of that extra money to make the fence higher when residents are more concerned with the ocean views and not occasional lost balls. It is a massive waste of money for a few balls.

NEW Motion 2 - Considering that there are no hard rules about the location and height of a fence near a playing field and that Dover Heights residents are

more concerned with the ocean views in Rodney Reserve than occasional lost balls, and considering that the fence is already sufficiently distance from the playing field, and that the additional cost of the higher fence might be better spend on higher grade steel, DHP request that the entire new fence in Rodney Reserve be 1.2 meters high which is the proposed height of the fence in every other section of Rodney Reserve.

Moved - Val Safer

Second - Richard Morris

APPROVED

OLD Motion 3 - DHP requests that ALL vestiges of old fences including concrete pits, wood and steel be removed when the coastal fence is installed

Response - Noted, Council will endeavor to remove all remains of the existing fence. There may be an exception in circumstances if the removal or footing might trigger slope instability or a work health safety risk which is not acceptable to Council or the contractor.

OLD Motion 4 - DHP requests that the new coastal fence not be moved to the west into the Dover Heights Coastal Reserves in ANY section so that the alignment would have the result of making reserves smaller in size.

Response - Noted, the fence will be kept as far as reasonably possible to the east. Council would take geotechnical advice regarding the alignment of the fence. Advice to date recommends the fence be located at least 2 meters landward of the crest of the slope which is a similar position to the existing fence.

NEW Motion 3 - DHP notes that moving the new fence 2 meters to west of the current fence in Rodney Reserve would decrease the size of the reserve by approximately 300 square meters. DHP requests that the new fence in Rodney Reserve should NOT be placed anywhere to the west or landward of its current location.

MOVED - Jean Morris

Second - Robert Harvey

APPROVED

OLD Motion5 - DHP residents DO NOT WANT a sports court installed in Rodney Reserve as part of the Open Space & Recreation strategy:

Response - Noted, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy is being updated to take into account community comments, references to sports courts at Rodney Reserve have been deleted. The strategy will seek adoption from Council shortly.

OH HAPPY DAY - EVERYONE IS THRILLED

OLD Motion 6 - BANKSIA IN DOVER HEIGHTS -

Despite the council officers denying the letter from Craig Woods being real they have not planted many banksia in DH in the last year. So we can consider this a WIN - more or less....

Sally suggested that we organize a meeting with Ben Kusto

<b>Dover Heights Precinct 2020/2021 Financial Year (Ongoing)</b>	
<b>Tree Species</b>	<b>Total Planted</b>
<i>Grevillea 'Coastal Pres/ge'</i>	11
<i>Metrosideros thomasi</i> (New Zealand Christmas Bush)	9
<i>Cupaniopsis anacardioides</i> (Tuckeroo)	4
<i>Callistemon viminalis</i> (BoAlebrush)	3
<i>Leptospermum petersonii</i> (Lemon- scented tea tree)	3
<i>Hibiscus /iaceus</i> (CoAonwood)	2
<i>Banksia integrifolia</i> (Coast Banksia)	1
<i>Melaleuca decora</i> (White Feather Honey-Myrtle)	1

<b>Dover Heights Precinct 2020 Calendar Year</b>	
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<i>Grevillea 'Coastal Pres/ge'</i>	11

<i>Callistemon viminalis</i> (BoA) (Lebrush)	10
<i>Cupaniopsis anacardioides</i> (Tuckeroo)	5
<i>Leptospermum petersonii</i> (Lemon-scented tea tree)	3
<i>Banksia integrifolia</i> (Coast Banksia)	2
<i>Hibiscus /liaceus</i> (CoA) (Aonwood)	2
<i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i> (Watergum)	2
<i>Corymbia ficifolia</i> (Flowering Gum)	1
<i>Melaleuca decora</i> (White Feather Honey-Myrtle)	1

OLD Motion 7 - Motion 7 - DHP requests that council immediately action motions passed by full council to remove the acacia trees blocking ocean views in the Dover Road Safety Slope north of Dover Road in Rodney Reserve. DHP further request that the Buddleja at the southern end of Weonga Reserve be removed as per council motions without delay.

Response - Council will arrange the pruning of the Buddleja on the inland side of the fence at the Southern end Weonga Reserve. Infill planting, with coastal heath species in the location of the already removed acacias, will occur in Autumn 2021 once Council's plant order has been received and the weather is cooler. A staged approach to the removal of the remaining acacias will be undertaken from July 2021- June 2022.

NEW Motion 4 - DHP requests that the staged removal of the Buddleja in Weonga Reserve on the cliff side of the wire fence begin immediately and commence in the area immediately next to the wire fence. DHP further requests that the staged removal of the remaining acacias in the Dover Road Safety Slope begin immediately and NOT be deferred further into the future.

Moved - Philip Goldbruber  
Second - Valerie Safer  
APPROVE

NEW MOTION 5 - DHP requests that council TRIM council planted street trees that are blocking iconic views as per resident requests

Moved - Peter Cappe  
Second - Julie Morris  
APPROVED

OLD Motion 8 - DHP requests that council workers do a biweekly walk through of the area between 7 O'Donnell Street and 54 Military Road on BOTH sides of the road and remove all litter trash and dumped items. The report meant to come back to council by May 2020 seems to have been lost in translation. THIS IS VERGE NEXT TO THE GOLF COURSE with lots of dumping

Response - Council claims they are already doing biweekly inspections in summer and monthly in winter of this area and that we should report dumped items on Snap Send Solve

OLD Motion 9 - DHP requests a copy of the review of the 'Civic Pride' Policy/ Verge maintenance commitment promised by Oct 2020 which has not yet been published.

Motion 11 - DHP request a new bubbler in Raleigh Reserve near 69 Liverpool Street

Response - This report was deferred for presentation to the March Council meeting at this stage.

OLD Motion 10 - DHP requests that fisherman, rock climbers, slack liners and cliff explorers be exempted from any fines at Diamond Bay and Eastern Avenue Reserve and the Dover Heights Coastal Reserve and that rangers be informed of such.

RESPONSE - Council enforcement staff have been applying a discretionary approach to enable rock climbers, slack liners and fisherman to access areas at Diamond Bay and Eastern Avenue Reserve. Rangers will not issue infringement notices to this group of people.

OLD Motion 12 - DHP requests that council or police do an enforcement blitz to stop cars from stopping in the No Stopping Zone at the South East corner of Mitchell and Murrivier Road directly outside Shuk Café.

Response

Parking Enforcement Staff have been asked to undertake additional patrols of the area and take appropriate action against offending vehicles

OLD ISSUE - Bubbler at Liverpool and Raleigh Reserve -

Dov shows pdf from council about bubbler location. Location to be near fence rather than near street as per resident requests

New bubbler seems to be something that might actually happen in our lifetimes!!

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OLD ISSUE From Nov2020

5 - DEFIBS in Dover Heights - NONE exist – this issue was raised from last meeting. Dov asked the life savers at Bondi Surf Lifesaving about this. At Bondi there is one with lifeguards and one at Bondi Surf Life Savers and another with North Bondi Surf Club

a - These are expensive pieces of equipment

b - at the beach they are mostly respected, but some have been vandalized

c - safest place to put one would be at Archies Cafe but there are most people in Dudley Page Reserve

d - are we asking council to pay for this or should we attempt to fund raise

Residents noted that Hatzollah is based in Dover Heights

Residents suggested the Dov talk to Hatzollah to see they are happy to put signage at Dudley Page, Archies Cafe and Rodney Reserve with their phone number as they have the closest DEFIB and they can attend quickly with both at DEBFIB and emergency medical services

General Business

NEW Motion 6

: That at the Eastern Entrances to Raleigh Reserve from both Liverpool Street and Lyons street

A covered picnic table with bench seating be provided .

The tables could be placed at the centre of the existing white fences which would then have minimal if any Blockage of views etc from the neighboring houses.

These amenities would greatly enhance our local open space for both locals and the many tourists who frequent this area as well as bringing us into line with most other parks in our community.

NOTE - there is BIN IS AT LYONS, NONE at Liverpool

Moved - Richard Morris  
Seconded - Julie Stark  
APPROVED

Julie Barel complained about Tuckeroo Trees blocking view on Myuna Road. Dov agree as they have grown huge. Dov proposed to organize a meeting with Ben Kusto at that site to discuss street trees blocking views etc

2 - Parking on Blake Street between Portland & Military Road. No parking now next to verge at 220 but propose no parking on the entire north side of the street due to congestion and recent accident

New Motion IDEA - DHP request that council install no parking on the north side of Blake St between Portland and Military Road which is between the driveway to 220 Military and the NE corner of Portland and Blake Street.

Sally said she would talk to Dan about this to see if there is any solution. No motion was passed. Dov suggested a no parking zone could be timed from 7 AM to 3 PM to help with congestion but keep parking for residents. NO motion was moved.

3 - Sydney Water fence at edge of slope in Dudley Page Reserve. Dov had meeting with Sydney Water Maintenance Manager Lui Belsito. Someone was injured on the slope and they were filling in the slope with dirt. He suggested that they should erect a fence on the viewing side of Dudley Page reserve. I mentioned residents would not be happy.

NEW Motion 7 - DHP requests that Sydney Water NOT place any fencing on the west side of Dudley Page reserve so the the unobstructed views of the Harbour can be preserved.

Moved - Ron Nothman

Second - Valerie Safer

APPROVED

NEW MOTION 8 - DHP requests that council cover the Dudley Page gym with Shade Cloth

Moved - Valerie Safer

Second = Robert Harvey

APPROVED

Robert Harvey mentioned that the playground at Caffyn Reserve does not need shade cloth as there are plenty of shade trees

NEW MOTION 9 - DHP requests a crosswalk at Myuna crossing to Dudley Page Reserve

Moved - Julie Barel

Second - Ron Nothman

APPROVED

New Motion 10 - DHP requests port a loos next to pump house in Dudley Page Reserve -

LOTS OF DISCUSSION - MOTION NOT APPROVED

Motion 11 - DHP requests that council trim the Banksia south of the playground along the pedestrian pathway between Military Road and Portland Street on the southern extremity of Dudley Page Reserve that is blocking the pre existing views of properties at 191, 193 and 250 Military Road.

MOVED - John Ingster

Second - Sandy Kane

APPROVED

Discussion on verge at Blair Street - Some liked it and others did not. No motion was moved

MEETING ENDED at 9:30 PM