

## HUNTER WARD DOVER HEIGHTS PRECINCT

### Waverley Council Response Report to requests from the 31 August 2023 Dover Heights Precinct meeting

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31 August 2023	Motion 1 - DHP requests that all the Eastern Reserve Pumping Station assets be placed west of the white wood fence if feasible.	<p>Council's Service Manager of Open Spaces + Recreation has advised:</p> <p>Council are continuing to liaise with Sydney Water on this project to ensure the concerns of residents' concerns and the visual and physical impacts to the Reserve are considered. Council notes the Precinct's preference for infrastructure to be located beyond the alignment of the exiting white fence at the termination of Eastern Avenue and that this has been conveyed to Sydney Water.</p> <p>Sydney Water are continuing to investigate the options for the Eastern Reserve Pump Station. Council's understanding is Sydney Water will be re-engaging with the community on options in early 2024.</p>	Assets & Operations	Complete
31 August 2023	Motion 2 - DHP request that council remove all the trash, old concrete, bricks and dumped rubbish and litter found on the cliff side of the fence and all along the path of the new Cliff Walk being constructed in Diamond Bay between Kimberley Street and Craig Ave.	<p>CLC raised request via Merit. Your Request ID is <b>2339223</b>.</p> <p>Council's Assets + Operations team have advised that Council always raise clearing trash and litter from within the construction zone area at weekly site meetings with the contractor.</p> <p>As for materials from construction works i.e. concrete for example, this is cleared towards the end of the works, when the contractor has made good the area and before they demobilise from site.</p>	Assets & Operations	Complete
31 August 2023	Motion 3 - DHP requests that all remaining traces of the Buddleja in Weonga / Rodney Reserves above ground level be removed.	The Director of Assets & Operations has advised that Council are officers investigating further treatment of the Buddleja as needed and feasibility and safety of removing the remaining plants.	Assets & Operations	In progress
31 August 2023	Motion 4 - DHP requests that council now remove the wrongly planted acacia subspecies that was meant to be low growing shrubs but ended up being high growing trees in Weonga and Raleigh Reserves.	The Director of Assets & Operations has advised that Council officers are not aware of wrongly planted acacia species. Recent site visit with a representative from DHP identified the Buddleja and dead trees as a priority to be removed. If the trees in question can be identified, they can be assessed.	Assets & Operations	In progress

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	Residents and visitors come to the cliff walks to see whales and the ocean. The wrongly planted acacia was already removed in the Dover Road Safety Slope. Please complete the job by removing the wrongly planted acacia in Weonga and Raleigh Reserves on the cliff side of the fence so that ocean views may be restored.			
31 August 2023	Motion 5 - DHP thanks Council for its special motion to trim the wrongly planted Tuckeroo Trees on the south side of Myuna Street from the Butterfly House to the east. While these trees were in fact trimmed on the sides they were not trimmed at all on the top which is where the views are being blocked. However now that council has trimmed these trees in an attempt to restore the preexisting views, the tree policy condition has been fulfilled. The policy states that only trees that have a history of having been trimmed are allowed to be further trimmed to restore preexisting views. So now that the tuckeroo trees have a history of being trimmed to restore preexisting views, we request that they are now properly trimmed at the top to restore the preexisting harbour views of the residents who live on the South side of Myuna Road.	The Director of Assets & Operations has advised that as per the resident notification/Notice of Tree Works dated 23 May, the Tuckeroo trees on the eastern side of Myuna Road were pruned for maintenance requirements only. These works included the removal of selected branches that encroach property clearance guidelines and impede roadside and public way tolerances, deadwood and canopy thinning in accordance with the Australian Standards AS4373 - <i>Pruning of Amenity Trees</i> and Council's Tree Management Policy and Tree Management Guidelines.	Assets & Operations	Complete
31 August 2023	Motion 6 - DHP requests that the wrongly planted Tuckeroo Trees on the south side of Myuna Road be removed and replaced by	The Director of Assets & Operations has advised that the subject trees on the southern side of Myuna Road were assessed as per the Public Domain Tree Inventory Audit with no adverse health and condition	Assets & Operations	Complete

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	suitable native trees which will not grow to block residents preexisting views which existed prior to the planting of the Tuckerroo Trees.	findings. Tree Officers will assess, prune and/or remove any council owned tree asset that pose a genuine safety risk to persons or property due to ill health or high risk of failure.		
31 August 2023	Motion 7 - DHP objects to the curb buildout option at Military Road and Hunter Street and strongly prefers a zebra crossing.	Council notes the feedback from Dover Heights Precinct, however, at the July 2023 Waverley Traffic Committee, Council has approved the curb build out option at Military Road and Hunter Street, Dover Heights. Works are scheduled to occur in the 24/25 financial year.	Assets & Operations	Complete
31 August 2023	Motion 8 - DHP would like to remind Council that the large landslip in Rodney Reserve near the playing field was in the opinion of ALL residents who live nearby caused by the regrading of the field by the contractor who installed the new playing field. The most recent small landslip next to the Buddleja Patch was caused by the Council contractor that dug a large hole on the cliff side of the wire fence and then not refilling the hole. DHP requests that Council fully investigate the council contractors who caused the two most recent landslip incidents...	Director of Assets & Operations has advised that Council is in the final stages of completing a detailed geotechnical investigation along the frontage of the reserve. There is one more piece of fieldwork to complete. We expect to report to Council in early 2024. Council can then provide a detailed update to the Dover Heights Precinct.	Assets & Operations	In progress
31 August 2023	Motion 9 - DHP requests that council revisit pinch points identified in 2017 / 2018 and any others on Military Road and consider acting upon them to improve traffic flows.	Council undertook a pinch points project and delivered the agreed packages at the time. Council Officers are not aware of any significant pinch points that need to be addressed. Should the precinct have specific locations, please advise.	Assets & Operations	Complete

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		Please note any further works would have to be considered and budgeted for.		
31 August 2023	Motion 10 - DHP requests that Council provide residents with at least one weeks' notice for future filming crews street disruptions.	<p>Council's Manager of Events has advised of Council's process: Council normally asks film applicants to advise residents at least 5 working days in advance.</p> <p>If they are a low impact or ultra-low, we allow shorter notice, as we often do not receive more notice – and by law we must approve.</p> <p>Please note, there is NSW Government legislation that legally obligates Council's to approved film productions to support the film and television industry.</p> <p>Council cannot unreasonably refuse applications to film, and that means almost anywhere, and it includes providing access to parking. The Local Government Filming Protocol indicates:</p> <p><i>Unit parking is required for the support vehicles: the catering truck, makeup and wardrobe vans, cast caravans – colloquially, "the circus". Councils, especially those with built-up areas, are encouraged to designate a number of locations that can be recommended to filmmakers for unit parking. If costs for the areas apply for any other usage, then costs for vehicles associated with filming activity may apply on the same scale. If no costs apply to other users, then no costs apply for use associated with filming activity.</i></p> <p>This means if the parking is free and readily available, Council can't charge for it, which is why we didn't know about the parking on Portland Street.</p> <p>Additionally:</p>	Events	Complete

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		<p><i>Local community notification: Filmmakers need to do a letter drop to residents and the local community with the details of the filming, with a copy to council for Local Government Filming Protocol Page 20 of 45 information. The letters should be delivered with enough lead time for people to make further inquiries. The letter should indicate the times and nature of the shoot, conditions of council approval, and provide a contact name and number for the production. The production should have a strategy for managing community concerns and/or complaints. If filming permission is sought at especially short notice, for example for a production contracted at short notice or for a sudden schedule change, additional time and effort may be needed to inform affected residents, for example door knocking as well as letter boxing.</i></p> <p>Additional information can be viewed at <a href="#">LG Filming Protocol</a>.</p> <p>Can the Precinct please let the CLC know the day the shoot so that we can discuss the issue with the applicant?</p>		
31 August 2023	Motion 11 - DHP requests that council trim the verge between 247 and 249 Military Road to allow resident to retain their preexisting views of the ocean. It should be noted that this verge has already been trimmed by Council so has a history of being trimmed.	<p>CLC has lodged request via Merit. Request ID is <b>2339215</b>. Currently being investigated.</p> <p>Updated 22/22 - The officer assigned to this task has completed the request with the following comments: No pruning required. Council has not pruned trees for views at this location but have removed weeds any other pruning was illegal works.</p>	Assets & Operations	In progress
31 August 2023	Motion 12 - DHP requests that council replace the old bricks with new pavers between 649 and 667 Old South Head Road.	<p>CLC has lodged request via Merit. Request ID is <b>2339217</b>. Currently being investigated.</p>	Assets & Operations	In progress

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	The new pavers should match the red pavers on the Woollahra side of OSH.			
<b>Next meeting: 13 November 2023</b>				