

BONDI WARD
BONDI BEACH PRECINCT

Waverley Council Response Report to Motions from February 2022 Bondi Beach Precinct meeting

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7 February 2022	<p>Excessive development on sandhills</p> <p>MOTION 1: Bondi Beach Precinct would like to know if Council has done or intends to do any in depth study on the consequences of excessive excavations on sandhills, particularly those with flowing water courses below them?</p>	<p>Council has not undertaken groundwater flow modelling within the Bondi Basin.</p> <p>To assist with understanding groundwater flows we must first understand our stormwater systems and flood impact. In the last few years Council has focused on completing the Flood Study for the greater LGA. The Flood Study was endorsed in February 2021.</p> <p>Within the last twelve months, Council has also reviewed and updated its Water Management Technical Manual which determines how development controls are applied for stormwater including, infiltration systems, onsite detention systems, flood controls, dewatering and bulk excavations.</p> <p>Council officers intend on undertaking the next stage of the Flood Study which is for identifying improvements to the stormwater system for reducing flooding. The Office of Environment and Heritage has provided 2/3 of the funding required for the Flood Study and is likely to also equally fund stage 2 in the coming financial year.</p> <p>Further to the above Council also intends to undertake infiltration zone studies and groundwater flow modelling. This process requires considerable data to be collected and analysed including understanding existing basement excavations and as such takes a fair amount of time. Officers will be scoping this project in tandem to the stage 2 of the</p>	Community Assets and Operations	Finalised

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		<p>flood study and looking for funding opportunities through a range of government grant programs.</p> <p>We will update the Precinct once we have an understanding of funding opportunities and develop a project plan.</p>		
7 February 2022	MOTION 2: Bondi Beach Precinct congratulates all Councillors on their recent election to Waverley Council, and welcomes Cr Gray, our newest Bondi Ward representative.	Noted. Perhaps the Precinct will email the Motion to the Councillors directly.	Precinct	
7 February 2022	MOTION 3: Given the many significant contributions made to Bondi Ward and Bondi Beach by Councillor John Wakefield during his long term of service to the community, particularly during his latest term as Mayor when he oversaw the Bondi Pavilion restorations, the north Bondi Promenade and pool works and the Notts Ave upgrade among other things, Bondi Beach Precinct requests that Waverley Council consider installing a plaque and/or naming one of these public works to commemorate Cr Wakefield's contribution. For instance, the Notts Ave up-grade could be recognised as Wakefield Plaza.	<p>Any proposal to commemorate a person, whether living or deceased, requires a resolution of Council.</p> <p>As examples, please refer to the following two Council resolutions: Council resolution CM/7.11/21.05 regarding commemoration Pauline Menczer. MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes the inclusion of the story of Pauline Menczer within the Bondi Story Room. 2. Notes the planned mural featuring Pauline Menczer on the Bondi Seawall. 3. Further investigates and progresses planning for a statue commemoration of Pauline Menczer, including working with the project initiators on processes outlined in the Art Collection Acquisition and Deaccessioning Guidelines. 4. Officers report back to Council outlining progress on funding and time frames for a statue commemoration of Pauline Menczer. 	Community Assets and Operations	Finalised

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		<p>CM/5.3/18.07 Ernie Page MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION That:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Council identifies a suitable memorial for the Hon. Ernie Page. 2. Council approaches Randwick Council to participate in honouring the memory of Ernie Page. 3. A report come back to Council, which includes a methodology for the future recognition of eminent residents. 4. Council notes that it will be receiving a report on commemorative tributes at a future Council meeting. <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p>Please also note that as per the resolution of the Operations and Community Services Committee (9/10/2018), Council declines donations for park benches and trees with associated memorials from individual community members.</p>		
7 February 2022	<p>Footpaths QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL: It was unanimously agreed to ask the relevant Council staff the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are footpaths inspected and if so how often? • Who are trip hazards reported to? • How long does it take Council to fix a trip hazard? • If Council doesn't do regular inspections of footpaths how are trip hazards identified? 	<p>Council has a dedicated team called the "Public Place Coordination" team that undertakes ongoing inspections proactively and upon resident reporting. At a minimum, every footpath in Waverley is inspected once every two years, but in reality, this occurs more often based on the further ongoing reporting from residents and other Council staff.</p> <p>Trip hazards should be reported through the "Snap Send Solve" app. The process for reporting is simple and streamlined for both the person reporting and then Council staff to action.</p>	Community Assets and Operations	Finalised

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		<p>Fixing of trip hazards is determined based on the risk rating of the defect. Council has three tiers of defects, Condition 3, 4 and 5, with 5 being the worst. Trip hazards are assessed by their height and the location in question. e.g. trip hazards of less than 2cm are considered non-urgent and get added to a program for actioning further along the program. If something is assessed as a condition 5 trip hazard, Council will make safe within 10 working days.</p> <p>Trip hazard identification as noted above is both proactive (internal staff checks) and resident reported. It is crucial that our community assists with the reporting of hazards as that forms a greater picture for Council to manage the large network that is caters for.</p>		
7 February 2022	<p>Gutters QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL: It was unanimously agreed to ask the relevant Council staff the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How often are gutters cleaned • How are they cleaned • Why is soil washed into gutters in the rain left in the gutters? This soil becomes a bank for debris to pile up against and needs to be removed. • How would council propose to remove this soil? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How often are gutters cleaned – The commercial area gutters are cleaned daily. The residential areas are cleaned monthly during normal scheduling. • How are they cleaned – A combination of manual and mechanical sweeping. • Why is soil washed into gutters in the rain left in the gutters? This soil becomes a bank for debris to pile up against and needs to be removed. - Soil is removed from gutters. If there are areas of concern residents can log a merit for actioning by the cleansing team. • How would council propose to remove this soil? A shovel. 	Community Assets and Operations	Finalised

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7 February 2022	<p>Mowing verges</p> <p>QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL: It was unanimously agreed to ask the relevant Council staff the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How often are verges mowed? • If they are not being mowed why not? • How does Council propose to keep streets tidy if they don't mow verges? 	<p>Council maintains approx. 20% of nature strips in the LGA these are.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gateways and main roads • Public places which are difficult to mow (Slopes and embankments) • Special needs (physically unable) <p>As you can see from the schedule areas that Council maintains are cut four times a year. (Mowing schedule is attached separately)</p> <p>Council depends on the goodwill and civic pride of our residents and we are not resourced to mow more than the 20% we are currently mowing.</p>	Community Assets and Operations	Finalised

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