

CHARING CROSS VILLAGE PRECINCT MEETING

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 8TH 2023

Welcome to Meeting

Julie McAlpin welcomed Residents to first the meeting for 2023 and thanked the large group for attending. JM acknowledged the presence of Cr Ludovico Fabiano

APOLOGIES

Mayor Paula Masellos

Cr Tony Kay

Cr Elaine Keenan

INTRO by JM CONVENOR, DC CO CONVENOR AND MM DA REPRESENTATIVE

JM advised of a change in agenda Order due to Reports of Anti-Social Behaviour in the Charing Cross Pubs and adjacent outdoor location near the major intersection. JM showed photos of persons intoxicated, falling over and being dragged in the Charing Cross intersection.

ROBIN HOOD HOTEL

Intro Peter Jones-Best - Licensee from the Robin Hood Hotel

- PJB has been at the hotel one year. Worked at BJ Hotel in the past
- He is present most Nights. Person in photo was refused entry to hotel
- Friday Nights busiest. Young crowd
- Anti-Social Behaviour from 18 -20-year-olds – Who are increasingly in hotels after Covid restrictions ended. They have not experience of managing their drinking habits
- 5 Security guards on Fri Night. Single entrance to venue
- They are fully compliant as per their DA
- Duty of care to patrons. Ensure they get home safely
- Cannot move people on if not safe. They are local young people
- They do ask people to keep voices down
- Their jurisdiction is 50 metres from venue. Cannot move people down the road
- If there is a complaint about patrons, residents need to contact the Hotel. The RHH can't do anything if they do not know about incidents
- PJB had not heard about issues outside that Friday night
- To reach the RHH Tel **93893477**
- Email manager@robinhoodhotel.com.au

COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS

- Person in photo was dragged across the road into Charing Cross Hotel. There were no security guards at the CCH
- RHH Security guard did nothing and was not present till the person was across the road

- PJB Says their jurisdiction ends when the person is across the road
- MP says that they live 30 metres (less than 50 metres) across from the RHH and people are urinating, and vomiting in their driveways, doorsteps and on the footpaths adjacent to their homes
- SB asks if I was to ring the RHH what will you do?
- It's not just Friday..... its Thursday Night to Sunday Night
- SB must barricade his home driveway. The pub is open to 3am. Residents are awake all night to 3am with people later congregating under awning waiting for Ubers. Thurs – Sunday from 10pm – 3am there is constant noise
- Hotel Patrons leaving the Hotel urinate in his driveway vomit and congregate waiting for Ubers
- SB requests RHH put a guard on Carrington Road to ask people to quieten down and not urinate on neighbours' properties. Licensing Police has suggested an extra guard
- JM asked if an extra guard could be an option? SB says that people bang on RH Hotel doors on Carrington Rd trying to get in
- PJB says he has not had any complaints about Carrington Road before
- SB says there are people running back and forth across the road trying to get Uber, dodging traffic
- The proposed PUDO not working
- **ACTION For Council to get PUDO WORKING**
- DP asked about the incident with Police and Ambulance at hotel? Was it a minor scuffle? Why was the hotel shut down?
- PJB said they shut it down voluntarily
- SB suggests a guard be shared by the venues on Carrington to stop anti-social behaviour
- Keen noise down etc
- PJB asks SB what he would like them to do
- SB suggested that an extra security guard would ask people keep the noise down
- JM suggested Licensing Police for increased presence
- MP suggests the pubs licensed hours need to be changed and limited to close at midnight
- RSA – PJB says that he can't stop people from drinking before they come in or taking other substances before they arrive. If drunk, they are asked to leave
- JM – **Summary Action Council to action PUDO – Approach both Hotels for a shared Security Guard on Carrington Road. Discuss with licensing Police**
- PJB will give mobile and suggests texts to him from Residents when there is a problem. Says he has not received a single email from Residents
- Dan visitor from Randwick visits local Pub. At the Bus stop on Thursday nights cyclists who visit the Pub tie them to the Bus stop. It is difficult for passengers to alight and get onto Bus. Requests the Licensee of the RHH asks them not to tie their bikes to the Bus stop
- MM suggests lock up loops for Bicycles
- DC suggests going to the Media
- PJB happy to come to meetings but need residents to contact him about the issues
- JM reiterates that all incidents be documented
- SB rang Gaming people. Could not get Social Impact statement without RHH licensee signing a document to get it released
- Discussion ended and PJB left the meeting

Summary of Agreed Actions

1. **Ask Council to follow up PUDO coordinated with UBER to ensure UBER drivers are directed to the PUDO**
2. **Explore the feasibility of CCH and RRH introducing, (on a trial basis) a shared security service to patrol Carrington Road**
3. **Reinstate CCH and RRH contact details on CCP Meeting Flyers**
4. **Request ESLAC (police) to increase a patrol presence (as a deterrent) on weekends and Friday nights in particular**
5. **Commence a register of breach or potential breach of DA Conditions & Liquor Licensing conditions**
6. **Ask Council to look into a PR campaign aimed to inform hotel patrons of the need to respect the local residents and behaviour appropriately**

WELCOME TO COUNTRY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS - JM

- JM continued with the business of the meeting and returned to the Agenda

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

Moved by MM
Seconded by SB

Unanimously Accepted as a true record of the meeting

Matter Arising from the October 2022 minutes

Motion relating to the Drainage system – Council to provide overview to better understand water flows within the Charing Cross Precinct. Flows from Carrington Road down to Bronte. Also related to High Street drainage.

On the Council Website there are comprehensive documents showing water flow on the Council Website

MV spoke to chief engineer regarding High Street which has flooded. They have cleaned up drain in High Street and it is running. Pipes underground in High Street need to be bigger and pits need to be bigger.

(Note road was flooded again on Friday Feb 10th)

ST CATHERINE'S COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE – COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTED

Council Rep will be **Sunil Kushor – Manager of Compliance**. He will join the committee at the next meeting in March

GIPPS STREET

Tree issue has been resolved according to Council

RESIDENTIAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS FOR CHARING CROSS – ZONE 25

Clarification regarding the proposed Zone 25 – There is confusion about the applicable area and what the result of the survey shows. JL (from Council) is seeking further clarification.

ACTION Deferred to the next Precinct Meeting

HIGH STREET – NO THROUGH ROAD

High Street now has a sign stating it is a no through road as requested at the October Precinct meeting. It stops people driving up the road thinking they can get through. ‘High Street’ and ‘No Through Road’ signs were installed in this location on 18 November 2022.

WASTE SURVEY

Council will be trialling a food organics garden organics (FOGO) collection service in 2024. Council is working through several key factors including procurement and contractual matters, which need to be finalised prior to the commencement of a trial to ensure the collected materials can be processed. Procurement of bins, workforce planning and the development of community education programs on how to use the service also needs to be developed.

In the meantime, please continue to dispose of your food organic waste in the kerbside, red-lidded bin which is currently processed through a Mechanical and Biological Treatment (MBT) facility, significantly reducing residual waste going to landfill. Alternatively, to learn more about how to reduce or compost your food waste or receive 80% off the price of composting products, visit [our website](#).

POLICE REPORT

Next Thursday Feb 16th – Police Community Safety Precinct Meeting DC and SB will be in attendance and will discuss the issues related to the Pubs in Charing Cross

ST CATHERINE’S SCHOOL REPORT – DC

- New Headmistress Judith Poole
- New Theatre called the Dr Julie Townsend Theatre (after the Former Headmistress)
- Theatre and Aquatic Centre now operating for the school only. Not allowed to be hired out as per the approval conditions
- Macpherson Street Crossing has been moved East
- JM and DC have been on Committee for 5 years
- Looking for other Residents to be on the Committee.
- Residents must scrutinize traffic and parking statistics. Need people who can hold the school to account especially in relation to the conditions of consent for the development

NOISE FROM NEIGHBOURS HAVING PARTIES

House in Carrington Road with loud parties that start and 2pm and go to 3am
MP contacted landlord but did not commit to any action
MP said you can call police after midnight

House on Henrietta Street owned by Waverley College has loud parties also

THE CHARING CROSS HUB

Waverley Action Group ran activities from the space. We ran talks and meetings at that venue. WAG is now giving up the Space. Not suitable for large crowd
Talks held were good and well attended. JM thanked everyone for their Support and hopes to continue the talks this year at a larger venue

CHARING CROSS STREETScape UPGRADE - UPDATE

- No Contractor has been found yet
- Consultation has finished
- Council will release Heritage Plan. Once that is endorsed, we will know more
- Do not know about any Economic Survey
- A submission was made by Gerry about the lack of Disabled Parking

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

These are of note

282A Bronte Rd Charing Field – Changing interiors possibly to be compliant as an Aged Care Facility

Bronte Surf Club – Rebuild on Public Exhibition. See Waverley Council Website

222 Bronte Road – To be a GP / Medical Surgery

234 Bronte Road – Old Post Office - St Clare's Catholic College - Innovation Hub

WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Is the Hostel to be demolished in April or May?

Including the Nursing Home – now a Women's Refuge

Is there a DA application?

MM wrote to Tim S a Planner at Council who did not know of any DA s in relation to the War Memorial

Action Sam McGuinness to come and talk about the Wildlife Corridor at the War Memorial Hospital at the next Precinct Meeting

Action Cr Ludovico Fabiano to follow up on what is happening in relation to the demolition

Suggestion to write to National Trust. JM pointed out that a few submissions were made through Council to the National Trust as well as by other local Precincts

It is important to remember that the DA is being managed by the State Govt not the Waverley Council because of the size of development

TOBACCONIST

248-250 Bronte Road now a tobacconist – Signage is fluorescent yellow, and residents were wondering why they are allowed to use such bright colours

Are there any signage controls in Charing Cross?

Action: MM to follow up with Council

WAVERLEY DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN (WDCP)

MV asked what has happened to the draft WDCP. Has it been finalised and action. Cr Ludovico Fabiano advised that the Waverley WDCP has been approved Dec 9th2022

SPEED ON CARRINGTON ROAD

SB suggested that a 50 Speed sign be placed near the Charing Cross intersection to slow down traffic especially at night

Action: Council to approach state Govt for Signage

SHORT FILM ON - THE WAR MEMORIAL

Suggestion that the War Memorial Hospital has a short film made about it, like the Waverley Cemetery Video, to record and promote Heritage buildings in the local area. MV said that grants are available through the LIONS CLUB

Action MV to liaise with JM for Lions Grant

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday April 19th 2023

Meeting ended at 8.35pm