

**Bondi Precinct Meeting 241030**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**Wednesday 30 October 2024**  
**Held in Yalagang Room, Bondi Pavilion, 7pm**

1	<p>Meeting Commences at 7.02 pm  Co-Conveners: Di Robinson (DR) / Lynne Cossar (LC) welcomes all attendees.</p> <p>Acknowledgement of country</p>
2	<p><b>Attendance:</b> 19 attendees including precinct committee and councillors.</p> <p>Councillors in attendance: Cr Dominic Wy Kanak, Cr Margaret Merten, Cr Joshua Spicer representing Cr Michelle Stephenson.</p> <p>Council representative: Nil.</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Mayor, Cr Will Nemesh. .</p>
3	<p><b>Minutes of previous meeting</b> presented for ratification (held 13 August 2024)  Moved: Zina K  Second: Di R  Carried, by those present who attended the 13 August Bondi Precinct meeting</p>
4a	<p><b>Newly elected Councillors – Introduction and Q&amp;A</b>  Each Councillor present at the meeting was given a few minutes to introduce themselves and outline their priorities for Waverley and to take questions. Some of the discussion points below:</p>
4b	<p><b>Questions from the floor to Councillors around following topics:</b></p> <p><b>Additional High School.</b>  A resident raised the issue of a new High School for the area and other social infrastructure needs in the area.. Discussion about State Government’s responsibility for public schools.</p> <p><b>Affordable Housing</b>  Discussion and questions around affordable housing in Waverley.</p> <p>The meeting was advised affordable housing now came under the Strategic Property Review Committee at Council, and a new report was pending.</p> <p><b>Poor state of Bondi’s roads</b>  The poor condition of O’Brien St was raised. Conveners pointed out the issue of O’Brien Street had been raised by Precinct with council many times,</p>

	<p>The traffic situation at the corner of Wellington and O'Brien Streets was also raised, particularly when cars from the new multi-storey apartment development start entering the traffic network.</p> <p>The meeting noted O'Brien Street was not the only road experiencing shaking and vibrations, especially with the large trucks moving through the area: Blair St, Sir Thomas Mitchell Rd, and Lamrock Ave among others.</p> <p><b>40km speed limited for Bondi</b> Discussion around reducing speed limit to 40km. (to be raised later in the meeting)</p>
5	<p><b>Save Bondi Village (SBV) update</b></p> <p>DR gave update. SBV created in response to State Govt proposed housing reforms with rezoning and revised new housing targets, affecting Waverley and in particular Bondi Village with potential 6-8 floor buildings in areas currently not zoned for such.</p> <p>Council was asked to conduct an information, communication and outreach campaign for the community around the housing reforms but Council voted against a full campaign, instead voting for the following amended motion (part). <i>Requests that Council's Community Planning Advocate works with the Precincts and community groups to explain the new State Government's housing reforms and their impacts on Waverley and prepares a report to the December Council meeting with a full proposal on a way forward, including budget.</i></p> <p>Cr Merten noted that it was important that Waverley had a position on the targets and talk to relevant planning people, including Planning Minister Scully. Planners should look and see where the uplift for new dwellings could occur. Waverley needed to do its' share of the heavy lifting but not to the detriment of existing residential areas with heritage, conservation, environmental, density and tourism concerns.</p> <p><b>Q:</b> If Waverley already meets new targets, with developments in progress, do the housing reforms still apply?</p> <p>Precinct and Councillors will follow up and report back.</p> <p>The following motion was put to the meeting:</p> <p><b>MOTION (1):</b></p> <p>Bondi Precinct notes Waverley Council's decision on 29 October 2024 re: community calls for an awareness campaign alerting Waverley residents to the serious impacts of the NSW low-mid level housing reforms.</p> <p>Bondi Precinct requests council consult the community before finalising any "masterplan" that involves zoning and other changes, particularly height and FSRs.</p>

	<p>Bondi Precinct also requests that Council consult the community before suggesting any community/crown assets for potential uplift.</p> <p>Moved: Di R          Seconded: Prue C.          Carried unanimously.</p>
6	<p><b>Current housing density</b></p> <p><b>Councillors were asked whether council had a “de-densification” policy around the density problems</b> and the reduction of density occurring within buildings of multiple units being knocked down or developed to create single or dual dwellings. Major concern for loss of affordable housing and loss of density, which is against the current proposed housing reforms for increased density.</p> <p>The meeting was told about a Have Your Say currently underway on the issue of reducing density in R3 and R4 zones.</p> <p>Residents were urged to put their views forward.</p>
7	<p><b>Matters Arising – Officers’ Response Report</b></p> <p><b>Affordability of hire of Bondi Pavilion.</b>          Di R gave examples of lack of individual hire rates, as well as community rate. Mentioned that local groups can’t meet without paying.</p> <p>The meeting was told that council was going to look into the issues raised and write a report, re affordable rates for local residents and small local businesses and non-commercial hires.</p> <p><b>MOTION (2):</b></p> <p>Bondi Precinct notes the response from council officers (Response Report, August 2024 meetings) regarding requests for a discounted rate for local residents to use the Bondi Pavilion and that an investigation into the feasibility of a discounted rate is currently underway.</p> <p>Bondi Precinct requests a timeline for this investigation and also reiterates the need for a discounted rate for individuals and groups that do not qualify as a registered Not for Profit or charity. Council could include quotas or conditions governing use.</p> <p>Moved: Di R          Seconded: AP          Voted on and Carried unanimously</p>

	<p><b>Parking fines</b> – From previous meeting, Precinct requested a detailed summary for Parking fine revenue. (State Govt believe some LGAs have increased fines by 60% and looking into why that may have occurred.)</p> <p>Council has responded with link to Annual Statement of Accounts. The link: <a href="http://www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/council/policies_procedures_and_plans/annual_statement_of_accounts">www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/council/policies_procedures_and_plans/annual_statement_of_accounts</a></p>
8	<p><b>DA Update</b></p> <p>Trends – DAs seem to be picking up in volume, lots of extensive house renovations. Gym on Campbell Pde to start classes at 5am.</p>
9	<p><b>Affordable Housing Policy discussion deferred until next meeting</b></p>

10	<p><b>Sustainability and Waverley' FOGO Trial</b></p> <p>Waverley's FOGO trial started in Oct 2024, with around 2000 households, in Bondi, Rose Bay and Bronte, including:</p> <p><b>Bondi</b> Ocean Street North; Ocean Street South; Bennett Street</p> <p><b>North Bondi</b> Frederick Street; Gould Street; Knowles Avenue; Midelton Avenue</p> <p>Sustainability issues – none raised.</p>
11	<p><b>Other Reports</b></p> <p>11.1 <b>Traffic – Bondi Precinct</b> has been requesting a local area Traffic Plan of Management for years. Bondi Precinct recently followed up on where the Traffic Plan of Management was up to and the response from council was:</p> <p>“Our Manager of Integrated Transport has advised that the Local Area Traffic Management Study has identified priority locations where treatments are considered necessary to address key vehicle speed, safety and flow management issues. We are currently developing planning and design concepts depending on location. We are targeting public engagement on these for Q1 2025”</p> <p>The meeting then heard from residents about the need for a 40km zone speed limit across the Bondi Basin. This has been raised at Precinct previously. Mention that it should be included in the Traffic Plan of Management.</p> <p>The following motion as then put to the meeting</p> <p><b>MOTION (3):</b> Bondi Precinct writes to the Manager of integrated Transport and reiterates the Precinct support for a 40km speed limit across Bondi Basin and requests this be considered as part of the Local Area Traffic Management Plan.</p>

	<p>Moved: Dave B.          Seconded by Mosey A.          Carried unanimously</p>
11.2	<p><b>Floodplain Management Committee</b></p> <p>Rep of Floodplain Management Committee told the meeting Community Consultation has been completed, models had been tested. Details would be provided at next meeting on 12 November. Meeting told there had only been one meeting of the Floodplain Management Committee which had 25 participants. There was frustration among community reps, who were concerned about flooding issues, terminology and rising insurance premiums. Subsequent emails among the group also expressed frustration at the lack of action.</p> <p><b>ACTION POINT</b></p> <p>DWK said to contact Sharon Cassidy, Director Assets and Operations, and ask for a report, noting dissatisfaction with the process so far.</p>
11.3	<p><b>Combined Precincts Meeting</b></p> <p>Held in new Boot Factory building. RW reported on the motions passed at that meeting.</p>
12	<p><b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b></p>
	<p><b>Resident Parking Areas.</b> South side of Blair St – one section is Area 8, another side has no zoning. Two young mums, local residents in attendance, both want better parking from council who said they couldn't help at this stage. Have been waiting a long time for something to happen. Mayor was meeting with someone on Friday to review. Frustrated – backpackers living in the streets, difficult to park, people parking trailers and boats. <b>Looking for Precinct Support to get action on this issue.</b></p> <p><b>MOTION (4):</b></p> <p>That Waverley Council Officers introduce zoned &amp; timed parking signage in Area 8 on Blair St. between Wairoa and Glenayr Avenues to allow residents to park near their homes, as a matter of urgency.</p> <p>Moved: Prue C          Seconded: Laelia M          Carried unanimously</p>
	<p><b>Meeting closed 9pm.</b>          Next meeting Wednesday 12 February 2025</p>