

Diamond Bay Bowling Club, Old South Head Rd, Vaucluse
Thursday 14th March 2024 at 7pm

MINUTES OF MEETING

Chairperson/Convenor: Gabriel Pallo

Secretary: James Gamvrogiannis

Traffic Representative: Di McDonald

Greening Representative: Suellen Bassetti

DA Representative: Gabriel Pallo

Attendees: 15 Attendees

Apologies: 6 including Councillors Sally Betts and Stephen Lewis

Welcome and Opening of the Meeting by Convenor

The meeting commenced at 7pm. Mr. Pallo welcomed the attendees, including Councillor Will Nemesh.

Item 1: Neighbour Fair – Sunday 24th March 2024

The convenor reiterated the purposes of the Fair and outlined all the activities related to achieving them. Mr Pallo thanked the organising committee for all their work as well as the two major sponsors Waverley Council and 1st Street Financial.

Item 2: Diamond Bay Walkway Update

Mr Pallo invited Cr Nemesh to provide an update on the progress of the walkway as completion was due to occur at the end of March 2024.

Will said that there were major issues including a need to lower the boardwalk by 1.5 meters in some sections and removal of the viewing platform. As a result of the changes to the Boardwalk, there has been a significant blowout in the cost of the Boardwalk, with the cost doubling. The earliest time for completion is currently December 2024. A meeting will be held in April where the latest development will be put to Council.

Item 3: Installation of security cameras along Diamond Bay cliff

There was a discussion about the need for security cameras for public safety, health and security reasons along the Diamond Bay Walkway, similar to those at The Gap.

It was decided that further investigation was required and that we would wait until the walkway was completed. Input will be sought from the Police and Local Council about the effectiveness of the cameras at the Gap.

Item 4: Matter Arising From Previous Meeting-

a. Water Management

New Development 669- 683 Old South Head Rd, Vaucluse

Concerns were raised about the proposed development along Old South Head Rd and the impact it will have on the already strained infrastructure, including water management and flood mitigation, issues raised at previous precinct meetings. A petition would be developed

to emphasise the importance of water management in this development. Petition would be circulated at the Neighbourhood Fair.

b. Traffic Management around Diamond Bay

Council is presently developing a survey to address the increasing difficulties in traffic management. The convenor has requested that Precinct have some say in the drafting of the survey before it goes to the residents.

c. Bushcare update: nothing new to report.

Item 5. Other business:

- A. Fireworks-** The convenor raised the question (for later discussion) whether residents felt the present system where rate payers had to pay to enjoy the NYE fireworks from certain vantage points was fair. More discussion is required.
- B. Dwelling density-** Cr Nemesh informed the Precinct of the State Government's housing reforms including changes to the Housing SEPP and the Low to Mid Rise EIE. He explained that the changes to the Housing SEPP included provisions to enable a 30% height and Floor Space Ratio bonus in excess of LEP controls if a development had up to 15% affordable housing. In addition to this Cr Nemesh explained the EIE for low and mid rise apartments which includes significant increases in dwelling density if an area is within a certain radius of a transport node. Precinct should contact Ms Sloane regarding this matter.
- C. Strata Living-** Cr Nemesh noted that at the 27 February 2024, Extraordinary Council Meeting, Strata Assistance was discussed. Precinct members can read the minutes from the meeting at <https://waverley.infocouncil.biz/> and watch a recording of the meeting at <https://webcast.waverley.nsw.gov.au/video.php=>
- D. Complying Development Certificates-** Cr Nemesh explained that under current rules and regulations certifiers are not obligated to share plans of CDC with both owners and residents of neighbouring properties and where notification is to occur it is restricted to only 20m radius of the development.

Item 8. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of previous meeting held in September 2023 were accepted.

Proposed Suellen Bassetti

Seconded by Di McDonald

Mr. Pallo thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 9:00 pm

Next meeting: Thursday 27 June 2024