BRONTE BEACH PRECINCT

A meeting of the BB Precinct was held on Wednesday February 21st.2024 at 7.30pm. Present : 11

Apologies : Cathy Davitt, Ute Geissler, Julie Green.

The following issues were discussed after a short introduction and welcome by Chair, Greg Vaughan. Minutes from previous meeting : Proposer John Batts, seconder Mark Zions. Passed unanimously.

Development Applications and Issues

13 Calga Ave.

There has been concern over this application due to the understanding that the rear setback requirements were not followed despite three recommendations to the contrary. The applicant, Mr.Ajaka, applied to the Court to ratify the rear setback. The Council supported the application. The Mayor undertook to discuss the matter with Director of Urban Planning Fletcher Rayner.

161 MacPherson St.

Following a meeting with residents and Council Planning staff, Manager Angela Rossi and Director Fletcher Rayner objecting residents remained concerned that Council was underestimating the height issues particularly. They asked that Council engaged an independent assessor to verify all measurements particularly the heights as detailed in the most recent plans lodged with Council .The previous plans were withdrawn at a hearing of the L&E Crt.

Motion 161 MacPherson

BBPrecinct requests that an independent surveyor be engaged to verify all measurements including heights as detailed in the most recent plans lodged with Council. Proposer VM seconder SK Passed unanimously.

The Mayor advised the meeting expressing frustration with the proposed planning changes by the State Government as they did not involve local Councils. Maximum building heights are to be 21metres within 400 metres of train station, town centres and supermarkets. There was no maximum lot size.

There is a 30% bonus for Affordable Housing but ONLY for 15years and NO refusal allowed. A.H. should be rented at 20% under the market rate. Many of these proposals have been developed from Minns' Office by Morris lemma and his sons who are working there.

The Mayor reported that Waverley Council has lodged a submission against the proposals as the Heritage significance of buildings is ignored and there is unease and concern about their impact on Waverley.

The Mayor also agreed that she would request that St.Catherine's allow access to their Pool and Hall by the public. She also advised that FOGO for food organic waste, will be introduced this year. It involves a comingled bin for glass with paper but its introduction is complicated, involving new bins and renegotiation of contracts and the appointment of waste education officers.

The AGM was deferred and the meeting closed at 9pm.