

COMBINED PRECINCTS MEETING MINUTES
5 December 2024
6 – 8.30pm
Community Hall – Mill Hill Centre

Chair: Gabe Pallo (Vaucluse / Diamond Bay Precinct)

Council Officers in attendance: Emily Scott (General Manager), Mary Shiner (Manager, Executive Services), Jessica Ilacqua (Community Liaison Coordinator (CLC)), Alana Novak (Community Planning Advocate (CPA)), Sharon Cassidy (Director of Assets and Operations), Ben Thompson (Director of Community, Culture and Customer Service)

Precinct Executives in attendance: Rox De Luca (North Bondi), Luke Stewart (North Bondi), Bill Stavrinou (North Bondi), Juju Kalek (North Bondi) (V), Peter Quartly (North Bondi) (V), Simon Swifte (Queens Park) (V), Peter Cohen (Queens Park) (V), Paul Paech (Bondi Beach) (V), Gabe Pallo (Vaucluse / Diamond Bay), Di McDonald (Vaucluse / Diamond Bay) (V), Suellen Bassetti (Vaucluse / Diamond Bay) (V), Michelle Brenner (South Bondi Tamarama) (V), Katherine Peterson (South Bondi Tamarama), Costa Phitidis (Dover Heights) (V), Walt Secord (Rose Bay), Mia Vaux (Charing Cross) (V), Tony Kay (Rose Bay) (V), Grant Beard (Bronte) (V), Alma Douglas (Bronte) (V), Alex Ellis (Bronte), John Batts (Bronte Beach) (V), Ilana Cohen (Mill Hill / Bondi Junction) (V), Stephen Cohen (Mill Hill / Bondi Junction) (V), Terry Cohen (Mill Hill / Bondi Junction), Rex Walsh (Bondi) (V), Annie Parnell (Bondi) (V), Brigitte Cusack (Charing Cross), James Forsyth (Charing Cross), Danny Carretti (Charing Cross), Angela Jakovac (Rose Bay)

*(V) = Voting

Precinct Executives apologies: Bill Mouroukas (Bondi Heights), Lynda Hall (Bondi Heights), Georgia Koutsandrea (Mill Hill / Bondi Junction), Robyn Fabiano (South Bondi / Tamarama), Robert Harvey (Dover Heights), Lynne Cossar (Bondi), Di Robinson (Bondi), Yosi Tal (Rose Bay)

Councillors were unable to attend due to an Extraordinary Council Meeting being held at the same time.

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1.	<p>Welcome and introductions by Gabe P</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting commenced at 6.05pm. • Chair then welcomed all in attendance and Council Staff and reminded attendees that only 2 people per Precinct have voting rights. • CLC noted the voters. See attendance list above. • Chair noted the CLC will be taking minutes.
2.	<p>Update from General Manager, Emily Scott</p> <p>Festive Celebrations 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carols by the Sea on Wednesday 11 December, 5 – 8pm • Holidays at The Boot Factory and Mill Hill Community Centre on Saturday 7 December, 10am - 1 pm • New Years Eve at Dudley Page, 31 December, 5.30pm – 12.30am, Dudley Page Reserve <p>Community Strategic Plan Reminder</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After each Council election, we <u>review and update</u> our Community Strategic Plan. This plan outlines the community's vision and what our priorities over the next 10 years will be. • Council is required to adopt the new Community Strategic Plan by June 2025. • A workshop for Precincts will be conducted in February 2025.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have your say at haveyoursay.waverley.nsw.gov.au/future-of-Waverley • A report will go to Council in April 2025. <p>Planning Reforms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council met with Minister Scully on 27 November to discuss the Housing Reforms • At this meeting, he invited us to submit housing options for Waverley • Council will be having an Extraordinary Council Meeting from 7pm this evening to consider options and will then make a submission to the State Government. <p>Summer Safety Campaign</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services for Coastal Open Spaces include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police Command vans and Police unit will be on site • Dedicated cleaning crew, additional bins, extra hours of operation • Enhanced Ranger program, enforcing alcohol free zones etc • Improved Traffic management access for emergency services, Bronte road one way – (Nelson Avenue and Gardyne Street from 25 – 26 December, and 25 Jan) • An Operations Manager will be onsite to coordinate the Program daily and work with the NSW Police, Rangers, Lifeguards, Surf Clubs and Ambassadors • Lifeguards will have extended patrol hours 6am – 7pm (from October – April), and work with local Surf Clubs • There will be additional services at Bronte Park on Christmas Day. There will be extra toilets, bins and staff. The Combined Precincts attendees thanked the GM for her presentation. Unauthorised events will be shut down, Rangers and NSW Police will have high visibility enforcing Alcohol Free Zone, crowd control and traffic management will also be in place, as well as an increase in public transport. <p>Q&A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would Council consider charging people for tickets to attend Bronte Beach on Christmas? This was considered by Council, but Council did not support it. After this Christmas, Council will conduct a review of the day / a lessons learnt exercise and bring it to Council for discussion. • Has council considered enforcing waste management / illegal dumping? GM advised that it's challenging to find evidence of dumping to enforce and fine people. Council aims to resolve matters within 48 hours of report. Council runs multiple littler campaigns to educate people. <p>The Combined Precincts attendees thanked the GM for her presentation. The GM then left to attend the Extraordinary Council Meeting.</p>
3.	<p>Update from Director of Assets and Operations, Sharon Cassidy - Major Projects</p> <p>The Director gave an update on the following projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bondi SBLSC – Status has not changed since last meeting. We are still in process of engaging a contractor. Report to go to Council in 2025. • Bronte Surf Club and Facilities Upgrade – Reported to Council in November. Progressing well. Looking to start in early 2025 (after busy Summer period to avoid disruption). • Boot Factory / Mill Hill Upgrade– Finished. Opening weekend celebration occurred in early November. • Bondi Park Stage 2 Upgrade – Installation of new electrical and communications pit and conduit networks is complete. New light poles and luminaires expected to be installed December 2024. The New substation install and power / lighting activation on hold due to Ausgrid industrial action. Footpath base slab along Park Drive installed, paving install to be completed December 2024.

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	<p>Park Drive South pavement works commenced after Festival of the Winds and will be completed in December 2024. Pavement upgrades at the entrance opposite Beach Road commenced late November 2024 and due to be completed December 2024.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clifftop walkway – Diamond Bay Official opening last Friday, Eastern Reserve Boardwalk is 70 % complete. Due to inclement weather and required stabilization and stormwater works on Oceanview Ave and George St, the boardwalk is now scheduled to be complete in early 2025. Oceanview Avenue stairs and George Street coastal fence works will be installed early 2025. • Quinn Road Memorialisation Walls – Tender for a Head Contractor closed in November. Report to Council Feb / March 2025. Works to commence 2025. • Curlewis Street Upgrade – Stage 1 between Campbell and Glenayr Avenue almost complete. Stage 2 intersection works on Campbell Pde should finish this month. Construction will pause between the holiday period, then continue on with works from March 2025. • Charing Cross Streetscape Upgrade – Charing Cross businesses remain open throughout the electrical works, with pedestrian and vehicle movements maintained. Construction will pause over holiday period. Will be back late Jan. <p>Q&A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When will the Boot Factory Café start operating? Director advised that the lease has been signed and an operator is coming soon. <p>The Combined Precincts attendees thanked the Director for her presentation. The Director then left to attend the Extraordinary Council Meeting.</p>
4.	<p>Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising</p> <p>Previous Meeting Minutes Moved: John B Second: Bill S Votes for: 14 Against: 0 Carried</p> <p>Response Report Moved: Mia V Second: John B Votes - All Unanimous</p>
5.	<p>General Business</p> <p>Update on the Floodplain Management Committee by Peter Quartly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has held 2 meetings this year, the next meeting won't be held till February next year. • Residents have great concern about the insurance risk and the definition of the word 'Flood'. <p>Motion 1: The Bondi Beach Promenade is a key public space and iconic destination, but it faces challenges such as aging infrastructure, limited accessibility, and climate impacts. Revitalisation is essential to modernise, improve accessibility, sustainability, and its role as a vibrant community hub.</p> <p>That the Combined Precinct requests Waverley Council prioritise a more attractive and welcoming makeover of the Bondi Beach Promenade.</p>

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	<p>The CLC provided some background on this Project for the group.</p> <p>Mover: Costa P Secunder: Paul P Votes for: 8 Votes against: 5 Carried</p> <p>Action: CLC to confirm if this project will be coordinated with the Bondi Park Plan of Management?</p> <p>Motion 2:</p> <p>Combined Precincts notes that work is well underway in preparation for Waverley’s long-term Community Strategic Plan.</p> <p>I move that Waverley’s 13 Precincts should have a greater role in identifying the key issues for this Plan and be consulted earlier in the process. This should be the case for all important Council Plans especially those requiring community consultation</p> <p>Mover: Annie P Second: Mia V Votes: 9 Against: 2 Carried</p> <p>Motion 3:</p> <p>Combined Precincts recognises the role Have Your Say plays in Waverley Council’s community engagement program.</p> <p>Combined Precincts requests a monthly summary of all issues being uploaded to Have Your Say, and a monthly summary of all community consultation that is being implemented so that Precincts can stay abreast of all consultations and engage Precinct attendees.</p> <p>Mover: Annie P Secunder: 0 Votes: Lost Motion withdrawn.</p> <p>The CLC provided some background and advice to the Precincts, noting that this service already exists via Have Your Say.</p> <p>Motion 4: I move that we organise a workshop in the new year to look at moving motions and business.</p> <p>Moved: Peter Q</p>

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	<p>Second: Alma D</p> <p>Vote: All</p> <p>Unanimous</p> <p>Action: The PRC will discuss this workshop at their next meeting and decide whether to have an internal or external Trainer.</p>
6.	<p>Subcommittees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning and Development Update by Luke Stewart Luke provided some background on his experience, has been on North Bondi Precinct Executive as DA Rep for over 2 years and works in Planning. • State Significant Applications to note: War Memorial Hospital, 7 – 19 Bondi Road, Bondi Junction, 362-374 & 376- 384 Oxford Street, Bondi Junction, 194-214 Oxford Street & 2 Nelson Street, Bondi Junction. Waverley College under assessment. The submissions closed on 21 November. Council’s submission will be available on the Department’s Website shortly. <p>Planning proposals to note are: 50 Botany Street, Bondi Junction, Residential dwelling density in the R3 and R4 zones, General LEP update and Heritage Planning Proposal</p> <p>DAs under assessment to note are: 1 The Avenue, Rose Bay (DA-245/2024), 135-155 Curlewis Street (DA-381/2023 & DA-472/2022/A), 140-142 Curlewis Street, Bondi Beach (DA-326/2024)</p> <p>See attached report for detail.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement Update by Di McDonald EV Charging Stations – get up to date with it, complete the questionnaire. Leichhardt Street Waverley Traffic and Safety Survey <p>Di encouraged attendees to read ‘Have Your Say and complete the surveys relating to issues of concern. Key consultations to note are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EV Charging Stations - complete questionnaires and survey and Have Your Say. By being silent the decisions may not necessarily be what the majority are wanting. • Leichhardt Street Waverley –important survey regarding traffic and safety. Precincts need to submit information on behalf of residents and residents need to be encouraged to make a submission in Have Your Say.
7.	<p>Precinct Operational Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes of the September 2024 and November 2024 Meetings to be ratified. Endorsing the recommendations made: Mover: Peter Q Second: Alma D Carried <p>November 2024 Endorsing the recommendations made: Mover: Annie P Second: Simon S Carried</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlights of the November 2024 meeting include:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRC agreed format / timing of the last meeting went well and should continue • PRC agreed receiving Motions in advance helped the meeting run smoothly. They should also include a background so that the group can understand the Motion in detail. • PRC agreed that Motions from the floor should still be allowed however it should be well formulated and also have a background so that the group can understand the Motion in detail.
9.	<p>Close of meeting The next Combined Precinct Meeting will be chaired by Luke S from North Bondi Precinct. Date: Thursday 6 March 2025</p>
10.	Meeting closed – 7.41pm.