

## Minutes of Bondi Heights Precinct Committee General Meeting

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2024

The Queens Park Room, Waverley Council Chambers, Cnr Paul Street & Bondi Road.

COMMENCEMENT: Meeting started at 7:01pm

### MEETING DIRECTIONS & Announcements –

- Fire exits and washroom facilities.
- Reminder for all present to sign the Attendance Sheet.
- Any guest (out of precinct) attendees were asked to declare their presence for the record.
- No printed material to be distributed at the meeting without approval from the chair.

### NUMBER OF PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE:

31 with 9 eligible to vote.

### NOTED ATTENDANCE AT COMMENCEMENT:

Co-Convenor:	Bill Mouroukas
Co-Convenor/Secretary:	Lynda Hall
Waverley Council's Community Liaison Coordinator	Jessica Ilacqua

### WAVERLEY WARD COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE:

Cr Fabiano  
Cr Murray     Absent.  
Cr Kay

### APOLOGIES:

Gwen Zeller.

### MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION FROM BILL MOUROUKAS:

Bill Mouroukas thanked attendees and others who have communicated their condolences on the death in June of his brother, Con Mouroukas.

### TRIBUTE TO CR TONY KAY FROM BILL MOUROUKAS:

*"It is true to say that being elected to represent the community in any level of government is an honour and a privilege. It is also true that many who are given that opportunity to serve lose sight of the reason why the community put them there. Cr Tony Kay is not one of those. For many years I've had the privilege of working closely with Tony and I know many of you will agree with my view that his service as an elected member of Council is nothing short of exemplary.*

*Cr Tony Kay has served the Waverley community for more than 20 years. He was first elected to Waverley Council in 2004 for Hunter Ward, he became a Waverley Ward Councillor in 2008. He is a former Chair of the Development Control, Traffic, and Environmental committees, and was Deputy Mayor for 5 years from 2012. Some of Tony's achievements include helping return Council to financial sustainability, pursuing better traffic and parking solutions for residents, supporting infrastructure renewal in our streets and parks, ensuring local village upgrades, and improving the effectiveness of Council.*

*His accomplishments are many, but to mention some:*

- *Inclusive Play Space Study (receiving National Excellence Award) informing future play space development.*
- *Waverley Park improvements, including the new regional playground, amenities block, multi-purpose sports courts, and dog exercise areas.*
- *New kiosk/amenities block, playground, and subsequent landscaping, in Tamarama Park.*

- *Waverley People, Movement and Places study: where people go and how they get there and ensuring realistic project outcomes.*
- *Aged Care Forum, leading to new accessibility and adaptability development controls so that older people can age in place.*
- *First endorsement by any Australian Council of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance definition of Antisemitism and its contemporary examples.*
- *Fighting back against Council's new, unfair Flood controls that moves liability from Council to the community.*

*Cr Kay rarely missed a precinct meeting. His attendance wasn't about just showing up. He is engaging and always here to provide advice, project and policy updates, assist individuals and to really get a good understanding on how the community feels and what the community wants and does not want.*

*As his Waverley Ward Councillor colleague for five years, I could always count on his commitment, integrity and loyalty in fulfilling my own duty to the community. In the world of Local Government, Tony has shone as an example for all. Thank you for your service, Cr Kay. You will be missed and always remembered!"*

Following the above address, attendees echoed the above sentiment.

#### 2024 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION AND MEET THE CANDIDATES EVENT:

Pre-poll voting is available from Saturday, 7 September to Friday, 13 September 2024 (excluding Sunday) for eligible electors. [See *attachment one for a list of eligibility criteria to vote early.*] Electors will be asked to verbally declare the reason they are voting early. According to the NSW Electoral Commission Website, Pre-poll places will be at:

- Margaret Whitlam Community Centre
- Church in the Marketplace, Bondi Junction

Election Day is Saturday 14th September and according to the NSW Electoral Commission Website, Waverley Ward voters will be able to vote at:

- Bondi Public School
- Bellevue Hill Public School
- Bronte Public School
- Margaret Whitlam Community Centre
- Waverley College
- Waverley Public School
- Bondi Beach Public School
- Bondi Surf Bathers Life Saving Club

The chairman encouraged any successful candidates to become regular attendees to all precinct meetings in Waverley Ward.

Candidates who attended the meeting were introduced by the chairman in order of the ballot paper draw.

- Ludovico Fabiano Group A, the Greens Party
- Prue Cancian Group A, the Greens Party
- Axel Vigna Group B, Independent Candidates
- Jade Stapelton Group B, Independent Candidates
- Geoffrey Gibson Group B, Independent Candidates
- Kerri Spooner Group C, the Labor Party
- James Pelosi Group C, the Labor Party
- Joshua Spicer Group D, the Liberal Party
- Bradley Cole Group D, the Liberal Party
- Susan Werkner Moallem Group D, the Liberal Party

Apart from Prue Cancian, candidates made an introductory address to the meeting. Questions from attendees then ensued. No answer took more than three and a half minutes while some were quite brief:

- First question TO ALL responded by Prue Cancian, Axel Vigna, Kerri Spooner, Joshua Spicer.
- Second question TO ALL responded by Prue Cancian, Ludovico Fabiano, Axel Vigna, Jade Stapelton, Kerri Spooner, Susan Werkner Moallem.
- Third and Fourth questions TO ALL responded by Ludovico Fabiano, Axel Vigna, Geoffrey Gibson, James Pelosi, Joshua Spicer, Bradley Cole, Susan Werkner Moallem.
- Fifth question TO ALL responded by Ludovico Fabiano, Jade Stapelton, Kerri Spooner, Joshua Spicer, Bradley Cole.

The Meet the Candidates item commenced at 7:15pm and concluded at 8:30pm (75 minutes). At this point the meeting was adjourned for 10 minutes to give the opportunity for attendees to speak with the individual candidates. The meeting was restarted at 8:40pm.

#### MATTERS ARISING:

##### ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting was tabled, and copies were available to meeting attendees.

#### **MOTION [202408M1] ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS IN PERSON MEETING MINUTES – THAT, THE TABLED DOCUMENT BEING THE MINUTES OF THE BONDI HEIGHTS PRECINCT MEETING HELD ON 17th JUNE 2024, IS ADOPTED AS BEING A TRUE RECORD OF THAT MEETING.**

Mover, Eva Varga. Seconder, Julia Lewthwaite.  
Decision; Carried unanimously.

##### WAVERLEY COUNCIL REPORT:

The Council Report was read and tabled. The Response Report to the June 2024 Bondi Heights Precinct meeting is attached to this document.

#### TRAFFIC:

The Waverly Traffic Committee met once since the previous BHP meeting, however no matters relating to Bondi Heights precinct were recorded in the minutes.

#### eMail received: Parking outside no 10 Ocean Street North , Bondi 2026.

The following is an excerpt from an eMail received on this matter and read at the meeting.

*“As discussed with you over the months, one of the issues we highlighted were the boats and trailer that have not been moved in months.*

*I am once again sending the pictures to you that were taken yesterday, of the same vehicles.*

*Secondly, I know you sent the issue to another party interested in traffic flow, re the Martin/Ocean intersection where the cars have to accelerate up the hill and turn sharply into Ocean St North.*

*This could result in a serious accident with the cars parking in the street, as they park or leave the space. I do hope the wardens/ the meeting will shed some light on the situation.”*

#### | CONVENOR’S NOTE |

The full email including the mentioned attached photos, has been forward to Waverley Council’s Community Liaison Officer for response to the precinct committee.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS:

Lynda Hall reported there was no new issues of significance to report from notices that had been received up to the 19<sup>th</sup> of August 2024.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS:

#### **MOTION [202408M2] COUNCIL NEWSLETTER PROMOTES EXPIRED EVENTS – THAT, THE BONDI HEIGHTS PRECINCT RECOMMENDS COUNCIL NEWSLETTERS ARE DELIVERED BEFORE THE PROMOTED ACTIVITIES ARE SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE.**

Mover, Eva Varga. Seconder, Julia Lewthwaite.

Decision; Carried unanimously.

BACKGROUND: Newsletters include promotional pages for events in the community however delivery of the newsletters to households is often after the event/s have taken place.

#### **QUESTION TO COUNCIL [202408Q1] UNLAWFUL RIDING ON PEDESTRIAN ONLY FOOTPATHS – WHAT IS COUNCIL GOING TO DO ABOUT UNLAWFUL RIDING ON FOOTPATHS?**

#### SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS FOR 2024:

- Monday 14 October 2024
- Monday 2 December 2024

#### MEETING CLOSED:

The meeting closed at 9.02pm

# Attachment One

## LIST OF ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA TO VOTE EARLY

You may be eligible to vote in person before election day at an early voting centre for a local government election if you:

- will be outside your ward or council area on election day
- will be more than 8km from a voting centre (polling place) in your ward or council area on election day
- will be travelling and unable to attend a voting centre on election day
- are seriously ill or infirm, and due to such illness or infirmity will be unable to attend a voting centre
- are approaching maternity
- have religious membership or beliefs that prevent you from attending a voting centre on election day
- are in a correctional centre and prevented from attending a voting centre on election day
- are caring for a person outside of a hospital setting, which prevents you from attending a voting centre on election day
- will be working on election day
- are a silent elector
- are a person with a disability
- believe that attending a voting centre on election day will place your personal safety or the safety of your family at risk.

# Attachment Two

## WAVERLEY WARD BONDI HEIGHTS PRECINCT

0Waverley Council Response Report to requests from June 2024 Bondi Heights Precinct meeting				
Meeting Date	Motion	Council Officer Response	Directorate	Status
17 June 2024	BHP reiterates our previous request to urgently upgrade the footpaths on King Street as a priority plus other surroundings in Ocean and Bennett Street (near Stephen St Park).	King Street footpath is included in this year's capital works program (C1166-2024/25 - FC - KING STREET, OCEAN STREET to BENNETT STREET)  The work is scheduled to begin at the end of this year, as it requires design and procurement.	Assets & Operations	In progress
	General Parking at Eastgate Shopping centre be increased to 2 hours for ALL customers to the centre.	Between 30 April and 27 May 2024, Waverley residents were asked to provide feedback on the Draft Operational Plan 2024/25 including the Budget, Statement of Revenue Policy and Stormwater Management Service charge; Proposed Pricing Policy, Schedule of Fees and Charges 2024/25; and Long Term Financial Plan 6.2 (2024/25-2034/35). As part of this, Pricing for Waverley Council's carparks were included.  The schedule of Fees and Charges is a list of all chargeable services and facilities offered to the community.  Fees and charges are determined by Council each year and contribute towards providing services and facilities for the Waverley local government area.  This was endorsed by Council in June 2024. <a href="#">Business Papers (infocouncil.biz)</a>	Assets & Operations	Complete
	BHP is concerned that those residents who own property that has been identified as a flood risk have not received a flyer on the Flood Risk Study.	The following Communications were distributed to residents to ensure they were notified of the consultation regarding the flood study. 1. A letterbox-drop company was engaged to deliver non-addressed letters to ground-level mailboxes across the LGA. They delivered 36K across Council. This company delivers to ground floor homes and businesses and others with accessible mailboxes. 2. Other communications and engagements were: a. Have Your Say web page survey	Assets & Operations	Complete

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		b. Face to Face: The project team held four Have Your Say pop-ups. Kimberley Community Hall (Vaucluse), Hugh Bamford Reserve (North Bondi), Margaret Whitlam Recreation Centre (Bondi Junction) and Waverley Library, (Bondi Junction). Information about these was placed on the HYS page and also promoted via Facebook the week of the sessions. c. Wentworth Courier: Mayor's message d. Waverley Weekly – e-newsletter e. Have Your Say monthly newsletter f. Have your say automated email on launch of the project page g. Facebook and Instagram		

Next meeting: 19 August 2024