

# Community & Environment Committee Minutes

Monday 25 November 2013

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**Minutes of the Meeting held on  
Monday 25 November 2013 at 6.00pm**

**Present:** Councillors Deborah Thomas (Chair)  
Peter Cavanagh  
Anthony Marano  
Andrew Petrie  
Elena Wise  
Susan Wynne  
Jeff Zulman

**Staff:** Stephen Dunshea (Director – Corporate Services)  
Cathy Edwards-Davis (Manager Engineering Services)  
Paul Fraser (Team Leader - Open Space & Rec Planning)  
Gary James (General Manager)  
Vicki Munro (Acting Director – Community Services)  
Tom O’Hanlon (Director – Technical Services)  
Bruce Rann (Manager – Open Space & Trees)  
Joan Ruthven (Team Leader - Library Community Programs)

**Also in Attendance:** Nil

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**Note:** The Committee considered Item R1 (Dog Regulations – Review of Public Exhibition) prior to Item D2 (Minutes of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee (FPRMC) held on 21 May 2013) due to a member of the public gallery wishing to address the Committee in relation to the matter.

**Note:** As a result of a number of community members who had expressed an interest in attending the Community & Environment Committee mistakenly attending the Urban Planning Committee, the Chair agreed to re-open the meeting at 6.33pm on the Motion of Councillor Petrie seconded by Councillor Wynne). Piers Ackerman then addressed the Committee in relation to Item R1 (Dog Regulations – Review of Public Exhibition).

The Committee amended part D of the recommendation by adding the words ‘(at this time)’ and recommended that a new part E be added to the recommendation calling for a further review of on-leash/off-leash arrangements at Trumper Park.

## **Leave of Absence**

Leave of Absence previously granted by Council: Nil

Apologies: Nil

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## **Late Correspondence**

Late correspondence was submitted to the committee in relation to Items: R1

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## **Declarations of Interest**

Nil

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**Items Decided by this Committee using its Delegated Authority (Items D1 to D2)**

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**Item No:** D1 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 11 November 2013**  
**Author:** Les Windle – Manager Governance  
**File No:** See Council Minutes  
**Reason for Report:** The Minutes of the Meeting of 11 November 2013 were previously circulated. In accordance with the guidelines for Committees' operations it is now necessary that those Minutes be formally taken as read and confirmed.

**(Wynne/Marano)**

**Resolved:**

That the Minutes of the Community and Environment Committee Meeting of 11 November 2013 be taken as read and confirmed.

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**Item No:** D2 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Minutes of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee (FPRMC) held on 21 May 2013.**  
**Author:** Michael Casteleyn –Design & Investigations Engineer – Stormwater & Environment  
**File No:** 626.G Committee  
**Reason for Report:** To report on the outcomes of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 25 September 2013.

**(Wynne/Zulman)**

**Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee meeting held on 25 September 2013 be noted.

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**Items with Recommendations from this Committee  
Submitted to the Council for Decision (Items R1 to R3)**

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**Item No:** R1 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **Dog Regulations – Review of Public Exhibition**  
**Author:** Paul Fraser, Team Leader - Open Space & Recreation Planning  
**File No:** 271.G OFF LEASH  
**Reason for Report:** To report on the public exhibition of proposed changes to Dog Off-Leash Regulations.

**Note:** Late correspondence was tabled from Simon Cheatham, a resident of Brown Street Paddington.

**Note:** Nicola Grieve addressed the Committee in relation to this Item.

**Note:** As a result of a number of community members who had expressed an interest in attending the Community & Environment Committee mistakenly attending the Urban Planning Committee, the Chair agreed to re-open the meeting at 6.33pm on the Motion of Councillor Petrie seconded by Councillor Wynne). Piers Ackerman then addressed the Committee in relation to Item R1 (Dog Regulations – Review of Public Exhibition).

The Committee amended part D of the recommendation by adding the words ‘(at this time)’ and recommended that a new part E be added to the recommendation calling for a further review of on-leash/off-leash arrangements at Trumper Park.

**Note:** Piers Ackerman addressed the Committee in relation to this Item.

**Note:** Prior to the meeting being re-opened the Committee on the Motion of Councillor Wynne seconded by Councillor Wise, had made the following Recommendation to Council consistent with the staff recommendation.

- A. *That Council implement the proposed extension of hours of the Category C regulations as exhibited for Rushcutters Bay Park, Lyne Park, Christison Park and Royal Hospital for Women Park (RHWP) as follows:*
- i. *Extension of hours of the Category C regulations from 3.30pm to 10.30am.*
  - ii. *For RHWP - Sunday regulations prohibiting dogs between 10am to 8pm remains unchanged.*
- B. *That Council implement a 24hr dog off-leash area along the Rose Bay Foreshore from Dumaresq Reserve to Percival Park.*
- i. *That Council write to the Roads & Maritime Service advising that Council will invoke their powers under the Local Government Act to extend Council’s enforcement provisions to State Government owned land being Rose Bay Foreshore.*
- C. *An update of all relevant signage be undertaken communicating the extensions of hours.*
- D. *That Trumper Park remain unchanged as follows:*
- i. *Dog on-leash at all times (except Trumper Oval)*
  - ii. *Dogs prohibited at all times on Trumper Oval playing surface.*

**(Petrie/Wynne)**

**Resolved:**

That consideration of Item R1 (Dog Regulations – Review of Public Exhibition) be re-opened at 6.33pm to allow Piers Ackerman to address the Committee in relation to this item.

**Note:** Piers Ackerman addressed the Committee in relation to this Item.

**Note:** Following the resolution to re-open the meeting to allow Piers Ackerman to address the Committee, amended part D of the recommendation by adding the words ‘(at this time)’ and recommended a new part E be added to the recommendation calling for a further review of on-leash/off-leash arrangements at Trumper Park.

(Wynne/Wise)

**Recommendation:**

- A. That Council implement the proposed extension of hours of the Category C regulations as exhibited for Rushcutters Bay Park, Lyne Park, Christison Park and Royal Hospital for Women Park (RHWP) as follows:
- i. Extension of hours of the Category C regulations from 3.30pm to 10.30am.
  - ii. For RHWP - Sunday regulations prohibiting dogs between 10am to 8pm remains unchanged.
- B. That Council implement a 24hr dog off-leash area along the Rose Bay Foreshore from Dumaresq Reserve to Percival Park.
- i. That Council write to the Roads & Maritime Service advising that Council will invoke their powers under the Local Government Act to extend Council's enforcement provisions to State Government owned land being Rose Bay Foreshore.
- C. An update of all relevant signage be undertaken communicating the extensions of hours.
- D. That Trumper Park remain unchanged (at this time) as follows:
- i. Dog on-leash at all times (except Trumper Oval)
  - ii. Dogs prohibited at all times on Trumper Oval playing surface.
- E. That a further review of on-leash/off-leash arrangements at Trumper Park be undertaken and that this review includes consultation with the community as to their views.
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**Item No:** R2 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **The Rose Bay Catchment Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan**  
**Author:** Michael Casteleyn - Design & Investigations Engineer - Stormwater & Environment  
**File No:** 626.G Committee  
**Reason for Report:** To formally adopt the Rose Bay Catchment Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan

(Zulman/Cavanagh)

**Recommendation:**

That Council adopt the Rose Bay Catchment Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan.

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**Item No:** R3 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **Woollahra Plaques Advisory Committee - Minutes of Meeting 31 October 2013**  
**Author:** Joan Ruthven - Library Community Programs Team Leader  
**File No:** 474.G Plaques  
**Reason for Report:** To table the minutes of the Woollahra Plaques Advisory Committee meeting held on Thursday 31 October 2013.

(Marano/Cavanagh)

**Recommendation:**

- A. That the minutes of the Woollahra Plaques Advisory Committee meeting held on Thursday 31 October 2013 be noted and endorsed.
- B. That the adopted “Terms of Reference for the Woollahra Plaques Advisory Committee” and “Selection Criteria for the Woollahra Council Plaque Scheme” be amended as presented in Appendix 1 and 2 of Annexure 1 of this report.

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There being no further business the meeting initially concluded at 6.23pm.

**Note:** As a result of a number of community member who had expressed an interest in addressing the Committee mistakenly attending the Urban Planning Committee, the Chair agreed to re-open the meeting at 6.33pm on the Motion of Councillor Petrie seconded by Councillor Wynne), to allow Piers Ackerman to address the Committee in relation to Item R1 (Dog Regulations – Review Of Public Exhibition).

The Committee amended part D of the recommendation by adding the words ‘(at this time)’ and recommended that a new part E be added to the recommendation calling for a further review of on-leash/off-leash arrangements at Trumper Park.

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There being no further business following the re-opening of Item R1, the meeting concluded at 6.47pm.

*We certify that the pages numbered 3790 to 3796 inclusive are the Minutes of the Community & Environment Committee Meeting held on 25 November 2013 and confirmed by the Community & Environment Committee on 16 December 2013 as correct.*

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**Chairperson**

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**Secretary of Committee**