

# Community & Environment Committee Minutes

Monday 22 August 2005

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# Community & Environment Committee Minutes

**Minutes of the Meeting held on  
Monday 22 August 2005 at 6.00pm**

Present: The Mayor, Councillor Rundle, ex-officio  
Councillors Marcus Ehrlich (Chair)  
Anthony Boskovitz  
Claudia Cullen  
Tanya Excell – Joined during Item D2, Y5  
Wilhelmina Gardner  
Andrew Petrie  
John Walker

Staff: G Clarke (Director – Corporate Services)  
W Hatton (Director – Technical Services)  
G James (General Manager)  
D Sheils (Manager – Public Open Space)  
K Walshe (Director – Community Services)  
B Rann (Manager – Open Space Works)

Also in Attendance: Councillor Martin - From Item D2, Y5  
Councillor Comino - From Item D2, Y5  
Councillor Shoebridge - From Item D3

## **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: Y5, Y6 & D3

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## **Declarations of Interest**

Nil

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**Items Decided by this Committee using its Delegated Authority (Items D1 to D6)**

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**Item No:** D1 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 25 July 2005**  
**Author:** Les Windle – Manager Governance  
**File No:** See Council Minutes  
**Reason for Report:** The Minutes of the Meeting of 25 July 2005 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.

**(Petrie/Walker)**

**Resolved:**

That the Minutes of the Community and Environment Committee Meeting of 25 July 2005 be taken as read and confirmed.

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**Item No:** D2 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Woollahra Traffic Committee Minutes 2 August 2005**  
**Author:** Warwick Hatton, Director – Public Infrastructure  
**File No:** See Traffic Committee Minutes  
**Reason for Report:** For the Committee to consider the recommendations of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.

**(Gardner/Walker)**

**Resolved:**

THAT the Recommendations contained in the minutes of the Woollahra Traffic Committee meeting held on Tuesday 2 August 2005, Items Y1-Y6 be adopted.

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**Item No:** Y1 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Parking Restrictions Changes**

**Author:** Greg Stewart – Manager Public Infrastructure

**File No:** (Refer to Table 1)

**Reason for Report:** Various parking restriction changes throughout the Woollahra Council area.

**(Gardner/Walker)**

**Resolved:**

**Item Y1-1: Mona Lane, Darling Point – Amendment to existing parking restrictions**

- A. That the statutory ‘No Stopping’ be signposted on both sides of Mona Lane at its intersection with Mona Road.
- B. That the remainder of the northern side of Mona Lane be signposted as ‘No Parking’.
- C. That the section on the southern side of Mona Lane between the statutory ‘No Stopping’ and the ‘2 Hour Residents Parking’ be signposted as ‘No Parking’.

**Item Y1-2: Stafford Street, Double Bay – Relocation of ‘No Parking’ zone**

- A. That the ‘No Parking’ sign on the western side of the driveway servicing No.18-24 Stafford Street, Double Bay be moved 1.8 metres in an easterly direction, thereby extending the authorised residents permit parking zone at this location by 1.8 metres.

**Item Y1-3: Holdsworth Street, Woollahra – Reduction of ‘No Stopping’ zone**

- A. That the ‘No Stopping’ zone on the eastern side of Holdsworth Street, north of Morrell Street, be reduced to 6 metres measured from the projection of the northern kerblines of Morrell Street.

**Item Y1-4: Sutherland Avenue, Paddington – ‘No Parking’ for garage access**

- A. That a ‘No Parking’ zone 8.7 metres long be installed on the south-western side of Sutherland Avenue, from ELP3258 (in line with the south-eastern boundary of No.35 Sutherland Street) in a north-westerly direction.
- B. That the unauthorised ‘No Standing’ sign and stem on the boundary of Nos.27 & 29 be removed.
- C. That the ‘No Standing’ sign (with no arrows) on ELP SYZ1647 approximately 25 metres north west of ELP3258 be removed.

**Item Y1-5: Greenoaks Avenue, Darling Point – ‘No Parking’ for driveway visibility**

- A. That a ‘No Parking’ zone be signposted from 4 metres north of the northern edge of the vehicular access to No.10 Greenoaks Avenue to 2 metres south of the southern end of the vehicular access in Greenoaks Avenue, Darling Point.

**Item No:** Y2 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration.

**Subject:** **Old South Head Road – Relocation of bus zone on western side of Old South Head Road from south of Albemarle Avenue to north side of Albemarle Avenue**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 261.G

**Reason for Report:** Completion of construction works on private development.

**(Gardner/Walker)**

**Resolved:**

- A. That the existing bus zone on the western side of Old South Head Road be replaced by ‘1 Hour Parking 8.30am-6.00pm Mon-Fri, 8.30am-12.30pm Sat’ with the remaining 20 metres of kerb side space to Albemarle Avenue on the approach to the traffic light being covered by ‘No Stopping’ restrictions.
  - B. That ‘No Stopping’ restrictions be installed on the western side of Old South Head Road from Albemarle Avenue to the northern side of the vehicular access to the service station.
  - C. That a 19 metre long ‘Bus Zone’ be installed north of the ‘No Stopping’ restrictions referred to in “B” above.
  - D. That the kerb side space between the Bus Zone and the enclosed (Arrow Left) ‘1 Hour Parking, 8.30am-6.00pm Mon-Fri, 8.30am-12.30pm Sat’ sign, on Old South Head Road near Wilberforce Avenue, revert to ‘1 Hour Parking, 8.30am-6.00pm Mon-Fri, 8.30am-12.30pm Sat’.
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**Item No:** Y3 Traffic Matters on State Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Heeley Street, Paddington**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** T226

**Reason for Report:** Heeley Street one-way signposting checked to determine effectiveness.

**(Gardner/Walker)**

**Resolved:**

- A. That the ‘One Way’ sign on the western side of Heeley Street (Facing East) on the power pole 2 metres north of the prolongation of the kerb line in Stafford Street be replaced with an ‘All Traffic’ (Arrow right) sign and be relocated to a post 8 metres south of its current location.
- B. That the ‘One Way’ sign (Facing West) on the back of the Give Way sign on the northern side of the wider section of Stafford Lane be relocated and replaced with a new sign onto the back of the corresponding Give Way sign on the southern side of Stafford Lane at this location.

- C. That all five (5) of the remaining 'One Way' signs in Heeley Street between Underwood Street and the Five Ways intersection be renewed.
- D. That the 'No Left Turn' sign in Stafford Street at its intersection with Heeley Street be replaced with a new sign.
- E. That Council write to the resident petitioners and the Sydney Day Nursery advising the outcomes of the speed survey and actions taken to improve the 'One Way' signage in Heeley Street and request increased police enforcement.
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**Item No:** Y4 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration.

**Subject:** **Victoria Street, Watsons Bay – Temporary Road Closure**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** T524

**Reason for Report:** Application for Permit to Stand

**(Gardner/Walker)**

**Resolved:**

- A. That Council advertise the temporary road closure of Victoria Street, Watsons Bay between Pacific Street and Cove Street in accordance with Sections 114, 115, 116, 117 & 118 of the Roads Act, 1993.
- B. That the applicant be advised they are required to submit a Traffic Management Plan to the RTA for approval.
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**Item No:** Y5 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration.

**Subject:** **7-13 Dover Road, Rose Bay – Works Zone**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 407.G Pt 5

**Reason for Report:** Request for a 14m Works Zone for 74 weeks.

**Note:** Late correspondence was tabled by Alan Opera Councils Team Leader Traffic & Transport.

**Note:** Neil Karpas from Dover Delicatessen addressed the Committee.

**(Gardner/Boskovitz)**

**Resolved:**

That the matter be deferred for one month to allow time for a meeting to be held with interested shop keepers and interested residents to allow input on the proposal to provide for work zones for the site.

**Item No:** Y6 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Paddington – 40 Km.P.H. Speed Limit**

**Author:** Alan Opera – Traffic Team Leader

**File No:** 1166.G

**Reason for Report:** To seek approval for traffic calming measures proposed for Hargrave Street at Cascade Street, Paddington

**Note:** Late correspondence was tabled by Alan Opera Councils Team Leader Traffic & Transport.

**(Cullen/Petrie)**

**Resolved:**

- A. That the pedestrian crossing in Cascade Street south of its intersection with Hargrave Street be realigned to be parallel to Hargrave Street and therefore follow the pedestrian desire line at this location and the 'Stop' line and signage be adjusted accordingly if necessary. The separate pedestrian ramp to this crossing is to be retained on Hargrave Street.
- B. That the proposed handrail on the gutter bridge at the proposed pedestrian crossing in Cascade Street north of Gurner Street be deleted, the gutter bridge be widened and an upturned edge provided to stop wheelchairs and prams from falling off the crossing.
- C. That the proposed traffic island on the eastern side of Elizabeth Street north of Hargrave Street at the roundabout be deleted.
- D. That the north-western corner of Glenmore Road at its intersection with Hampden Street and Cascade Street be reviewed to ensure the provision of adequate turning paths for all vehicles using this area.
- E. That the footpath in Hargrave Street near its intersection with Cascade Street be designed as recommended in Option B of the Urban Design Planner's report, namely, with a reduced width of the upper path section to form one broad step or ledge at the property boundary, and the provision of all pedestrian access around the corner (and onto the pedestrian crossing) along the lower section, and with the removal of the handrail (NOTE: This is not a Traffic Committee matter).
- F. That the proposed traffic calming measures in Hargrave Street and Cascade Street, Paddington be revised in accordance with Proposal 1 (Urban Design Planner's Option B) with a natural un-coloured concrete or black asphalt infill, linemarking restricted to the edge of the median strip, and no use of reflectors on the linemarking, and be referred to the RTA's Road Safety Section for approval.
- G. That the correspondence from The Paddington Society be also provided to the Road Transport Authority.



**Item No:** D3 Delegated to Committee

**Subject:** **Oxford Street Paddington - Application to install plaques in the footpath area**

**Author:** Jacqui Hansen, Engineer - Policy and Projects

**File No:** 349.1

**Reason for Report:** Seventeen letters to Council from Paddington business owners objecting to the application by the Paddington Chamber of Commerce to install plaques in the Oxford Street footpath area and a petition from Paddington business owners objecting to flagpoles in Oxford Street.

**Note:** In accordance with Councils codes and meeting procedures this matter was called to full Council by Councillor Huxley for the reasons of heritage concerns and Community opposition. (see item R4).

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**Item No:** D4 Delegated to Committee

**Subject:** **Tree removal - Rosemont Avenue, Woollahra**

**Author:** Robert Sutton – Team Leader Tree Management

**File No:** 388 and 262.G

**Reason for Report:** To inform Council of the need to remove trees in Rosemont Avenue, Woollahra.

(Excell/Rundle)

**Resolved:**

In accordance with Council's Codes of Meeting Practice and Safeguards, this matter was referred to full Council for consideration. (see item R3).

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**Item No:** D5 Delegated to Committee

**Subject:** **Cultural Development Activity Update**

**Author:** Jo Jansyn, Cultural Development Coordinator

**File No:** 516.G Woollahra Garden Awards  
20.G Woollahra Small Sculpture Prize  
680.G Australia Day

**Reason for Report:** To provide a progress report on Cultural Development activity and opportunity.

(Rundle/Boskovitz)

**Resolved:**

- A. That the update on the progress of the 2005 Woollahra Garden Awards, Woollahra Garden Week and the 2005 Woollahra Small Sculpture Prize be noted.

- B. That Council endorse participation in the NSW Local Citizen of the Year Awards Program to be presented as part of the 2006 Australia Day project.
- C. That category nominations for the Local Citizen of the Year Awards Program as indicated in the report be adopted.
- D. The processes outlined in the report for implementation of the Local Citizen of the Year Awards Program and the establishment of an assessment panel be adopted.
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**Item No:** D6 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Woollahra Golf Course Wetland Proposal**  
**Author:** Jamie Howieson - Project Manager Environmental Works  
**File No:** 221.G  
**Reason for Report:** To update Council on Sydney Water's Stormwater Environment Improvement Program.

(Excell/Gardner)

**Resolved:**

That the information be noted.

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**Items with Recommendations from this Committee  
Submitted to the Council for Decision (Items R1 to R4)**

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**Item No:** R1 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **Community Services Policy**  
**Author:** Kylie Walshe  
**File No:** 79.G  
**Reason for Report:** To provide a policy framework for the provision, facilitation and planning of community services.

(Excell/Petrie)

**Recommendation:**

That Council adopt the draft Community Services Policy as the adopted policy in this area, as detailed in Annexure 1 of this report.

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**Item No:** R2 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **Community Services Grants**  
**Author:** Kylie Walshe  
**File No:** 30.G  
**Reason for Report:** To give consideration to applications for Section 356 Community Grants from local community groups /services.

**(Excell/Rundle)**

**Recommendation:**

- A. That the recommendation be adopted in relation to the allocation of Small Community Grants for 2005/06 under Section 356 of the Local Government Act, and in accordance with Council's adopted policy objectives and selection criteria.
- B. That a function be organised to present and celebrate the awarding of the Community Grants to successful organisations.
- C. That a report come to the Community and Environment Committee about the future of the provision of small Community Grants.

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**Item No:** R3 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **Tree removal - Rosemont Avenue, Woollahra**  
**Author:** Robert Sutton – Team Leader Tree Management  
**File No:** 388 and 262.G  
**Reason for Report:** To inform Council of the need to remove trees in Rosemont Avenue, Woollahra.

**Note:** **This matter was referred to full Council on 22 August 2005 as a Matter of Urgency and adopted.**

**(Excell/Rundle)**

**Recommended:**

- A. That the Arboricultural Assessment on Rosemont Avenue, Woollahra, dated 9 February 2005, be noted.
- B. That the residents of Rosemont Avenue, Woollahra, be notified of the need to remove and replace the trees recommended in the report.
- C. That the works recommended in the report be undertaken as a matter of urgency following resident notification.
- D. That a presentation be made to the residents to Rosemont Avenue on the proposal to remove and replace a number of trees.

- E. That we investigate the provision of nest boxes for parrots and possums displaced by the removal of the trees.
- F. THAT the recommendations of this report proceed directly to the Council meeting on 22 August 2005 as a matter of urgency.

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- Item No:** R4 Recommendation to Council
- Subject:** **Oxford Street Paddington - Application to install plaques in the footpath area**
- Author:** Jacqui Hansen, Engineer - Policy and Projects
- File No:** 349.1
- Reason for Report:** Seventeen letters to Council from Paddington business owners objecting to the application by the Paddington Chamber of Commerce to install plaques in the Oxford Street footpath area and a petition from Paddington business owners objecting to flagpoles in Oxford Street.
- Note:** In accordance with Councils codes and meeting procedures this matter was called to full Council for further consideration by Councillor Huxley.
- Note:** The Committee's recommendation was a substantial change from the staff recommendation as printed on the agenda.
- Note:** Late correspondence was tabled by Les Windle Councils Manager Governance and Kirstie Clements of Vogue Australia.
- Note:** Mr B McGrath the President of the Paddington Chamber of Commerce, Ms S Chan of from Shop 20 William Street, Paddington and Mr A McDonald from the Paddington Village Association, who submitted a petition of 120 signatures, addressed the Committee.

(Excell/Walker)

**Recommendation:**

- A. That Council not approve the detailed design submitted by the Paddington Chamber of Commerce for the installation of five plaques in the footpath area, adjacent to Nos 124, 126, 128, 130 and 136 Oxford Street, Paddington as part of a Fashion Walk of Fame, subject to conditions.
- B. That Council note that the Paddington Chamber of Commerce has decided not to pursue the issue of installation of decorative flags on Oxford Street any further at this time and do not intend to lodge an application with Council.
- C. That the Paddington Chamber of Commerce be advised that before lodging an application with Council (under the Section 139 of the Roads Act) to install decorative flags from the Energy Australia light poles in Oxford Street they must;

- i. undertake greater public consultation and,
  - ii. obtain written approval of the RTA and,
  - iii. obtain the written approval of Energy Australia
- D. That the Community and Environment resolution of 14 June 2005, relating to the installation of plaques, be rescinded.
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There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.44pm.

*We certify that the pages numbered 1512 to 1524 inclusive are the Minutes of the Community & Environment Committee Meeting held on 22 August 2005 and confirmed by the Community & Environment Committee on 5 September 2005 as correct.*

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**Chairperson**

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**Secretary of Committee**