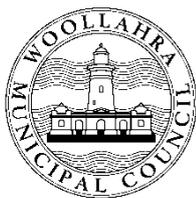


Community Safety Committee Minutes



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**Minutes of the Meeting held on
Thursday 16 August 2018 at 3.30pm**

1 PRESENT & APOLOGIES

Present: Councillor Isabelle Shapiro (Chair)
Councillor Harriet Price
Bruce Bland
Charles Wade
Donna Blackburn
Lorraine Jones
Helen Mushin
Jacqui Waserman
Kellie Prescott
Paula Storey
Staff: Jacky Hony

Rose Bay Residents Association
Darling Point Resident
Electorate Officer, Member for Vacluse
Darling Point Society Inc
Rose Bay Resident Association
Eastern Suburbs Police Area Command
Sydney East Business Chamber
Eastern Sydney Suicide Prevention Network
Team Leader – Community Development

Apologies: Councillor Susan Wynne
Marina Tesoriero
Superintendent John Duncan
Gina Grubb
Kim Foltz
Alex Greenwich
Michele Wearn
Gregory Sutherland
Prof Don White

Bellevue Hill resident
SESPAC
Vacluse resident
Vacluse resident
State Member for Sydney
Double Bay Residents Association
Vacluse Progress Association
HarbourView Neighbourhood Watch

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 Confirmation

Approved Cllr Price, seconded Charles Wade

2.2 Matters arising

- New South Head Road bicycle path - the revised detailed design plans and photo montages are currently being reviewed by staff. A Councillor briefing will be organised shortly.

Action: item to be retained on the agenda.

- Double Bay promenade lighting - the lighting along the Double Bay Promenade has been reviewed as part of the Double Bay Lighting Strategy. The Lighting Strategy includes extending lanterns along the foreshore and depicts 4 lanterns along the length of the beach, i.e. from 18' to Beach St. There are currently 3 standard park light poles in the area. It should be noted however that upgrading the lighting along the Double Bay Promenade has not been identified as a priority project under the Strategy.
The Committee discussed the proposed daytime café and streetscape upgrade adjacent to 18 Footers that will increase day time foot traffic in the area and thereby increase safety.

- Signage in Kiaora Lane - Council's Traffic Engineers have reviewed the existing signs. As per the RMS technical terms for traffic signs, 'Authorised Vehicles' includes vehicles such as delivery vehicles and garbage waste trucks etc. RMS will not permit the term 'delivery'. Therefore, it is required to use the term 'Authorised' to allow council garbage collection vehicles and delivery vehicles to businesses.
Following the review of the signs, the 'Authorised Vehicles Only' sign will be removed and replaced with 'Authorised Vehicles Excepted At Other Times'. This sign will be installed in conjunction with the existing 'No Entry 10am-3am'. It is envisaged that this will be completed by the end of August.
- Letterboxes DCP – having letterboxes inside apartment buildings is recommended through the DA process but is not a requirement.
- Cleaning of Goomerah Steps – Council's Coordinator Assets and Open Space have raised CRMs requesting staff remove the moss and that the lighting is reviewed. Committee members were reminded that they are able raise a CRM themselves via:
https://www.woollahra.nsw.gov.au/council/contact_us/customer_service_request
- Bent safety poles in Yarranabbe Park – Council's Manager Open Space and Trees has confirmed that staff will follow this up.
- ESSPN walk promotion in Darling Point Society's newsletter – the walk has been promoted.
Action: Cllr Shapiro to send e-copy to Sydney East Business Chamber for additional promotion.
- Clifftop lights from Gap Park to Christison Park working group – Cllr Shapiro has asked ESPAC if they are able to provide statistics to determine whether pursuing this is warranted.
Action: item to be retained on the agenda.

3 CORRESPONDENCE

None received.

4 POLICE REPORT

Snr Con Waserman gave an update about the Eastern Suburbs Precinct Committee meeting that was attended by a number of Councillors and staff. At the meeting, attendees were shown the updated BOCSAR website that features recent and historical crime statistics, including at the LGA level, and interactive maps. Committee members were encouraged to keep up to date via ESPAC's Facebook (see: <https://www.facebook.com/EasternSuburbsPAC/>).

Action: Jacky to send the Community Safety Committee members Snr Con Waserman's contact details so that they can self-nominate to attend future Precinct meetings.

There continues to be isolated incidences of unsecured possession theft: leaving cars unlocked with valuables on display; leaving car keys on display in unlocked homes; and house keys left in letterboxes. The latter also impacts on other homes in apartment buildings.

A seasonal crime, predominantly in the Waverley LGA, is the theft of prams, bicycles and surfboards left on house patios or communal areas of apartment blocks. The Committee discussed whether the community could be made aware of this.

Action: Cllr Shapiro to liaise with Council's Communications Team to ask that they 'like' and retweet this on social media.

ESPACE are working with Chambers of Commerce to promote the CCTV Register (see attached flyer). The register is an initiative of NSW Police and is endeavoring to establish an accurate, comprehensive database of the location of CCTV systems across NSW so that police are able to access footage for crime investigation purposes. The register is voluntary but businesses are encouraged to add their CCTV details.

ESPACE reminded the Committee about the mynite registration forms (see attached flyers). The forms provide tips for party hosts to ensure the safety of their gathering and also allows police to be on standby should any problems arise.

Action: Jacky to ask her staff to promote the initiative at the Youth Services Forum.

5 RESIDENT GROUPS UPDATE

5.1 Reports from Neighbourhood Groups

Watsons Bay gave thanks to Council for their works at Jacobs Ladder to reduce trip hazards including root cutting and putting down sand.

5.2 Report from Sydney East Business Chamber

The newly named Chamber now extends from Rushcutters Bay to Watsons Bay. The Chamber would like a representative from each area within Woollahra LGA on their Board and sub-committees representing each of the 5 Woollahra wards.

Businesses in Kiaora Lane would like additional lighting for both safety and aesthetic reasons and have offered to cost share the works with Council.

Action: Kellie to progress negotiations between Kiaora Lane businesses and Council.

The previous 'safe, smart, share' walk meetings that occurred in Double Bay will now be offered across the LGA. The meetings allow an opportunity for businesses and residents to raise any issues of concern with the police.

There continues to be noise complaints about licensed premises in Double Bay recycling glassware. The Committee discussed the Eastern Suburbs Liquor Accord and their website which refers only to Waverley Council despite having numerous Woollahra licensed premises as members. At present, anybody can submit a complaint via the website but the email goes to Waverley Council. A member of Council's Compliance team attended their last meeting and will continue to attend meetings along with Jacky to encourage the sharing of best practice and assist with updating the website.

Action: ESLA to be added as an agenda item for future Community Safety Committee meetings.

5.3 Report from Eastern Suburbs Suicide Prevention Network

The monthly Suicide Impacting Me facilitated peer support group continues to attract lots of online interest and has an average monthly attendance of 6 people.

The annual suicide awareness raising walk is being held 16 September and is being coordinated in partnership with JewishCare. A guest speaker with a lived experience has been confirmed for the event.

Action: Donna Blackburn to follow up the invitation to Gabrielle Upton to confirm her attendance.

The Committee discussed the recent case of a long negotiation between a person considering suicide and the police and the impact this had on local residents. The Committee discussed whether a debrief for the local community might be beneficial.

Action: Snr Con Wasserman to forward the contact details of the police suicide counsellor to Paula Storey.

5.4 Jewish Suicide Prevention Network are holding a free 'Mindframe' event 17 August to assist media in how to write about suicide and what language to use when discussing suicide and mental health.

5.5 Council activities update

The 2-day accredited mental health 1st Aid is being run 30 and 31 August and is fully booked. Council is currently exploring developing a holistic domestic violence strategy.

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

The Committee discussed the speed reduction on New South Head Road between Vaucluse and Rose Bay that came into effect 13 August, the new extended 328 bus route and the Edgecliff Station upgrade. Please see attached media releases.

The Committee discussed the use of temporary bollards as a means of hostile vehicle mitigation at events/places where large numbers congregate. Waverley Council are currently undertaking a study to determine best practice counter terrorism measures and have agreed to share findings with Woollahra Council.

Action: Cllr Shapiro to liaise with Cllr Field at Waverley to access the final recommendations report.

The Committee discussed the discontinuation of Ride Plus and the introduction of BRIDJ. Please see attached flyers for more information.

7 NEXT MEETING

Resolved: The next meeting will take place on Thursday 18 October 2018 at 3.30pm.

Note: Cllr Shapiro will be an apology, Cllr Price kindly agreed to Chair.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 4.45pm