

# Community & Environment Committee Minutes

Monday 29 June 2009

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# Community & Environment Committee Minutes

**Minutes of the Meeting held on  
Monday 29 June 2009 at 6.00pm**

**Present:** His Worship The Mayor, Councillor Andrew Petrie ex-officio  
Councillors Peter Cavanagh (Chair)  
Anthony Boskovitz  
Susan Jarnason  
Greg Medcraft  
Isabelle Shapiro

**Staff:** S Dunshea (Director – Corporate Services)  
W Hatton (Director – Technical Services)  
G James (General Manager)  
J Jansyn (Cultural Development –Coordinator)  
B Rann (Manager – Open Space and Trees)  
K Walshe (Director – Community Services)  
P Fraser (Team Leader - Open Space and Recreation Planning)

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## Leave of Absence

Leave of Absence previously granted by Council: Councillor Ian Plater

Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Susan Wynne and Leave of Absence granted.

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## Late Correspondence

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

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## Declarations of Interest

Nil

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**Note:** Item R1 – New Year’s Eve Strategy 2009, was dealt with prior to Item D2 to enable Ms Charlotte Feldman from the Darling Point Society to address the Committee.

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**Items Decided by this Committee using its Delegated Authority (Items D1 to D7)**

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**Item No:** D1 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 25 May 2009**  
**Author:** Les Windle – Manager Governance  
**File No:** See Council Minutes  
**Reason for Report:** The Minutes of the Meeting of 25 May 2009 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.

**(Medcraft/Jarnason)**

**Resolved:**

That the Minutes of the Community and Environment Committee Meeting of 25 May 2009 be taken as read and confirmed.

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**Item No:** D2 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Woollahra Traffic Committee Minutes - 2 June 2009**  
**Author:** Warwick Hatton –Engineering Services  
**File No:** 595.G 2009  
**Reason for Report:** For the Committee to consider the recommendations of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee.

**(Petrie/Medcraft)**

**Resolved:**

THAT the Recommendations Y1-Y3 and Y5-Y7 contained in the minutes of the Woollahra Traffic Committee, and as signed by the members of the Committee, held on Tuesday 2 June 2009, along with the Community and Environment Committee's amended recommendation in respect of Item Y4 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:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer, Daniel Pearse – Traffic Engineer
- File No:** (Refer to Table 1)
- Reason for Report:** Various parking restriction changes throughout the Woollahra Council area.

(Petrie/Medcraft)

**Resolved:**

**Item Y1-1: Dover Road, Rose Bay – Provision of parking restrictions**

1. That while the Works Zone for No.21 Dover Road is operational, No Parking restrictions be temporarily installed from the northern side of the driveway in a southerly direction for 7 metres.
2. That when the Works Zone for the development at No.21 Dover Road lapses, No Parking restrictions be installed from the southern side of the driveway to the Rose Bay Family Medical Centre at No.23 Dover Road, Rose Bay in a northerly direction for 7 metres.

**Item Y1-2: Wentworth Street, Point Piper – Provision of parking restrictions**

(Petrie/Medcraft)

**Resolved:**

1. That parking restrictions not be installed at the bend outside No. 6A Wentworth Street, Point Piper.

**Item Y1-3: Bowden Lane, Woollahra – Provision of parking restrictions**

(Petrie/Medcraft)

**Resolved:**

1. That 8 metres of No Stopping restrictions be installed on both sides of Bowden Lane, Woollahra, just north of its intersection with Wallis Street. The shorter distance is to allow for an even number of parking spaces to be provided in the lane.

**Item Y1-4: Glenmore Road, Paddington – Provision of parking restrictions**

(Petrie/Medcraft)

**Resolved:**

1. That a “No Stopping (Arrow Right)” sign be installed on the southern side of Glenmore Road, 10 metres east of the eastern kerb line of Flinton Street, Paddington.

**Item Y1-5: Union Street, Paddington – Pedestrian warning signposting****(Petrie/Medcraft)****Resolved:**

1. That a Pedestrian Warning sign (W6-3) (Facing South) be installed on the western side of Union Street 3 metres south of the prolongation of the southern boundary of No.2 Union Street, Paddington.
  2. That a Pedestrian Warning sign (W6-3) (Facing North) be installed on the eastern side of Union Street on ELP No.SY20847 located in front of No.37 Union Street, Paddington.
  3. That Council request the RTA Road Safety section to install 40kph signs and pavement markers in Union Street in the vicinity of the pre-school.
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**Item No:** Y2 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** Carers Permits In Permit Parking Zones

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 422.G Parking Policy General

**Reason for Report:** To report on the provision of Carers Permits

**(Petrie/Medcraft)****Resolved:**

- A. That Council declare all its existing Resident Permit Schemes to be Resident Visitor Permit Schemes.
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**Item No:** Y3 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Local Government Filming Protocol – Alteration to Roads Legislation**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 422.G – Parking Policy General

**Reason for Report:** Response Time Constraints resulting from Filming Protocol and associated Roads Legislation.

(Petrie/Medcraft)

**Resolved:**

- A. That temporary parking signage “P, Council Authorised Filming Vehicles Only” be installed as required for all future filming applications, by the filming applicant under the direction of Council’s Traffic Section on roads under Council’s control.
- B. That due to the time constraints involved, should an extraordinary Traffic Committee meeting be held electronically to deal with a filming application, the Traffic Committee members should note that a response will be required from their organisation within 2 working days to allow the application to be dealt with in a timely manner.
- C. That filming approvals issued by Council officers shall function as a Road Event Permit when the filming activity involves sections of roadway under Council’s control.
- D. That when an application is for the filming to either film in or impact on a Bus Stop, Bus Zone or advertised bus route, the applicant will need to liaise directly with Sydney Buses.

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**Item No:** Y4 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for consideration.

**Subject:** **Old South Head Road, Bondi Junction to Vacluse – Alteration to Speed Limits**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** T338

**Reason for Report:** Advising the Woollahra Traffic Committee and Council of the RTA’s intention to alter the speed limit for Old South Head Road from 60kph to 50 kph.

(Petrie/Medcraft)

**Resolved:**

- A. That consideration of this item be deferred pending advice being sought from the RTA on the reasons for the intended reduction in the speed limit in this area.

**Item No:** Y5 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Edgecliff Road / Wallis Street Intersection, Woollahra - Traffic Conditions**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** T148. / 482.

**Reason for Report:** Report to Traffic Committee and Council following Community Consultation.

**(Petrie/Medcraft)**

**Resolved:**

- A. That a pedestrian refuge in Wallis Street, unbroken centre line with raised pavement markers (to replace the median islands shown on the plan) in Edgecliff Road either side of the Wallis Street intersection and kerb blisters on the eastern side of Edgecliff Road either side of its intersection with Wallis Street and the northern side of Wallis Street just west of Edgecliff Road, Woollahra be installed as shown on the plan attached as Annexure 1 be approved as amended.

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

**Subject:** **Laguna Street, Vaocluse – Traffic Calming**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 272.

**Reason for Report:** Response to Council Resolution requesting investigation of traffic calming devices for this street.

**(Petrie/Medcraft)**

**Resolved:**

- A. That as the vehicle volumes in this street are considered satisfactory and the bi-directional 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed is 47 kph which is lower than the speed limit of 50 kph, no traffic calming measures are considered necessary in Laguna Street, Vaocluse.



**Item No:** Y7 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **New Beach Road, Darling Point – Proposed Traffic Calming Consultation Report**

**Author:** Daniel Pearse – Traffic and Development Engineer

**File No:** T327

**Reason for Report:** To report on the consultation with residents, community groups and STA (Sydney Buses) in relation to the proposed traffic calming measures for New Beach Road, Darling Point.

**(Petrie/Medcraft)**

**Resolved:**

- A. That plan number 15010 – Sheets 1 to 4 (Rev B) as attached in Annexure 1 of this report be approved and the works be implemented.
- B. That residents and business owners in New Beach Road as well as interested community groups be advised in writing of the outcome of the consultation process and upcoming implementation of the works.
- C. That Council's Traffic Section review the current parking restrictions and resident permit parking scheme in New Beach Road to ensure the restrictions are applicable to the parking demands in the area and this to be reported to a future Local Traffic Committee meeting.
- D. The review of resident permit parking scheme must also investigate the potential for a set down/ pick up zone fronting the Marina in New Beach Road.

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**Item No:** D3 Delegated to Committee

**Subject:** **Woollahra Traffic Committee – Extraordinary Meeting Minutes 9-22 June 2009**

**Author:** Warwick Hatton –Engineering Services

**File No:** 595.G 2009

**Reason for Report:** For the Committee to consider the recommendations of the Extraordinary meeting of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee.

**(Medcraft/Jarnason)**

**Resolved:**

THAT Recommendation Y8 contained in the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Woollahra Traffic Committee held by email between Tuesday 9 June and Monday 22 June 2009 be adopted.

**Item No:** Y8 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Kent Road and New South Head Road Intersection, Rose Bay – No Left Turn Restriction**

**Author:** Daniel Pearse – Traffic and Development Engineer

**File No:** T262. / T349.

**Reason for Report:** Request to restrict vehicles over 9m in length turning left into Kent Road from New South Head Road, Rose Bay.

(Medcraft/Jarnason)

**Resolved:**

- A. That the left turn from New South Head Road into Kent Road, Rose Bay be restricted to vehicles under nine metres in length as per RTA Plan No. 0173.499.VV.0477/6

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**Item No:** D4 Delegated to Committee

**Subject:** **Car Share Scheme**

**Author:** Alan Opera, Manager – Engineering Services

**File No:** 255.G Car Share

**Reason for Report:** Resolution of Council

(Medcraft/Jarnason)

**Resolved:**

- A. That the Woollahra Car Share Scheme, in compliance with the Car Share Policy, continues to operate in the Woollahra Municipality.
- B. That any new proposed location for car sharing facilities be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for concurrence and to the Community and Environment Committee for approval.
- C. That each approved location for car sharing facilities be reviewed annually by Council, based on regular reporting from the car share operator(s), to determine whether it should be extended for a further 12 months, or be terminated and the location revert to the parking restrictions that were in place prior to the car share scheme, subject to concurrence by the Traffic Committee.
- D. That the existing car share zone in Hopewell Street, Paddington be terminated and be referred to the Traffic Committee to reinstate previously existing parking restrictions.
- E. That the remaining car share zones in Ormond Street, Glenview Lane and Paddington Street, Paddington be retained.
- F. That known car share operators be advised of Council's continuance of the Car Share Scheme and Council's Policy.

**Item No:** D5 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Public Art Advisory Committee Minutes**  
**Author:** Jo Jansyn, Cultural Development Coordinator  
**File No:** 1160.G Public Art  
**Reason for Report:** To table the minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting held on 10 June 2009.

**(Petrie/Medcraft)**

**Resolved:**

- A. That the minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday 10 June 2009 be noted and endorsed.

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**Item No:** D6 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Sustainability Task Force 2009**  
**Author:** Chris Munro, Team Leader Environment & Sustainability  
**File No:** 1142.G Ecological  
**Reason for Report:** To recommend the adoption of Terms of Reference for the Sustainability Task Force and the way forward for a Woollahra Carbon Reduction Strategy.

**Motion moved by Councillor Medcraft  
Seconded by Councillor Shapiro**

That Council:

- A. Note the minutes of the first Ecological Sustainable Taskforce Meeting 10/06/2009.  
B. Adopt the recommended Terms of Reference for the Ecological Sustainable Taskforce.  
C. Advertise for quotations from professional consultants to help Council prepare Carbon Reduction Strategy

**Amendment moved by Councillor Boskovitz**

- A. Note the minutes of the first Ecological Sustainable Taskforce Meeting 10/06/2009.  
B. Adopt the recommended Terms of Reference for the Ecological Sustainable Taskforce.  
C. That Council not advertise for consultants to help prepare the Carbon Reduction Strategy but continue to utilise Council's own resources to prepare the Strategy.

**The Amendment lapsed for want of a Seconder  
The Motion was adopted**

**(Medcraft/Shapiro)**

**Resolved:**

That Council:

- A. Note the minutes of the first Ecological Sustainable Taskforce Meeting 10/06/2009.
  - D. Adopt the recommended Terms of Reference for the Ecological Sustainable Taskforce.
  - C. Advertise for quotations from professional consultants to help Council prepare Carbon Reduction Strategy
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**Item No:** D7 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Sydney Water's Council Partnership Program 2009**  
**Author:** Chris Munro, Team Leader Environment & Sustainability  
**File No:** 1142.G Urban Sustainability  
**Reason for Report:** To notify Council of Grant monies received from Sydney Water for a new environmental officer position to help local business reduce water use and become more sustainable.

**(Medcraft/Petrie)**

**Resolved:**

That Council:

- A. Note the Sydney Water Grant Funding awarded to Council on Friday 19 June 2009.
  - B. Note that Council will use the money to employ a new Sustainable Business Officer.
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**Items with Recommendations from this Committee  
Submitted to the Council for Decision (Item R1)**

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**Item No:** R1 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** New Years Eve Strategy 2009  
**Author:** Paul Fraser, Team Leader - Open Space and Recreation Planning  
Bruce Rann, Manager – Open Space and Trees  
**File No:** 1031.G  
**Reason for Report:** To present further detailed research and recommendations for the management and strategy of Woollahra's popular New Years Eve vantage points in our harbour-side parks and reserves.

**Note:** This item was dealt with prior to Item D2 to enable Ms Charlotte Fendman from the Darling Point Society to address the Committee.

**(Petrie/Shapiro)**

**Recommendation:**

- A. That Council adopt the proposed Management Strategy of Woollahra's NYE venues.
- B. That Council call for tenders for an Event Management Company to manage the venues for NYE 2009 and request a management fee as a part of the tender.
- C. A further report be presented after Council staff have evaluated tenders and provided recommendations on a preferred Event Management Company and proposal for funding.
- D. That Council write to the City of Sydney asking for financial assistance for the managed venue at Yarranabbe Park to cater for the displacement of visitors from the City of Sydney organised events and Sydney Harbour NYE fireworks.

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There being no further business the meeting concluded at 6.50pm.

*We certify that the pages numbered 2332 to 2344 inclusive are the Minutes of the Community & Environment Committee Meeting held on 29 June 2009 and confirmed by the Community & Environment Committee on 13 July 2009 as correct.*

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**Chairperson**

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**Secretary of Committee**