



Community & Environment Committee

Agenda: *Community & Environment Committee*

Date: *Monday 10 October 2011*

Time: *6.30pm*

Outline of Meeting Protocol & Procedure:

- The Chairperson will call the Meeting to order and ask the Committee/Staff to present apologies or late correspondence.
- The Chairperson will commence the Order of Business as shown in the Index to the Agenda.
- At the beginning of each item the Chairperson will ask whether a member(s) of the public wish to address the Committee.
- If person(s) wish to address the Committee, they are allowed four (4) minutes in which to do so. Please direct comments to the issues at hand.
- If there are persons representing both sides of a matter (eg applicant/objector), the person(s) against the recommendation speak first.
- At the conclusion of the allotted four (4) minutes, the speaker resumes his/her seat and takes no further part in the debate unless specifically called to do so by the Chairperson.
- If there is more than one (1) person wishing to address the Committee from the same side of the debate, the Chairperson will request that where possible a spokesperson be nominated to represent the parties.
- The Chairperson has the discretion whether to continue to accept speakers from the floor.
- After considering any submissions the Committee will debate the matter (if necessary), and arrive at a recommendation (R items which proceed to Full Council) or a resolution (D items for which the Committee has delegated authority).

Recommendation only to the Full Council (“R” Items)

- Such matters as are specified in Section 377 of the Local Government Act and within the ambit of the Committee considerations.
- Matters which involve broad strategic or policy initiatives within responsibilities of Committee.
- Matters requiring the expenditure of moneys and in respect of which no Council vote has been made.
- Matters delegated to the Council by the Traffic Authority of NSW.
- Matters not within the specified functions of the Committee,
- Matters reserved by individual Councillors in accordance with any Council policy on "safeguards" and substantive changes.
- Parks and Reserves Plans of Management (Strategies, Policies and Objectives).
- Residential Parking Schemes - Provision and Policies.

Delegated Authority (“D” Items)

- Community Services and Programs.
- Library Services
- Health.
- Licensing.
- Liquor Licences.
- Regulatory.
- Fire Protection Orders.
- Residential Parking Schemes (surveillance and administration).
- Traffic Management (Traffic Committee Recommendations).
- Waste Minimisation.
- To require such investigations, reports or actions as considered necessary in respect of matters contained within the Business Agendas (and as may be limited by specific Council resolution).
- Confirmation of the Minutes of its Meetings.
- Any other matter falling within the responsibility of the Community and Environment Committee and not restricted by the Local Government Act or required to be a Recommendation to Full Council as listed above.
- Statutory reviews of Council's Delivery Program and Operational Plan.

Committee Membership:

7 Councillors

Quorum:

The quorum for a Committee meeting is 4 Councillors.

WOOLLAHRA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Notice of Meeting

6 October 2011

To: Her Worship The Mayor, Councillor Susan Wynne ex-officio
Councillors Susan Jarnason (Chair)
Isabelle Shapiro (Deputy Chair)
Anthony Boskovitz
Peter Cavanagh
Greg Medcraft
Andrew Petrie
Toni Zeltzer

Dear Councillors

Community & Environment Committee Meeting – 10 October 2011

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993, I request your attendance at a Meeting of the Council's **Community and Environment Committee** to be held in the **Council Chambers, 536 New South Head Road, Double Bay, on Monday 10 October 2011 at 6.30pm.**

Gary James
General Manager

Additional Information Relating to Committee Matters

Site Inspection

Other Matters

Meeting Agenda

Item	Subject	Pages
1	Leave of Absence and Apologies	
2	Note Council resolution of 27 June 2011 to read late correspondence in conjunction with the relevant Agenda Item	
3	Declarations of Interest	

Items to be Decided by this Committee using its Delegated Authority

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Items to be Submitted to the Council for Decision with Recommendations from this Committee – Nil R Items

Item No: D1 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 19 September 2011**
Author: Les Windle, Manager - Governance
File No: See Council Minutes
Reason for Report: The Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 19 September 2011 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.

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Community and Environment Committee Meeting of 19 September 2011 be taken as read and confirmed.

Les Windle
Manager – Governance

Item No: D2 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Woollahra Local Traffic Committee Minutes – 4 October 2011**
Author: Tom O’Hanlon – Director, Technical Services
File No: 595.G 2011
Reason for Report: For the Committee to consider the recommendations of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee.

Recommendation:

- A. That the Recommendations Y1-Y6 contained in the minutes of the Woollahra Traffic Committee, and as signed by the members of the Committee, held on Tuesday 4 October 2011 be adopted.
 - B. That the Traffic Committee items be funded as outlined in Annexure 1.
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Tom O’Hanlon
Director - Technical Services

Annexure 1

<u>Traffic Item</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Y1-1	Oswald Lane, Darling Point – Parking restrictions	Council’s Block Grant for Traffic Facilities
Y1-2	Elizabeth Place, Darling Point – Parking restrictions	Council’s Block Grant for Traffic Facilities
Y1-3	Goodhope Street, Paddington – Car share	Cost of signposting to be charged to applicant
Y1-4	Stephen Street, Paddington – Resident Parking restrictions	Council’s Block Grant for Traffic Facilities
Y1-5	Newland Street, Woollahra – Parking restrictions	Cost of signposting to be charged to applicant
Y1-6	Holt Street, Double Bay – Car share	Cost of signposting to be charged to applicant
Y1-7	Bellevue Road, Bellevue Hill – Car share	Cost of signposting to be charged to applicant
Y1-8	Buckhurst Avenue, Point Piper – Parking restrictions	Council’s Block Grant for Traffic Facilities
Y1-9	Bayview Hill Road and Tivoli Avenue, Rose Bay – Parking restrictions	Cost of signposting to be charged to applicant
Y1-10	Salisbury Road, Rose Bay – Car share	Cost of signposting to be charged to applicant
Y1-11	Vaucluse Road / Carrara Road, Vaucluse – Statutory restrictions	Council’s Block Grant for Traffic Facilities
Y2	Glenmore Road / Hampden Street / Cascade Street, Paddington - Request for consideration of a roundabout	A future Capital Works Program
Y3	Walker Avenue, Edgecliff - Shared Zone and Resident Parking restrictions	Council’s Block Grant for Traffic Facilities
Y4	Rose Bay Primary School, Rose Bay - Review of traffic and pedestrian arrangements	Council’s Block Grant for Traffic Facilities for linemarking and a future Works Program for the constructions works.
Y5	John Street, Woollahra - Temporary road closure	All costs associated with the closure to be borne by the applicant
Y6	No.59-53 Victoria Road (Cranbrook Road), Bellevue Hill – Works Zone	Works Zone is in an area zoned as Residential 2(a). The fee payable shall be in accordance with Council’s adopted fees and charges for this zoning.

Woollahra Local Traffic Committee Minutes

The meeting of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee was held in the Thornton Room, Council Chambers, Double Bay, on Tuesday 4 October 2011 at 10.00am.

1. Attendance

Committee Members:

Present:	Mr Frank Rotta (Chairperson)	(Woollahra Municipal Council)
	Mr Navin Prasad	(Roads and Traffic Authority)
	Snr Const Kylie Kemp	(Rose Bay Police - Traffic)
	Ms Robyn Attuell	(Clover Moore MP Representative)
	Mr John Giblin	(Gabrielle Upton MP Representative)
Staff:	Mr Tom O'Hanlon	(Woollahra Municipal Council)
	Mr Yasas De Silva	(Woollahra Municipal Council)
	Mr Daniel Pearse	(Woollahra Municipal Council)
	Ms Armodee Reece	(Woollahra Municipal Council)
Observer:	Mr Eric Graham	(Transport NSW – State Transit)
	Mr John McDonagh	(Harbour View Residents Group)
	Mr K Diskoros	(Tahany Pty Ltd – Item Y1-5)

Apologies:

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of Meeting No.08/11 held in Council Chambers, Double Bay, on Tuesday 6 September 2011 were confirmed by Mr N Prasad and Mr J Giblin.

3. Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meetings

Nil

4. Local Traffic Committee recommendations not adopted or amended by Woollahra Council Community & Environment Committee

Nil

5. Extraordinary Meetings

Nil

6. Late Correspondence

Email from Clover Moore MP in relation to item Y2: Glenmore Road / Hampden Street / Cascade Street, Paddington – Request for roundabout

7. Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

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.

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

That the recommendations of Item Y1-1 to Y1-11 contained in Annexure 1 be adopted.

Item Y1-1: Oswald Lane, Darling Point – Parking restrictions

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

That ‘No Parking’ restrictions be installed to cover the entire north –western stub of Oswald Lane, Darling Point which serves as vehicular access to the rear of No.10 New Beach Road and pedestrian access to No.11 New Beach Road, Darling Point.

Item Y1-2: Elizabeth Place, Darling Point – Parking restrictions

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

That ‘No Parking’ restrictions be installed on the western side of Elizabeth Place from 5.2 metres north of the northern side of the driveway to No.3 Elizabeth Place for a distance of 4 metres in a northerly direction.

Item Y1-3: Goodhope Street, Paddington – Car share

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

1. That one 2.5 metre Carshare parking space (90 degree angle Parking) be installed on the western side of Goodhope Street, Paddington in the first available parking space south of the roundabout at the Goodhope Street/ Lawson Street roundabout.
2. That the location be signposted ‘No Parking Woollahra Council Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Area CS- Pgtm 3.
3. That the applicant advise residents with frontages within 50m of the signage changes.
4. That the zone be trialled for an initial twelve months and, if deemed unsuccessful at the end of the period, the zone be removed and revert to the existing unrestricted parking restrictions.

Item Y1-4: Stephen Street, Paddington – Resident Parking restrictions

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

1. That a 10.5 metre ‘2P 8am-11pm, Mon-Sat, Permit Holders Excepted Area Pgtn 3’ zone be installed on the western side of Stephen Street north of the driveway to No. 1 Stephen Street, Paddington.
2. That an additional 6 metres of ‘2P, 8am-11pm, Mon-Sat Permit Holders Excepted Area Pgtn 3’ be installed on the western side of Stephen Street at the rear of No. 11 Neild Avenue, Paddington.

Item Y1-5: Newland Street, Woollahra – Parking restrictions

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

1. That a P15 min (7:30am – 9:30am 3:30pm – 5:30pm MON –FRI) parking zone be installed on the eastern side of Newland Street, Woollahra, commencing from the prolongation of the Saber Street boundary of No.10 Saber Street, Woollahra and extending south for a distance of 12 metres.
2. That the alteration to parking conditions be subject to approval of the Development Application 306 / 2011 proposing a Childcare Centre at 10 Saber St, Woollahra.

Item Y1-6: Holt Street, Double Bay – Car share

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

1. That one Carshare parking space be installed on the southern side of Holt Street, Double Bay between 18.2m and 23.2m west of the western building alignment of Henrietta Street.
2. That the location be signposted ‘No Parking Woollahra Council Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Area CS- Double Bay’.
3. That the applicant advise residents with frontages within 50m of the signage changes.
4. That the zone be trialled for an initial twelve months and, if deemed unsuccessful at the end of the period, the zone be removed and revert to the existing unrestricted parking restrictions.

Item Y1-7: Bellevue Road, Bellevue Hill – Car share

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

1. That one 4.5 metre Carshare parking space be installed on the northern side of Bellevue Road, immediately south-east of the driveway to the units at No.175 Bellevue Road, Bellevue Hill.
2. That the location be signposted ‘No Parking Woollahra Council Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Area CS- Double Bay’.
3. That the applicant advise residents with frontages within 50m of the signage changes.
4. That the zone be trialled for an initial twelve months and, if deemed unsuccessful at the end of the period, the zone be removed and revert to the existing unrestricted parking restrictions.

Item Y1-8: Buckhurst Avenue, Point Piper – Parking restrictions

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

That 'No Parking' restrictions be installed on the northern side of Buckhurst Avenue, from the existing "No Stopping" restriction located at the end of the retaining wall fronting No. 6 Buckhurst Avenue and extending 8 metres in a northerly direction.

Item Y1-9: Bayview Hill Road and Tivoli Avenue, Rose Bay – Parking restrictions

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

That the existing "No Parking 8.15am-8.45am, 2.30pm-4.00pm School Days Only" in Bayview Hill Road and Tivoli Avenue, Rose Bay fronting Kambala School, be altered to "No Parking 8.00am-8.45am, 2.30pm-4.00pm School Days Only".

Item Y1-10: Salisbury Road, Rose Bay – Car share

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

1. That one 4.5 metre Carshare parking space be installed on the western side of Salisbury Road, south of Plumer Road, immediately south of the 'No Stopping' sign at this location.
2. That the location be signposted 'No Parking Woollahra Council Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Area CS- Rose Bay'.
3. That the applicant advise residents with frontages within 50m of the signage changes.
4. That the zone be trialled for an initial twelve months and, if deemed unsuccessful at the end of the period, the zone be removed and revert to the existing unrestricted parking restrictions.

Item Y1-11: Vaocluse Road / Carrara Road, Vaocluse – Statutory restrictions

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

1. That 'No Stopping' restrictions be installed on the southern side of Carrara Road, Vaocluse from the prolongation of the western kerbline in Vaocluse Road Road for a distance of 10 metres in a westerly direction.
2. That 'No Stopping' restrictions be installed on the western side of Vaocluse Road, Vaocluse from the prolongation of the southern kerbline in Carrara Road for a distance of 10 metres in a southerly direction.

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

Subject: **Glenmore Road / Cascade Street / Hampden Street Intersection, Paddington – Request for Consideration of a Roundabout**

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: T191 / T87 / 216.

Reason for Report: Response to Council Resolution.

Committee Vote: Majority Support (not supported by Clover Moore MP representative)

Recommendation:

- A. That the reinstatement of a roundabout at the Glenmore Road / Cascade Street / Hampden Street intersection be approved in principle.
- B. That Council consult with all residents of Cascade Street, Hampden Avenue and Glenmore Road within 500 metres of this intersection, as well as placing an advertisement in the Wentworth Courier asking for written submissions before proceeding with the final design for this roundabout.

Item No: Y3 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for consideration.

Subject: **Walker Avenue, Edgecliff – Request for Shared Zone and Review of Residents Permit Parking**

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: T477

Reason for Report: Response to a Notice of Motion.

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

- A. That no further action be taken to pursue a Shared Traffic Zone in Walker Avenue, Edgecliff as both volumes and speeds are well below the practical and environmental limits for this classification of road.
- B. That one(1) additional ‘2P 8am-8pm Mon-Fri, PHE Area Pgtn 5’ parking space be provided on the southern side of Walker Avenue in front of No.20 Walker Avenue, Edgecliff.
- C. That two(2) additional ‘2P 8am-8pm Mon-Fri, PHE Area Pgtn 5’ parking spaces be provided on the northern side of Walker Avenue in front of the Walker Avenue frontage to No.432 Glenmore Road, Edgecliff.

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

Subject: **Rose Bay Primary School, Rose Bay – Review of Traffic & Pedestrian Arrangements**

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: 544. / 424. / 495. / T132.

Reason for Report: To respond to a request by Council for Community Consultation in respect of the review of traffic and pedestrian arrangements around Rose Bay Primary School

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

- A. That ‘No Stopping’ restrictions be installed on the eastern (residents) side of Albermarle Lane, between Albermarle Avenue and Wilberforce Avenue, Rose Bay and that the drop-off and pick-up zone on the western (school) side of Albermarle Lane between Albermarle Avenue and Wilberforce Avenue, Rose Bay be changed to ‘No Parking, 8am-9.30am, 2.30pm-4pm, School Days Only’ with the statutory 10 metres on ‘No Stopping’ restrictions being signposted at both ends of the western side of Albermarle Lane.
- B. That Council apply to the RTA for approval to change the direction of traffic flow in Albermarle Lane from southbound to northbound in order to encourage the left turn only movement for traffic flows around the school and to allow students using the drop-off and pick-up zones to access the school from the passenger side of the vehicle without having to cross any road.
- C. That the applicant be advised that Council does not support a one way movement in Spencer Lane but that a ‘Watts profile’ speed hump be constructed in this lane just north of the driveways to Nos 55 and 57 Dover Road, to slow vehicles in this street thereby improving pedestrian safety.
- D. That the applicant be advised that the installation of a footpath on one side of Spencer Lane is not favoured as it would necessitate the removal of all parking in this lane resulting in the loss to the community of 10 unrestricted parking spaces.
- E. That the applicant be advised that the installation of a footpath on the school side of Albermarle Lane is favoured to facilitate drop-off and pick-up of students and that the Department of Education be requested to make a strip of land along the Albermarle Road frontage of the school available to ensure that a pedestrian path 1 metre wide can be constructed behind the existing kerb at this location.
- F. That the applicant be advised that no action is required to provide parking restrictions along the entire length of Spencer Lane as parking is to be retained along most of the eastern side of this lane.
- G. That the applicant be advised that the extension of the median at the pedestrian crossing in Wilberforce Avenue across its intersection with Spencer Lane is considered neither warranted nor appropriate. In order to improve the safety of children crossing at this facility, it is considered that the central median should be reconstructed in upright kerb instead of mountable kerb.

- H. That the applicant be advised that the entire school frontage to Wilberforce Avenue, Albermarle Lane and Dover Road could be given over to drop-off and pick-up parking for the school. This could only be made to work successfully if the school was made responsible for controlling the drop-off and pick-up of students in Albermarle Lane. The times and distance for the timed 'No Parking' and 'P 5 min.' would be subject to discussion with the school as part of the consultation process.
- I. That 10 metres of 'No Stopping' be installed on the western side of Spencer Lane, north of Wilberforce Avenue and 16 metres of 'No Stopping' be installed on the eastern side of Spencer Lane north of Wilberforce Avenue.

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

Subject: **John Street, Between Dwyer Lane & Victoria Avenue, Woollahra – Temporary Road Closure for Local Christmas Party**

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: T256

Reason for Report: Request from Mr Andrew Rowland on behalf of residents in this section of John Street for a temporary road closure of John Street between Dwyer Lane and Victoria Avenue from 3.00pm to 7.00pm on Sunday 11 December, 2011 for a neighbourhood Christmas Party.

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

- A. That approval be granted for the temporary road closure of John Street, Woollahra from Dwyer Lane to Victoria Avenue for a neighbourhood Christmas Party from 3.00pm-7.00pm on Sunday 11 December, 2011.
- B. That the above special event be categorised as a category 3 event.
- C. That the approval of the above event and the associated road closure be subject to the following conditions :
- i. The applicant must obtain approval for the event from Police by completing a "Notice of Intention to Hold a Public Assembly" form.
 - ii. That the applicant must submit a Traffic Management Plan to Council at least 28 days prior to the event. Council must submit the TMP to the RTA for approval of the temporary road closure.
 - iii. The applicant must inform all business proprietors, residents and other occupants in the vicinity of the proposed activities, at least fourteen (14) days before the event via a letterbox drop.
 - iv. The applicant must supply and erect any barriers and traffic signs necessary for the road closure and remove them at the completion of the event.
 - v. Council must be indemnified against all claims for damage or injury that may result from either the activities or from the occupation of part of the public way during the activities. A copy of Public Liability Insurance Cover to the value of \$10,000,000 shall be provided to Council prior to the event and Council must be listed as in interested party on the insurance.

- vi. Council must be reimbursed for the cost of repair of any damage caused to Council property as a result of the activities.
- vii. The applicant must inform all Emergency Services of the proposed road closure (that is Fire Brigade, Ambulance and the RTA) and must maintain a four-metre emergency vehicle lane at all times, with all services (e.g. fire hydrants) remaining free of any obstruction.
- viii. Noise created by use of equipment or activity must be controlled as required by the "Protection Of The Environment Operations (Noise Control) Regulation 2000".
- ix. The applicant must make arrangements to remove all waste from the site at the end of the event.
- x. Woollahra Council reserves the right to cancel this approval at any time.

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

Subject: No. 34 Jersey Road, Paddington – Works Zone

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: 407.G Pt17

Reason for Report: Request for a Works Zone

Committee Vote: Unanimous Support

Recommendation:

- A. That approval be granted for a Works Zone to be temporarily installed for No.34 Jersey Road, Paddington. The proposed Works Zone is to be located on the northern side of Jersey Road, commencing from the western side of the driveway to No.36 Jersey Road for a distance of 12 metres in a westerly direction and is subject to the following conditions:
- i. Any directive provided by the NSW Police Department is to be complied with.
 - ii. The Works Zone is to operate between the hours of 7.00am-4.00pm Mon-Fri and 7.00am-1.00pm Sat for a period of 16 weeks from October, 2011 (to be calculated from sign installation date).
 - iii. Suitable traffic control measures are to be put in place to manage truck movements to and from the construction site, and if necessary to and from the adjacent street system, in accordance with the RTA's Traffic Control at Works Sites manual.
 - iv. A Permit to Stand Plant will be required for all concrete pours, deliveries and/or truck presences in relation to the construction works.
 - v. Residents Permit parking shall be maintained outside of the Works Zone hours of operation.
 - vi. The applicant must ensure that the traffic lanes, footpaths and driveways, adjacent to the Works Zone, remain free of obstruction at all times during the construction.
 - vii. The applicant must inform Council's Traffic Engineer when the project is completed and the Works Zone can be removed and current parking restrictions reinstated.
 - viii. This Works Zone is in an area zoned as Residential 2(a). The fee payable shall be in accordance with Council's adopted fees and charges applying to the period for which the approval is given, and must be paid prior to the Works Zone being installed. Should the Works Zone be required for a shorter period, application may be made for a pro-rata refund.
 - ix. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the cancellation of the Works Zone at Council's discretion.

- x. Should the Works Zone be required for a period longer than the approved period, permission from the Director of Technical Services is required to extend the Works Zone.
 - xi. Any alteration to the hours of operation of the Work Zone will require the approval of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee.
- B. That the applicant regulate the size of vehicles standing in this Works Zone to ensure that traffic flows in Jersey Road are not affected at any time.
- C. That the applicant notifies all residents and businesses whose property frontage is within 50 metres of the Works Zone.
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8. Late Items

Nil

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 11.43am.

Frank Rotta
Chair

Item No: D3 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Minutes of the Animal Advisory Committee Meeting of 17 August 2011**
Author: Suzy Rich, Chair – Animal Advisory Committee
File No: 271.G AACM
Reason for Report: To submit the minutes of the Animal Advisory Committee meeting of 17 August 2011.

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Animal Advisory Committee meeting of Wednesday 17 August 2011 be received and noted.

Report:

The Animal Advisory Committee (AAC) was set-up in 1997 to coincide with the introduction of the *Companion Animals Act* 1998, which commenced operations on 1 September 1998.

On 27 September 2004, Council adopted the current ‘Terms of Reference’ for the AAC. The ‘Terms of Reference’ state that the purpose of the AAC is;

- “1. To serve as an advisory body to Council to assist with the development of policies, programmes, services and plans for companion animals. The AAC shall not operate in a regulatory or authoritative capacity.
2. To organise community events and educational programmes to raise awareness about companion animals and the *Companion Animals Act*.”

The ‘Terms of Reference’ further state that;

“The AAC is an advisory committee only and has no delegated authority. The AAC will report to the Community and Environment Committee as required.”

The current members of the AAC were appointed by the Community & Environment Committee on 13 October 2008 and their term runs concurrently with the term of the Council.

As specified by the ‘Terms of Reference’, AAC meetings are held on the third Wednesday of February, May, August and November of each year. The minutes of the AAC meeting held on **Wednesday 17 August 2011** are attached for the information of the Committee.

While the attached minutes will not be adopted by the AAC until their next meeting, the minutes have been circulated to the members and corrections made where requested and appropriate.

Suzy Rich
Chair - Animal Advisory Committee

Tim Tuxford
Manager - Compliance

Annexure:

1. Minutes of the Animal Advisory Committee meeting of 17 August 2011

Item No: D4 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Proposal for Alcohol Free Zones New years Eve 2011**
Author: Paul Fraser, Team Leader - Open Space & Recreation Planning
File No: 1031.G
Reason for Report: Establishment of Alcohol-Free Zones for New Years Eve 2011.

Recommendation:

- A. That Council exhibit the proposal to declare the roads stated within the body of the report as Alcohol-Free Zones from 12.01am on 31 December 2011 - 12 Midday on 1 January 2012, in accordance with *Section 644 to 644C of the Local Government Act 1993*
- B. That Council staff publish the public notice and notify relevant stakeholders providing an opportunity for representations from the community.
- C. That a further report be provided to Council with any submissions received as part of the public consultation.

Background:

On 14 March 2011, Council adopted the proposed management strategy for the management of New Years Eve (NYE) 2011 of Woollahra's NYE sites with the following resolutions;

- A. *That Council continue with the management of NYE vantage points as per NYE 2010, with the addition of Duff Reserve to be a managed site with the necessary resources implemented.*
- B. *That Council continue to work with the RBLAC and stakeholders in the management of sites in Woollahra.*
- C. *That the Mayor make representations to the Department of Premier & Cabinet stating the substantial cost and resources needed to manage local vantage points for the City of Sydney NYE fireworks*

In previous years in consultation with the Rose Bay Local Area Command (RBLAC), Council staff initiated the process of declaring certain roads in Darling Point and Rushcutters Bay as Alcohol-Free Zones in accordance with *Section 644 of the Local Government Act 1993*.

As part of the management of NYE, these Alcohol-Free Zones have proved to be a success and have allowed the Police to control an enforceable area along the precinct of Yarranabbe Park and McKell Park which are alcohol free. They have also assisted in the management of crowd behaviour within the area and surrounding streets.

Alcohol Free-Zones for NYE 2011:

In consultation with the RBLAC, staff are again recommending that the following roads in Darling Point and Rushcutters Bay be established as alcohol-free zones from 12.01am on 31 December 2011 - 12 Midday on 1 January 2012 in accordance with *Section 644 of the Local Government Act 1993*:

- New South Head Road (Along the precinct of Rushcutters Bay Park)
- New Beach Road
- Darling Point Road (From the intersection of Mona Road and Greenoaks Avenue to Darling Point Reserve)

- Yarranabbe Road
- Goomerah Crescent
- Hampden Avenue
- Bennett Avenue
- Thornton Street

This will provide the Police an enforceable area to control along the precinct of Yarranabbe Park (including Sir David Martin Reserve), Rushcutters Bay Park and McKell Park which are all alcohol free sites and assist in the management of crowd behaviour within the area and surrounding streets. The Police have stressed that this is an integral part of the planning phase to assist in the continued arrangements proposed for NYE 2011.

Furthermore, the RBLAC have requested additional alcohol-free zones in Rose Bay to assist with problems that occurred last year associated with large numbers of intoxicated people drinking in and around Percival Park and on the Rose Bay Foreshore. Police have requested that the following streets also be recommended for alcohol-free zones;

- Caledonian Road
- Collins Avenue

Section 644 of the Local Government Act 1993 states the following;

644A Public consultation on proposal to establish alcohol-free zone

- (1) *After preparing a proposal under section 644, the council may, by notice published in a newspaper circulating in the area as a whole or in a part of the area that includes the zone concerned:*
 - (a) *declare that it proposes to establish an alcohol-free zone, indicating the location of the zone and the proposed period or special events for which it will operate, and*
 - (b) *state the place at which, the dates on which and the times during which a copy of the proposal may be inspected, and*
 - (c) *invite representations and objections from persons and groups within the area, indicating that any representations or objections by them must be made within 14 days after the date on which the notice is published.*
- (2) *The council must give a copy of its proposal to each of the following persons, indicating that any representations or objections by the person must be made within 30 days after the date on which the copy is given:*
 - (a) *the officer in charge of the police station within or nearest to the proposed alcohol-free zone,*
 - (b) *each holder of a licence in force under the Liquor Act 1982 for premises that border on, or adjoin or are adjacent to, the proposed alcohol-free zone,*
 - (c) *each secretary of a registered club under the Registered Clubs Act 1976 that borders on, or adjoins or is adjacent to, the proposed alcohol-free zone.*
- (3) *If required to do so by the guidelines in force under section 646, the council must also give a copy of its proposal to the Anti-Discrimination Board, indicating that any representations or objections by the Board must be made within 40 days after the date on which the copy is given.*
- (4) *The council must consider all representations and submissions that are duly made to it under this section.*

Conclusion:

The Police have stated that the alcohol free zones will deter crowds gathering in surrounding streets of Darling Point and Rose Bay foreshore, creating a nuisance to surrounding residents and the Police. The Police and delegated officers will have the power to seize and tip out or otherwise dispose of alcohol without the need to issue a warning.

The Police have again reiterated that these zones are a very important component in the planning for NYE within Woollahra.

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ANNEXURE:

1. Alcohol-Free Zone Maps

**POLITICAL DONATIONS DECISION MAKING FLOWCHART
FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCILLORS**

