

# Community & Environment Committee Minutes

Monday 28 November 2011

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**Minutes of the Meeting held on  
Monday 28 November 2011 at 6.00pm**

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

Staff: Stephen Dunshea (Director – Corporate Services)  
Gary James (General Manager)  
Tom O’Hanlon (Director – Technical Services)  
Bruce Rann (Manager – Open Space & Trees)  
Kylie Walshe (Director – Community Services)  
Susan Turner (Manager – Community Development)  
Zubin Marolia (Manager – Property)  
Paul Fraser (Team Leader – Open Space)

Also in Attendance: Nil

## **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: D2

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## **Declarations of Interest**

Nil

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**Items Decided by this Committee using its Delegated Authority (Items D1 to D3)**

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**Item No:** D1 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 14 November 2011**  
**Author:** Les Windle – Manager Governance  
**File No:** See Council Minutes  
**Reason for Report:** The Minutes of the Meeting of 14 November 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.

(Wynne/Cavanagh)

**Resolved:**

That the Minutes of the Community and Environment Committee Meeting of 14 November 2011 be taken as read and confirmed.

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**Item No:** D2 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Community Facility Study 2011**  
**Author:** Susan Turner, Manager Community Development  
**File No:** 79.G  
**Reason for Report:** To present the Community Facilities Study 2011 to Council.

**Note:** In accordance with Council's meeting procedures and policy this matter is referred to full Council due to a substantive change of the Council Officer's recommendation.  
(See Item R4)

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**Item No:** D3 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Alcohol Free Zones NYE 2011**  
**Author:** Paul Fraser - Team Leader, Open Space & Recreation Planning  
**File No:** 1031.G  
**Reason for Report:** Adoption of Alcohol Free Zones for New Years Eve 2011

(Wynne/Medcraft)

**Resolved:**

- A. That Council declare the roads, as exhibited (Annexure 1) as Alcohol-Free Zones from 12.01am on 31 December 2011 to 12 Midday on 1 January 2012, in accordance with *Section 644 to 644C of the Local Government Act 1993*.
- B. That relevant signage be installed along the agreed streets stating the Alcohol-Free Zones.

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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:** **Community Gardens Policy 2011**  
**Author:** Paul Fraser- Team Leader, Open Space & Recreation Planning  
**File No:** 1208.G  
**Reason for Report:** Adoption of the updated Community Garden Policy 2011.

**Note:** Karen Firestone and Marika Nabung addressed the Committee in relation to this matter.

**Motion moved by Councillor Boskovitz  
Seconded by Councillor Zeltzer**

- A. That the Community Gardens Policy 2011 be adopted with an amendment made to include the provisional inclusion of poultry/ livestock within community gardens that are deemed appropriate.
- B. That any requests for poultry/ livestock be approved by Council staff and assessed regularly.
- C. That any approval granted in respect of Recommendation (B) above be subject to a trial period with a review to be undertaken twelve months from commencement.

**Amendment moved by Councillor Petrie  
Seconded by Councillor Shapiro**

- A. That the Community Gardens Policy 2011 be adopted with an amendment made to include the provisional inclusion of poultry/ livestock within community gardens that are deemed appropriate.
- B. That any requests for poultry/ livestock be approved by Council staff and assessed regularly.

**The Amendment was put and lost  
The Motion was put and carried**

**(Boskovitz/Zeltzer)**

**Recommendation:**

- A. That the Community Gardens Policy 2011 be adopted with an amendment made to include the provisional inclusion of poultry/ livestock within community gardens that are deemed appropriate.
- B. That any requests for poultry/ livestock be approved by Council staff and assessed regularly.
- C. That any approval granted in respect of Recommendation (B) above be subject to a trial period with a review to be undertaken twelve months from commencement.

**Item No:** R2 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **Community and Cultural Small Grants Round 2011-2012**  
**Author:** Romi Scodellaro, Community Development Officer  
**File No:** 30.G  
**Reason for Report:** To give consideration to applications for Section 356 Community and Cultural Small Grants Round from local community groups and services.

**(Petrie/Zeltzer)**

**Recommendation:**

That Council approve the selection panel's recommendations for the successful October 2011 Community and Cultural Small Grants Round.

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**Item No:** R3 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **Public Art Advisory Committee Minutes**  
**Author:** Maria Lacey, Cultural Development Officer  
**File No:** 1160.G Public Art  
**Reason for Report:** To table the minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting held on 9 November 2011.

**(Shapiro/Medcraft)**

**Recommendation:**

- A. That the minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday 9 November 2011 be noted and endorsed.
  - B. That Council accept the proposed artwork donation 'Vespa' by Gillie and Marc to be installed in a temporary location for 12 months.
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**Item No:** R4 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **Community Facility Study 2011**  
**Author:** Susan Turner, Manager Community Development  
**File No:** 79.G  
**Reason for Report:** To present the Community Facilities Study 2011 to Council.

**Note:** In accordance with Council's meeting procedures and policy this matter is referred to full Council due to a substantive change of the Council Officer's recommendation.

**Note:** Late correspondence was tabled by Catherine Brenner and the Member for Sydney, Clover Moore.

**Note:** Kerry Huxley from the Paddington Society, Maureen Clark from the Rose Bay Residents Association, and Michael Pain, a resident of Paddington addressed the Committee in relation to this matter.

**Motion moved by Councillor Medcraft  
Seconded by Councillor Cavanagh**

- A. That Council note the Woollahra Community Facility Study 2011 undertaken by AECOM on behalf of Council.
- B. That Council endorse the referral of the Study to the Assets Working Party to make deliberations and recommendations to the Community & Environment Committee regarding a long term strategic plan for Council's community facilities.
- C. That any strategies proposed by the Asset Working Party be subject to extensive community consultation prior to any recommendations being submitted to Council for endorsement.
- D. In its deliberations regarding the future of the EJ Ward Centre, the Assets Working Party only consider the renovation and improvement options, noting that Council does not support any sale of the EJ Ward Centre.
- E. That the Assets Working Party consider as a priority matter funding options for the provision of a community facility in Rose Bay.
- F. That the Working Party also consider future options regarding the Hugh Latimer Centre.
- G. That no major works be undertaken on Council's community facilities until Council has adopted a strategic plan for community facilities.
- H. That the Community & Environment Committee's recommendation be forwarded to the Council Meeting on 28 November 2011 as a Matter of Urgency.

**Amendment moved by Councillor Petrie  
Seconded by Councillor Shapiro**

- A. That Council note the Woollahra Community Facility Study 2011.
- B. That Council endorse the referral of the Study to the Assets Working Party to make deliberations and recommendations to Council regarding a strategic plan for Council's community facilities.
- C. That no major works be undertaken on Council's community facilities until Council has adopted a strategic plan for community facilities.

**The Amendment was put and lost  
The Motion was put and carried**

**(Medcraft/Cavanagh)****Recommendation:**

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- B. That Council endorse the referral of the Study to the Assets Working Party to make deliberations and recommendations to the Community & Environment Committee regarding a long term strategic plan for Council's community facilities.
- C. That any strategies proposed by the Asset Working Party be subject to extensive community consultation prior to any recommendations being submitted to Council for endorsement.
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- E. That the Assets Working Party consider as a priority matter funding options for the provision of a community facility in Rose Bay.
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There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.47pm.

***We certify that the pages numbered 3384 to 3391 inclusive are the Minutes of the Community & Environment Committee Meeting held on 28 November 2011 and confirmed by the Community & Environment Committee on 12 November 2011 as correct.***

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**Chairperson**

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**Secretary of Committee**