

# Community & Environment Committee Agenda



**Agenda:** *Community & Environment Committee*

**Date:** *Monday 11 April 2016*

**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:**

- 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 Roads and Maritime Services.
- 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:**

- Community Services and Programs.
- Library Services
- Health.
- Licensing.
- Liquor Licences.
- Regulatory.
- Fire Protection Orders.
- Residential Parking Schemes (surveillance and administration).
- Traffic Management (Woollahra Local 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 & 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 April 2016

To: Her Worship the Mayor, Councillor Toni Zeltzer ex-officio  
Councillors Deborah Thomas (Chair)  
Peter Cavanagh  
Greg Levenston  
Anthony Marano (Deputy Chair)  
Andrew Petrie  
Susan Wynne

Dear Councillors

### **Community & Environment Committee – 11 April 2016**

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993, I request your attendance at Council's **Community & Environment Committee** meeting to be held in the **Council Chambers, 536 New South Head Road, Double Bay, on Monday 11 April 2016 at 6.30pm.**

Gary James  
General Manager

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**Item No:** D1 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 29 MARCH 2016**  
**Author:** Sue O'Connor, Secretarial Support - Governance  
**File No:** 16/44980  
**Reason for Report:** The Minutes of the Community & Environment Committee of 29 March 2016 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 & Environment Committee Meeting of 29 March 2016 be taken as read and confirmed.

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**Item No:** D2 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **WOOLLAHRA LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MINUTES - 5 APRIL 2016**  
**Author:** Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
**Approver:** Tom O'Hanlon, Director - Technical Services  
**File No:** 16/46510  
**Reason for Report:** For the Committee to consider the recommendations of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee

**Recommendation:**

THAT the Recommendations Y1-Y8 contained in the minutes of the Woollahra Traffic Committee held on Tuesday 5 April 2016 be adopted.

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**Annexures**

1. Woollahra Local Traffic Committee Minutes - 5 April 2016

# Woollahra Local Traffic Committee Minutes

Tuesday 5 April 2016

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## Woollahra Local Traffic Committee Minutes

The meeting of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee was held in the Thornton Room (Committee Room), 536 New South Head Road, Double Bay, on 5 April 2016 at 10.00am.

### 1. Attendance

#### Committee Members:

Present:	Mr Aurelio Lindaya Mr Ken Hind Snr Const Corinne Dawes Mr John Giblin	(Woollahra Municipal Council) (Chair) (Roads and Maritime Services) (Rose Bay Police) (Gabrielle Upton MP Representative)
Staff:	Mr Stephen Calderon Mr Frank Rotta Ms Qian Liu Ms Stacey Bulloch	(Woollahra Municipal Council) (Woollahra Municipal Council) (Woollahra Municipal Council) (Woollahra Municipal Council)
Observer:	Mr Eric Graham Ms Rose Russo	(Transport NSW – State Transit) (Gabrielle Upton MP Representative)
Apologies:	Mr Alex Greenwich MP	(Member for Sydney)
Also in Attendance:	Tim Rockley Kym Pamment Cilla Warre Mark Silcocks	(Resident – Item Y1) (Resident – Item Y1) (Resident – Item Y3) (Resident – Item Y4)

## 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of Meeting No.2/15 held in Council Chambers, Double Bay, on Tuesday 1 March 2016 were confirmed by John Giblin and Stephen Calderon.

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## 3. Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meetings

Nil

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

**Subject:** 20 BELLEVUE ROAD, BELLEVUE HILL – PEDESTRIAN CROSSING RELOCATION AND CMP FOR DEVELOPMENT SITE  
**Author:** Frank Rotta, Traffic & Transport Engineer  
**Approvers:** Stephen Calderon, Traffic & Transport Team Leader  
Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
**File No:** 16/22355  
**Reason for Report:** To approve the relocation of the Pedestrian Crossing in Bellevue Road, east of the driveway to No.2-16 Bellevue Road and to approve the Construction Management Plan for the development site.

**Note:** The Committee added new Resolution H. (Regulatory Officers patrol).

That:

H. That Council's Regulatory Officers patrol the street, at least twice per day, at different times during the period of construction.

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## 5. Extraordinary Meetings

Nil

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## 6. Late Correspondence

Alex Greenwich did not attend the meeting. A copy of his votes has been distributed to the other committee members via email.

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**Items to be Recommended to the Community & Environment Committee by the Woollahra  
Local Traffic Committee for Consideration**

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**Item No:** Y1  
**Subject:** CAMBRIDGE LANE, PADDINGTON - REQUEST TO REMOVE  
ON-STREET PARKING - (SC1240-03)  
**Author:** Stephen Calderon, Traffic & Transport Team Leader  
**Approver:** Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
**File No:** 16/41127  
**Reason for Report:** To report on an investigation into a request to remove on-street parking in  
association with a private driveway.

**Recommendation:**

That the request for the removal of on-street parking in Cambridge Lane to assist the vehicular  
access to No. 29-31 Cambridge Street, Paddington not be supported.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

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**Item No:** Y2  
**Subject:** BROWN STREET, PADDINGTON - 'STOP' CONTROL - (SC1240-  
03)  
**Author:** Stephen Calderon, Traffic & Transport Team Leader  
**Approver:** Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
**File No:** 16/28398  
**Reason for Report:** To upgrade an existing 'STOP' control.

**Recommendation:**

That:

- A. The existing 'STOP' sign located on Brown Street, immediately south of McDonald Street be  
upgraded from the existing 'A' size sign (600mm x 600mm) to a 'B' size sign (750mm x  
750mm) to improve the prominence of this control for northbound drivers.
- B. Council officers continue to monitor this location and if non-compliance of the 'STOP' control  
does not reduce to a reasonable level, that NSW Police be requested to consider this location  
for enforcement.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

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**Item No:** Y3  
**Subject:** **PICKERING LANE, WOOLLAHRA - PROPOSED STOP SIGNS - (SC1240-03)**  
**Author:** Qian Liu, Traffic & Transport Engineer  
**Approvers:** Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
Stephen Calderon, Traffic & Transport Team Leader  
**File No:** 16/33945  
**Reason for Report:** To seek approval for measures aimed at improving pedestrian safety.

**Recommendation:**

That a 'STOP' sign and 'STOP' line (TF) be installed in Pickering Lane at the intersection with the western footpath of Nelson Street, facing eastbound traffic.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

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**Item No:** Y4  
**Subject:** **MANNING ROAD, DOUBLE BAY - LINE MARKING - (SC1240-03)**  
**Author:** Stephen Calderon, Traffic & Transport Team Leader  
**Approver:** Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
**File No:** 16/24124  
**Reason for Report:** To seek approval to implement a channelisation treatment (line marking).

**Recommendation:**

That:

- A. The channelisation treatment (line marking) as identified in Annexure 1, titled *Manning Road at Patterson Street Double Bay - Proposed Channelisation (Line Marking) Plan* be implemented.
- B. Council's Rangers be requested to monitor this intersection with particular reference to the 'No Stopping' restrictions on the eastern side of Manning Road, either side of Patterson Street.

**NOTE:** STA object to this recommendation due to the lane width of 2.9m.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

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**Item No:** Y5  
**Subject:** **BIRRIGA ROAD, BELLEVUE HILL - PEDESTRIAN REFUGE  
AUDIT - (SC1240-03)**  
**Author:** Qian Liu, Traffic & Transport Engineer  
**Approvers:** Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
Stephen Calderon, Traffic & Transport Team Leader  
**File No:** 16/39738  
**Reason for Report:** To enhance an existing pedestrian refuge that improves conditions for pedestrians with reference to Austroads 2013, Australian Standards and RMS Australian Standard Supplements

**Recommendation:**

That the existing refuge island located outside 6 Birriga Road, Bellevue Hill, be reconstructed as per Annexure 1 and that funding for this work be considered as part of the annual Traffic Capital Works review process.

**NOTE:** STA object to this recommendation due to the lane width of 2.8m.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

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**Item No:** Y6  
**Subject:** **BAY STREET, DOUBLE BAY (SOUTH OF CROSS STREET) –  
PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AUDIT - (SC1240-03)**  
**Author:** Frank Rotta, Traffic & Transport Engineer  
**Approvers:** Stephen Calderon, Traffic & Transport Team Leader  
Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
**File No:** 16/40258  
**Reason for Report:** To audit the pedestrian crossing in line with RMS Technical Directions.  
**Recommendation:**

That the following alterations be carried out at the pedestrian crossing in Bay Street, Double Bay immediately south of Cross Street, Double Bay:

- A. On the northbound approach to the crossing, the Pedestrian Crossing (R3-1) sign be replaced with a fluoro yellow/green R3-1 sign in accordance with TDT 2007/01 and be adjusted to face both directions of traffic, the 'Speed Hump' warning sign be removed in accordance with AS 1742.13 and the '25 km/hr' supplementary plate retained.
- B. On the southbound approach to the crossing, the Pedestrian Crossing (R3-1) sign be replaced with a fluoro yellow/green R3-1 sign in accordance with TDT 2007/01 and be relocated approximately 5 metres north, adjusted to face both directions of traffic, the 'Speed Hump' warning sign be removed in accordance with AS 1742.13 and the '25 km/hr' supplementary plate retained.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Item No:** Y7  
**Subject:** **PROPOSED BARRIERS FOR SYNAGOGUES DURING JEWISH HOLIDAYS - (SC1240-03)**  
**Author:** Frank Rotta, Traffic & Transport Engineer  
**Approvers:** Stephen Calderon, Traffic & Transport Team Leader  
Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
**File No:** 16/39829  
**Reason for Report:** Request for approval to temporarily remove on-street parking and install water filled barriers on footpaths and roadways in vicinity of Synagogues for security reasons.

**Recommendation:**

- A. That subject to access to the bus stop being maintained, approval be granted for the placement of 38 metres of water filled barriers and fencing on the footpath in front of the South Head Synagogue at 666 Old South Head Road, Rose Bay for the following periods:
- i. 29 September, 2016 – 26 October, 2016
  - ii. 18 September, 2017 – 13 October, 2017
  - iii. 6 September, 2018 – 3 October, 2018
- B. That approval be granted for the placement of water filled barriers on the verge at the kerb line and adjacent to the footpath in Ocean Street, Woollahra, in front of the Emanuel Synagogue for the following periods:
- i. 29 September, 2016 – 26 October, 2016
  - ii. 18 September, 2017 – 13 October, 2017
  - iii. 6 September, 2018 – 3 October, 2018
- C. That approval be granted for the closure of Kilminster Lane at the rear of No.11 Ocean Street, Woollahra, with water filled barriers for the following periods:
- i. 29 September, 2016 – 26 October, 2016
  - ii. 18 September, 2017 – 13 October, 2017
  - iii. 6 September, 2018 – 3 October, 2018
- D. That approval be granted for a temporary 'No Stopping' zone being provided across the Ocean Street frontage of the Emanuel Synagogue to cover the barricaded area for the following periods:
- i. 29 September, 2016 – 26 October, 2016
  - ii. 18 September, 2017 – 13 October, 2017
  - iii. 6 September, 2018 – 3 October, 2018
- E. That approval be granted for the placement of water filled barriers on the footpath at the kerb line in Kiaora Road in front of the Chabad Double Bay Synagogue for the following periods:
- i. 29 September, 2016 – 26 October, 2016
  - ii. 18 September, 2017 – 13 October, 2017
  - iii. 6 September, 2018 – 3 October, 2018
- F. That approval be granted for a temporary 'No Stopping' zone being provided across the existing 'No Parking' zone across the driveway to the Post Office in Kiaora Road and the Kiaora Road frontage of the Chabad Double Bay Synagogue to cover the driveway to the Post Office and the barricaded area for the following periods:



- i. 29 September, 2016 – 26 October, 2016
  - ii. 18 September, 2017 – 13 October, 2017
  - iii. 6 September, 2018 – 3 October, 2018
- G. That approval be granted for the closure of the kerb side lane across the property frontages of the Sephardi Synagogue in Fletcher Street and Fletcher Lane, Woollahra, with water filled barriers for the following periods:
- i. 29 September, 2016 – 26 October, 2016
  - ii. 18 September, 2017 – 13 October, 2017
  - iii. 6 September, 2018 – 3 October, 2018
- H. That approval be granted for temporary 'No Stopping' zones being provided across the property frontages of the Sephardi Synagogue in Fletcher Street and both sections of Fletcher Lane, Woollahra for the following periods:
- i. 29 September, 2016 – 26 October, 2016
  - ii. 18 September, 2017 – 13 October, 2017
  - iii. 6 September, 2018 – 3 October, 2018
- I. That all approved water barriers be located so as to provide a minimum clear passageway of 1.8 metres for pedestrians on the public footpaths at all times.
- J. That the applicant submits Traffic Control Plans prepared by an RMS accredited traffic control consultant to Council, for each location where the temporary alterations to either vehicular and or pedestrian traffic are proposed, to ensure that these temporary changes are managed in a safe and efficient manner.
- K. That the applicant submit a Traffic Management Plan for approval of RMS for the proposed temporary road closure of Kilminster Lane and comply with all conditions of the RMS consent.
- L. That all persons charged with controlling traffic be RMS Accredited Traffic Controllers.
- M. That the applicant provides a written notification by letter-box drop of the approval and relevant timings to all residents/businesses whose property frontage is within 100 metres of each affected synagogue a minimum of two weeks prior to the installation of the barricades.
- N. That the applicant indemnify Woollahra Council, and provide evidence of indemnity, to a value of no less than \$10,000,000 against any Public Liability claims from accidents associated with these works.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

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**Item No:** Y8  
**Subject:** **REMOVAL OF BUS STOPS AS PROPOSED BY TRANSPORT FOR NSW - ROUTE 389 - (SC1240-03)**  
**Author:** Stephen Calderon, Traffic & Transport Team Leader  
**Approver:** Aurelio Lindaya, Manager - Engineering Services  
**File No:** 16/42790  
**Reason for Report:** To advise Council of a proposal by the NSW State Government to remove a number of bus stops to improve the reliability of buses on route 389.

**Recommendation:**

That Council note the proposal to remove route 389 bus stops in Brown Street and Hargrave Street, Paddington and Old South Head Road, Bellevue Hill and that a submission be made on the matter following further investigation by Council officers.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

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**General Business:**

RMS Mobility Parking Scheme

The matter of the current RMS Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) policy was discussed, specifically around the use of MPS Permits for Carers parking in areas with parking restrictions. The RMS representative advised that the MPS Policy was based on the current legislation. Council officers advised that Council has received concerns that bona-fide Carers were unable to use a MPS Permit on their vehicles parked in time restricted parking zones while caring for mobility impaired people. It was agreed that Council officers should contact the RMS Policy and Legislation Branch and seek formal advice on the matter.

Bay Street – Late Night Vehicle and Pedestrian Control

The Rose Bay Police representative advised that the Double Bay Chamber of Commerce have requested a meeting with the Rose Bay Police in regards to better controlling the vehicle and pedestrian traffic along Bay Street, Double Bay during late night trading. The outcomes of the meeting will be discussed with Council officers to determine a solution.

Proposed Street March - Saturday 9 April 2016

The Rose Bay Police representative advised that they are currently considering an application for a street march intended to occur Saturday 9 April 2016, with the particulars of this event as follows:

1. Organiser: Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)
2. Commencing Time: 12.30pm
3. Finishing Time: 2.30pm
4. Estimated Number of Participants – 500

Should the number of participants be below 150, NSW Police have advised that no temporary road closures will be implemented and that event participants will be managed along footpaths. Should the number of participants exceed 150, NSW Police intend to manage this event via a series of rolling road closures.

I understood that the street march will commence at Taylor's Square, Darlinghurst and continue along Boundary Street and other local roads within Paddington. A stop is planned to occur at Rushcutters Bay Park before participants will then travel along New South Head Road, ending the event at the office of Malcolm Turnbull MP at the intersection of New South Head Road and Ocean Street, Edgecliff.

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There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 10.50 am.

**Aurelio Lindaya**  
**Chair**



**Item No:** R1 Recommendation to Council  
**Subject:** **COUNCIL NAMING PROCESS - IF REQUIRED DUE TO AMALGAMATION**  
**Author:** Kylie Walshe, Director - Community Services  
**Approver:** Gary James, General Manager  
**File No:** 16/43878  
**Reason for Report:** To respond to the Notice of Motion on 29 March 2016 regarding a Council naming process to allow Council to present a name to the NSW Local Government Minister for consideration should Woollahra, Waverley and Randwick City Councils be forced into an amalgamation.

**Recommendation:**

- A. That Council determine a suitable name for a new Council, should Woollahra be forced into an amalgamation with Waverley and Randwick City Councils, to be forwarded to the NSW Minister for Local Government.
- B. That Council determine the preferred name or place preferred names on Council's website to invite public comment for a period of seven (7) days.
- C. Subject to B above, Council advise the Minister for Local Government and his appointed Delegate of the preferred choice.
- D. That the matter be referred to Council as a matter of urgency.

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**1. Background:**

The NSW State Government is currently considering a proposal to merge Woollahra, Waverley and Randwick City Councils in mid-2016. Council has submitted a response to this proposal clearly arguing against this proposal on a number of grounds.

On 29 March, 2016, Council resolved:

*That, notwithstanding Council's continuing action to remain a standalone council, Council undertake a Council naming process as a matter of urgency as the only name submitted by the three councils during the public enquiry submission period is "Eastern Sydney Council" and this may become the name of the amalgamated Council on Proclamation Day.*

Within the merger proposal, Councils were asked for suggestions for the name of the proposed new council, should the proposal be accepted and a new Council be proclaimed. Woollahra Council did not propose any name at the time of submitting its response.

This report will propose a number of possible names for consideration by Council. As the NSW Government will declare the new name should it proclaim a new Council area, it is a matter of urgency for Council to determine the most suitable name and submit that name to the Minister for consideration.

## 2. Proposal:

In order to ensure that the people of Woollahra have an opportunity to contribute to the naming of any new Council entity that may be declared by the State Government, it is proposed that Council consider names that:

- relate to all three Council areas;
- have a cultural or geographic reference to the land;
- assist in the identification of the land where the Council resides; and
- resonate with all residents of the current Woollahra, Waverley and Randwick Council areas.

Suggested names that meet the above are listed below:

- Eastern Suburbs - The Eastern Suburbs is the term used for the metropolitan area directly to the east and south-east of the Sydney central business district in Sydney, NSW, Australia. The Eastern Suburbs statistical division of the Australian Bureau of Statistics includes the Woollahra, Waverley and Randwick Local Government areas
- Sydney East - This term is used in travel sites such as Destination NSW, the government managed tourism site.
- Sydney City East – or a combination of the words Sydney, East and City.

It should also be noted that Randwick City Council discussed a number of potential names in its submission to the Government regarding the proposal, as detailed in Annexure A. The names considered by Randwick City Council were:

- Eastern Beaches Council
- Eastern Beaches
- City of Eastern Beaches
- City of Eastern Sydney
- Eastern Sydney Council
- Eastern Sydney
- Eastern Suburbs City Council
- City of Eastern Suburbs
- East Coast City Council
- An aboriginal name reflective of the new area

***Eastern Sydney Council*** was chosen by Randwick City Council as it is inclusive of the combined areas, from the beaches, bays and port along the foreshore to the commercial, education and health centres, neighbourhoods, heritage and parks that make Eastern Sydney a desirable place to live and visit.

As for an appropriate Aboriginal name, there is no common language or traditional owners that relate to all three local government areas. There are a number of words that could be used to describe the area, such as those listed below:

- Greater Woollahra - ensures the continuation of Woollahra as a council name, and reflects the Aboriginal word Woollahra for 'meeting place'
- Yurara - Aboriginal name for 'extensive east view'
- Banyandah - Aboriginal name for 'home on the water'

It is proposed that Council consider all of the names listed in this report and determine one or more to be publicly exhibited and comment invited from the public. Due to the urgency of the matter, a further report to Council is not possible regarding the results of the consultation. It is recommended that the Mayor have delegated authority to present the most appropriate name, based on community consultation, to the Minister of Local Government for consideration should Woollahra be merged with Waverley and Randwick City Councils.

### **3. Consultation:**

It is proposed that Council consider the names listed in this report and present one or more to the Woollahra community for comment.

### **4. Identification of Income & Expenditure:**

This proposal has no impact on income or expenditure.

### **5. Conclusion:**

There are a number of potential names that reflect the three local government areas of Woollahra, Waverley and Randwick local government areas. These are included this report and put forward for consideration by Council.

## **Annexures**

1. Randwick City Council - submission on name of new council

### Proposed Name of the new Council

In late 2015 Randwick City Council established the Randwick Transition Group (RTG), which consists of 6 councillors representing each political party and independent from the Council. The role of this group is to protect Randwick City: our community, our services, our staff and our way of life during the merger process. Their role includes representing the community's interests in key transition decisions, leading the transition process and ensuring the community and staff are informed and engaged in the process.

The RTG has undertaken extensive research and workshopped several names for the proposed new council. This included:

- asking staff for their suggestions
- workshopping names with local real estate agents
- identifying the common features across the Randwick, Waverley and Woollahra areas
- compiling existing names used to identify the combined area
- researching naming conventions used in Local Government across Australia
- understanding legislative requirements
- agreeing on principles for the name

The agreed **principles** for determining the proposed Council's name were:

1. **Adds value to the area**
2. **Enhances community pride**
3. **Familiar**
4. **Relatable to the locality**
5. **Inclusive**
6. **Celebrate the area**
7. **Memorable and easy to communicate**
8. **Not a suburb name**

As a result of this extensive analysis, the RTG resolved to recommend the proposed Council be named **Eastern Sydney Council**. The recommended name supports all the principles. It easily identifies the region nationally and internationally.

The recommended name is inclusive of the combined areas, from the beaches, bays and port along the foreshore to the commercial, education and health centres, neighbourhoods, heritage and parks that make Eastern Sydney a desirable place to live and visit.

### Names considered for the proposed Council included:

- Eastern Beaches Council
- Eastern Beaches
- City of Eastern Beaches
- City of Eastern Sydney
- Eastern Sydney City Council
- ✓ **Eastern Sydney Council**
- Eastern Sydney
- Eastern Suburbs City Council
- City of Eastern Suburbs
- East Coast City Council
- An Aboriginal name reflective of the new area





**Political Donations – matters to be considered by Councillors at Meetings**

