

Community & Environment Committee

Agenda: *Community & Environment Committee*

Date: *Monday 11 July 2005*

Time: *6.00pm*

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).

Delegated Authority (“D” Items):

Community Services and Programmes.

Health.

Liquor Licences.

Fire Protection Orders.

Residential Parking Schemes (surveillance and administration).

Traffic Management (Traffic Committee Recommendations).

Waverley/Woollahra Process Plant.

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 Meeting.

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 below.

Library Services

Licensing.

Regulatory.

Waste Minimisation

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 the 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, or which are not the subject of a Business Agenda (current or past).

Matters reserved by individual Councillors, in accordance with any Council policy on "safeguards".

Parks and Reserve Plans of Management (Strategies, Policies and Objectives)

Residential Parking Schemes - Provision and Policies

Committee Membership:

7 Councillors

Quorum:

The quorum for a Committee meeting is 4 Councillors.

WOOLLAHRA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Notice of Meeting

7 July 2005

To: The Mayor, Councillor Rundle, ex-officio
Councillors Marcus Ehrlich (Chair)
 Anthony Boskovitz
 Claudia Cullen
 Tanya Excell
 Wilhelmina Gardner
 Andrew Petrie
 John Walker

Dear Councillors

Community & Environment Committee Meeting – 11 July 2005

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 11 July 2005 at 6.00pm.**

Gary James
General Manager

Meeting Agenda

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Item No: D1 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 27 June 2005**
Author: Les Windle, Manager - Governance
File No: See Council Minutes
Reason for Report: The Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 27 June 2005 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 27 June 2005 be taken as read and confirmed.

Les Windle
Manager - Governance

Item No: D2 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Woollahra Traffic Committee Minutes - 5 July 2005**
Author: Warwick Hatton, Director – Public Infrastructure
File No: See Traffic Committee Minutes
Reason for Report: For the Committee to consider the recommendations of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.

Recommendation:

THAT the Recommendations contained in the minutes of the Woollahra Traffic Committee meeting held on Tuesday 5 July 2005, Items Y1-Y8 be adopted.

Warwick Hatton
Director – Technical Services

Woollahra Local Traffic Committee Minutes

The meeting of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee was held in the Council Committee Room, Double Bay, on Tuesday 5 July 2005 at 10.00am.

1. Attendances

Committee Members:

Present: Mr Warwick Hatton (Chairman) (Woollahra Municipal Council)
Mr Navin Prasad (Roads and Traffic Authority)
Sen. Constable Bailey (Rose Bay Police)
Ms Robyn Attuell (Clover Moore MP Representative)

Staff: Mr Alan Opera (Woollahra Municipal Council)
Ms Armodee Reece (Woollahra Municipal Council)
Mr Frank Rotta (Woollahra Municipal Council)

Also in Attendance:

Mr Eric Yeung (Sydney Buses)
Cr Keri Huxley (Councillor – Item Y4)
Mr James O'Donnell (Resident for Item Y4)
Mr Adrian Boss (Representative – BIKEast Item Y7/Y8)
Mr John McDonagh (Harbour View Park Residents' Group)

Apologies: Nil
Absent: Mr Robert Caldwell (Peter Debnam MP Representative)

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of Meeting No.05/05 held in Council Chambers, Double Bay, on Tuesday 7 June 2005 were confirmed by Mr Navin Prasad.

3. Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meetings

Nil

4. Extraordinary Meetings

Nil

5. Late Item/Correspondence

Nil

6. 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: Greg Stewart – Manager Public Infrastructure

File No: (Refer to Table 1)

Reason for Report: Various parking restriction changes throughout the Woollahra Council area.

Recommendation:

Item Y1-1: Holdsworth Street, Woollahra – Pedestrian Signposting around Child Care Centre

- A. That a Pedestrian Warning sign (W6-3) (Facing North) be installed on the eastern side of Holdsworth Street 65 metres north of the northern boundary of Morrell Street.
- B. That a Pedestrian Warning sign (W6-3) (Facing South) be installed on the western side of Holdsworth Street in line with the northern boundary of Morrell Street on ELP No.SY21215.
- C. That a supplementary Pedestrian Warning sign (W6-3) with a separate ‘Ahead’ sign underneath (Facing North) be installed on the eastern side of Holdsworth Street 105 metres north of the northern boundary of Morrell Street on ELP No.SY21248.
- D. That a supplementary Pedestrian Warning sign (W6-3) with a separate ‘Ahead’ sign underneath (Facing South) be installed on the western side of Holdsworth Street 28.6 metres south of the southern boundary of Morrell Street on ELP No.SY21217.
- E. That minor tree trimming be carried out where necessary to ensure that the signs are visible to motorists.

Item Y1-2: Elizabeth Street, Paddington – Amendment to Current Signposting

- A. That the ‘No Parking 8.30am-6.00pm Mon-Fri’ zone on the western side of Elizabeth Street, Paddington between Oxford Street and Victoria Street be altered to ‘2 Hour Parking 8.00am-9.00pm’.

Item Y1-3: Sherbrooke Avenue, Double Bay – Relocation of Current Signposting

- A. That the ‘No Standing’ (Arrow Left) sign located on the western side of Sherbrooke Avenue just south of the pedestrian pathway linking Sherbrooke Avenue (across the stormwater channel) to Castra Place be relocated 2 metres in a northerly direction.

Item Y1-4: Soudan Lane, Paddington – Relocation of Current Signposting

- A. That the ‘2 Hour Parking 8.00am-6.00pm Mon-Fri Authorised Residents Vehicles Excepted PGTN 5’ zone on the southern side of Soudan Lane west of Hampden Street be reduced in length from 6.5 metres to 5.5 metres by moving the southernmost sign and stem 1 metre in a northerly direction.

Item Y1-5: Windsor Lane, Paddington – ‘No Parking’ for Garage Access

- A. That 5.5 metres of ‘No Parking’ be signposted in Windsor Lane across the road from the garage access to No.147 Hargrave Street while leaving a 6 metre section of kerb just west of this zone unrestricted and available for 1 vehicle to park.
- B. That 6 metres of ‘No Parking’ be signposted in Windsor Lane across the road from the garage access to No.135 Hargrave Street, Paddington.

Item Y1-6: Artlett Street, Paddington – Provision of Additional Car Space

- A. That the existing ‘2 Hour Parking 8.00am-8.00pm Mon-Fri Authorised Residents Vehicles Excepted PGTN 5’ zone on the western side of Artlett Street outside Nos. 12-14 be increased in length by 6 metres in a northerly direction.

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

Subject: **Ginahgulla Road, Bellevue Hill – Request for Pedestrian Crossing**

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: 179. Pt1

Reason for Report: To seek approval for the installation of a pedestrian crossing in Ginahgulla Road at Victoria Road to improve safety for the students of Scots College.

Recommendation:

- A. That approval be granted for the installation of a marked pedestrian crossing and the associated signposting and linemarking across Ginahgulla Road at its intersection with Victoria Road, Bellevue Hill.
- B. That Council examine the adequacy of street lighting at this location.

Item No: Y3 Traffic Matters on State Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

Subject: **O’Sullivan Road, Plumer Road, Salsibury Road & Balfour Road, Rose Bay – Resident Permit Parking**

Author: Alan Opera – Team Leader – Traffic & Transport

File No: 346. Pt4

Reason for Report: To respond to a Notice of Motion which is the subject of this report.

Recommendation:

- A. That resident permit parking not be introduced in Salisbury Road, Plumer Road, Balfour Road and Powell Road, Rose Bay
- B. That existing resident permit zones in O’Sullivan Road be retained.
- C. That the previously approved 15 Minutes 7.00am-10.00am, 3.00pm-6.30pm Monday to Friday restrictions outside the childcare centre in Balfour Road be altered to 15 Minutes 7.30am-10.00am, 3.00pm-6.30pm Monday-Friday.

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

Subject: **Hargrave Street between Cascade Street & Elizabeth Street, Paddington - Resident Permit Parking**

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: T219

Reason for Report: Request by resident for Resident Permit Parking

Note: Mr James O'Donnell of 41 Hargrave Street, Paddington and Cr Keri Huxley addressed the Committee.

Recommendation:

- A. That a survey of residents be carried out in Hargrave Street to ascertain the resident demand and eligibility for the implementation of a Resident Parking Scheme.

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

Subject: **45A Bay Street, Double Bay – Works Zone in Knox Lane**

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: 407.G Pt 5

Reason for Report: Request 12m Works Zone for 8 weeks.

Recommendation:

- A. That approval be granted for a Works Zone to be temporarily installed opposite the Knox Lane frontage to 45A Bay Street, Double Bay. The length of the proposed Works Zone is to be 12 metres and is to be located in the indented parking lane opposite No.45A Bay Street in Knox Lane, 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 8 weeks commencing 18 July 2005
 - iii. Suitable traffic control measures are to be put in place to manage truck movements to and from the excavation site.
 - iv. The applicant is to ensure that the traffic lanes, footpaths and driveways, adjacent to the Works Zone, remain free of obstruction at all times during the construction.
 - v. The applicant is to inform Council's Traffic Engineer when the project is completed and the Works Zone can be removed.
 - vi. This Works Zone is in a non-residential area. 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.
 - vii. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the cancellation of the Works Zone at Council's discretion.
 - viii. 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.
 - ix. Should the Works Zone be required for additional hours of operation on any particular day, any amendment will require the approval of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.

- B. That the applicant notifies all adjacent residents and business owners by a letterbox drop of the conditions of the Works Zone.
- C. That the applicant provide Council with a TMP and Work Method Statement outlining the proposed operation of this Works Zone prior to the installation of the signage.

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

Subject: **4 Pacific Street, Watsons Bay – Works Zone**

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: 407.G Pt5

Reason for Report: Request 16m Works Zone for 70 weeks.

Recommendation:

- A. That approval be granted for a Works Zone to be temporarily installed opposite the frontage to 4 Pacific Street, Watsons Bay for a period of 8 weeks. The length of the proposed Works Zone is to be 8 metres, to be located in the single car parking lane opposite No.4 Pacific Street, 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 8 weeks commencing 1 August 2005
 - iii. Suitable traffic control measures are to be put in place to manage truck movements to and from the excavation site.
 - iv. The applicant is to ensure that the traffic lanes, footpaths and driveways, adjacent to the Works Zone, remain free of obstruction at all times during the construction.
 - v. The applicant is to inform Council's Traffic Engineer when the project is completed and the Works Zone can be removed.
 - vi. This Works Zone is in a residential area. 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.
 - vii. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the cancellation of the Works Zone at Council's discretion.
 - viii. 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.
 - ix. Should the Works Zone be required for additional hours of operation on any particular day, any amendment will require the approval of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.
- A. That the applicant notifies all adjacent residents and business owners by a letterbox drop of the conditions of the Works Zone.
- B. That the applicant provide Council with a TMP and Work Method Statement outlining the proposed operation of this Works Zone prior to the installation of the signage.

- C. That delegation be given to the Director of Technical Services to grant re-installation of the Works Zone at any time during the requested construction term of 70 weeks without further approval by the Woollahra Traffic Committee and Community & Environment Committee, subject to the Works Zone being implemented as per the original conditions outlined in this resolution. The applicant will advise Council in writing with 14 days notice of requirement of Works Zone for any further period and payment for this period will be made prior to the installation of the signs.

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

Subject: **Wallis Street, Woollahra – Proposed Traffic Calming Scheme**

Author: Alan Opera – Team Leader, Traffic & Transport

File No: 482

Reason for Report: To gain approval for the Woollahra Bike Plan Works in Wallis Street, Woollahra

Note: Mr Adrian Boss on behalf of BIKEast addressed the Committee.

Recommendation:

- A. That WMC Plan 14748_01 (Amendment E - dated 28/06/2005) be adopted with an extended centre line at Woods Avenue in place of the proposed island and installation of PS2 signage at the commencement of the parking at the same location.
- B. That the Committee note that the construction details will be amended to incorporate the construction recommendations detailed in the BIKEast submission.

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

Subject: **Brown Street, Paddington – Proposed Bicycle Lane (North to South) between Macdonald Street & Glenmore Road**

Author: Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

File No: 256.G Pt7

Reason for Report: To seek approval for alteration of lane widths in Brown Street, Paddington between MacDonald Street and Glenmore Road (north to south) to incorporate a Bicycle Lane

Note: Mr Adrian Boss addressed the Committee to express BIKEast's support for the recommendation.

Recommendation:

- A. That the cycle lane and PS-2 roadmarking on the south-eastern corner of Glenmore Road and Brown Street be relocated southwards in Glenmore Road to provide a dedicated cycle lane up to the parked vehicle shown on plan 14900-01.
- B. That the concept plan 14900-01 dated 27 June 2005 of the proposed works to implement a dedicated cycle lane for southbound traffic in Brown Street, Paddington between MacDonald Street and Glenmore Road, as amended in A. above, be approved for implementation.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 11.20am.

Warwick Hatton
Chair

Item No: D3 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Public Exhibition of Draft Rushcutters Bay Park, Yarranabbe Park & Plantation Reserve Plan of Management**
Author: Scot Hedge, Parks and Recreation Coordinator
File No: 211.G POM
Reason for Report: Recommend the draft Rushcutters Bay Park, Yarranabbe Park and Plantation Reserve Plan of Management be placed on public exhibition

Recommendation:

- A. That Council place the draft Plan of Management for Rushcutters Bay Park, Yarranabbe Park and Plantation Reserve on public exhibition for a period of 28 days in accordance with Section 113(c) of the *Crowns Land Act 1989*.
- B. That there be a further report following consideration of submissions by the Council and Department of Lands.

Background:

The draft Plan of Management for Rushcutters Bay Park, Yarranabbe Park and Plantation Reserve (referred to in this report as the 'Parks and Reserve') has been prepared to guide Woollahra Council as Trust Manager in the care, control and management of the Parks and Reserve at Darling Point.

The parks are located on the Sydney harbour foreshore. They include significant mature trees, open grassland and recreational facilities including a kiosk, two sports fields and a fitness station in Rushcutters Bay Park and a playground in Yarranabbe Park. Recent improvements to footpaths, lighting and furniture have been completed in Rushcutters Bay Park, whilst new furniture has been installed in Yarranabbe Park.

This Plan of Management (PoM) reviews, updates and replaces the previous PoM prepared in 1998, which focused on use of the Parks and Reserve for Olympic-related activities. The parks are well used by local and Sydney-wide residents as well as other visitors, enjoying the harbour views, a variety of informal recreation and sporting activities and occasional special events.

Rushcutters Bay Park is located on a former foreshore wetland and was dedicated for public recreation in 1878. Yarranabbe Park was reserved for public recreation in 1953. Plantation Reserve is a narrow strip of land connecting the two parks that is planted and provides pedestrian and vehicle access.

To aid in the updating of the PoM and develop appropriate management actions for the parks and reserve a Visitor Survey was undertaken in Rushcutters Bay Park and Yarranabbe Park. Three hundred face to face interviews were undertaken with park users through the week and at various times of the day. A summary of the Visitor Survey Report is provided with the PoM.

Plan of Management

The Parks and Reserve are Crown public reserves, so the plan of management has been prepared in accordance with the *Crown Lands Act 1989*. Key objectives for management of the Parks and Reserve include the following:

- Preserve and extend access to the foreshore.
- Minimise built structures to preserve views to the harbour.
- Minimise impacts of use of the Parks on local residents.
- Keep the Parks well maintained and visually attractive.
- Minimise conflicts between Park users.
- Preserve the ambience of the Parks.
- Maintain access to the Parks.

A number of issues were identified through preparation of this Plan of Management and include but are not limited to:

- limited recognition of the Park's history;
- past removal and declining health of some trees;
- balancing dog exercise with other park uses;
- parking demands in New Beach Road;
- desire by Parks and Reserve users for new and improved playground facilities;
- opportunity to provide for night sports training; and
- need to improve pedestrian and cycleway links with Reg Bartley Oval.

In response to these issues, some key actions included in this draft plan include:

- installation of a playground adjacent to kiosk in Rushcutters Bay Park;
- renewal of Yarranabbe Park playground;
- improving pedestrian and cycleway access to Rushcutters Bay Park from Reg Bartley Oval with a wider bridge;
- facilitating use of the Rushcutters Bay Park sports fields at night with floodlight installation;
- planting of significant trees along foreshore to improve park amenity and provide shading; and
- reinstating the tree avenue along New Beach Road.

Further information is provided in relation to these actions.

New and renewed playground facilities

The playground in Yarranabbe Park is in need of upgrading to meet the relevant Australian Standards for playgrounds. Many playground users have requested that shading be provided to the playground and that a fence be provided to restrain children and prevent dogs from entering the playground area. The playground is exposed to full sun during the day resulting in restricted use during summer. The draft plan identifies this playground to be upgraded, including the provision of fencing and shade tree planting. It is acknowledged that shading will be limited until proposed new tree plantings mature.

The Plan also proposes the installation of a new playground adjacent to the kiosk in Rushcutters Bay Park. Eighty one comments were received in the Visitor Survey regarding the need for a playground in Rushcutters Bay Park. Unlike the Yarranabbe Park playground, the land adjacent to the kiosk is well shaded in summer and offers filtered sun in winter from deciduous mature trees. The playground would cater for young children only and complement the adjacent kiosk. The playground would be provided with seating for carers and fenced to prevent children entering New Beach Road.

Pedestrian / Cycleway upgrade

The timber footbridge that currently links Reg Bartley Oval with Rushcutters Bay Park was installed in the 1980s by Sydney Water. A recent condition assessment indicates that a number of issues need to be addressed including corrosion of steelwork due to inadequate protective treatment, handrails do not comply with Building Code of Australia requirements, and deck timbers are weathered and will require replacement in the near future.

The Woollahra Bike Plan identifies this access point as a shared pedestrian path / cycleway. The Visitor Survey identified 25% of people enter the Park using this access point. Sixty three comments were received from the survey seeking upgrading of the bridge, while six comments were in support of leaving the bridge in its current state.

The shared cycle / pedestrian facility will be clearly signed to ensure minimal disruption to pedestrians. Immediately upon leaving the bridge a dedicated cycleway will diverge from the pedestrian paths.

Existing access is very limited due to the narrow width (1.4 metres) of the current bridge and people are unable to pass should they be pushing a stroller, on a bicycle or in a wheelchair. People are also unable to stop on the bridge to take in harbour views.



Figure 1 displays the narrowness of existing bridge across stormwater canal.

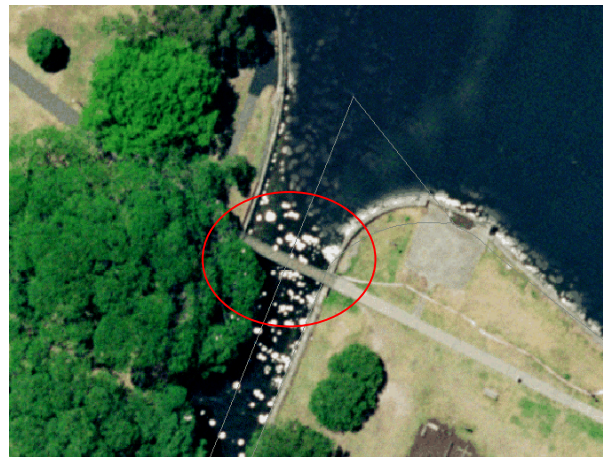


Figure 2 shows an aerial view of the existing bridge.

In May 2000, the former South Sydney Council adopted a PoM that identified the need to replace the bridge with a wider structure to improve access. This draft Plan also identifies the need to install a 3.5m wide bridge that caters for multiple usage and disabled access.

Any bridge upgrading works would be undertaken in partnership with the City of Sydney Council and costs funded from a combination of grants and contributions of each Council. An application for funding fifty percent of the bridge costs has been submitted to the Metropolitan Greenspace Program, administered by the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources. Sydney Water, who own the bridge, have indicated they are unwilling to contribute to the cost of a new bridge.

Sports lighting for night training

There is currently a lack of night training venues for winter sports such as Soccer, Rugby and AFL throughout Woollahra and the Eastern Suburbs in general. At the limited venues where we do provide for night training, such as at Lyne Park and Woollahra Ovals 2 and 3, use often exceeds the venue's 'carrying capacity' and as a result the turf surfaces suffer from wear.

This Plan proposes to install floodlights in Rushcutters Bay Park to facilitate evening use for sports up to 9:00pm. The creation of a night training venue would allow opportunities:

1. to transfer some existing night use from other Woollahra sports venues where turf wear is being experienced; and
2. allow other sports users to train.

Lighting would be installed to comply with a number of Australian Standards (AS) including:

- AS2560.1-2002 Sports Lighting – General Principles;
- AS2560.2.3-2002 Sports Lighting – Lighting for Football (all codes);and
- AS4282-1997 Control of the Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting.

The use of lamp glare shields together with the curtilage of mature trees would ensure surrounding residents are not impacted by light spill. Night training would be restricted to 9:00pm Monday to Saturday and exclude Sunday evenings.

Evening use of Rushcutters Bay Park in winter by organised sports users may also help promote the Park's use by people for passive recreation such as walking along the foreshore. Often people feel more comfortable using parks at night where there is active use and light levels are elevated.

Planting of Trees along Foreshore

Rushcutters Bay Park and Yarranabbe Park contain significant stands of mature trees that are recognised in our Significant Tree Register (1991). Many of these trees are estimated to be over ninety years old. Over time, some of these trees have naturally declined in health, whilst others have been deliberately poisoned and required removal. This Plan proposes to reinstate the original avenue tree planting along New Beach Road and provide spaced shade tree planting along the foreshore as well as adjacent to the playground at Yarranabbe Park.

Tree planting is proposed in accordance with the Landscape Masterplan contained within the Plan. The Masterplan has been prepared in accordance with the draft Development Control Plan (DCP) for the Sydney Regional Environmental Plan (Sydney Harbour Catchment) 2004 (SREP). In particular, Clause 5.6 of the DCP states that “vegetation in the form of bushland, remnant native species and **cultural planting** has important ecological and landscape values that require protection and **enhancement**”.

The main areas of tree planting include the following:

1. Rushcutters Bay Park foreshore
There is a lack of trees and shading along the foreshore pathway. The Masterplan proposed to extend the existing avenue of Paperbarks at thirty metre spacings. This would offer shading to the foreshore seating and maintain framed views of the Bay.
2. Yarranabbe Park / New Beach Road avenue
The original tree lined avenue has, over time, suffered from tree removal. The Masterplan proposes to reinstate the original tree avenue of Washington Palms and Hills Weeping Figs.
3. Yarranabbe Park foreshore
There is an absence of trees along the foreshore promenade and no shading afforded to the foreshore seats. The Masterplan proposes to plant Paperbark trees. The use of Paperbark trees extends the foreshore planting scheme from Rushcutters Bay Park.

The planting will be designed to balance the interests of adjoining residents with views of the harbour with the interests of users of the Park.

Completed Consultation

Specific target groups have been consulted in relation to the draft Plan, including schools which use the Parks and Reserve, the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia, Darling Point Society and d'Albora Marina. A Visitor Survey was undertaken for Rushcutters Bay Park and Yarranabbe Park (April 2005) and the results of the survey have also been used to guide the drafting of this Plan.

The Department of Lands has provided comments on the Plan, on two occasions, which have been incorporated into the document. Further feedback from the Department has also been obtained to ensure it concurs with placing the document on public exhibition.

Proposed Consultation

The *Crown Lands Act 1989*, requires a public exhibition period of at least 28 days for draft plans of management. In accordance with Clause 35 of the *Crown Lands Regulation 2000*, the public exhibition is to be notified in the Government Gazette by the Department of Lands and in a local newspaper circulating in the area by Council.

Community members will be encouraged to review the draft plan and make a submission assisted by:

- undertaking a letter box drop to neighbouring residents;
- notification signs placed in the Parks and Reserve;
- an advertisement placed in the Wentworth Courier;
- Council's web page; and
- copies of the PoM being available for viewing at the Woollahra Libraries and at the Council Chambers.

Following the exhibition period, all submissions will be reviewed and a further report prepared for Council consideration.

Conclusion:

The draft Rushcutters Bay Park, Yarranabbe Park and Plantation Reserve is recommended to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days in accordance with the *Crown Lands Act 1989*. The Department of Lands has provided its support to publicly exhibit the document.

Scot Hedge
Parks and Recreation Coordinator

Warwick Hatton
Director Technical Services

Annexures:

1. Draft Rushcutters Bay Park, Yarranabbe Park and Plantation Reserve Plan of Management – distributed separately.

Item No: D4 Delegation to Committee
Subject: **Beat Graffiti Visual Arts Project**
Author: Pippa Lausen
File No: 844.G, 1041.G.CSC
Reason for Report: To inform Council about the 'Beat Graffiti' Visual Arts Project

Recommendation:

- A. That Council note and endorse the 'Beat Graffiti' Visual Arts Project at Edgecliff Bus Interchange.

Background:

In April 2004, Council was granted \$13,864 from the NSW Attorney General's Department 'Beat Graffiti' Fund. This grant was provided to reduce vandalism in the form of graffiti within the municipality. At first, Holdsworth Street Reserve was identified as a suitable site, but community opposition proved strongly against a mural there. Rose Bay Pumping Station was also considered, as it too has been the target of graffiti vandalism, but this building was eventually rejected due to heritage issues. (See Annexure 1).

Agreement has finally been reached on an appropriate site at Edgecliff, where a visual arts project would be welcomed by the owners (RailCorp) and would not impact on any surrounding residential properties. (See Annexure 2).

It should be noted that this site, at Edgecliff Bus Interchange, has seen the successful installation of a previous Council anti-graffiti project, funded by the Motor Accidents Authority in 2003.

Proposal:

That Council work with RailCorp, local young community artists and youth services to produce 30 panels in mixed media. These will be installed on the walls dividing the bus lanes at the Bus Interchange at Edgecliff. The design of the panels will be of various destinations (eg. 'Watson's Bay'), and depictions of significant landmarks within the Woollahra Local Government Area.

The aim of the project is to enhance a "sense of place", belonging and pride in the local area amongst young people and that way combat graffiti. At the Edgecliff Bus Interchange, the plan is to use iconic images from Woollahra's history and the local area that are directly linked to the platforms in use. For example, the platform from which buses depart to Watson's Bay may use images of The Gap, The Macquarie Lighthouse and/or the Signal Station and those on the bus platforms for Rose Bay may use flying boats in their imagery. On the bus platforms dedicated to school destinations the idea is to involve school students in choosing images of their schools.

In summary, the project objectives are as follows:

- To deter graffiti vandalism in a public space;
- To enhance the appearance of the space and raise the community perceptions of personal safety;
- Young people to be given the opportunities to enhance their artistic skills, and to participate in a legal art project;
- Mentoring opportunities for young people;
- Attitudinal change towards socially responsible expression and away from graffiti vandalism;

More positive attitudes towards young people in the community, and
Strengthening community partnerships and community harmony.

These objectives will be achieved through the appointment of a temporary Community Artist/Co-ordinator to engage partnerships with various community organisations and run workshops at key locations such as Urban Arts Base, where designs will be discussed and produced by young people with an interest in the visual arts.

In addition, Council staff and the Community Artist/Co-ordinator will work closely with the police and local schools to meet the objectives outlined above.

Consultation:

Community Services has been in consultation with a wide variety of local youth services, groups and individuals on this project. The Youth Issues Forum, Youth Safety Network and Youth Advisory Committee have all helped shape ideas and themes. Local groups such as Urban Arts Base and the Waverley/Woollahra Arts Centre have also contributed, and wish to be involved in the forthcoming workshops.

In addition, Council's Planning & Development Division has been consulted on the issue of development application. This project does not require a development application.

Identification of Income & Expenditure:

An in-kind contribution by Council has been set aside, estimated at \$7,750.00 for project co-ordination, surface cleaning, advertising and promotion.

Conclusion:

It is recommended that Council note the report and endorse the proposal for the Beat Graffiti Visual Arts Project to be carried out.

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Annexure 1. Report to Community & Environment Committee 6th December 2004.
Annexure 2. Letter of approval from RailCorp.

Item No: D5 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Collection & recycling of computers, mobile phones & televisions (e-waste)**
Author: Mark Ramsay – Acting Manager Depot & Waste Services
File No: 274.G E-Waste
Reason for Report: To respond to a Notice of Motion dated 9 May 2005

Recommendation:

- A. That Council continues to monitor Government legislation and industry initiatives for the collection, re-use and recycling of e-waste
- B. That Council places on its Website information on how residents can dispose of e-waste
- C. That Council investigates the costs associated with and the benefits of holding a collection day to collect e-waste and assist in educating the community on suitable disposal methods

Background:

This report was written in response to a Notice of Motion on the following:

- 1. The extent to which discarded computers, televisions and mobile phones present an environmental hazard;
- 2. Proposals whereby Council can assist our community to sustainably recycle or re-use their discarded computers, televisions and mobile phones;
- 2. That the report consider whether or not any such recycling can be a part of the present kerbside pick up programme or by an alternative means;
- 4. That any existing private or other government schemes for such recycling or re-use be considered prior to a separate Council programme being implemented.

This report provides information on the environmental impact of and the available outlets for recycling e-waste.

It also provides information on the current availability of disposal and collection methods and the feasibility of Council providing this service.

Introduction:

Environmental Impact

Australians currently own more than 7.5 million television sets, a similar number of computers, 5.3 million printers and 2.1 million scanners. With millions of new computers and mobile phones purchased each year, the need for electronic equipment recycling is set to grow exponentially.

The extent of the Australian environmental problem associated with e-waste has been estimated at 125,000 tonnes annually.

Lack of recycling opportunities has resulted in some five to six million computers and twelve million mobile phones currently in storage in Australia and it is estimated that less than 4% of obsolete equipment is channelled out of environmental waste streams.

While numbers are daunting, the problem is not just volume. Many electronic products contain hazardous substances, which can pose an environmental risk if sent to landfill. Dangerous heavy metals such as lead, mercury and cadmium can leach out into aquatic systems.

There is no Federal or State Government legislation regarding the disposal of e-waste in Australia at this time.

Governments around the country are studying extended producer responsibility (EPR) schemes to encourage manufacturers and suppliers to reduce the environmental impacts of their products.

Available Recycling Solutions

Some members of the mobile phone industry have initiated the Mobile Phone Industry Recycling Programme (MPIRP). This is a voluntary scheme whereby participating members provide the necessary funding by paying a levy on each handset sold into the Australian market. The phones are then collected through participating outlets and recycled by MRI Australia.

Sims Group and Collex have recently launched a national joint venture to recover computer and electronic waste. This initiative is still in its infancy and a fee is charged for the service.

There are some charities that accept discarded computers phones and televisions for recycling and re-use.

Most computer retail outlets will pay a small fee for old computers and peripherals.

Collection Options

There are no private companies that have free collection programmes in place for e-waste. Any e-waste collected would have to be taken to the chosen charity or recycling point.

The three options open to Council for collection are:

- A. To carry out kerbside sorting of e-waste from the other household goods during the existing free collection service provided. *This would increase collection time and necessitate the use of an extra vehicle*
- B. To hold a separate e-waste collection day similar to the service currently provided for the collection of household goods. *It is felt that there is not enough e-waste to warrant this service*
- C. To hold a separate e-waste collection day once a year, similar to the chemical collection day recently held, whereby residents bring their e-waste to a designated drop off point for Council to dispose of. *This could also be used as an educational day for residents on how to dispose of their e-waste at other times*

Conclusion:

As the recycling of e-waste is not a profitable business, there are no private companies who will collect e-waste without charging a fee.

Council should investigate the cost of collecting and disposing of e-waste before making any final decisions on providing this service to residents.

Council currently provides residents with a free collection service for household goods and it has been noted by the collection staff that e-waste is a very small percentage of the overall collection rate.

It is important that the balance between the environmental considerations and the operational cost to Council of setting up and funding a recovery programme are maintained.

It is recommended that we develop community education via Council's Website and that we investigate the holding of a collection day, similar to the chemical waste collection day, to both collect goods and provide an opportunity for further community education on the most suitable disposal methods of their e-waste.

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Annexures:

Nil