



MINUTES OF MEETING

COMMUNITY SAFETY & PLACE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD THURSDAY 8 MAY 2014

NOTE: All minutes are subject to confirmation at a subsequent Ordinary Meeting of Council or Planning and Strategy Committee Meeting.

PRESENT:

Councillors

Cllr Jean Hay (Chair)	Manly Council
Cllr Alan LeSurf	Manly Council
Cllr Steve Pickering	Manly Council

Other Representatives

Supt David Darcy	Northern Beaches Police Command
Ray Mathieson	Community Member
Jacqui Smith	Manly Community Centre & Services
Melissa Palermo	Northern Sydney Health
Malcolm Pearse	Corrections NSW
Stuart Sprott	Community Member
Ged Dore	Manly Liquor Accord
Sidar Demirbag	Late Night Food Traders
Amanda Watkins	MDECC
Cam Wall	Manly Youth Council
Drew Johnson	Chamber of Commerce
Deb Patenall	Street Pastors

Council Staff

Leanne Martin	Community Safety Co-ordinator
Eric Poulos	Community Services Manager
Donna Donoghue	Community Safety Officer
Anita Ugarkovic	Compliance Manager

In Attendance

Tony Brown	Project Manager, ACAP
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TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The **Community Safety & Place Management Advisory Committee** met on Thursday 8 May 2014 to consider the matters referred to it and now provides the following advice to Council.

OPEN The meeting commenced at 8.00am.

ITEM 1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Cllr Barbara Aird, Cllr Candy Bingham, Cllr Hugh Burns, Amanda Farrar, Hania Norman

ACTION

WELCOME

Cam Wall, new Youth Representative.

Tony Brown – Project Manager of ACAP (Alcohol Community Action Project) – Tony attended the meeting at 9.00am so the committee meeting proceeded until 9am.

ITEM 2 Declaration Of Interest

Nil

ITEM 3 Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 10 April 2014 and Matters Arising

ACTION

The April meeting minutes are anticipated to go to the Ordinary Meeting on Monday 12 May 2014 for notation. The following information updates the committee on previous actions:

3.1 Cycling enforcement: Manly Daily announced the blitz that is being planned. Last week Police conducted a preliminary awareness and education activity around West Esplanade and Manly Wharf area. A signage audit was conducted of the relevant cycling signage and Rangers and Police will meet to finalise enforcement operations.

3.2 Homelessness: The issue of homeless in the beachfront shelter sheds was subject of Manly Daily coverage that was supportive of the approach taken by Council and the Manly Community Centre. Subsequent letters to the editor have appeared positive.

3.3 Crime Prevention Plan Year 3 Grant Funding
NSW Crime Prevention Division has officially advised that Council were not successful in our application for funding towards the Market Lane Saturdays project. However, Council will receive \$26,454.64, for a project officer for one day per week, the establishment of a late night radio network and jackets for Street Pastors.

3.4 Safer Suburbs Taxi Security Project
Site assessments have been completed. Lighting upgrades completed at North Steyne. Trenching is commencing for CCTV cabling. Cameras should be activated by June. Artwork for signage plinths at both ranks is underway and options for the shelter at the North Steyne rank are being considered.

3.5 Liquor License Applications update
- **Harbour City Ferries:** no application lodged as yet
- **Aldi:** still under consideration
- **Hugo's:** still under consideration. Council preparing report for MIAP.

3.6 Waste Bins Update for East Esplanade
Advice from the Waste Manager is that there has been new street furniture (including bins) ordered for East Esplanade and placement is being planned

Recommendation:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

ITEM 4 Police Report

Superintendent Darcy reported that:

- Beach House (Shore Club) Hotel is closed and for sale. Hopefully a food oriented operator will buy.
- Police are working with CDAT on pro-active operations around secondary supply across the Northern Beaches.
- Drug detections are up
- Crime stable overall
- Police Station building should be commencing and completed within 18 months before Sydney Rd lease expires.

Recommendation:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

ITEM 5 Rangers Report

The Ranger statistics report was distributed. The Compliance Manager addressed the Committee about current issues including:

- Rangers issued five cycling infringements(in prohibited area) around West Esplanade and The Corso in last month
- Meeting held with Police and residents/complainants regarding Manly Wharf. Despite efforts both Police and Council have not yet found that the noise complained of to be 'offensive' and the complaints could not be substantiated. Residents involved have all been asked to call Night Rangers when problem is occurring so they can witness directly.
- Manly Wharf Hotel has applied to increase hours of operation on the eastern deck in order to have their liquor license in line with the DA consents that were ordered by Land and Environment Court. Comments to OLGR will reflect this.
- Waverley Council has ceased enforcing smoking bans.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

ITEM 6 Market Lane Saturdays

Community Safety Team presented on Market Lane Saturdays. Very positive overall as well as encouraging crime statistics. The presentation finished with the question: Where to Now? Funding to continue is not available from grant funding application. A budget bid was made. Proposed further discussion for June Meeting.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

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ITEM 7 Alcohol Free Zone (AFZ's) Re-Establishment & Alcohol Prohibited Areas (APA's)

Report discussed. The AFZ is currently on public exhibition and open for community comment until 2 June 2014.

Questions and comments from Little Manly Precinct and The Corso Precinct were read out to committee.

Superintendent Darcy advised that with the new public space legislation (in the Summary Offences Act), Police do not have to rely on AFZ's or APA's to move people on anymore. Nevertheless it is valuable in The Corso as an alternative public space management option that is often needed in the late night entertainment zone. He reiterated that East Esplanade has not proved a policing/anti-social

behaviour problem but primarily a littering/amenity issue. It was suggested that it can be useful to assist with managing homeless.

Committee discussed 'alcohol restricted' option with possible night time only ban. It was also noted that whilst Police have alternative powers the Rangers still must rely on APA/AFZ to help manage public space. Overall it was agreed to retain the existing zone and encourage Rangers and Police to use the appropriate levels of discretion and tolerance depending on the situation.

Committee agreed that Delwood Beach should be included as an Alcohol Prohibited Area.

Recommendation:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager:

1. That Council re-establish the existing Alcohol Free Zone in the Manly CBD for another four year period.
2. That Delwood Beach be included as an Alcohol Prohibited Area.

ITEM 8 Correspondence

8.1 Letter from Mr Ian Irwin regarding dangerous cycling on Marine Parade

Letter tabled regarding collision between a cyclist and dog causing injury and the congestion and danger of cycles on Marine Parade on the weekends. The area is already prohibited to cyclists on the weekend but is regularly ignored. This area will be patrolled and will be considered in enforcement activities. A check of signage will also be undertaken. A letter will be prepared to reply to Mr Irwin.

8.2 Letter from Clontarf Precinct re Clontarf Marina DA safety concerns

It was requested by the chair of the Clontarf Precinct that this issue be considered by the Safety Committee. Cllr Pickering and the Mayor advised that a Notice of Motion regarding this issue had been prepared for discussion at the next Council Meeting (12 May) where it would be more appropriately dealt with. Precinct will be advised via the Precinct Co-ordinator.

8.3 Quarterly Report from Manly Community Centre Homeless Outreach Service

Tabled. A copy will be distributed with minutes.

8.4 Letter of reply from The Hon George Souris MP Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing re support for NAAPA

Tabled. This letter is the last in a series of responses from the State Government following a letter sent by Council last November.

Recommendation:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

ITEM 9

9.1 General Business

Manly Wharf Hotel

Further clarification was requested regarding Manly Wharf Hotel and the application regarding the eastern deck. Can it be established whether this outdoor area will be only used for smoking not drinking?

9.2

Hugo's Manly Wharf

Hugo's Development Application was discussed in December 2013 and further in February 2014. Staff provided comments following committee discussion. Committee members sought clarification on their role as some had been recently contacted. Manly's improving image on alcohol use and licensing issues was noted. On a previous discussion about a liquor license on the ferry, where consensus was not reached, a vote had been taken. The Committee was reminded that it is an advisory committee to the General Manager.

Recommendation:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

**ITEM 10 Guest Speaker: Alcohol Community Action Project (ACAP)
Project Manager, Tony Brown**

Mayor introduced Tony Brown as the Project Manager for The Alcohol Community Action Project (ACAP) is a pilot project that supports people and organisations, who want to prevent and redress alcohol-related harms in their communities across NSW in collaboration with the NSW government, local councils, police, health and the industry.

He discussed a variety of issues including liquor licensing systems, processes and related regulations to address their alcohol-related concerns, the 'Newcastle Conditions' which resulted in a reduction in alcohol-related assaults and stronger and more diverse night-time economy.

He congratulated Manly on the positive results that have been achieved through the voluntary co-operation of stakeholders. He suggested that in order to be sustainable, conditions need to be legislated and not based on goodwill alone.

Recommendation:

The Committee recommends to the General Manager that the information be received and noted.

NEXT MEETING DATE: 12 June 2014

Meeting closed 10.05am