



MINUTES OF MEETING

COMMUNITY GARDENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD WEDNESDAY 9 MARCH 2016

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

PRESENT:

Councillors

Clr Cathy Griffin Manly Council (Chair)

Other Representatives

Libby Bubb	Community member
Patricia Griffen	Community member
Keelah Lam	Community member
Leah McKenzie	Community member

Council Staff

Ed McPeake	Manager, Environmental Programs
Maura Pigeon	Sustainability Education Projects Officer

Invited guests

Patrick McIlven	Belgrave Cartel Rooftop Garden
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TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The **Community Garden Advisory Committee** met on Wednesday 9th March, 2016 to consider the matters referred to it and now provides the following advice to Council.

OPEN The meeting commenced at 6.27pm

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Clr, Mayor Jean Hay AM
Peter White, Community member
Jaydon Inott, Community member
Brian Dunphy, Invited guest

ITEM 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

ACTION

ITEM 3	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING 9 DECEMBER 2015 AND MATTERS ARISING	ACTION
	Recommendation The committee recommend that actions from meetings are recorded in Resolution Schedule document and update Committee as appropriate. Motion: That the Minutes from Meeting 9 December be adopted. Moved: Cllr Cathy Griffin Seconded: Patricia Griffen	
ITEM 4	Update - Baringa Bush Community Garden Manager, Environmental Programs reported on matters pertaining to Baringa Bush Community Garden, including the following: • The request for an Exceloo has been referred to appropriate staff members within Council, and a bid was to be made for it to be funded in the 2016/17 General Levy. • Baringa Bush Community Garden was unfortunately unsuccessful in its application for grant funding for its vermiculture project. Recommendation: The Committee recommends to the General Manager that Council staff explore the opportunity to extend the boundary to the eastern side of the site on Council land for additional garden beds and worm farming.	
ITEM 5	Update – Patagonia Community Garden The Sustainability Education Projects Officer gave an update on the garden bed outside the Patagonia shop on Darley Road and reported that all feedback obtained thus far has remained positive.	
ITEM 6	Update – Dalley Park Community Garden Proposal The Sustainability Education Projects Officer informed the Committee that the parcel of land comprises two sites, one of which is Crown Lands property. Council sent a letter in January to Crown Lands Management seeking permission to utilise the space for the garden and is currently awaiting response.	
ITEM 7	General Business brought to the Attention of the Chair Prior to the Meeting and Approved for Consideration Discussions occurred in relation to the outcome of the Fairlight Sydney Water site proposal. Leah McKenzie is to raise the issue at upcoming Fairlight Precinct meeting 10 March. Discussions also occurred regarding maintenance and care of the Ivanhoe Park Fragrant Garden.	

Recommendation:

The Committee recommends that staff investigate the history and future of the Ivanhoe Park Fragrant Garden and determine who is responsible for maintenance, and whether it is possible that it be maintained and refurbished by volunteers in accordance with its intended purpose and history.

ITEM 8 NEXT MEETING DATE:

Date: Wednesday 8 June 2016

Venue: Councillors' Room, Manly Town Hall.

Meeting closed at 7.56pm