



MINUTES OF MEETING

PUBLIC DOMAINS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD WEDNESDAY 18 JUNE 2014

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

PRESENT:

Councillors

Clr Jean Hay	Manly Council
Clr Barbara Aird	Manly Council (Chair)
Clr Hugh Burns	Manly Council
Clr Cathy Griffin	Manly Council
Clr Adele Heasman	Manly Council
Clr Candy Bingham	Manly Council
Clr Alan Le Surf	Manly Council
Clr Steve Pickering	Manly Council

Community Members

Evelyn Shervington	Community member
Doug Sewell	Community member
Peter Monckton	Community member
Kyeema Doyle	Community member
Mark Baxter	Community member
Phil Jacombs	Community member
Nicholas Vale	Community member

Council Staff

Beth Lawsen	Deputy General Manager, People Place and Infrastructure
Helen Lever	Manager, Administration
Nancy Sample	Senior Development Assessment Officer

TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The **Public Domains Advisory Committee** met on Wednesday 18 June 2014 to consider the matters referred to it and now provides the following advice to Council.

OPEN The meeting commenced at 5.30pm

ACTION

ITEM 1	APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE Clr Jean Hay, Clr Adele Heasman, Phil Jacombs	ACTION
ITEM 2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST NIL	
ITEM 3	INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER – NICHOLAS VALE Mr Nicholas Vale the newly appointed Committee member was welcomed to the committee and introduced. Ms. Nancy Sample and Ms Helen Lever were introduced to the committee as staff representatives.	
ITEM 4	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING OF 16 APRIL 2014 The minutes of the Committee meeting of 16 April 2014 are confirmed. Proposed: Clr. Le Surf Seconded: Clr. Burns	
ITEM 5	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF WORKING GROUP MEETING OF 30 APRIL 2014 The minutes of the Working Group meeting of 30 April 2014 are confirmed. Proposed: Clr Bingham Seconded: Ms Kyeema Doyle	
ITEM 6	SEAFORTH TAFE – DA54/2014 – PRESENTATION The Development application plans were tabled and a presentation given by Council's Senior Development Assessment Officer. The JRPP will determine the application on 06 August 2014. The Council's area on site is 1,600sq mtrs and includes the exterior piazza area, cafe space, community facilities, including proposed hub, activities areas, a reading room as an adjunct to the Seaforth Balgowlah library, and collaboration with Tech space for an area to be available within the community area.	

Considerable discussion and requests followed:

ACTION

Internal fit out of community space:

- The Public Domains Committee request they have initial input for internal fit out planning – to ensure that they are not presented with a ‘fait accompli’.
- Large rooms/ reception area/ configuration of internal spaces that can be utilised from large areas into smaller group rooms.

Clarification was requested for the community areas:

- Is there a loss of 4 parking spaces in Kempbridge Avenue?
- Are there available disabled/accessible parking spaces for community uses?
- Cafe could be superfluous in Seaforth. If progressed to be included, would an Expression Of Interest attracting Seaforth existing businesses be considered?
- \$1m fit out by Bupa to community space. Can this amount be paid upfront and placed into a Trust until called on?
- Is this \$1m contribution to fit out of community space documented for future commitments?
- Advice on the timeline for construction of the community space.
- Advice on the timeline for access to use the community spaces.
- The Committee request that a plan of the community spaces be presented and show the potential uses.
- The layout of the internal areas.
- The way the internal community space relates to the internal courtyard and to the southern entrance piazza.
- When planning for the internal layout of the community spaces, Best Practice sites eg. Surry Hills Library, Chatswood Library, and Bankstown Community and Library buildings are visited and ideas incorporated into the planning of spaces.

Public Domains Committee made a submission to the Independent Assessment Planner as follows:

- That the General Manager forward this submission to the Independent Assessment Planner for DA 54/2014 as follows:
- That consideration be given to the retention of as much as possible of the Northern and Southern facades of the buildings, as they represent classic 1960's architecture.

Meeting request for first week of July 2014

The Public Domains Committee has requested a meeting be held in the 1st week of July (date to be advised). Requested meeting is to permit time to review the community spaces and make a submission on DA 54/2014 to include all the community comments as received by Councillors, on behalf of the community.

This will include representations received by Councillors and from Manly Community Centre and from some Precincts Precincts.

ACTION

That the internal layout plans for the community areas of 1600 sq. metres and the requests for clarification on items, be

- provided to a meeting to be held in the first week of July (date TBA).

Recommendation:

- That the General Manager receive the minutes of the Public Domains Committee meeting of 18 June 2014; and
- That the internal layout plans for the community areas of 1600 sq. metres and the requests for clarification on items be provided to a meeting to be held in the first week of July (date to be advised).

ITEM 7

CODE OF CONDUCT AND CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

The Committee received a copy of both Codes and Council's Manager, Administration advised that some changes in relation to the Code of Conduct were included in the documents distributed. The changes relate to the area of fraud control.

Ms Lever also reminded committee members that they may volunteer to complete a Declaration of Interest regarding their pecuniary interests annually if they thought it appropriate.

Recommendation:

That the Code of Conduct and Code of Meeting Practice are received and noted as discussed.

ITEM 8

FAIRLIGHT BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES – UPGRADE

The Public Domains committee received the report that the budget allocated does not meet with the quotations for works received by three contractors.

Council's Designer has been asked to remove any items which can reasonably be taken from the design previously endorsed and to try to minimise the design to address the need for crucial infrastructure at this popular location on the Scenic Walkway, to reduce the cost of amenities upgrade to a minimum.

Recommendation:

That the General Manager prepare grant applications for this crucial infrastructure upgrade to meet the needs of local people. Thousands of tourists annually visit the destination. Recommend that grants could be investigated and application made to the Harbour Foreshores Infrastructure and Better Boating allocations.

And to:-

- Refer the plans and the costing, and need for funding to the next Manly Scenic Walkway Committee meeting.

ACTION**ITEM 9****LITTLE MANLY RESERVE – LANDSCAPING GROUP
(RES: 65/14 O/M 12 MAY 2014)**

Discussion followed regarding the next steps in preparation of a landscape plan for the property at 36 Stuart Street and adjoining space at 34 Stuart Street Manly.

Recommendation:

- The Public Domains Committee expressed concern that the budget bid for \$400,000 was not included into the budget for 2014/15.
- That the proposal for a landscape plan for this area is unfunded - and asks why a budget bid was not included?
- That the Committee requests funding of a landscape plan for Little Manly Reserve from Section 94 funds to be realised from the Spring Cove developments, or from other financial means.
- That the General Manager be asked to move the dinghy storage, to be located along the boundary of No. 38 Stuart Street, thus providing an open and usable space for the community between No. 34 and 36 Stuart Street Manly.

ITEM 10**SOUTH STEYNE – UPGRADE - WALL PEGS, SEATING, BIKE RACKS, AWNING AND BINS****ACTION**

Discussion followed advice that the bike racks for 20 bikes were installed, the bins removed and the awning deleted. The awning was not supported at 16 April committee meeting. The wall pegs to be installed in accordance with plan provided and colour swatch.

Discussion centred on the type of seating of two bench seats to be located near to the shower on promenade where these groups gather. Two benches were not supported at the meeting, and the committee was advised that the works had progressed to purchase and install two benches as previously requested at Public Domains Committee

- The Committee discussed the option of placing a circular seat surrounding two Norfolk Island pines in that location nearest to Manly Life Saving Club.

Action agreed by casting vote:

The debate ensued, and a vote was taken.

- 5 for the circular seating
- 5 against the circular seating and for the two bench seats to be installed.
- The Chairperson used her casting vote

Recommendation:

That the Public Domains Committee recommends to the General Manager:

- That the two bench seats be installed as per the previous recommendation from plans provided to the Public Domains Committee.
- The tables to assist with the collection of belongings of swimmers, placed in situ by the Manly Life Saving Club each day, are to be removed daily after eg. 10.00am following the conclusion of morning swims. This is to clear the area of clutter and belongings.
- The wall pegs are placed as recommended by Council.
- The situation of a collection of personal belongings and equipment left on the promenade outside Manly Life Saving Club be evaluated in 6 months time eg. close to the summer season and reported to the Public Domains Committee.

ITEM 11 NORFOLK ISLAND PINES – UPDATE – EAST ESPLANADE

A report was received on the current grid which identifies the location for planting, and the replacement of Norfolk Island Pines on East Esplanade. Report advises Committee of Council's intention to plant four (4) Norfolk Island Pines and one (1) Fig Tree.

Discussion ensued;

- One (1) Fig to be replaced as shown on visual plan.
- The two (2) trees to be replaced at East Esplanade were questioned, due to possible damage to new trees due to large trucks manoeuvring in the area near the gross pollutant traps. The previous trees died (were poisoned)? Crowding of existing canopy/spread, therefore the 2 gaps not to be replanted.

Recommendation:

The Public Domains Committee recommend to the General Manager that the area/grid for planting, be reviewed to determine the need, prior to planting of the two (2) Norfolk Island Pines and a report to be received at the August 2014 meeting of the Public Domains Committee

ITEM 12 RAGLAN STREET PLANS – UPDATE

Recommendation:

That the Committee received and noted the report, and will await the referral of plans for the upgrade of Raglan Street 2015 Masterplan, to the next committee meeting.

**ITEM 13 LITTLE MANLY RESERVE – PROGRESSION TABLE
– O/M 10 MARCH 2014 – 33/14**

Recommendation:

That the Committee received and noted the report, and requested outstanding items for response on the progression table to be followed up for the August 2014 Public Domains Committee meeting.

**ITEM 14 GENERAL BUSINESS RESPONSES - FROM MEETING DATED
16 APRIL 2014**

From 16 April 2014 meeting of Public Domains Committee; a request for a Table of Capital Works is to be prepared.

Recommendation:

That the General Manager ensures that a table of capital works is provided to the Committee.

This table would include:

- Manly Oval (awaiting report OLG)
- Andrew Boy Charlton Swim Centre
- Raglan Street upgrade
- BUPA Community Area Health Facility at Seaforth

That the draft plans for Manly Oval car park and the proposed site at Whistler Street Library and commercial/residential piazza; be referred to the Public Domains Committee August 2014 meeting

**Proposed Taxi and Security Shelter at North Steyne from
Community Safety and Place Management Committee - June
2014 meeting.**

Recommendation:

- The Public Domains Committee recommend to the General Manager, that the General Manager receives this request from the Public Domains Committee;
- That if the shelter is located as requested by the Community Safety and Place Management Committee, that it does not have any commercial advertising on the shelter, as this is a prominent site on the Manly beachfront.

That if the shelter is to be located on that site at the southern end of the bus bay, that it is not placed directly in the line of sight down Raglan Street end - and is placed towards the southern end of the existing bus bay, at right angles to the North Steyne roadway, to minimise its visual effect on the streetscape.

ITEM 15 NEXT MEETING DATE:

Date: Wednesday 20 August 2014
Time: 5.30pm
Venue: Cove Room, Manly Town Hall
1 Belgrave Street, Manly

Meeting closed at 7:45pm

