



MINUTES OF MEETING

COMMUNITY SAFETY & PLACE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD THURSDAY 13 JUNE 2013

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 AM Mayor (Chair)	Manly Council
Cllr Hugh Burns	Manly Council
Cllr Candy Bingham	Manly Council
Cllr Barbara Aird	Manly Council
Cllr Alan Le Surf	Manly Council

Other Representatives

Supt Dave Darcy	Manly Police
Ray Mathieson	Community Member
Stuart Sprott	Community Member
Sidar Demirbag	Late Night Food Traders Rep
Hania Norman	The Corso Precinct
Deb Patenall	Street Pastors
Jacqui Smith	Manly Community Centre
Amanda Watkins	Manly Drug Education and Counselling Centre
Melissa Palermo	Northern Sydney Area Health Promotion

Council Staff

Leanne Martin	Community Safety Co-ordinator
Eric Poulos	Manager, Community Services
Anita Ugarkovic	Manager Compliance & Regulatory Services
Kate Munro	Youth Development Officer

TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The **Community Safety & Place Management Advisory Committee** met on Thursday 13 June 2013 to consider the matters referred to it and now provides the following advice to Council.

OPEN		ACTION
ITEM 1	APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE Cllr Steve Pickering and Malcolm Pearse Welcome: Meegan Clancy	
ITEM 2	DECLARATION OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest.	

ITEM 3	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING	ACTION
	It was resolved at Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 3 June 2013 that the minutes of the May Community Safety and Place Management Committee be adopted. Committee Actions Update Report : Three items arising from previous meetings were updated: 1. Manly Wharf Security A recent decision by the Land & Environment Court regarding the Manly Wharf redevelopment means that only two restaurants instead of four can be built. Unsure whether the redevelopment will proceed in light of this. On behalf of the Committee a comment was submitted that security of any proposed site must be considered and a condition requested that Manly Police be consulted regarding any security/CCTV arrangements. 2. Late Night CBD Safety Audit 13 April, 2013 RMS have changed the timing of the traffic lights phasing at Belgrave/Gilbert Street after interview/ observations of unnecessary taxi queuing at Belgrave St rank due to red lights. Lighting is on the agenda for the Public Domains committee and a list has been provided of our top priority lighting issues including Pavilion walkway, Lagoon Park, Market Place, North Steyne taxi rank. 3. Liquor Accord Update A meeting of the Liquor Accord was held 4 June. Due to poor membership rates (12 paid up members) and poor meeting attendance it was decided to re-examine how the Accord is configured. The initial phase will focus on gathering together the top 12-15 venues as identified by the police. This group will start prioritising some key issues and how these can be tackled eg. communications between venues; levels of intoxication. Once a strategy and projects can be embarked upon by this smaller group they will look towards extending membership. The second phase will consider establishing a Small Bars Group that can meet independently of the larger venues, target education about their responsibilities and plan from a small business perspective. A representative of this group could attend the larger Accord meetings. It is anticipated that OLGR, Council, Police and MDECC will have an active role in establishing this new format. Recommendation: That the information be received and noted.	

ITEM 4	POLICE REPORT On behalf of the committee the Chair congratulated Superintendent Darcy on his appointment to be in charge of the amalgamated Manly and Northern Beaches Police Commands. Superintendent Darcy thanked the committee and expects the transition to be complete by November 2013. The committee will be advised regarding updates on the Police Station building. Jacqui Smith raised that the Police multicultural worker had left and that domestic violence issues needed additional resourcing. Superintendent Darcy expressed concern about increased levels of alcohol related crime and assaults. The Licensees were addressed at the Liquor Accord meeting in June to deal with the issue. The New Brighton Hotel is taking strong steps to reduce problems including half hour earlier lock-out. The Shore Club needs improvement as it rates second in the state for violent incidents. More assaults are occurring in public spaces rather than inside venues. Young males aged 18 to 23 years predominate in the statistics with 60% identified as from the Northern Beaches. Another concerning trend both in Manly and across the board is increased rates of drug detection. With the use of drug dogs, the rates of detection has more than doubled. Recommendation: That the information be received and noted.	ACTION
ITEM 6	LATE NIGHT MANLY WORKING GROUP The recommendation to activate Market Place was adopted by Council on 3 June. An Expression of Interest (EOI) calling for groups to program activities has been drafted and is awaiting approval. The Working Group will hold an on site meeting in Market Place following the committee meeting. The Community Strategic Plan (CSP) was adopted by Council at the Ordinary meeting on 3 June. This followed an extensive community consultation. "Alcohol, Binge Drinking and The Corso at night" rates as the top social issue of concern for the Manly community, although there is some perceived improvement. The goal stated in the CSP is to "Improve Manly's community safety outcomes in relation to late night Manly's culture." The committee agreed that it would be valuable to have a briefing about what the community had to say on the issue of community safety and youth issues to assist with future late night planning issues. Recommendation: That a briefing on the recent Community Strategic Plan community consultation and specifically the feedback on issues that relate to community safety and youth issues be arranged through the Strategic Planner for the next meeting.	CSC

ITEM 7 7.1	CORRESPONDENCE Grant applications The CSC advised that two applications were submitted for safety related Federal Government Grants that are awaiting a response. 7.2 Changes to Liquor Act 2007 A letter was tabled from the NSW Department of Planning & Infrastructure about changes to the Liquor Act 2007 starting on 1 July 2013 providing for a new type of liquor licence for small bars. Committee agreed that cumulative impact needs to be monitored and it helps support the Accord concept of a Small Bars Group. 7.3 Request for Lighting A request for lighting along the cycle path on Burnt Bridge Deviation shared path sent by a community member was tabled. It was agreed that this should be referred for to the Traffic Committee for their attention. Recommendation: That the information be received and noted.	ACTION
ITEM 8 8.1	GENERAL BUSINESS CCTV Police and Council staff met in June to review CCTV camera coverage and improve operational and communication issues between Police and Council. Superintendent Darcy advised that it was a very productive meeting and will keep the committee advised on progress. State Parliament has brought in legislation to allow public placement of CCTV cameras following a Tribunal decision against Shoalhaven Council brought over privacy issues. Stuart Sprott raised the new technologies emerging that could be utilised in Manly. It was agreed to invite Council's IT Manager to address the committee on new technologies and current CCTV capability in Manly. 8.2 Supply Means Supply Campaign Amanda Watkins of MDECC gave a brief overview of the current campaign targeting secondary supply of alcohol to young people. Manly Council is a partner in the campaign. The Committee thanked Amanda and agreed that the campaign looks extremely positive and well planned. 8.3 Spit Bridge Pedestrian safety issue The Chair raised an issue that had been brought up with her by the Pedestrian Council regarding a request for signage at the pathway access points onto the Spit Bridge. The sign is to ask cyclists to dismount or slow down on the pathway as it is extremely narrow for both pedestrians and cyclists together. As this is not a Council managed asset the request would have to be sent to RMS for consideration. The committee agreed that the issue would be more appropriate for the Traffic Committee and it should be referred to their next meeting for attention. 8.4 Gocher Court Ray Mathieson advised that a meeting was held with Police and Department of Housing regarding some of the problems. Jacqui Smith asked to be included in future dealings as the Community Centre has a long history with the complex and its various residents.	CSC CLlr Le Surf

8.5

Corso Soleil building

Superintendent Darcy followed up about complaints from residents in the new Corso Soleil building involving anti-social behaviour observed in and around the building by intoxicated late night patrons. Police conducted a safety audit and have recommended to the Body Corporate improvements to the entrance alcove, additional CCTV & lighting.

8.6

Balgowlah Road Pedestrian Crossing

Cllr Aird raised concerns from community about the safety at the pedestrian crossing at Balgowlah Road and Kenneth Road and vehicles approaching the crossing too fast. It was suggested that there are plans to remediate this situation. Agreed to refer to the Traffic Committee for further action.

Recommendation:

That the information be received and noted.

NEXT MEETING DATE: 18 July 2013

Meeting Closed 9.35am

**Traffic
Committee**