


KINGSFORD EAST PRECINCT

Minutes of the General Meeting 5 June 2024, 6:30pm

Please note that all resolutions passed unanimously unless stated.

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Precinct	Kingsford East
Date, Meeting time and venue	6:30pm, Wed 5 June 2024 (Via Zoom)
Chair	Tim Sneesby
Secretary	Heather Hibbert
Treasure	Anthony Morfa
Welcome	
1. Attendance	Heather Hibbert, Tim Sneesby, Anthony Morfa, Jake Irvine, Diane Nazaroff, Matt Lynch, Kerry Cobain, Brad Sutton, Simon Ronald, Jennifer Wilson, Lana Bright, Bren Thomas Pearson, Carol Chan, Alex Woodside, Marianna R, Alison Wu, Natarsha Single, Nicole Grove
2. Apologies	CR Philipa Veitch
3. Declaration of interests	None
4. Confirmation of previous minutes	Tim moved to approve the Minutes from last meeting and was seconded by residents present at the meeting. Minutes were confirmed.
5. Correspondence	<p>Active Transport Strategy – Randwick Council noted our support for the strategy, including the South Coogee to Kingsford cycleway. Also acknowledged the intersections that need to be looked at further.</p> <p>Bass street speeding issues – council completed a site visit recently. They will place pneumatic tubes on Bass St and look at what actions can be implemented. Tim asked them to also come on site again and observe how cars are speeding down the street.</p> <p>Sturt street pedestrian crossing. Tim asked the council officer to attend the site. They had planned to just place pneumatic tubes to track speeding. But speed isn't the issue. The issue is people not stopping for the crossing. The council raised that people need to pay attention when crossing, but Tim raised that a lot of the people crossing are young children. Therefore, he has asked them to visit the site and observe what is happening in person.</p>
6. Presentation	<p>Jake Irvine - Stormwater Engineer Randwick Council</p> <p>Jake went over Randwick's flood Management process.</p>  <pre> graph LR A[Data Collection] --> B[Flood Study] B --> C[Floodplain Risk Management Study & Plan] C --> D[Implementation of Plan] </pre>

	<p>More information can be found here</p> <p>Magnitude of flood impacts: NSW Average flood damages cost 250 million/year</p> <p>Legislative Context Flood prone land policy 2022 Flood risk management 2023 NSW Flood prone Land package</p> <p>Objective of the flood management process: Implementation in accordance with the relevant legislation Reduce Risks (for 1/10, 1/100-year storm (everyone is impacted), keep water away from people’s homes, etc. Plan – development of strategies to reduce the risk of flooding to people and properties within the catchment. Funding – limited funds, upgrades could cost over 1 million dollars. Need to stay within funding limits. State and Federal funding possible for larger projects.</p> <p>Council asked for input last year, asked residents to advise if they have encountered a flood at their house. The data helps build models, as real-life flood events back up their model to make sure it is accurate.</p> <p>Stage 1 - Adopted by council in 2018. Have accurate model now. Stage 2 - Study the impact on community – damage assessments and think about planning considerations development controls. Responsible development is considered. Such as building and water going into neighbours. Stage 3 – planning. Flood awareness will be the focus. Stage 4 – Implementation of plan</p> <p>Cyclical cycle –issues with flooding never ends, need to revise especially with heavy development in the area.</p> <p>Processes are overseen by flood management committee.</p> <p>Which includes: Department of Planning and Environment Local Member Sydney Water State Emergency Services (SES) Councillors Other stake holders</p> <p>1 in 100-year storm flooding used for future planning. Flood studies are done to protect damage to properties.</p>
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	<p>Jake advised that if you have flooding on your property to email the council, and they will investigate. Email is the best option as it creates a record, and they can track the progress of the inquiry. If necessary, the next step will be a drainage investigation.</p> <p>Drainage investigation Site visit – Council employee will go to the site of the flooding, to ensure they have the same understanding about the issue. Check council assets aren't causing any issues. Use drones or other investigative tools to see if there is a blockage, or a pipe needs to be patched. Vast majority of inquires end at this phase. If not, a risk evaluation will be completed, to address what needs to be done on a larger scale.</p> <p>Matt Lynch – Raised some concerns around flooding at his property. Jake advised him to email his concerns to the council, and they will most likely come out for a visit and make an assessment.</p> <p>Kerry Cobain – brought up sink holes. Her left foot disappeared into a sink hole on the grass verge on Middle Street. There is a power pole close by, that is a concern. Jake mentioned his team isn't responsible, but advised her to contact the council, and they will address accordingly.</p>
<p>7. General business</p>	<p>Implications for Kingsford East – Randwick draft Operational Plan and Budget 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of new toilet Inglis park playground • Planning for a fit out of Newmarket stables as a cultural Hub • Upgrade of Shaw reserve playground <p>The Big Stable building at Newmarket</p> <p>A great location for a community centre, that all residents can use. Kingsford is the only suburb in LGA that doesn't have one. Would be great if part of the stables can be used for a community centre.</p> <p>Kerry Cobain – As there is no parking, she thinks it would be better suited for local people that don't need to drive. Such as, men's coffee mornings, book club meeting etc. The fit out and ongoing maintenance will be a high ongoing cost.</p> <p>Diane Nazaroff mentioned that the stables were previously used for school events, such as art shows for parents. The operational plan and budget mentioned the space will be used for local artists, she wondered how local, i.e. Sydney, or eastern suburbs. Footpath is very narrow around that area, might have to be widened to accommodate increased foot traffic in the area around the stables.</p>

	<p>Marianna – brought up that the location will primarily benefit Newmarket residents, not the wider Kingsford community. Building isn't accessible for wheelchairs or prams, which is a huge limitation for residents. A community centre is needed for Kingsford, but she thinks it should be closer to the town centre.</p> <p>Anthony Morfa – supports the resolution. Likes the idea of artists having access to a low rent space. Suggested it should be open further to residents as well.</p> <p>Other business</p> <p>Simon brought up the placement of the pneumatic tubes on Bass St. Said they need to have multiple locations for them, as his concern is around people quickly accelerating down the street. Therefore, just one set of pneumatic tubes won't track that. Tim will follow up.</p> <p>Marianna – attended the Kensington West meeting. Really good discussions around a supermarket. Something we could coordinate with Kensington West. Nine ways development plan could be used for a grocery store. CR Andrew Hay mentioned at the Kensington west meeting that Juniors Kingsford are in talks with Woolies. Also, Strachan St. where Oporto used to be, was a possible site for a new supermarket. However, developer Iglu had no interest because it's too small. Two adjacent spaces are available, and it's well over the requirements. We will discuss more at the next meeting. Most residents agreed that they would be in favour of a supermarket.</p>
<p>8. Motions/Resolutions</p>	<p>The Big Stable building at Newmarket. Funding earmarked in the draft Budget 2024 to 'Transform Newmarket stables into a cultural hub and ensure that at least 50% usage is for local artists by 2027'. Kingsford is the only suburb in the LGA that doesn't have a local community centre.</p> <p>Resolution 06/24: The Precinct supports this building being used for community purposes and requests that council investigate the option for the building to multifunction and to be used as a community centre for Kingsford residents.</p> <p>For 14, Against 1 Carried</p> <p>Rainbow street crossing safety issues. Kingsford East Precinct notes that residents are concerned with the safety of pedestrians crossing Rainbow St. at the Botany St and Payne Reserve intersection. UNSW traffic pedestrian traffic counter has shown that there is 425 pedestrians/day with a top peak of 89 pedestrians/hour from 8am to 9am, thus showing this is a highly used crossing which connect residents and bus users coming from Anzac Parade Botany St bus stop connecting through to 3 schools (Rainbow St Primary, Randwick Girls</p>

	<p>High School, Randwick Boys School, Prince of Wales Hospital and UNSW)</p> <p>Resolution 07/24: The Precinct requests that council investigate a proposed pedestrian crossing at this location, or in the vicinity, be incorporated to supplement the existing refuge to allow for safer crossing.</p> <p>For 16, Against 0 Carried</p>
9. Meeting closing	8:00pm
10. Next Meeting	3 July 2024