

Kensington West Kingsford (KWK): initial meeting

Date	13 May 2024
Time	7 – 9pm
Location	Kensington Park Community Centre
Facilitator	Amanda Mather/Lauren Sideris
Note taker	Riza Veloso-Vaughan/Dilip Lobo
Attendees	Mayor Philipa Veitch, Cr Andrew Hay Randwick City Council staff: Amanda Mather and Riza Veloso-Vaughan Plus 27 residents
Apologies	Cr Alexandra Luxford

Agenda item	Discussion
Introduction	Acknowledgement of Country by Amanda. Welcome by Mayor Cr Philipa Veitch.
Precinct system	Brief overview of Precincts at Randwick City Council by Amanda. Important documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Precinct Partnership Agreement • Precinct Rules and Procedures Policy • Advisory Committees Code of Conduct
Elections for Precinct executives	Lauren Sideris nominated and unanimously elected as Chair of Kensington West Kingsford Precinct. Dilip Lobo nominated and unanimously elected as Secretary of Kensington West Kingsford Precinct. Note that Dilip nominated for treasurer role but this was not voted on. However, treasurer role can be undertaken by secretary.
Welcome	Executives and attendees introduced each other to the room.
General business	Time and location of KWK meeting

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most people are agreeable to meeting at the Kensington Park Community Centre and at 7pm.
	<p>Resolution 13052024(1): Write a letter to Randwick Council and thank them for reviving the precinct and for the use of the room.</p> <p>Raised by Ron, seconded by Dilip - Unanimous</p>
	<p>Traffic flow around Kensington Park Oval</p> <p>Discussion regarding traffic flow around the oval; Barker St and Cottenham Ave are narrow streets with parking on both. Cars passing each other can be difficult. The group agreed that further discussion and consultation was required about whether this is an issue for other nearby streets in the area, or not. Consideration should be given to the surrounding streets.</p> <p>Crs Veitch and Hay discussed Kensington West Kingsford traffic study. Traffic engineers can be invited to a future meeting to discuss the results of this study.</p> <p>Resolution 13052024(2) – Ask Randwick Council to hold a consultation on traffic in the streets surrounding Kensington Oval, before any proposals are put forward to by the community, so that the precinct can hear the residents concerns.</p>
	<p>Toilet at Meeks St Plaza</p> <p>A toilet at Meeks St Plaza was closed due to design issues. Cr Veitch noted that there are no plans to reopen this toilet. Cr Hay discussed other nearby toilets and possibility of toilet being constructed elsewhere in the plaza.</p> <p>Resolution 13052024(3) – Ask Randwick Council to reinstate current toilet at Meeks St Plaza, or install toilet elsewhere in Kingsford Shopping Centre.</p> <p>Raised by Ian, seconded by Stella.- Unanimous</p>
	<p>Parking of vehicles at Tresidder Ave and Shaw Ave</p> <p>Due to parked cars, cannot see traffic approaching at Eastern Ave; there is therefore a dangerous situation on the curve when approaching this intersection. There are currently no ‘no stopping’ or ‘no parking’ signs in the area.</p> <p>Cr Veitch to follow this up.</p>
	<p>Parking at Goodrich Ave/Eastern Ave</p> <p>Cars are parked too close to the corner and trees are in the way of seeing approaching traffic.</p>
	<p>Parking at Tunstall Ave and Day Ave</p> <p>Cars are parked too close to the roundabout and impede vision. Cr Hay noted that there doesn’t have to be a no stopping sign in these situations, but having a sign would remove uncertainty.</p>

	<p>Cr Veitch noted that because there is a lot of detail in issues such as these, people may wish to follow up in a direct email.</p>
	<p>Pedestrian crossing at Houston Rd/Strachan St</p> <p>It is very difficult to cross at this point, but it is an important crossing because it is near the Kingsford light rail stop.</p> <p>Resolution 13052024(4)- Urgent request to council to install a pedestrian crossing.</p> <p>Marianne raised, David seconded - unanimous</p>
	<p>Road crossing at Barker St</p> <p>The paint at this crossing is wearing off. Cr Veitch noted that for issues such as these, state and/or federal requirements need to be adhered to.</p> <p>Resolution 13052024(5) – Ask Randwick Council to repair the pedestrian crossing at Barker Street.</p> <p>Raised by Marianne, seconded by Lauren - Unanimous</p>
	<p>Scheduling of Precinct meetings</p> <p>Meetings to take place once a month, on the first Monday of the month.</p>
	<p>Building at NIDA, 215b Anzac Pde: iglu development</p> <p>Cr Veitch noted that the determination date for this site is 6 August - the Sydney Eastern Planning Panel is the consent authority. Lauren spoke to the fact that the building has reduced the height and altered the shape of the building.</p> <p>Mayor will follow up on current list of student housing, as was in a previous Council business paper.</p> <p>Resolution 13052024(6) – Kensington West Kingsford Precinct has several concerns about the proposed development at 215b Anzac Pde, including those of scope, scale, diversity of housing, lack of parking, overshadowing, and the use of public Crown land for student housing.</p> <p>The Precinct resolves to invite representatives from UNSW to present at a future Kensington West Kingsford Precinct meeting regarding the iglu development. UNSW representatives will be requested to bring 3D models to assist with the presentation.</p> <p>The Precinct will also invite Randwick Council's Mayor, West Ward Councillors, and the Hon Ron Hoenig to this meeting.</p>

	<p>Raised by Lauren, seconded by Dilip -Unanimous</p>
	<p>Kingsford Town Centre</p> <p>Discussion of other town centres being revitalised while Kingsford Town Centre has not been. Cr Veitch noted that she had previously put a motion forth regarding this centre. A previous letter containing suggestions from the community may still be relevant today.</p> <p>Resolved to table the previous letter regarding suggestions for Kingsford Town Centre, and discuss concerns that are still relevant, at a future meeting.</p>
	<p>Overhanging trees at various sites in the Precinct</p> <p>Various sites on Tresidder Ave, Eastern Ave, and Aboud Ave were briefly discussed. A tree officer will be able to look at these but a list of specific sites where trees are needs to be compiled and discussed at a future meeting.</p> <p>Resolution 13052024(7)- Prepare a list of streets with trees on nature strip and send to council</p> <p>Raised by Ron, seconded Peter - Unanimous</p>
	<p>Environmental Levy</p> <p>Discussion on the permanency of the Environmental Levy; Crs Veitch and Hay gave their personal views on the topic.</p>
	<p>Meeting frequency</p> <p>Clarification that KWK Precinct will meet every month until at least November 2024.</p>
Meeting close	<p>9pm.</p>