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Dear Coogee Precinct,

Coogee Precinct Meeting 17 August 2015

Thank you for the minutes of this meeting of the Coogee Precinct. The Council notes the contents of these minutes and I am able to provide you with the following information in response to resolutions of the meeting.

8.2 Revegetation at the northern end of Coogee Bay – Resolution 31/15: The Precinct requests that the area be replanted with appropriate native vegetation to encourage native birdlife and to enhance Coogee’s natural beauty.

I am pleased to inform the Precinct that this work has been undertaken in this area, within the last two weeks.


8.5 Dogs off leash at Gordons Bay and Coogee surrounds - Resolution 33/15: The Precinct seeks Council’s assistance in ensuring dogs are kept on a leash at all times when they are not in a designated leash free area and that dog owners remove their dog poo. This could be facilitated by inclusion of a contact phone number being prominently displayed in these areas and by increased Council Ranger patrols reminding dog owners of their responsibility’s and penalties that apply.

Council Rangers undertake regular and routine patrols of all of Council’s Beaches with respect to dogs on beaches and unleashed dogs outside of leash free areas. With regards to the precinct’s request for fines to be issued in relation to dogs on beaches and unleashed dogs, I advise that to enforce the provisions of the *Companion Animals Act 1993* (the Act) specific information is required to enable a penalty notice to be issued to a person in breach of any regulations. If the information is not forthcoming or is inaccurate, Council’s Rangers are unable to take any regulatory action.

In this regard, if any member of the public has information which would assist Council’s Rangers with the identification of a dog owner, including address details, it would be appreciated if such information could be provided to Council, via Council’s Call Centre (1300 722 542) for follow up action.

Additionally, should any person wish to report any dogs on beaches at a particular time they may do so by contacting Council’s Call Centre during business hours or for afterhours assistance please contact 9937 2450.

Yours faithfully,



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