

MINUTES OF THE COOGEE PRECINCT COMMITTEE MEETING

7.30 pm Monday 15 October 2012

Senior Citizens Centre, Brook Street Coogee [opposite Rugby Club]

Welcome and Conflict of Interest statement.

1. Apologies from John and Carla G and Bill T
2. Correspondence – Papers for forthcoming Council meeting, Traffic Committee material. DA's lodged and determined lists.
3. Minutes of last meeting – these were confirmed.
4. Randwick Council special events coordinator Katie Griffiths talked to the meeting about what was needed to put on an event such as the suggested photographic exhibition. There was a great deal of interest from those present and many good ideas were put forward. Things to consider included:
 - Conditions: copyright, format, size, who can exhibit (professionals as well as amateurs), any entry fee etc.
 - Theme, hours of opening, rostering, duration, timing, format of exhibition, lighting etc
 - Cost, curated or not, apply for Cultural grant next year etcKatie said she would check the price to hire exhibition stands.
People were asked to think about it and if they wished to be part of organising such an event.
Mark also raised the matter of the Roger Woodward event. Katie offered to check with the bowling club if they had a piano.

5. Matters arising (resolution nos in bold pertain to meeting with Candidates in August or the September meeting)

- 5.1 DA pre-lodgment processes (**39/12**) - Council had responded that it understands the Precincts concerns and is taking them under consideration. Councillor Smith said that the Mayor had also raised this matter as a result of the Coogee Precinct Meet the Candidates event. There was considerable discussion during which the following concerns were raised:
 - Some DAs have a huge negative impact on neighbours. The applicant has an opportunity to talk to staff before a DA is formally lodged and neighbours should have the same opportunity
 - If advice is given by staff as to how the applicant could change the DA then this advice should be made available to the neighbours**Resolution 47/12: That the Precinct thank the Mayor and Council for taking up the issue and request that we be kept informed.**
- 5.2 Draft DCP [incl. Late Night Trading] (23/11) (41/11) (62/11) (31/12) – expected to come to Council soon
- 5.3. Coogee Bay Road – road and pedestrian safety works (34/12) (**40/12**) – Council would advise the Precinct after consultations with the RMS had been concluded and the matter was ready to go to the Traffic Committee.
- 5.4 Sewerage at Coogee Beach (35/12) (**41/12**) – Council response was that this was a matter for Sydney Water and the Precinct should contact them.
Resolution 48/12: That the Precinct approach the local Member about the sewerage pit near Dolphin St.
- 5.5 Council Rangers - Fitness Groups etc. (**43/12**) – Council response had been emailed to everyone. Rona reported that Rangers had been active at Coogee in response to a letter from the Precinct. They had been contacting Rona each morning and they now believed that the groups were keeping to their licensed areas and not using the promenade.
- 5.6 Precinct Website (**44/12**) – the site was up but there had been no further work as people had been on leave.
- 5.7 DA 488/2012 | 143- 145 Mount Street, Coogee (**45/12**) – Councils response was that the Precincts concerns had been notified to Development Assessments. There was none present to talk further about this.
- 5.8 DA 496/2012 | 6 Palmer Street, South Coogee (**46/12**) – Council had not responded. The affected residents said they understood that the applicant had been asked to change the plans but they knew no more. It was suggested that they contact a ward Councillor to follow up for them and ask to see the file [this may require submitting an FOI that can take 2 weeks].
- 5.9 Coogee Bay Hotel – new open-able/bi-fold windows in the Beach Bar - this is a standing item.
- 5.10 Parking - there was a long discussion during which it was noted that Council was approving too many developments without sufficient parking and that it was a total furphy that because a dwelling was near public transport that the residents do not have cars and likewise for boarding houses or affordable housing. This would be a BIG issue with the new DCP.
- 5.11 Randwick Rugby Club - there was concern raised as to the Clubs debts and what would happen to the Senior Citizens Hall if Council were to buy the Club premises.
- 5.12 Heritage dry stone wall in Garnet Street - Vivien outlined the situation whereby Council was in the process of permitting the developer to breach the stone wall in order to put the sewer through despite the fact that the previous house had been fully occupied. A spokesperson for Council had said that Sydney Water had required new pipes. However Vivien had rung Sydney Water who said it was a matter for the plumber. There was considerable discussion during which it was agreed that Council should do everything to not breach the wall and that the developer should go under the wall as previous people in the street had done. It was suggested that Vivien take it up with the ward Councillors and the GM.

The meeting finished at 9.45 pm.

Signed _____ Date _____