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# MINUTES

## COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

held in the Manly Town Hall Council Chambers on

**THURSDAY 13 JUNE 2019**

**Minutes of the Community Safety Committee**  
**held on Thursday 13 June 2019**  
**in the Manly Town Hall Council Chambers**  
**Commencing at 8:00 - 10:00 AM**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Committee Members**

Cr Michael Regan	Mayor – Chairperson
Cr Sue Heins	Deputy Mayor
Cr Candy Bingham	
James Griffin MP	State Member for Manly
Supt David Darcy	Northern Beaches Police Area Command
Michelle Povah	Community Representative
Ray Mathieson	Community Representative
Michelle Erofeyeff	Family & Community Services (FACS)
Christina Franze	Manly Chamber of Commerce
Trish Bramble	Manly Warringah Women's Resource Centre
Doug Brooker	Northern Beaches Liquor Accord
Belinda Volkov	Sydney Drug Education & Counselling Centre (SDECC)

**Council Officer Contacts**

Ray Brownlee	Chief Executive Officer
Kylie Walshe	Executive Manager Community, Arts and Culture
Paul Crossan	Manager Rangers
Rob van den Blink	Manager Community Development
Leanne Martin	Community Safety Coordinator
Emma Marshall	Community Development Officer
Helen Askew	Program Support Officer, Community Development

**Visitors**

Daniel Peterson	Representing Community Northern Beaches
Jonathan Noyes	Representing NASLHD Health Promotion
Peta Garrett	Representing Zali Steggall MP Federal Member for Manly
Daniel Rubenach	State Member for Manly Electorate Officer

## 1.0 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from

Cr Kylie Ferguson	
Cr Stuart Sprott	
Karrah McCann	Catholic Care
John Kelly	Community Northern Beaches
Harry Coates	Community Representative
Ryan Turner	Community Representative
Roberta Conroy	Community Representative
Paul Klarenaar	NASLHD Health Promotion
Kara Hillier	Transport NSW Brookvale bus depot
Wayne Potter	Transport NSW Brookvale bus depot

Not in attendance

Drew Johnson	Manly Chamber of Commerce (alternate for Christina Franze)
Steve McInnes	Surf Lifesaving Sydney Northern Beaches

## 2.0 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Candy Bingham declared a non-pecuniary conflict of interest in regard to Item 4.6 Lagoon Park Landscape Plan. The reason provided by Cr Bingham was "discussions with residents on this issue".

## 3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

### 3.1 MINUTES OF COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 11 APRIL 2019

#### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Community Safety Committee meeting held 11 April 2019, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

Accepted

## **4.0 AGENDA ITEMS**

### **4.1 ACTIONS UPDATE**

#### **DISCUSSION**

##### **Road Safety Audit of schools**

The road safety audits around schools will be presented at the 15 August Community Safety Committee Meeting.

##### **Special Commission of Inquiry into the Drug ‘Ice’ – Submission**

The Committee commented on the excellent submission prepared by staff. Thank you to Council for coordination and inclusion of the various community agency feedback within the submission.

##### **Representations to Local MPs and NSW Attorney General regarding sale of Nitrous Oxide bulbs**

Response letters received Jonathon O’Dea MP and Rob Stokes MP were tabled. In addition, James Griffin MP tabled his letter to The Hon Mark Speakman, Attorney General as a follow up to this matter.

#### **CCTV**

CCTV policy and procedures will be presented for discussion at the 17 October Community Safety Committee Meeting.

##### **Suicide Response Steering Group**

The Steering Group, chaired by Superintendent Darcy, is progressing well with action plan priorities. The critical incident protocol and response framework are developing positively. The next meeting of this Steering Group is 17 June.

#### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That the information be received and noted.

## 4.2 POLICE REPORT

### DISCUSSION

Frontline agencies are working very hard to interrupt continued domestic violence behaviours with clients.

Police are working in conjunction with Council staff in relation to the CCTV review.

Suicide Prevention crisis management was discussed. Concern was raised in regard to after-care provided at Northern Beaches Hospital for those at risk. Superintendent Darcy has discussed this with Local Area Health to suggest a review of their procedures and forms to allow adults at risk personal details to be released to local support services and outreach teams.

James Griffin acknowledged the great work done by the Suicide Response Steering Group and its recognition on a national level.

The presentation will be circulated with the Minutes to Committee members. Please direct any queries regarding the statistics to Superintendent Darcy.

### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- A. That the information be received and noted.
- B. That the Committee Chair formally write to the State Minister for Health and local State MPs to highlight:
  - The perception that public and private mental health patients at risk are managed differently at Northern Beaches Hospital.
  - Supporting procedural change allowing personal details of adults at suicide risk to be released to local support services and outreach teams.

### **4.3 COMPLIANCE REPORT**

#### **DISCUSSION**

East Esplanade ranger night patrols report the seasonal change has resulted in reduced incidents. Local residents have expressed their appreciation for the improved amenity of the area and the successful collaboration between Rangers and the Police.

To help promote responsible pet ownership, Council is hosting 'Canine Connect' this Sunday at Rowland Reserve, Bayview. Rangers are continuing to work with the community to resolve a number of dog attack incidents.

Increased occurrences of personal attacks involving Council Parking Officers is of concern.

#### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That the information is received and noted.

#### **4.4 ONLINE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL - RESEARCH AND REPORT**

##### **DISCUSSION**

Jonathon Noyes, Health Promotion Officer from Northern Sydney Area Health Promotion emphasised within the Online Liquor Gets Audited (OLGA) presentation that the underage supply chain is currently unmonitored.

The project is in its advocacy stage and he would welcome input from interested agencies.

The OLGA presentation will be circulated with the Minutes to Committee members.

##### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

- A. That the Committee support the recommendations.
- B. That the Committee Chair formally write to Liquor & Gaming NSW, the NSW Minister responsible for Liquor Licensing and local State MPs to request that the Online Liquor Gets Audited (OLGA) recommendations be implemented.

#### **4.5 MANAGING ROUGH SLEEPING IN PUBLIC SPACES**

##### **DISCUSSION**

Presentation by Council staff and Daniel Peterson, Homeless Outreach Officer Community Northern Beaches.

Whilst homelessness is primarily a role of State Government agencies, Northern Beaches Council has a Homeless Protocol that emphasises a compassionate approach. Council responds to various community complaints around homelessness, usually around use of public space.

Homelessness is highly challenging, with complex issues and few short term solutions. There is a lack of both short and long-term housing options, with clients with complex needs (mental health, drug/alcohol use) often not accepted into housing.

Family & Community Services (FACS) is transferring social housing to community housing providers under the Social Housing Management Transfer program. From August this year, Bridge Housing, will manage the remaining Northern Beaches social housing tenancies on behalf of FACS.

Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services, Gareth Ward MP is visiting James Griffin MP in the near future. The aim will be to negotiate a meeting with the Minister, Mayor and Committee representatives to talk through crisis accommodation and the long term housing options for those living with mental health issues and possible local solutions. The Committee will provide a discussion paper for the appropriate Ministers.

The presentation will be circulated with the Minutes to Committee members.

##### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

- A. That staff continue to research best practice and develop collaborations and strategies that assist in ameliorating this issue.
- B. That the Committee acknowledge support for national action to address homelessness and Affordable Housing, to ensure that homelessness is contained and encourage appropriate

initiatives.

- C. That Council work with local and State agencies to develop a Northern Beaches Housing and Homelessness Discussion Paper.
- D. That staff and service providers continue to educate the community on the issue of homelessness and agreed Homelessness Protocol.

#### **4.6 LAGOON PARK LANDSCAPE PLAN**

##### **DISCUSSION**

Circulate presentation with Minutes to Committee members.

##### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That Committee members consider submitting comments on the [Manly Lagoon Park Landscape Plan](#) from a community safety point of view, on an individual basis.

#### **4.7 MORE TO MANLY SAFER LANEWAYS PROJECT LAUNCH**

##### **DISCUSSION**

Committee members were invited to meet with the artist to celebrate and participate in the Market Lane murals on Manly Library walls photo opportunity.

##### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That the information be received and noted.

#### **5.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Welcome Peta Garrett, representing Federal Member for Manly, Zali Steggall MP.

#### **6.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

*The meeting concluded at 9.40am*

This is the final page of the Minutes comprising 8 pages  
numbered 1 to 8 of the Community Safety Committee meeting  
held on Thursday 13 June 2019 and confirmed on Thursday 15 August 2019