



AGENDA

PLACES FOR PEOPLE STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Places for People Strategic Reference Group will be held in the Coastal Environment Centre, Narrabeen on

WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2019

Beginning at 6:00pm for the purpose of considering matters included in this agenda.

Committee Members

Cr Ian White (Chair)	
Mayor Michael Regan	
Cr Candy Bingham	
Cr Stuart Sprott	
Caroline Ghatt	Play for all Australia
Stephen Pearse	
Jim Koopman	
Sita Mason	Youth Representative
Merinda Rose	
Les Irwig	
Miranda Korzy	
Maryann Novakovic	
Suzanne Cairns	Manly Dogs
Richard Michell	Manly, Warringah and Pittwater Historical Society
Kelvin Millsom	Northern Beaches Junior AFL Association, Manly Warringah Pittwater Sporting Union

Council Officer Contacts

Andrew Pigott	Executive Manager Strategic & Place Planning
Steven Lawler	Executive Manager Parks & Recreation
Sherryn McPherson	Governance Coordinator

Quorum

A majority of members including the Chair or one of the elected Councillors.

**Agenda for Places for People
Strategic Reference Group Meeting
to be held on Wednesday 13 February 2019
in the Coastal Environment Centre, Narrabeen
Commencing at 6:00pm**

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NEXT MEETING Thursday 16 May 2019

1.0 APOLOGIES

All members are expected to attend the meetings or otherwise tender their apologies to the Chair and Governance at councilmeetings@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au.

2.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Members are advised of the following definitions of a "pecuniary" or "conflict" of interest for their assistance:

Section 442 of the Local Government Act, 1993 states that a "pecuniary" interest is as follows:

"(1) [Pecuniary interest] A Pecuniary interest is an interest that a person has in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss to the person or another person with whom the person is associated.

(2) [Remoteness] A person does not have a pecuniary interest in a matter if the interest is so remote or insignificant that it could not reasonably be regarded as likely to influence any decision the person might make in relation to the matter."

Members should reference the Local Government Act, 1993 for detailed provisions relating to pecuniary interests.

Council's Code of Conduct states that a "conflict of interest" exists when you could be influenced, or a reasonable person would perceive that you could be influenced by a personal interest when carrying out your public duty.

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 MINUTES OF PLACES FOR PEOPLE STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD 29 NOVEMBER 2018

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Places for People Strategic Reference Group meeting held 29 November 2018, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

5.0 AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM 5.1	MY PLACE: AVALON
REPORTING OFFICER	MANAGER, STRATEGIC AND PLACE PLANNING
TRIM FILE REF	2019/042869
ATTACHMENTS	1 My Place: Avalon, Spotlight on Avalon - Snapshot and community engagement summary, Version 1 January 2019 (Included In Attachments Booklet)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To present the My Place: Avalon, Spotlight on Avalon - Snapshot and community engagement summary, Version 1 January 2019 (Attachment 1) and undertake a workshop activity to further unpack the identified 'directions' for Avalon.

CONSULTATION

The My Place: Avalon project has centred around an extensive community engagement process with Council working collectively with the community through the Avalon Community Reference Group (Avalon CRG) on the development of the Avalon Place Plan.

Two (2) Avalon CRG meetings have been held in October and November 2018 with a third scheduled for late February 2019, which will concentrate on Activations and Quick Wins.

REPORT

The My Place Avalon, Spotlight on Avalon - snapshot and community engagement summary (January 2019) (Spotlight on Avalon) was released on the 11 January 2019. Spotlight on Avalon documents the aspirations, vision, priorities and ideas generated by the community and stakeholders for the Avalon Village. The shared community vision, care factor values, priorities and future directions for Avalon will inform and guide the preparation of the Avalon Place Plan.

Planning staff will guide the group through a workshop activity focused on the directions for Avalon. The purpose of the activity is to interrogate and unpack the directions identified by the community during the engagement phase, such as:

- enhanced streetscape
- activated Avalon village centre during the winter period and night time economy
- more and improved activities for youth
- increased activation and maintenance of laneways.

The workshop activity will strive to expand on the directions in order to gain a deeper understanding of what each means, especially from an 'Avalon context' and options on how they can be achieved.

The information gathered during the workshop activity will be incorporated into the general data used in the preparation of the Avalon Place Plan.

RECOMMENDATION OF MANAGER, STRATEGIC AND PLACE PLANNING

That:

- A. the Places for People SRG note the information and update status report on the My Place: Avalon Project
 - B. the Information gathered during the workshop activity to be used by Council staff to inform the preparation of the Avalon Place Plan.
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ITEM 5.2	NAMING NORTHERN BEACHES OPEN SPACES AND FACILITIES
REPORTING OFFICER	MANAGER, BUSINESS OPERATIONS
TRIM FILE REF	2019/043491
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

Local Government is required to adhere to the Geographic Names Board (GNB) of NSW policy and guidelines for the naming of Reserves and Open Spaces.

Council does not yet have a formal process for the naming of facilities on our open spaces including buildings, gardens, swimming pools and sporting infrastructure such as grandstands, cricket nets or netball courts.

Recent requests which have been supported by Council include:

- 27 November 2018 - Mayoral Minute Proposal to Rename Palm Beach Rock Pool - 'Johnny Carter Pool'.
- 18 December 2018 - Mayoral Minute Proposed Naming of Council Reserve in Duffys Forest in Honour of the Late Dr Mary Newlinds OAM.
- 18 December 2018 - Notice of Motion Renaming of Dee Why Rock Pool: The Isa Wye MBE OAM Pool.

In considering the naming of a reserve in Duffys Forest, on 18 December 2018 Council resolved that it develop a Policy in relation to the naming of parks, reserves (including the facilities within these) and buildings and bring this back to Council for review.

BACKGROUND

The Geographical Names Act 1966 recognises the importance of unambiguous and official place names. It is acknowledged in the GNB policy that place names reflect the relationship between people and place and create a link that forms the basis for communication, location and addressing. Clear and unambiguous names are essential for emergency services, postal and service delivery as well as professional and personal navigation.

Aboriginal, multicultural, heritage and geographic and topographic name types are encouraged:

Naming of facilities within a reserve, such as a pavilion, grandstand, garden, buildings etc. may also be named according to the policy, but do not require formal GNB approval

GNB considers that names of deceased persons are suitable for the naming of reserves. Such persons shall have had a long term association with the area, or have made a significant contribution to the area of the proposed park or reserve.

One of the former councils noted in a policy in relation to naming reserves that in addition to the GNB guidelines that:

- Areas will not be named after serving Councillors or Parliamentarians or politically active former Councillors or former Parliamentarians.
- When naming sporting areas and major reserves which will be visited by many people from beyond Council's boundaries, preference will be given to locality or geographical names, for example Beacon Hill Oval or Long Reef Reserve, to assist in travelling to and locating the area or reserve.
- When naming parks and natural reserves, preference will be given to the use of historical names, aboriginal words (e.g. Goombooya Reserve) and the names of indigenous species of plants, birds and animals (e.g. Angophora Reserve, Cabbage Tree Park).
- Preference will be given to naming buildings after their location and functional purpose.

The current process to assess and allocate a name for a reserve is:

- A request for naming or renaming of a reserve or open space is received
 - If it aligns with the GNB guidelines a report is prepared and presented to Council.
 - If it does not the request is denied and the applicant is informed.
- Once approved the request is placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.
- A Council report is prepared with details of communities comments presented to Council.
- If endorsed by Council an application is sent to the GNB for consideration.
- Once approved by GNB a report is presented to Council to formalise the new name and to notify the Councillors and Community.

As noted earlier there is not a defined process for the naming of facilities on our open spaces including buildings, gardens, swimming pools, playgrounds and sporting infrastructure such as grandstands, cricket nets or netball courts.

DISCUSSION

A workshop will be held at the meeting 13 February 2019 to discuss what should be considered for inclusion in the Naming Policy. A series of questions will be presented for discussion which may include:

1. What should or should not be named?
2. What types of names should be considered?
3. What needs to be considered when naming a facility or reserve?
4. If naming after a person what should be considered?

RECOMMENDATION OF MANAGER, BUSINESS OPERATIONS:

That the Places for People Strategic Group acknowledge the background information related to the naming of Open spaces and Facilities in preparation for a discussion on the 13 February 2019.

ITEM 5.3	LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY DISCUSSION
REPORTING OFFICER	PRINCIPAL PLANNER
TRIM FILE REF	2019/044252
ATTACHMENTS	1 Planning Our Sustainable Future 2040 (Included In Attachments Booklet) 2 Local Housing Strategy Guideline and Template (Included In Attachments Booklet)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To notify the Places for People Strategic Reference Group of a facilitated discussion of key issues to be addressed in the Local Housing Discussion Paper and Strategy.

REPORT

Council has commenced a three year strategic land use planning program to prepare a single planning framework for the Northern Beaches Council area. A [webpage](#) has been published and a booklet is available (Attachment 1). Key components of the planning framework include a new Northern Beaches Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS), Local Housing Strategy (LHS), and a new Local Environmental Plan (LEP) and Development Control Plan (DCP).

SGS Economics and Planning (consultants) have been engaged to prepare the Local Housing Strategy (LHS). The LHS will be prepared in consultation with the community and must generally accord with the Local Housing Strategy Guideline prepared by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (Attachment 2).

SGS is also preparing a Demographic Analysis of the Northern Beaches via a separate consultancy contract. This will provide the evidence base for the Local Housing Strategy and identify how the local population is changing and what this means for existing and future housing needs. It will also provide evidence to support an Employment Study, Social Infrastructure Assessment, and future Council strategies such as the Open Space Strategy and Social Plan.

At this meeting, Council and its consultants will hold a facilitated discussion about key housing issues (e.g. local character, desired form of housing provision, affordability). Participants will have the opportunity to raise issues important to them. Outcomes from the discussion will be used in the development of a Housing Discussion Paper that will be placed on exhibition in mid-2019.

This meeting is different in scope to the workshop scheduled with all Council Strategic Reference Groups the following Monday 18 February 2018 (SRG Workshop). The SRG Workshop will be broader in scope and discuss issues raised in the Demographic Analysis findings to date (e.g. employment, housing and infrastructure).

RECOMMENDATION OF PRINCIPAL PLANNER

That the Places for People Strategic Reference Group participate in a facilitated discussion with Council and its consultants to inform the Local Housing Discussion Paper and Strategy.
