

AGENDA

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Community Safety Committee will be held in the Manly Town Hall Council Chambers on

THURSDAY 13 JUNE 2019

Beginning at 8:00 - 10:00 AM for the purpose of considering matters included in this agenda.

Committee Members

Cr Michael Regan	Mayor – Chairperson
Cr Sue Heins	Deputy Mayor
Cr Candy Bingham	
Cr Kylie Ferguson	
Cr Stuart Sprott	
James Griffin MP	Member for Manly
Supt David Darcy	Northern Beaches Police Area Command
Karrah McCann	Catholic Care
John Kelly	Community Northern Beaches
Harry Coates	Community Representative
Michelle Povah	Community Representative
Ray Mathieson	Community Representative
Roberta Conroy	Community Representative
Ryan Turner	Community Representative
Michelle Erofeyeff	Family & Community Services (FACS)
Christina Franze	Manly Chamber of Commerce
Drew Johnson	Manly Chamber of Commerce
Trish Bramble	Manly Warringah Women's Resource Centre
Paul Klarenaar	NASLHD Health Promotion
Doug Brooker	Northern Beaches Liquor Accord
Steve McInnes	Surf Lifesaving Sydney Northern Beaches
Belinda Volkov	Sydney Drug Education & Counselling Centre (SDECC)
Kara Hillier	State Transit Authority Brookvale bus depot
Wayne Potter	State Transit Authority Brookvale bus depot

Council Officer Contacts

Kylie Walshe	Executive Manager Community, Arts and Culture
Paul Crossan	Manager, Rangers
Will Wrathall	Team Leader, Community Development
Leanne Martin	Community Safety Coordinator
Helen Askew	Program Support Officer, Community Development

Visitors

Name	Attended as an observer
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Quorum

A majority of members plus the Mayor or another Councillor.

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to be held on Thursday 13 June 2019
in the Manly Town Hall Council Chambers
Commencing at 8:00 - 10:00 AM**

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NEXT MEETING Thursday 15 August 2019

1.0 APOLOGIES

All members are expected to attend the Community Safety Committee meetings or tender their apologies to the Chair or Committee liaison person. If members are unable to attend they may delegate their position to another member of their organisation, with the approval of the Chair.

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 COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 11 APRIL 2019

RECOMMENDATION

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

4.0 AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM 4.1	ACTIONS UPDATE
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/277824
ATTACHMENTS	1 Northern Beaches Council submission to Ice Inquiry

REPORT

PURPOSE

To update the Committee on actions arising from previous meetings.

SUMMARY

1. Road Safety Audit of schools

The Road Safety Officer will brief the Committee on the status of road safety audits around schools at the August meeting.

2. Special Commission of Inquiry into the Drug ‘Ice’ – Submission

At the April 2019 meeting it was recommended that the Committee co-ordinate an appropriate response on behalf of the Committee. A submission was prepared and submitted accordingly to the Commission on 7 May deadline (attached).

3. Representations to Local MPs and NSW Attorney General regarding sale of Nitrous Oxide bulbs:

Acknowledgment letter received from Jonathon O’Dea MP and Rob Stokes MP

4. Federal Government Safer Communities Fund – Vehicle Mitigation Grant

Parks staff advise that they are currently obtaining utility surveys of the sites in Manly in order to prepare design.

5. CCTV

The Committee requested that the issue of CCTV be included on future agendas. This item will be included on the August agenda for an overview and discussion.

6. Suicide Response Steering Group

The newly formed Northern Beaches Suicide Response Steering Group has prioritised the following areas in the Northern Beaches Suicide Response Action Plan:

- Communications strategy and activities
- Community/ sector training
- Coordinated response – critical incident protocol/ service response for continuation of care

Other activities include:

1. Mental Health First Aid held at Avalon - 20 attending, including NSW Fire & Rescue
2. Mental Health Commission of NSW community consultation held at Dee Why specific to those with lived experience of suicide
3. Funding application submitted to NSW Government for Suicide Prevention Community Gatekeeper Training, for \$339,596.00 across three years (2019/2020 to 2021/22).
4. Suicide prevention and intervention training for first responders held on Friday 10 May at Seaforth for 20 Police, Fire & Rescue, Ambulance, Council and others.

5. Roses in the Ocean engaged to facilitate the recruitment, selection and training of locals with lived experience to assist with design of local activities within the Action Plan.

Means Restriction update:

1. Turimetta Headland
 - Plans are finalised
 - Consultation to be undertaken with neighbours and the family that currently has a memorial in the sandstone wall
 - Initiated procurement for landscaping and fencing components
 - Anticipate construction to being early financial year 2019/2020 (July/August)
2. Bilgola Headland
 - Fence is still in place but removal has been arranged.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the information be received and noted.



Michael Regan
Mayor

Professor Dan Howard
Commissioner, Special Commission of Inquiry into the Drug 'Ice'
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Our Ref: 2019/239284

Dear Professor Howard

Submission to the Special Commission of Inquiry into the Drug 'Ice'

Whilst the Northern Beaches Local Government Area has not been impacted by Methamphetamine/Ice use to the same degree of certain regional and rural NSW communities, we represent a large and diverse population (c.260,000) and there have been impacts felt by the community that warrant a response. This submission reflects much of our original response to the Terms of Reference, with some expanded information and recommendations.

Brief consultations have been undertaken with our Northern Beaches Community Safety Committee and local workers who deal with various aspects of Ice use, including individual case management services, opioid clinic managers, domestic violence workers, homeless outreach workers and Police, to establish specific local issues that may be included in the Commission's deliberations.

The following observations primarily respond and relate to your 'Issues Paper 3 – Health and Community' with any specific sections referenced in the sub-headings:

1. Improved protection for family and carers (3.2)

Research should be undertaken regarding situations of inter-personal violence experienced by families or carers with a view of preventing violent outcomes from psychosis that occurs with Ice overdose. Additionally, there should be an emphasis on improving opportunities for access to treatment and developing practical and readily available assistance for carers or families living with Ice users. This was exemplified by the fatal stabbing of a mother by her adult son under the influence of Ice in 2017. It is likely that this mother could not find other support or accommodation for her son at the time it was needed. In addition, a murder of a young man by his friend using methamphetamine in a suburban street in 2018, was witnessed by many residents. Not only do these types of individual tragedies result in widespread trauma, they also result in increased fear and have a negative impact on the perception of safety amongst the wider community.

In respect to this issue, we would also strongly support the concept described in the Issues Paper 2 – Justice, Page 10:

There have also been calls to introduce other innovative initiatives designed to reduce harm.

For example, Western Australia's Methamphetamine Action Plan Taskforce recommended the establishment of an alternative crisis intervention response to provide a short-term place for methamphetamine users when they are in crisis that will keep them, their families and the community safe.

This Taskforce recognised that existing intervention options available when a person who uses drugs is in crisis, such as police detention or admission to an emergency department or psychiatric facility, are not always appropriate. Preliminary submissions received by this Inquiry have similarly raised the need for new models, such as Triage Rooms, which divert drug users away from hospital emergency departments and provide more tailored support for the person under the influence of drugs and a safer environment for other patients and staff.

2. Changing perceptions amongst users

Motivations for use, particularly amongst existing drug users appear to be quite varied. According to frontline workers Ice use is becoming more normalised and mainstream due to a number of factors including ease of use by smoking, cost and accessibility. This apparent normalisation means that Ice is now more of a 'party' drug rather than a hard drug. Not all Ice users develop psychotic reactions but once a habit is formed it is extremely hard to stop. Counselling is still the main method of supporting withdrawal but requires motivation on behalf of the user, which is often challenging. Poly-drug use is common and also raises further complications regarding treatment.

3. Housing and Homelessness (3.2)

A common outcome for chronic ATS/Ice users is homelessness ranging from primary to tertiary homelessness. Reducing homelessness and increasing housing options is certainly a vital component to improving the outcomes and treatment for Ice users. Establishing secure accommodation for chronic Ice users in the Northern Beaches is extremely limited and challenging to access. Once an individual is without secure housing it becomes increasingly difficult to manage withdrawal and treatment.

The following case study demonstrates the gaps that are currently occurring. The system is failing the vulnerable individuals whilst also exposing the community to increasing risk. It also shows the complexity of the resulting issue that leaves local government left to deal with the situation.

Four homeless males entrenched at a local sporting oval for many months. This location has often hosted rough sleepers until they are willing to engage and find alternative accommodation or assistance. This is not normally too problematic and we operate according to our Homeless Protocol. All four current rough sleepers are however active Ice users. Specialist Homeless Services outreach workers have not been successful in engaging them. They do not qualify for crisis accommodation or other housing options, whilst they are using drugs. They are also not eligible for Detox programs until they wish to stop using.

Whilst they are rough sleeping, particularly in a group setting, they are less inclined to stop. Police have repeatedly tried moving them away at various times with limited success. One of these rough sleepers was recently released from prison and has returned to the same location, where he was previously arrested. Co-morbidity issues are prevalent in this group. NSW Health Mental Health outreach will not attend or refer due to drug use seen as the main issue. This all inevitably increases the chaotic nature of their lives whilst placing increased pressure and risk on both the rough sleepers and the guardians of the public space.

It has resulted in a cleaner of the nearby public toilets being assaulted by one of these individuals. The increasing levels of aggression, accumulation of possessions and poor hygiene situation means the wider public are unable to share the space easily and it poses an unreasonable threat to the community and feelings of public unease and personal safety.

Our recommendations for homeless ATS/ICE users such as this are:

1. Priority access be given to secure and supported accommodation for rough sleepers that are active ATS/ICE users.
2. That co-morbidity issues be considered holistically using multi-disciplinary case managers.
3. More availability of IDAT (Involuntary Drug/Alcohol Treatment) beds. Currently only Herbert St Clinic and Orange and they have very limited openings.
4. Contracts for the FACS Housing Specialist Homelessness Services to include outreach services that include multi-disciplinary case management. The SHS should offer a simple referral process and not siloed into separate programs. Frontline workers are constrained by program-based models. The service needs more flexibility and a best practice, wrap around approach. An audited evaluation of current approaches needs to be undertaken.
5. That Corrections NSW ensure that prisoners be screened and referred for housing and drug treatment prior to release, to reduce the likelihood of going back to rough sleeping in public space.
6. More treatment and rehabilitation options including inpatient, outpatient and outreach clinics for persons with no fixed place of abode and for under 18s.

4. Community education 3.3/3.4

It is agreed that stigma towards Ice users, exacerbated by portrayals in the media, prevent people from seeking treatment. Increased education on treatment options would be helpful. Exploring the myths and misconceptions of Ice with a view to promoting treatment access and reducing stigma should be considered. The role of stigma needs to be explored with some anecdotal evidence that there can be up to an eighteen year delay for ICE users to seek treatment due to stigmatisation concerns (Surry Hills CDAT). The language used to discuss these issues in both media and in broader public dialogue should be considered in order to reduce negative stereotypes. The 'Language Matters' resource produced by NADA is a helpful guide for communities.

It is broadly accepted that local issues need local solutions. Effectiveness of CDATs and LDATs and a higher level Council Community Safety Committee chaired by the Mayor, allows all key stakeholders, including community representatives, NGOs, government agencies and specialist staff and Councillors, to come together on a regular basis and discuss issues of concern to the community.

This group is a powerful voice that can advocate for changes to improve the situation. CDAT and LDAT are more project based and bring together specialist AOD groups as well as community members that would otherwise be unlikely to collaborate.

Due to the competitive tendering environment that most NGO's now find themselves in over the past few years, it has become more apparent that local government plays an increasingly important role as a neutral and trusted voice in the community. We trust you will consider our issues and responses accordingly and look forward to the final report.

Yours sincerely



Michael Regan
Mayor
Chairperson, Northern Beaches Community Safety Committee

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ITEM 4.2	POLICE REPORT
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/277847
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

PURPOSE

This is a standing agenda item to brief the committee on relevant crime and safety issues on the Northern Beaches by Police Area Commander, Superintendent Dave Darcy.

BACKGROUND

A request from the Committee meeting in April 2019 was for the Police to present some background and/or statistics on the possible emerging issue of domestic violence and youth violence towards parents.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the information be received and noted.

ITEM 4.3	COMPLIANCE REPORT
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/277881
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

PURPOSE

This is a standing agenda item to brief the Committee on current and topical compliance related issues.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the information is received and noted.

ITEM 4.4	ONLINE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL - RESEARCH AND REPORT
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/278550
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

Report by the Northern Sydney Local Health District Health Promotion on the *Online Liquor Gets Audited (OLGA)* project.

BACKGROUND

The *Online Liquor Gets Audited (OLGA)* project involved

- A review of the relevant sections of the NSW Liquor Act 2007 and Liquor Regulation 2018
- Auditing the supply practices of 504 businesses with no walk-up packaged liquor licenses in NSW i.e. those liquor suppliers with licences restricted to online and phone ordering, and delivery of alcohol.

The audit aimed to assess the parameters in place to protect young people under 18 years of age, from purchasing alcohol online and prevent the supply of alcohol to intoxicated persons

DISCUSSION

Jonathon Noyes, Health Promotion Officer from Northern Sydney Area Health Promotion will present the report to the committee for their information.

A range of risks/issues were identified and solutions recommended and can be considered.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

- A. That the Committee support the recommendations in the report.
 - B. That the Committee write to Liquor and Gaming NSW to request that these recommendations be implemented.
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ITEM 4.5	MANAGING ROUGH SLEEPING IN PUBLIC SPACES
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/279041
ATTACHMENTS	1 National Action on homelessness and housing affordability

PURPOSE

To brief the Committee on the current activity and challenges around the management of rough sleeping in public spaces, and the broader issue of homelessness on the Northern Beaches.

BACKGROUND

As our population grows and housing affordability decreases, primary homelessness – when someone feels that they have no other option than to sleep in a public space - will continue to rise (Attachment 1). Whilst housing and homelessness is primarily the responsibility of State Government, the management of public space is the role of local councils. This intersection of responsibility is a challenging one for local government, who generally do not have the experience or resources to case manage homeless people, whilst also having to respond to business and community complaints about this complex issue.

Up until the last decade, Council's standard response was often to dispose of a homeless person's possessions if they were a "public disturbance". To ensure a consistent and humanitarian approach on this complex social issue, Council has developed a Homeless Protocol, which is based on the NSW Protocol for Homeless People in Public Places (2014). It relies on an active, collaborative approach, with various key service providers, alongside a clear consideration of the relevant legal aspects for Council.

The Protocol is a guide for frontline staff for when they encounter rough sleepers, so that they are able to maintain a consistent and compassionate response, whilst also ensuring public spaces remain accessible and safe for all. In a tourist destination, such as Manly, addressing this issue has significant economic impacts alongside the social considerations. Managing rough sleeping is an evolving issue requiring a dynamic and multi-faceted response in which local councils are central in providing a consistent and effective response.

DISCUSSION

Cities across Australia are facing rising levels of homelessness and housing unaffordability. According to the 2016 Census of Population and Housing, the national rate of homelessness has increased by 14 percent over the last five years. Homelessness in Sydney has increased by 48 percent. Data of all homeless reports to Council is collected. In 2018, Council received 32 reports about homelessness and rough sleeping. To date (end May) Council has received 30 reports, indicating an increase that correlates with other agency reporting.

Council's Community Safety Co-ordinator will present on this issue with the support of Community Northern Beaches. This presentation will demonstrate the usefulness of the Protocol, identify gaps in the system and will include a variety of scenarios that we have tackled to ensure that it maintains concern and compassion to rough sleepers, whilst avoiding entrenchment and delivering clean, safe public spaces for all.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

- 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.
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MEDIA RELEASE

2 MAY 2019



COUNCIL OF CAPITAL CITY LORD MAYORS

Capital City Lord Mayors call for national action on homelessness and housing affordability

The Lord Mayors of Australia's capital cities have held an urgent meeting today in response to growing pressures on social and affordable housing in inner cities and a sharp increase in housing stress and homelessness across the country.

Lord Mayors called on both the Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition to commit to urgent action, especially funding, to respond to rough sleeping on city streets and the creation of a national housing plan, working in collaboration with local and state governments.

The Council of Capital City Lord Mayors (CCCLM) Chair Lord Mayor of Hobart Anna Reynolds, Sydney Lord Mayor Clover Moore and the Lord Mayor of Melbourne Sally Capp hosted a crisis meeting with national experts from the housing sector.

The CCCLM seeks commitment from the federal government to:

- commit to funding additional social and affordable housing units with a focus on key strategic sites in inner cities, aimed at alleviating homelessness;
- provide more assistance for crisis accommodation for rough sleepers in major cities – including the inclusion of homelessness services in the City Deal process;
- appoint a dedicated Homelessness and Housing Minister to Cabinet;
- prioritise these issues at the next Council of Australian Governments meeting with an urgent review of the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement and Commonwealth Rent Assistance program
- adopt a long-term national housing strategy that:
 - provides more social and affordable housing for people from a range of backgrounds to live in and around cities
 - addresses the drivers of homelessness, including access to affordable housing, as well as family violence, mental health, drug & alcohol use; and
- commission a review of welfare and Centrelink policies, in particular Proof of Identity practices, to ensure the most vulnerable people in our cities can access social security.

Lord Mayors agreed to work together to identify key strategic sites within their cities that would benefit from national funding for crisis, social and affordable housing.

Cities across Australia are facing rising levels of homelessness and housing unaffordability. According to the 2016 Census of Population and Housing, the national rate of homelessness has increased by 14 per cent over the last five years. Latest estimates reveal more than 116,000 people were experiencing homelessness in Australia on Census night.

Based on ABS census data¹, the number of homeless has increased in capital cities. Homelessness in Sydney has increased by 48 percent, by 36 percent in Darwin, by 32 percent in Brisbane, by 21 per cent in Hobart, by 14 percent in Adelaide, by 14 per cent in Melbourne and by 12 per cent in Perth and the number of rough sleepers has also increased in the ACT."

The Rental Affordability Snapshot² report released on Monday by Anglicare and Everybody's Home identified a severe crisis in affordable housing across Australia, with none of the 69,000 rental listings across major cities classed as affordable for someone on Newstart or Youth Allowance.

The report also showed the link between a lack of investment in social housing and the rise of homelessness in Australia's major cities.

¹ <http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/lookup/2049.0Media%20Release12016>

² <https://anglicare-ras.com/>

Quotes attributable to the Lord Mayor of Sydney, Clover Moore

"People are sleeping rough in our cities in increasing numbers. Though this is the most severe and visible form of homelessness, it is the symptom of a widespread, systematic failure of our housing system.

"Today we have come together to call on the Prime Minister, Scott Morrison and the Leader of the Opposition, Bill Shorten to provide urgent funding for social housing, including in strategic inner-city sites around the country.

"The City has developed a proposal for the Waterloo site that could provide more than 3,700 homes for people on low incomes, but to make this happen we need the support of state and federal governments.

"This is just one of many opportunities across the country, where federal, state and local governments should be working together to deliver critical social affordable homes to address the national homelessness crisis."

Quotes attributable to Lord Mayor of Melbourne, Sally Capp

"Rough sleeping on our city streets is in danger of becoming entrenched, especially in Melbourne and Sydney – our fastest growing capitals. It includes young people and a growing number of older women. Our cities need co-ordinated action, with federal and state governments working closely with us to provide a pathway out of homelessness into long-term, affordable housing.

"In inner Melbourne alone, we know there are around 300 people sleeping rough each night - this is just the tip of the homelessness iceberg. Without urgent action, we know this will escalate as our population increases.

"We are working hard with other local councils, NGOs and the state government to join up our thinking and resources but it's not enough to solve the problem. Federal action, including a more responsive approach by Centrelink, is critical to overcoming the immediate rough sleeping crisis.

"We also need a long-term plan for housing. We need to ensure key workers, especially young people, are not locked out of our cities. If we are to be successful, equitable global cities, we need affordable housing close to CBD jobs to reach our social and economic potential."

Quotes attributable to Lord Mayor of Hobart, Anna Reynolds

"Capital City Lord Mayors are very concerned about housing, but we know that local government is limited in what it can do. If we want our capital cities to be successful, we need the Federal Government to commit to funding a further 200,000 public housing units nationally by 2030, with a focus on strategic sites in inner cities.

"We know that the market alone will never provide sufficient affordable housing to meet demand. Government must step in to address the market failure in the housing sector."

Quotes attributable to Lord Mayor of Adelaide, Sandy Verschoor

"Adelaide is one of the most liveable cities in the world, but we recognise that an increasing number of people have no place to call home on any given night. That's why we've set a community goal of ending street homelessness in our CBD.

"We can't achieve this alone. We need a partner in Canberra that is willing to make the investments and to work collaboratively to tackle the complex problem of housing affordability and homelessness.

Quotes attributable to Everybody's Home campaign spokesperson Kate Colvin

Everybody's Home, the national campaign on housing affordability has supported Lord Mayors' action in calling on governments to urgently invest in more public housing to address the 116,000 people currently homeless across Australia.

"More than 800,000 Australian households are paying more rent than they can afford, putting them at risk of homelessness. It's no coincidence that we have record homelessness while spending on social housing has been falling.

"People squeezed out of the private rental market have nowhere to go. The most urgent and effective solution to homelessness is to build new social housing where we need it most."

For interview:

- Lord Mayor of Sydney, Clover Moore: Anusha Muller 0408 494 545 or email amuller@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au
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- Lord Mayor of Hobart, Anna Reynolds: Umesh Ratnagobal 0411 013 272 ratnagobalu@hobartcity.com.au
- Lord Mayor of Adelaide, Sandy Verschoor: Paula Stevens 0427 910 554 p.stevens@cityofadelaide.com.au

Footage of press conference will be uploaded [here](#)

ITEM 4.6	LAGOON PARK LANDSCAPE PLAN
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/279254
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

To discuss support for the adoption of appropriate lighting in the Lagoon Park landscape masterplan.

BACKGROUND

The need for lighting in Lagoon Park was identified by the former Manly Council Community Safety and Place Management Committee for a number of years. This followed many requests from the public. This was further supported by site-specific community safety and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) audits, conducted in consultation with Police. Extensive community consultation about this issue concluded that 78% of respondents wanted lighting in Lagoon Park. Manly Daily articles have previously nominated Lagoon Park as the place most people feel unsafe at night and in need of lighting.

Despite the strong broad support, certain residents neighbouring the reserve have expressed strong reservations against the lighting proposal and have conducted campaigns against this going ahead. Their specific concerns relate to the potential environmental impacts and possible anti-social behavior that could result from the lights. Environmental reports have been undertaken by independent consultants that advise that the lighting will not cause adverse ecological impacts.

The need for lighting was further identified in the Manly Pedestrian Access Management Plan (PAMP) that had previously been adopted by Council in October 2017.

DISCUSSION

The most recent Lagoon Park Masterplan is now open for public comment, prior to being reported to Council for adoption.

A draft Landscape Plan has been prepared to compliment the local landscape character and heritage values of this significant open space corridor.

The Plan aims to;

- Improve connectivity and accessibility for both pedestrians and cyclists through the reserve, a key active transport link.
- Improve amenity and management of existing facilities to cater for the diverse range of activities in the park such as; walking, cycling, fitness, picnicking, children's play and dog play.
- Protect, stabilise and improve the quality of the lagoon foreshore vegetation and waterbody.

It is recommended that the committee consider supporting the lighting component of the plan in order to improve safety and reduce risk along this highly utilised, commuter pathway. This would then form a part of the final community engagement report that will be considered by Council.

Lagoon Park Masterplan - <https://yoursay.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/MLlandscape>

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

- A. In accordance with the Lagoon Park Masterplan proposal, the committee supports lighting being installed along the length of the Lagoon Park pathway from Pittwater Road to Cameron Avenue.
 - B. To mitigate concerns around late night anti-social behaviour, that the lighting have limited hours of operation, as proposed.
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ITEM 4.7	MORE TO MANLY SAFER LANEWAYS PROJECT LAUNCH
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/280508
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

PURPOSE

To celebrate the final outcomes of the More to Manly Safer Laneways Project.

BACKGROUND

This project received funding from the Federal Government Safer Communities Fund in 2017. The purpose was to improve safety and help activate laneways with installation of CCTV, lighting and murals at three laneway locations in Manly, including Henrietta Lane, Rialto Lane and Manly Plaza laneway.

DISCUSSION

The project is now complete. This included a change of the proposed murals from Henrietta Lane and Manly Plaza Lane, to the Council owned Manly Library walls in Market Lane, for various reasons.

The Committee are invited to meet the artist and inspect the final work in Market Lane and Rialto Lane, at 9:30am after this meeting.

Morning tea will be served at the Market Lane site.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the information be received and noted.
