Manly Warringah War Memorial State Park Advisory Committee Meeting

Monday 24 February 2020 Council's Civic Centre, Dee Why Commencing at 5:00pm



7.1 GRANTS

7.1.1 Save Manly Dam Catchment Committee Inc. Communities Environment Program Grant for a Local Flora & Fauna Surveying & Monitoring Project at the State Park

The Committee have:

- Received \$15,000 from the Federal Department of Industry, Innovation & Science
- Requested that Council support the project including at least matching funding

The Parks & Recreation & Environment & Climate Change Units have indicated to the Committee that this project could form a part of a multi-year Council Flora & Fauna Project for the State Park which is needed. Such a project would require budget consideration.

For the Advisory Committee's discussion.



7.1 GRANTS

7.1.2 NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) Funding

- Annually Council seeks funding from RFS to repair fire trails.
- In 19/20 \$29,000 is to be spent on fire trails in the State Park including the fire trail adjacent to Water Reserve Road

(Chris Buckley to discuss)



7.2 CAPITAL WORKS

7.2.1 Playground works - this project is planned to be completed by May 2020 weather permitting.

7.2.2 Mountain Bike Trail Future Priorities - at the site visit 6/12/19 Chris Buckley described some works required to the existing trail near North Balgowlah Public School to improve safety. Funds to be sought in a future budget.

7.2.3 Draft Budget 2020/21

- Track & trail work includes for the Southern Cross walking track \$170,000 (proposed)
- Toilets (sections 3 & 4) for consideration in 2021/22



7.4.1 Open Space & Recreation Strategy



Open Space & Recreation Strategy

- Strategy
 - High level strategic directions for improvement & management of Council's open spaces & outdoor recreation facilities
 - 15 year timeframe
- Action Plans
 - Specific commitments
 - Reviewed at least every five years



Overview

- A single Northern Beaches Strategy
- Broad community engagement
- Actions will be informed by Council's strategies & plans, community feedback, current & future recreation needs & resources
- Focus on
- Benefits particularly community & individual well-being
- Guiding principles i.e. fun, access, inclusion, connections, sustainability, viability



Key themes

- Parks
- Playgrounds
- Beaches
- Tracks & Trails
- Recreational use of bushland areas
- Recreation *facilities*, e.g. skate parks, fitness equipment, outdoor courts, bike trails, family picnic settings etc....







Submissions received about the State Park

Include...

- Trail Care Inc. proposal requesting improvements (including new trails) for the mountain bike trail
- Four written submissions supporting continued recognition of the natural & cultural values of the park, including as a war memorial. Support for passive recreation opportunities.
- One phone call from Manly Warringah War Memorial Remembrance Trust supporting the park as a war memorial space & passive recreation.



Submissions received about the State Park

Over 160 comments have been received via the Social Pinpoint on-line ideas mapping including:

- Support for protecting the bushland
- Support for protecting the edge of the dam/catchment from development & encroachment
- Support from Baseball community regarding importance of baseball fields & requests for improvements.



Submissions received about the State Park

- Requests for mountain bike trail improvements
- Requests for improving connectivity of mountain bike trails
- Comments about storm water runoff
- Comments about dogs accessing the Park
- Comments on shared use of the waterbody with water skiing



Next Steps – from February 2020

- Consultation with community interest groups & a phone survey
- Review & analyse feedback
- Complete recreation needs analysis
- Complete draft Strategy & Action Plans
- Report to Council
- Public exhibition, community engagement of draft Strategy & Action Plans



7.4.2 Allambie Heights Village

- 181 Allambie Road, Allambie Heights DA Application
- They have requested use of a section of the State Park to fulfil their RFS APZ (Asset Protection Zone) requirements
- (Steve Lawler to present Council's response)



7.5 Narrabeen Lagoon v MWWM State Park

| | Narrabeen Lagoon | MWWM |
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| Council staff on-site | no | yes |
| Council office/ depot on-site | no | yes |
| Capital works, planning delivery | Multiple council teams & Contractors | Multiple council teams & Contractors (with Park team) |
| Maintenance planning, delivery | Multiple council teams & Contractors | Park team & Contractors (except for the depot, office, toilets, roads, bookings) |
| State Park Advisory Committee | yes | yes |



7.5 Narrabeen Lagoon v MWWM State Park

| | Narrabeen Lagoon | MWWM |
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| Maintenance, management budget | De-centralised (across multiple teams) | Centralised with Park team (except for the depot, office, toilets, roads, bookings) |
| Capital budget | De-centralised (across multiple teams) & based on Strategies, Asset Plan | De-centralised (across multiple teams) & based on Strategies, Asset Plan |
| Bookings | Open Space team | Open Space team (with advice from Park team) |
| Strategies | Community Strategic Plan, former Councils Plans (W&P) | Community Strategic Plan, former Council Plans (W) |
| Plans of Management (PoM) | Multiple PoM | Single PoM |



7.5 Narrabeen Lagoon State Park

Management of the parks, open spaces & trail are guided by a range of strategies & plans of management:

- Open Space & Recreation Strategies (former Warringah & Pittwater)
- Jamieson Park, Middle Creek Reserve, Berry Reserve, Bilarong Reserve, Lake Park Oval Reserve, North Narrabeen Rock Pool & Narrabeen Lagoon Plan of Management
- Council's policies & strategies e.g. Community Strategic Plan

Council's Open Space Strategy will consider all of this in developing an integrated strategic direction.



7.5 MWWM State Park

Management of the State Park is guided by:

- A single plan of management Manly Warringah War Memorial Park Plan of Management (2014)
- Council's policies & strategies e.g. Community Strategic Plan

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