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MANLY WARRINGAH WAR MEMORIAL STATE PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

**Held at the Coastal Environment Centre - Entrance Pelican Path, Lake Park Rd, North
Narrabeen on**

Monday 7 November 2022

Beginning at 5:00pm

Minutes of the Manly Warringah War Memorial State Park Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday 7 November 2022 commencing at 5:00pm.

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members

Cr Kristyn Glanville	Northern Beaches Council - Council Representative
David Beharrell	Community Member - Environmental Representative
Geraldine Hall	Community Member - Recreational Representative
Ann Collins	Community Member - Community Representative
Mel Hall	NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service - State Government Representative

Council Officers

Steven Lawler	Executive Manager, Parks & Recreation
Damian Ham	Manager, Open Space & Recreation Planning
Chris Munro	Manager, Bushland & Biodiversity - Council Officer
Phil Jemison	Manager, Strategic and Place Planning
Chris Buckley	Coordinator, Parks & Recreation
Jessica Currie	Coordinator, Recreation Planning

Guests

James Brisebois	Team Leader – Catchments
Neil Cocks	Manager, Strategic & Place Planning
Brendan Smith	Team Leader, Biodiversity & Planning

Apologies

Peter Bergman	NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service - State Government Representative
Chad Weston	NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service - State Government Representative (on behalf of Peter Bergman)
Stan Rees	Department of Planning, Industry & Environment - Crown Lands Representative
Jodie Crawford	Manager, Coast & Catchments
Jeremy Smith	Manager, Park Assets - Planning Design & Delivery

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

2. APOLOGIES

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

- Ms Hall is a Committee Member of the Manly and Warringah Water Ski Club.
- Ms Collins is a member of the Save Manly Dam Catchment Committee (SMDCC).

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- Minutes of the meeting held on 8 August 2022 were adopted.

5. UPDATED ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS & PLAN OF MANAGEMENT (POM) ACTIONS

- The actions were not reviewed at the meeting and noted that the updated document will be issued to the Advisory Committee.

ACTIONS

- Prior to each meeting the Advisory Committee is to be provided with the current Actions List from Previous Meetings & Plan Of Management (PoM).

6. AGENDA ITEMS

6.1 Conservation Zones Review

- Mr Cocks provided an overview of the Conservation Zones Review Project.
- Ongoing project updates can be viewed on the Council's Your Say page: <https://yoursay.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/planning-ezones>
- It was noted that Manly Dam is planned to be Zoned C2. Water-skiing would normally be prohibited in a C2 Zone, however it is intended that there will be an exemption to allow for water-skiing at Manly Dam. It was also confirmed that existing recreation activities will also be permitted.
- There were discussions about the golf course, tennis courts, Warringah Aquatic Centre, toilet blocks 3 & 4, proposed monument rotunda in Picnic area 1 and the PoM.
- Mr Cocks summarised the methodology of why zones have occurred. If there are issues, they can be reviewed and addressed. Staff are working on any anomalies and ensuring that matters related to Manly Dam are considered appropriately (for current and agreed future operations) – Ms Currie is liaising with the project team about matters related to Manly Dam.
- Cr Glanville has previously met with the planning team and provided feedback including that buffer zones do not extend past roads.
- Mr Cocks offered to meet interested groups.

ACTION

- Staff to provide the Advisory Committee with an update on the Conservation Zones Review Project at key milestones for this project.

6.2 Biodiversity Planning Review

- A presentation of interactive maps was delivered by Mr Smith demonstrating the Conservation Zones and Biodiversity Mapping
- It was noted that zoning has no influence on stewardship
- One goal is to minimise anomalies

ACTIONS

- Staff to provide the Advisory Committee with responses to the matters raised in this meeting regarding the State Park and the Conservation Zones Review Project at the next meeting.

6.3 Planning matters

- Mr Jemison provided an overview of current planning matters.

Manly Warringah War Memorial State Park Heritage Listing Update.

- The Heritage Council of NSW resolved at its meeting on 4 October 2022, to give notice of its intention to consider listing the park on the State Heritage Register.
- This notification period is currently underway, with the submission period closing this Wednesday 9 November 2022. No submissions can be received after this date.
- The process includes the following broad steps:
 - Step 1 – Confirm eligibility
 - Step 2 – Review background information and research
 - Step 3 – Nomination form
 - Step 4 – Preliminary assessment
 - Step 5 – Full assessment - in accordance with the statutory listings process under the Heritage Act 1977. This process includes consultation with owners and stakeholders, historical research, significance assessment, site visit, public exhibition (Notice of Intention to List) and consideration by the Heritage Council – **we are here.**
 - Step 6 – Recommendations
 - Step 7 – Minister Decision
- Further details can be seen on the Heritage NSW website at:
<https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/heritage/request-a-heritage-listing/nominate-an-item-for-listing-on-the-state-heritage-register/comment-on-nominations>
- The matter will be reported back to the Heritage Council of NSW in December 2022 on the results of the public notification period, at which time a final decision will be made on the listing.

Frenchs Forest (Wakehurst Rd upgrades) – Implications of Federal Budget.

- The Wakehurst Parkway project that was previously announced had funding withdrawn from the Federal Government in the recent budget.
- In light of the funding withdrawal, the NSW State Government has determined that they will still provide their contribution towards the project (approximately \$75 million), but now focus on safety components of the project north of Warringah Road. The project will now concentrate on the high frequency accident sections of Wakehurst Parkway and those sections that currently experience congestion issues in peak periods.

New, relocated Forest High School, Allambie Heights

- The Secretaries Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) were issued to the applicant on 22 September 2022.
- The Schools Infrastructure project team is finalising the EIS documentation following receipt of the SEARs requirements that were issued in September 2022.
- Once lodged the SSDA will be placed on public exhibition on the DPE website with the opportunity for the community to make submissions.
- It is worthwhile noting that, there is an existing development application approved by Council for demolition works on the site. Under this DA approval, early works are anticipated to start in late 2022 to demolish buildings (McLeod House) and prepare the site for the main construction activity. Schools Infrastructure have advised that further information about the early works will be shared with the community before these works starts.

- Schools Infrastructure have advised that further information can be obtained on their project page and the Department of Planning's SSD portal:

<https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/f/the-forest-high-school-relocation.html>

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/new-forest-high-school>

- You are able to register on both these pages to receive further updates.

6.4 Stormwater Management Study - Community Engagement Update

- Mr Brisebois provided an update on the Community Engagement for the Stormwater Management Study which is focused on protecting waterways across the LGA.
- Submissions are open from 2 Sept 2022 to Fri 2 Dec 2022

6.5 Watercourse, Wetlands and Riparian Lands Study

- Mr Brisebois provided an overview of the study process was provided including reviewing maps.
- Any future large developments may result in greater protection applied across the LGA.
- Concerns were raised that it does not go far enough to protect the Manly Dam Catchment - best practice still allows you to pollute.
- Submissions are open from 2 Sept 2022 to Fri 2 Dec 2022

6.6 Grants and Capital Works

- Mr Lawler provided an update including:
 - That the boardwalk tender will be reissued to the market.
 - Council is going to seek expressions of interest from key stakeholders to be on the design reference group for the mountain bike trail upgrade by January 2023.
 - Council is submitting another grant application to try to get funding to construct the memorial shelter that we've worked with the Trust on.

6.7 Water Quality

- The first of four water quality projects with UTS have begun, it is a comparison of the current state of the catchment and main nutrient sources and issues.
- This project is planned to be completed by the end of 22/23 and a draft report provided to Council and the Advisory Committee. Cost estimate \$29,575.

6.8 Expression of Interest for Advisory Committee Community Members

- An overview was provided of the EOI process for new community members including the closing date. Mr Lawler encouraged current community members to consider nominating.
- Representation was discussed regarding Recreation - mountain biking and water-skiing

6.9 Open Space and Outdoor Recreation Strategy and Action Plan

- Ms Currie provided a brief update noting that the final strategy is planned to go to Council in December 2023 for adoption.

6.10 Thank you to the Advisory Committee of 2019 to 2022

- Mr Lawler thanked the Committee for their involvement in the Advisory Committee and thoughtful contributions throughout this 4 year term.



7. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Proposed 2023 Meeting Schedule:

Monday, 13 February 2023 *5pm - 7pm*

Monday, 1 May 2023 *5pm - 7pm*

Monday, 14 August 2023 *5pm - 7pm*

Monday, 6 November 2023 *5pm - 7pm*

The meeting concluded at 7.15pm.

**This is the final page of the Minutes of the Manly Warringah War Memorial State Park
Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday 7 November 2022.**