

NOTES

AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP MEETING

held in the Guringai Room, Civic Centre, Dee Why on

THURSDAY 15 JUNE 2017

**Notes of the Affordable Housing Strategic Reference Group Meeting
held on Thursday 15 June 2017
in the Guringai Room, Civic Centre, Dee Why
Commencing at 5.17pm**

ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members

Michael Regan (Chair)	Implementation Advisory Group
Ian White	Local Representative Committee – Environment (<i>arrived at 5:21</i>)
John Aspinall	Urbaine Pty Ltd
Digby Hughes	Resident – Manly Ward
Sonia Lechner	Uniting
Andrew McAnulty	Link Housing
Peter Fuller	Resident – Narrabeen Ward (<i>arrived at 5:19</i>)

Council Officer Contacts

David Kerr	General Manager Planning, Place & Community
Neil Cocks	Acting Executive Manager Strategic and Land Use Planning
Jasmine Evans	Governance Support Officer

Quorum

The meeting did not achieve quorum.

1.0 APOLOGIES

DECISION

That apologies for non-attendance be received from Richard Ollerhead, Des Brady, Michelle Povah, Tony Tenney, Sandra Wilson and Mark Shanahan

2.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

3.1 NOTES OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP HELD 6 APRIL 2017

DECISION

Notes of the previous meeting could not be confirmed as Quorum was not achieved.

4.0 UPDATE ON ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

ACTION: Michael Regan to speak with the Administrator about Council lobbying for the transfer of Queenscliff Community Health Centre and Mona Vale Police Station for Affordable Housing development.

5.0 AGENDA ITEMS

5.1 AFFORDABLE HOUSING POLICY ADOPTION

DISCUSSION

Neil Cocks, Acting Executive Manager Strategic and Land Use Planning briefly summarised the submissions Council received about the Affordable Housing Policy. Some of the concerns raised in the submissions included:

- increases in density
- feasibility assessments
- management of community housing providers.

M Regan asked if there is still a Brookvale Masterplan in development and if there is scope to include affordable housing in the industrial area.

David Kerr, General Manager Planning, Place & Community confirmed the Brookvale Masterplan is still a Council project and that Council was looking at areas in Brookvale that may be appropriate for affordable housing. Some of the things they are considering in the Masterplan include:

- an increase in heights in some areas.
- potential for a town centre
- future of Brookvale Oval
- the B Line bus stop and increase in traffic.

The Brookvale Masterplan would be reported to Council in the next few months and there would be a recommendation for an extended exhibition period.

Ian White raised the Mona Vale place plan and asked if there would be changes to height restrictions. D Kerr noted that a report on the plan would go to the new Council.

Andrew McNulty asked about the procurement process to establish a relationship with a Community Housing Provider (CHP) and raised concerns that an extended 2-part Expression of Interest/Tender process may be unnecessarily costly and prolonged. N Cocks advised that Council

was conscious of potential costs for CHPs in responding to Council's EOI request and will design the process accordingly.

John Aspinall asked if some of the pool of funding likely to be made available to Council as a result of the Northern Beaches Hospital precinct being declared a Priority Precinct by the Department of Planning and Environment could be used to offset some of fees and strategic planning investigations required to progress planning proposals for affordable housing in close proximity to the precinct.

ACTION: D Kerr took the question about the pool of funding on notice.

The group discussed timing for the new housing strategy and D Kerr advised Council is currently waiting for the Greater Sydney Commission to adopt the draft North District Plan.

ACTION: D Kerr to provide further information about timeframes following his meeting with the Greater Sydney Commission on Friday 16 June 2017.

NOTE: Neil Cocks left the meeting at 6:01pm

5.2 COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN - UPDATE ON STAGE TWO

DISCUSSION

D Kerr advised the group that the Draft Community Strategic Plan will be presented at the next Council Meeting (27 June 2017) and that there will be an extended public exhibition period.

5.3 ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUPS

DISCUSSION

D Kerr thanked the group for their participation in the Affordable Housing Strategic Reference group and particularly their contribution in developing the Affordable Housing Policy and Action Plan.

The future of the group was discussed. The new Council will need to determine a new community engagement strategy once elected and may or may not chose to continue the group.

M Regan noted that most Councils in the past have run similar groups and it is possible this group or something similar will continue to meet. He also thanked the group for their contributions and said he would petition the Administrator to continue the running the group for at least the next 6 months.

A McAnulty commended Council for focusing on the issue of Affordable Housing during the amalgamation and transition period.

6.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

DISCUSSION

D Kerr highlighted to the group that Council would be sending them a survey asking for feedback and comments about their experience participating in the Strategic Reference Group, and asked

members to please provide their honest opinions.

M Regan asked the group if the normal meeting time is too early. The members generally agreed that the meeting time is okay.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

ITEM NO.	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DUE DATE
4.0	M Regan to speak with the Administrator about Council lobbying for the transfer of Queenscliff Community Health Centre and Mona Vale Police Station for Affordable Housing development.	M Regan	ASAP
5.1	D Kerr to take question pool of funding on notice.	D Kerr	ASAP
5.1	D Kerr to provide further information about timeframes following his meeting with the Greater Sydney Commission on Friday 16 June 2017.	D Kerr	ASAP

The meeting concluded at 6:15pm

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