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Date: 12/15/2012 8:25 am
Subject: SSD 5394 - 2012 Future Music 2013 event
Attachments: Extract Randwick Precinct minutes April2012.pdf; Extract - Randwick Precinct March 2012 minutes.pdf

Dear Chris

Please find below Randwick Precinct's submission on the planned event at Randwick Racecourse.

regards
Ernie Waldstein

Randwick Precinct at its meeting on 12 December 2012 resolved to object to the Future Music event planned for 9 March 2013 with the following points:

- elements in the running of the 2012 event, particularly on the event day impacted negatively on residents . The proposed increase in attendee numbers to 50,000 isn't supported as it will exacerbate the problems encountered this year
- some elements were improved for the 2012, particularly the set-up and dismantling phase, and these relevant consent conditions should be carried forward,
- extracts from the issues raised following the 2012 event to be forward to the Department of Planning for consideration (these including event noise, loss of on-street parking and the lack of control of anti-social behaviour, particularly post event by the event organisers and/or police), and
- the same issues to be sent to Randwick City Council and a meeting sought to discuss these.

Passed unanimously.

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Randwick Precinct meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm (except January) in the Malabar Room, Randwick Town Hall, Avoca St

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b) OUT	24) RCC Development Applications Determined between 27 Feb – 2 March 25) RCC Development Applications Lodged between 27 February – 2 March 26) St Basil's Aged Care invitation to Consultations March 21 OUT 1) RCC Tony Lehmann re Traffic Committee Feb 14 Wansey Rd Item 4.11 2) RCC Councillors re Planning Committee Feb 14, 80 Alison Rd, Randwick D6/12 3) RCC Councillors re Planning Committee Feb 14, Chepstow St gates D9/12 4) Minutes to RCC Amanda Mather Community Consultation Coordinator 5) RCC Tony Lehmann Traffic Coordinator re Cook St Pedestrian Crossing 6) Thank you to guest speakers 7) Thank you to guest Council Officers 8) Thank you to GM reimbursement Coach & Horses 9) Alcohol Free Zone (AFZ) Submission
8. GENERAL BUSINESS a) FUTURE MUSIC EVENT at RACECOURSE	a) FUTURE MUSIC EVENT at RACECOURSE March 10 Residents on King St near John St outlined many problems associated with the event including: necessity to barricade gates to homes, urinating in front yard before the event and after; people requesting to use their toilet; people dancing naked in the street; smashing glass bottles; when reported problems to Randwick Police Station at about 10:30 pm, were told no police were available to respond; and there was a list of 50 ahead of them; event organiser provides on-site security but no off-site security; when they called the event phone number to complain were told to call police; concerned no public protection eg young people throwing projectiles at their property; although they witnessed many antisocial events they didn't feel comfortable taking photos etc for evidence; private security walked by but did nothing; tour buses kept circling the block; rubbish control ok; they didn't receive letter re event; Wansey Rd residents also reported not receiving letter; one reported letter came in the mail yesterday (13/3); event much better for Wansey Rd; sound didn't affect them; no traffic problems; big improvement when Wansey Rd gate not used; also good dismantling didn't start till Monday; Alison Rd resident email read out: "On the positive side, the music finished on time and the noise, while cacophonous as a result of multiple stages on which performances were staged simultaneously, was tolerable. However, we're still dubious whether an event of this magnitude is suitable for a residential area. * In terms of the event organisation, notwithstanding the efforts of the event organisers within the venue, they can't control the behaviour of people outside of it. Photos were attached that show just one of the many people that we caught urinating on our property (which I can assure you is not a regular occurrence at other times). * traffic controllers did not attempt to shepherd pedestrian traffic in blocks at the zebra crossing in front of the Caltex service station on Alison Rd. The result meant having to wait an inordinate amount of time. It sounds like a small gripe but is magnified because it could have easily been avoided. Perhaps one solution is to orient the sole entry and exit on High Street (opposite UNSW) with buses

	originating and terminating on High Street and Anzac Parade. The sole entry & exit works well at Big Day Out festival at Homebush. *Traffic difficult during the day around racecourse many noted" MOVED That the Future Music event should no longer be held at Randwick Racecourse but held instead at a more appropriate venue because of the negative social impacts on residents of this area as evidenced by the reports given to this meeting. Moved: Norma Pope Seconded: John O'Loughlin CARRIED AND further to reinforce the Public Safety Issue because Randwick Police Station was swamped with calls on the night. MOVED that if there is an acute issue, police are not sufficiently resourced to respond. Moved: Donald Gibbons Seconded: Les Reiss CARRIED MOVED that Precinct invite Future Music event organisers to the April meeting and also extend an invitation to the Police to attend. Moved: Jayne Goodes Seconded: Noelene Hall CARRIED
8b) DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION UPDATES: i) Duke of Gloucester Hotel - Beer Garden	b) DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION UPDATES: i) Duke of Gloucester Hotel - Beer Garden Applicant wants 10am to midnight Monday to Saturday & 10am to 11pm Sunday. Council approved Sunday to Thursday: 10:00am to 9:00pm & Friday and Saturday: 10:00am to 10:00pm. Hotel wants up to 98 patrons in Beer Garden – Council approved 30 Hotel took matter to Land & Environment Court on site Mediation hearing Thursday Feb 16 about 20 residents attended. Six residents addressed court. Court also visited some nearby properties affected by proposal. Matter adjourned to 16 April to carry out further acoustic monitoring.
ii) Nissan site	ii) Nissan Site – cnr Avoca & Barker Streets Council resolved to defend the appeal based on the evidence of the objectors. (Decision made March 13 meeting). Applicant wants larger units, but no change in number (117) units approved.
iii) St Basils	iii) St Basils – aged care, St Pauls Street, corner of Daintrey Cres amended proposal - (pre DA public consultation) for 74 independent living apartments and 104 residential aged care beds, ancillary aged care services and on site parking for 137 vehicles for residents, staff and visitors. The residential accommodation is distributed across the site in 3 purpose built facilities with the tallest building being a 10 storey (previously up to 18 storey) residential seniors living apartment building in the centre of the site. Briefing sessions 21st March 4-6pm and 7-9pm at Ritz. To register attendance register on line email info@stbasilsrandwick.com.au or Phone 9964 9655 website www.stbasilsrandwick.com.au

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Minutes for General Meeting Wed. 11 April 2012, 7.30 pm

Please note all resolutions passed unanimously unless stated

Chair / Secretary	Ernie Waldstein Chair, Kathy Neilson Secretary
1. Attendance etc:	15 attended per attendance book plus Clr Paul Tracey plus 4 guest speakers. Apologies: Clr Kiel Smith, Robyn Stinson, Noeleen Hall, Joe Santa Maria, Chief Inspector Dave McBeath, Marcelo Sergio, Radka Matusek, Peter Raissis, Brenda Saunders, Robert Goetz, Brendan Edgeworth, Beverly Duffy, Jim & Helen Taylor, Jaan Boersma.
2a) Declaration of Interests:	Chair explained that only residents, tenants and property owners within the designated precinct area are eligible to attend their local meeting. Residents living in other precincts should not attend. a) None declared
b) anyone from the Press?	b) Confirmed that no representatives from the media present
3) GUEST SPEAKERS: The Future Music Event At Randwick Racecourse	Speakers: Brett Robinson (<i>Future Entertainment</i>); Adam Smith (<i>Racecourse Manager Hospitality & Events</i>); Police Inspector James (<i>Eastern Beaches LAC</i>); and Sgt Melissa Reece . King St resident near John St, near Caltex Station stated that most people from her block of houses vacate the area during the Festival; they barricade their house entrances with concrete blocks, milk crates & rubbish bins; people urinate in the street & in front gardens; a man was dancing nude down the street; people were screaming long after the event; an after party continued till 4am; everyone was kept awake. Problems were particularly acute from 10pm after the event. Traffic was chaotic in area; private buses park in King St to take people home; taxis cruise the area; people playing car stereos in sequence. Police – King St resident claimed they couldn't get police response; they also called Randwick Council rangers but were told to call police; Randwick Council said it was the 50 th call; so felt they had to resolve issue on their own. Police Inspector James responded – when jobs come in they are prioritised – a noise complaint is lower compared to a theft; Future Music was no busier than Australia Day or Carols at Coogee for Police. Brett Robinson said they were here to hear concerns. They had presented a concert for 45,000 young people, majority of them had had a very good time but organisers want to find solutions to reduce the impact. He acknowledged King St/Alison Rd was a high impact zone particularly for egress. 400 Police and 600 Security people had attended the event. He acknowledged if people were feeling unsafe in their own house the organisers needed to rectify that. They can't control the actions of some patrons outside the venue that was a matter for the Police. They do 20 festivals a year across the country. They try to mitigate the behavior of the majority. Another King St resident said the concert noise mitigation in their block was completely ineffectual and suspects sound bounces off the TAFE building. Regarding patron behavior, they had to barricade their premises and they felt very exposed.

Future Music Event At Randwick Racecourse (continued)	Brett suggested he come out and look at the block and address the problems. He said they want to stay and be welcome with open arms. The security might have been a bit ineffective there but they will put some security there and improve the traffic control. Adam said traffic matters had been addressed by creating clearways and providing dedicated buses. A dedicated area for charter buses and taxis had been in place, but it was difficult to get some to use it. Brett said it was important they addressed the issues. They had addressed issues affecting Wansey Rd and felt that they had reduced the impact on Wansey Rd. They did want to “genuinely address your situation”, he said. Chair said other emails to the Precinct from residents in King St/William St area complained about vibrations from amplifiers and sound-systems causing windows to rattle. They also complained about people urinating & defecating in William Lane and lots of empty drink cans & bottles. Further up King St a group of young people entered private property and made a lot of noise and 9 calls were made to Randwick Police but there was no response. Security guards should be posted in surrounding streets to reduce impact on residents was the suggestion. Wansey Rd residents acknowledged that things had dramatically improved for them this year. Adam said they had tried to address the sound issues impacting the area. Sound - Brett said they had increased the level of sound monitoring – 3 vans this year, previously there had been a lot of sound mitigations. They had received 8 complaints on the hot line – each case measurement was below the guidelines. Can check report on their website. He said they were definitely trying to coexist with residents. Transport/traffic – now High St used more this had improved traffic impacts on Alison Rd Venue Homebush would be better some suggested – better for public transport and wouldn’t have the negative impacts on the local areas. Brett said their audience was not interested in going out there. He spoke of the economic benefits of bringing influential bands to the state. Centennial Park was another venue suggested by the meeting but the organisers didn’t support that option either. Randwick Racecourse the preferred location – centrally located; good facilities; integrated bus ticket means people can get out quickly. Hotline – Brett explained is located at Events Operations Centre (EOC). Police also based there. Matters are scaled. Have meetings 12 months before, 6 months before then couple of weeks before to go through matters. Wansey Rd another resident said how grateful they all were for the efforts made to reduce the impacts on them this year. Listening to them and then acting on the complaints was very much appreciated.
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Future Music Event At Randwick Racecourse (continued)	Brett responded – it is important to come back and see we’ve made a difference. We want to be here long term and running a successful event Leaflet distribution – several attendees reported they had not received the leaflet this year. This is being investigated. Suggestions were made that additional media be used. Re traffic issues to address next time: King St Brett agreed it might mean staffing the area more and dedicating some Police to King St particularly from 10pm onwards. Adam suggested resident only parking for that day Wansey Rd suggested residents only parking on event day/night Alison Rd suggested clearway on event day/night Brett again offered to come out to inspect the attendee's property on King St to better understand the issues. He said organisers might be able to create more of a deterrent (perhaps fencing products) so as Festival patrons would not be taking as many liberties as before, especially after the event. Chair thanked the guests for their attendance.
4) Confirmation of previous minutes:	Minutes of Wednesday March 14, 2012 Moved: Les Reiss Seconded: Anne Robinson CARRIED
5) Finance:	Need to reimburse Secretary \$38 for printing done privately. (Council printer unable to do, as usual) Moved: Diana Hetherington Seconded: Anne Robinson CARRIED Council has deposited \$400 in Precinct account for expenses 2011-2012
6) Councillor report	Clr Paul Tracey noted that Council was becoming more political in the lead up to the September Council elections as an example he cited that the Mayor Liberal Clr Scott Nash claims re the carbon tax that Council will pay a \$1.5m increase in the first year. Clr Tracey claims the impacts will be much less but expects to see extravagant claims about increases due to carbon tax on all bills. He claims the bigger impact would be the 7% rate increase for the Building the Community Program brought in by the Liberal and Greens Councillors. Good news about the Malabar Headlands (presently used by rifle range & horse riding). Federal Government has given it to the state government and Council has rezoned the land to parkland to prevent residential. Funding laws changed for Council elections – corporate donations are banned, only personal donations from people on the electoral roll can be made . Corporations can’t give an individual any money for elections or for them to donate. 13 Monmouth St DA for demolition of bungalow in heritage area to be replaced