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Minutes for General Meeting Wed. 11 May 2011 7.30 pm

Please note all resolutions passed unanimously unless stated

Chair / Secretary	Chair: Paul Chilcott, Secretary, vacant, Kathy Neilson agreed to help with minutes
1. Attendance etc:	16 attended per attendance book plus 1 guest speaker 20 Apologies
2. Declaration of Interests etc :	Kathy Neilson declared that she would not vote on the DA for Randwick Bowling Club, as this is owned by Randwick Labor Club who made a political donation to the Labor Party's campaign for the 2008 Council elections where she was a candidate. No motions were put to the meeting regarding DAs for 49 Avoca St or 6 Govett Street, for which the property owners were present. Confirmed that no representatives from the media present
3. Confirmation of previous minutes:	Minutes of Wednesday 13 April 2011 – accepted, noting that the motion regarding a trial of Alison parking being off leash for dogs should read before 8am Moved: Robyn Stinson Seconded: John Leis CARRIED
4. Finance:	Bank statement \$623.25, following receipt of \$300 annual grant from Council.
5. Correspondence: a) IN	IN 1) RCC Pamphlet La Perouse Roads & Streetscape upgrade 2) RCC Council Business Papers April 19 Pricing Policy & Statement of Fees & Charges (Draft); councillors Expenses & Facilities Policy 2010-11; Draft Budget 2011-12; Prince Henry Centre Plan of Management; Draft operational Plan 2011-12 3) RCC M Ryman Community Consultation Coordinator Response to March meeting 4) Bank Statement Balance \$623.25 5) RCC Precinct suggestions for Budget 2011-13 6) RCC Traffic Committee 10 May 7) RCC Council Business Papers (Committees) May 10 8) RCC Draft Operational Plan 2011-12 9) RCC Draft Budget 2011-12 10) RCC Draft Pricing Policy & Statement of Fees & Charges 11) DA notifications (lodged/determined) 4-8 April, 11-15 April, 18-21 April, 25-29 April (excl lodged)
5b) OUT	OUT 1) Minutes to RCC M Ryman Community Consultation Coordinator 2) Thank you to Montefiore guest speakers 3) Motion re Montefiore Nursing Home to Planning Minister, Local MP & RCC 4) Motion re DA for Duke of Gloucester Hotel to RCC 5) Motion re DA for 8 Caerleon Cres to RCC 6) To local MP, Bruce NotleySmith regarding length of 'No Stopping' zones & reminder re motion on Montefiore Nursing Home
6) Business Arising from Correspondence	Responses from M Ryman Community Consultation Coordinator were: - Seats in Alison Park Council has included in its draft 2011-12 Budget, the installation of two new seats along the western edge of Alison Park. - Specialised Centre discussion paper The comments of the Precinct have been forwarded to the Manager of Strategic Planning. - Bus shelter in Alison Road This shelter was removed under the DA conditions for the adjacent property. The buses which use this bus stop also stop at Alison Park where there is shelter. Part of the DA conditions is to install new seating and this should be done when the building is completed. Council does not have a timetable for completion. Response to April meeting minutes not received.

7) GENERAL BUSINESS a) Guest Speaker	<p>a) Chief Inspector David McBeath, Eastern Beaches Command on “Safety & Security” and specifically Future Music event at Randwick Racecourse on Sat. 12 March 2011</p> <p>David can be contacted on 9349 9299 or email on mcbe1dav@police.nsw.gov.au In some cases, as he works shift hours, response maybe delayed, so call Police direct with any immediate concerns and for emergencies call 000.</p> <p>Regarding crime, main concerns were thefts from garages (eg bikes) and robberies from people, particularly in streets around university and hospital and particularly late at night (assaults on these people limited to the actual robbery of goods - money, phones PCs etc) these being by males, whereas thefts from and in shops are usually by females, both with the motive of financing drug addictions. Otherwise, crime figures are down.</p> <p>On the Future Music event, a post-event meeting had been held with the promoter, but Council staff had not attended – unsure as to reasons why. Statistics were 21 people to hospital (mainly substance abuse), 92 drug detections, 160 ejected by police, 300 by security staff, 12 infringement notices (for bad language, urination etc). There were 194 police on a ‘user pays’ basis (by event organizer) and a further 92 police generally deployed. David mentioned that due to works at the Racecourse (stabling and spectator precincts) it may not be possible to hold the event at the Racecourse in 2012.</p> <p>The main issues were intoxication, anti-social behaviour and use and supply of prohibited drugs. Overall, the event was judged a success from a policing perspective (harm minimization), there were no assaults recorded.</p> <p>On the issues raised by meeting attendees including noise and traffic / parking, David advised these were a Council issue, while for issues with traffic gridlock David advised these were not helped by the RTA not participating in the Traffic Management Plan until just one week prior to the event.</p>
Development Applications b) 49 Avoca Street	<p>b) DA for 49 Avoca Street – works including front wall</p> <p>The owner briefed the meeting on plans for 49 Avoca Street (heritage listed Archina, corner of Frenchmans Road), which include a masonry wall facing Avoca Street and also the side boundaries. Reasons for the wall are a desire to increase privacy (the front garden being the only outdoor space to receive substantial sun, improve security and to mitigate traffic noise.</p>
c) 6 Govett Street	<p>c) DA for 6 Govett Street – demolition of existing house and construction of new 2 storey house</p> <p>The adjoining neighbour advised his concerns were privacy, particularly from balconies overlooking rear gardens, boundary setback (including loss of solar access and floor space ratio (being 0.54 to 1 whereas the requirement is 0.5 to 1).</p> <p>The owner advised that while the proposed new residence proposed was taller and closer to the boundary than the existing home, it was with the 1.5m setback performance requirement and the height proposed was under the 7m limit. Nevertheless, he was happy to discuss the proposal with neighbours individually.</p>
d) Randwick Bowling Club	<p>d) DA for Randwick Bowling Club – extensions / modifications and increase in staffing and trading hours</p> <p>Proposal is for reconfiguration / rebuild of part of the club buildings to accommodate outdoor poker machine area – adjoining school boundary – but with acoustic wall between and to extend the trading hours until midnight (from 8pm or 10pm) on most days, together with an increase in staff, no car parking is proposed. After discussion, which included concerns at the high level of bottles discarded in the area immediately outside the club, the following motion was passed:</p>

	<p>Kynaston reserve still not satisfactorily dealt with,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For Abbey Street, unhappy with the response for Abbey Street (see also Traffic Committee update above) querying if the observations were untaken during school holidays and therefore, Council is requested to install traffic counters in Abbey Street for more accurate data, - a clarification on the response provided to Precinct suggestion, for a safe crossing point across Frenchmans Road (between Kemmis Street and Searle Avenue) which was forwarded to the RTA (as Frenchmans Road is designated a state road), should be entirely separate from the need to improve the crossing of Kemmis Street at its intersection with Frenchmans Road, which was raised for investigation at Traffic Committee in Nov. 2007. <p>After further discussion, two of the items deferred to subsequent years were considered to be important and that Council be requested to include them for this year and accepting that funds were limited, the Precinct would recommend that two items scheduled for this year in the immediate vicinity, can be deferred. Consequently:</p> <p>MOTION: Regarding the 2011-12 Budget suggestions, Randwick Precinct has been advised that two approved pedestrian refuges have been deferred for funding to subsequent years. As these are important projects, Randwick Precinct requests inclusion in the current year budget and has identified other projects in the same area which could be deferred in place of the pedestrian refuge projects. Details are:</p> <p>1. Kemmis Street, at Clovelly Road (Traffic Committee Nov. 2007), scheduled for the 2012-13, be brought forward to 2011-12 Budget AND request that the footpath upgrade for 87-95 Frenchmans Road be deferred instead, noting that a current Development Application for the adjoining site (DA794/2010) would mean these works would be undertaken by the developer.</p> <p>2. Cowper Street at Wentworth Street (Traffic Committee Dec 2006), scheduled for 2013-14 year be brought forward to the 2011-12 Budget AND request that the footpath upgrade of Cowper Street, between Church and Wentworth Street be deferred instead.</p> <p>Also, as a general comment on footpath reconstruction, Randwick Precinct would prefer that kerb extensions at intersections are included in all works so that provision of 'No Stopping' zones, leading to loss of parking were minimised.</p> <p>Moved: Bill Roberts Seconded: Frances Richards 16 in favour CARRIED</p>
9. MISCELLANEOUS	<p>a)) Diana Hetherington reported the good news that Montefiore Nursing Home had fixed 4 spotlights that had been a problem for some time – shining into the windows of the Centennial Building, King St. So now they don't have the spotlights keeping them awake at night.</p> <p>b)The chair noted that a Combined Precincts meeting had not been held since November 2010, possibly due to the state election followed by school holidays but perhaps due also to issues regarding Kingsford South Precinct, particularly regarding issues on the Health & Education specialized centre discussion paper and the Inglis site redevelopment, for which another group saverandwick.com have also been active.</p> <p>Council is requested to hold a Combined Precinct group meeting as soon as possible.</p>
10. Close:	9.27 pm
11. Next meeting:	Wednesday 8 June 2011 at 7.30 pm in Malabar Room, Randwick Town Hall, Avoca Street.

Status	Request	Response
Later	Pedestrian refuge on Kemmis Street at Clovelly Road, approved by Traffic Committee in Nov 07	This project has been approved and is on a funding priority schedule for construction in 2012-13.
Later	Pedestrian refuge on Cowper Street, near Wentworth Avenue, approved by Traffic Committee in Dec 06	This project has been approved and is on a funding priority schedule for construction in 2013-14.
√	Pedestrian refuge on Darley Road, near Govett Street, approved by Traffic Committee in Sept 10	This project has been approved and is on a funding priority schedule for construction in 2011-12.
√	Pedestrian crossing in Cook Street at Frances Street and pedestrian refuges in Frances Street (either side of Cook Street intersection), approved by Traffic Committee in Sept 10.	Final concept design now approved by Traffic Committee. Public consultation proposed for April 2011 – construction proposed by end of June 2011.
Review	Provide a safe crossing point for pedestrians in Frenchmans Road, between Kemmis Street and Searle Avenue and also across Kemmis Street at intersection with Frenchmans Road (see Traffic Committee Sept 07).	This matter was forwarded to the RTA for investigation, with the RTA requested to report back to the Traffic Committee with its findings. The matter is being pursued with the RTA.
Review	Review the safety of schoolchildren walking to and from Randwick Public School from north Randwick area. In particular concerns with: • intersection of Church St, north of Cowper (heavily influenced by cars 'rat-running' along Church St, from Alison Road) • Wentworth St at Cowper St, similar concerns regarding through traffic on Wentworth St.	The two sites indicated have each been monitored with regard to motorist and pedestrian behaviour. Northbound Church Street motorists rushing through the intersection, when there is a gap in Cowper Street traffic flow, create the strongest concerns for pedestrian safety. Further investigations are being undertaken to examine possible traffic engineering options to improve pedestrian safety.
Later	Options to improve pedestrian and vehicle safety in Prince Street, where it meets Alison Road, including Tram Lane, noting that the current crossing is extremely large.	Redesign of the south western side of this intersection is required as a result of the Randwick Racecourse development proposal. This process will be the catalyst for the Council to examine local pedestrian / cyclist safety and also traffic flow. This will affect the treatment of the north eastern side of the intersection. This work is expected to occur within 2 years.
X	Options to reduce traffic speed and improve pedestrian safety in Abbey Street (noting that traffic movements have increased since the parallel part of The Avenue became one way south bound).	Observations in peak periods and interpeak periods have not revealed that there is a problem with vehicles speeding in the street. It is considered that this is as a result of the narrow travel path between the two rows of parked cars. Given that the Council's investigations do not confirm the complaint no action is proposed.
√	Replace bitumen footpath in Cowper Street, south side between Church and Wentworth Streets with concrete and grass	Our Footpath Asset Management Plan prioritises the construction and maintenance of our footpaths. This work is included in the draft 2011-12 Capital Works Program.
Later	Provide footpath in Govett Street, west side, opposite Huddart Lane up to Darley Road, noting that traffic treatment, footpath etc was suggested for Govett Lane last year, this lane adjoins this part of Govett Street	Our Footpath Asset Management Plan prioritises the construction and maintenance of our footpaths. The works are listed for consideration in future Capital Works programs.
Later	Provide pram ramps on Huddart Lane at the intersection with Govett Street	Work will be carried out as part of footpath work along Govett Street.
√	Provide footpath for a 'missing link' (approx 5 metres) in Alison Road, where it meets Wansey Road (south of adjoining Tay Reserve), this being in addition to the missing link of this footpath west of Bradley Street, noted last year.	Our Footpath Asset Management Plan prioritises the construction and maintenance of our footpaths. This work is listed in the draft 2011-12 Capital Works Program.
X	Kerb extensions and raised road surface in Waratah Street and Short Street at their intersection with Belmore Road, consistent with treatments for other streets leading off Belmore Road.	Any plans to realign the kerb need to be considered in a holistic manner to cater for all users. Based on slow vehicle speeds and no pedestrian crash history there is no recognised need for this treatment at this time.
X	Place overhead utility cables underground in Belmore and Alison Roads and Avoca and Short Streets.	The undergrounding of power along Belmore Road was assessed for feasibility prior to the town centre improvement works commencing. The high cost of the work does not make the project feasible. On this basis, there are no plans to underground the power in the town centres at this time.
√	Clean Captain Cook statue on the corner of Belmore Road and Avoca Street	We will schedule the Captain Cook statue in the projects for 2011-12.
X	Pocket park on the corner of Dutruc and Rae Streets – landscaping and playground equipment is required and signs to encourage use of this asset	The Council has 52 playgrounds within the City, and has developed a proposed priority list for playground upgrades over the next ten years or so, to carry out two to three upgrades each year. This reserve is not on the priority list. This year the John Caleopedos playground, Frank Doyle playground and Cromwell Park playgrounds will be upgraded.

Agenda 8 June 2011 Randwick Precinct meeting

Speaker – Bettina Digby - Community Green Space – opportunities for residents to green their part of the city

1. Development applications:

- 152-154 Avoca Street – 12 unit redevelopment including 2 heritage listed terrace houses, including overshadowing impact
- overshadowing impacts of other development applications being 9 Carter Street, 1 Kemmis Street (cnr Frenchmans Rd) and 107 King Street (cnr Church St)
- 49 Avoca Street – front wall and other works for heritage listed house
- Montefiore Nursing Home – update / Part3A legislation changes
- Future Music event at Randwick Racecourse – Council's response

2. Update from Combined Precinct meeting, including changes to the running of Precincts

3. Council consultations including:

- open space discussion paper
- semi detached dwellings

The order of business is as follows:

Welcome by the Chairperson

Apologies

Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest

Ratification of previous minutes

Business arising from the minutes (any matter/s that were raised at the previous meeting which required action to be followed-up)

Incoming and outgoing correspondence

Business arising from the correspondence

Treasurer's report

Other reports (sub-committees)

General business

Next meeting date

Wednesday 13 July 2011 at 7.30pm – same location

Meeting close

Draft motions: