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AGENDA

PLACES FOR PEOPLE STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Places for People Strategic Reference Group will be held online via TEAMS

THURSDAY 7 MAY 2020

Beginning at 6:00pm for the purpose of considering matters included in this agenda.

Committee Members

Cr Ian White (Chair)	
Mayor Michael Regan	
Cr Candy Bingham	
Cr Stuart Sprott	
Caroline Ghatt	Play for all Australia
Stephen Pearse	
Jim Koopman	
Sita Mason	Youth Representative
Mark Lowe	
Merinda Rose	
Les Irwig	
Miranda Korzy	
Maryann Novakovic	
Suzanne Cairns	Manly Dogs
Richard Michell	Manly, Warringah and Pittwater Historical Society
Kelvin Milsom	Northern Beaches Junior AFL Association, Manly Warringah Pittwater Sporting Union

Council Officer Contacts

Louise Kerr	Director Planning and Place
Andrew Pigott	Executive Manager Strategic and Place Planning
Ximena Von Oven	Governance Officer

Quorum

A majority of members including the Chair or one of the elected Councillors.

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Strategic Reference Group Meeting
to be held online via TEAMS on Thursday 7 May 2020
Commencing at 6:00pm**

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NEXT MEETING Thursday 6 August 2020

1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As a sign of respect, Northern Beaches Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and pays respect to Elders past and present.

2.0 APOLOGIES

All members are expected to attend the meetings or otherwise tender their apologies to the Chair and Governance at councilmeetings@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au.

3.0 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Members should disclose any "**pecuniary**" or "**non-pecuniary**" interests in matters included in the agenda. The [Northern Beaches Council Code of Conduct](#) (the Code) provides guidance on managing conflicts of interests.

A **pecuniary interest** is defined in Section 4 of the Code as:

A pecuniary interest is an interest that you have in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss to you or a person referred to in clause 4.3.

A **non-pecuniary conflict of interest** is defined in Section 5 of the Code as:

A non-pecuniary conflict of interest exists where a reasonable and informed person would perceive that you could be influenced by a private interest when carrying out your official functions in relation to a matter.

If you required further information or guidance about disclosing an interest please contact Governance at councilmeetings@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au.

4.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 MINUTES OF PLACES FOR PEOPLE STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD 6 FEBRUARY 2020

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Places for People Strategic Reference Group meeting held 6 February 2020, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

6.0 AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM 6.1	OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION STRATEGY UPDATE
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, RECREATION PLANNING
TRIM FILE REF	2020/191200
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To provide an update on the Open Space and Recreation Strategy project.

REPORT

The Open Space and Recreation Strategy project is on schedule.

Community engagement for the Open Space and Recreation Strategy project commenced in December 2019. The submission period closed on 16 February 2020 for sharing ideas through the on-line social pinpoint map and for completing an off-road cycling survey.

Over 1400 ideas were received through social pinpoint and more than 1300 off-road cycling surveys were received. A preliminary analysis of the off-road cycling survey was presented at a meeting of the off-road cycling stakeholder group and a presentation was made to the Manly Warringah War Memorial State Park Advisory Committee about ideas received for Manly Dam. Over 160 ideas were submitted for Manly Dam including about improvements to picnic areas, walking trails and the mountain bike track.

Ideas about community gardens received through community engagement about Council's community gardens policy are also being considered for the Strategy.

Consultation with targeted stakeholders had commenced, however, this has been placed on hold temporarily whilst Council and our community focus on responding to COVID-19. The community phone survey which was planned for March 2020 has also been placed on hold. It is anticipated that community consultation will recommence in the near future and the collection and analysis of stage 1 of consultation can be completed.

Currently data is being collected and analysed about: current open spaces and facilities; programmed improvements and planning; community feedback received about recreation through community engagement on other projects since 2016; strategic recreation directions and commitments by the former Councils and Northern Beaches Council; review of playground provision and distribution; and a review of the strategic context and related documents.

A presentation will be provided to members about the ideas received so far for the Strategy.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Places for People Strategic Reference Group note the update on the Open Space and Recreation Strategy project.

ITEM 6.2	NORTHERN BEACHES LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY
REPORTING OFFICER	PRINCIPAL PLANNER
TRIM FILE REF	2020/233163
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To update the Places for People SRG on the progress of the Northern Beaches Local Housing Strategy (LHS).

REPORT

In March 2018, the Greater Sydney Commission (GSC) released the Greater Region Plan – A Metropolis of Three Cities (The Region Plan). To implement the Region Plan at the District level, the GSC released the District Plan (which includes the Northern Beaches LGA). The North District Plan, amongst other things, contains actions for Council to prepare a LHS.

SGS Economics and Planning (consultants) have been engaged to work with Council and the community to prepare the LHS. The LHS must generally accord with the LHS Guideline prepared by NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

The LHS will set a vision for future housing in the Northern Beaches LGA, demonstrating how the housing directions within the North District Plan will be delivered locally.

The population of the Northern Beaches LGA is projected to grow by an additional 22,963 by 2036. To accommodate the expected growth the GSC have identified a 5-year target of 3,400 new dwellings in the LGA by 2021. The LHS is also required to develop a 6-10 year dwelling target and show capacity to contribute towards the 20-year target for the North District of 92,000 dwellings.

In addition to dwelling targets, the following are key issues to be addressed within the LHS:

- The need for more affordable housing (a significant undersupply of affordable housing exists with a current unmet demand of 8,000 social and affordable dwellings and projected demand of an additional 1,800 social and affordable dwellings to 2036).
- Diversity of housing type to meet housing needs as demographics changes over time:
 - the housing demand analysis predicts demand for semi-detached forms of housing as well as strong demand for housing with four bedrooms or more
 - existing feasible capacity for detached dwellings will be exhausted by 2021, for semi-detached dwellings by 2026, and for apartments by 2036.
- Better transport connectivity and sustainable growth whilst maintaining the character of the LGA.
- The provision of seniors housing, boarding houses and medium density housing options as an alternative to housing provided under the Seniors State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP), the Affordable Housing SEPP (Boarding Houses), and the Medium Density Housing Code (which is set to commence on 1 July 2020.)

Since the SRG's last briefing in August 2019, Council has held two workshops with Councillors (November 2019 and February 2020) and SGS has developed a first draft Local Housing Strategy which has yet to be presented to Councillors.

SGS will present a summary of their latest work at the SRG meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Places for People Strategic Reference Group note the update provided.

ITEM 6.3	NORTHERN BEACHES LOCAL CHARACTER STUDY
REPORTING OFFICER	PLANNER
TRIM FILE REF	2020/239538
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To provide an update on the progress of the Northern Beaches Local Character Study.

SUMMARY

The Greater Sydney Region Plan, North District Plan and the Northern Beaches Local Strategic Planning Statement (Towards 2040) identified the need to consider local character as part of strategic planning and in the preparation of detailed plans for places and precincts. Towards 2040 contains a number of priorities and actions which support the preparation of a Local Character Study for the Northern Beaches, including:

- *Action 3.1 Prepare a scenic and cultural landscape assessment with the community to identify landscapes and their social, architectural, natural, local and regional values*
- *Action 17.1: Prepare LEP local character study, urban design framework and guidelines for public spaces; develop LEP and DCP controls that respond to these studies; review built form and landscape controls to ensure good design; implement design excellence provisions; improve design criteria for the public domain; and incorporate local character statements for key areas*

Council has engaged Tract Consultants to prepare the Northern Beaches Local Character Study generally in accordance with the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's *Local Character and Place Guideline*.

Components of the study will include:

- The identification of unique local character precincts, local character corridors and valued scenic and cultural landscapes within the LGA
- Mapping of local character precincts, local character corridors and scenic protection assets to provide a spatial overlay for consideration within the Northern Beaches strategic planning framework
- Identification of desired future character of each local character precinct and local character corridor to guide the preparation of the Northern Beaches LEP and DCP.

Tract are currently preparing a preliminary draft report to be distributed for peer review within Council. A detailed community engagement plan is under preparation.

Tract consulting will present a summary of their work so far to the SRG.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Places for People Strategic Reference Group note the update provided
