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beaches  
council

**Places for People**  
Strategic Reference Group

# MINUTES

## **PLACES FOR PEOPLE STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP**

held in the Coastal Environment Centre, Narrabeen on

**WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2019**

**Minutes of the Places for People  
Strategic Reference Group  
held on Wednesday 13 February 2019  
in the Coastal Environment Centre, Narrabeen  
Commencing at 6:00pm**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Committee Members**

Cr Ian White (Chair)  
Cr Candy Bingham  
Stephen Pearse  
Merinda Rose  
Mark Lowe  
Les Irwig  
Miranda Korzy  
Richard Michell  
Kelvin Milsom

Manly, Warringah and Pittwater Historical Society  
Northern Beaches Junior AFL Association, Manly Warringah  
Pittwater Sporting Union

**Council Officer Contacts**

Andrew Pigott	Executive Manager Strategic & Place Planning
Steven Lawler	Executive Manager Parks & Recreation
Sherryn McPherson	Governance Coordinator
Anne-Maree Newbery	Manager, Strategic & Place Planning
Vicki Blaskett	Manager, Business Operations
Greg Baker	Senior Asset Officer

**Council Officer Contacts**

Luke Nicols	SGS Economic and Planning
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## **1.0 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Mayor Michael Regan, Councillor White Councillor Sprott, Suzanne Cairns, Caroline Ghatt, Jim Koopman, Sita Mason and Maryann Novakovic.

## **2.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary conflicts of interest.

## **3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

### **3.1 MINUTES OF PLACES FOR PEOPLE STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD 29 NOVEMBER 2018**

#### **LES IRWIG / STEPHEN PEARSE**

That the Minutes of the Places for People Strategic Reference Group meeting held 29 November 2018, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

## **4.0 UPDATE ON ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING**

Nil

## **5.0 AGENDA ITEMS**

### **5.1 MY PLACE: AVALON**

A Newberry provided an update to the group on this item.

A copy of the presentation provided to the group is circulated with the minutes at Attachment 1.

The group separated into two groups to discuss the following:

1. Increase opportunities and activities for youth.
2. Opportunities for laneway activation.
3. Activate centre during winter.
4. Enhance streetscape environment.

A copy of the results formulated in the workshop is circulated to members in Attachment 2 of the minutes.

Consultation will continue to occur over the next few months.

#### **ACTION**

That this item be brought back to the next meeting on 16 May 2019.

## 5.2 NAMING NORTHERN BEACHES OPEN SPACES AND FACILITIES

V Blaskett and G Baker from provided an update to the group on this item.

The group discussed as part of a workshop what should be considered for inclusion in the Naming Policy which included the following questions:

- What should or should not be named?
- What needs to be considered when naming a facility or reserve?
- If naming after a person what should be considered?

A copy of the results formulated in the workshop is circulated to members in Attachment 3 of the minutes.

### **ACTION**

That this item be brought back to the next meeting on 16 May 2019.

## 5.3 LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY DISCUSSION

A Pigott, R Coull and L Nicolls from SGS Economic and Planning provided an update to the group on this item.

Items discussed included:

- District Planning Context
- Housing targets
- Population change
- Age and household structure
- Key directions
- Affordability
- Preparing a housing strategy
- Projecting future housing demand
- Housing by dwelling type
- Current vision
- Issues.

The group participated in a workshop to establish what are the top 3 housing issues on the Northern Beaches. A copy of the results formulated in the workshop is circulated to members in Attachment 4 of the minutes.

## 6.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

### SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

ITEM NO.	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DUE DATE
5.1	That this item be brought back to the Places for People SRG in May 2019	A Newbery / A Pigott	May 2019
5.2	That this item be brought back to the Places for People SRG in May 2019	V Blasket / A Pigott	May 2019

*The meeting concluded at 8.04pm*

This is the final page of the Minutes comprising 5 pages numbered 1 to 5 of the Places for People Strategic Reference Group meeting held on Wednesday 13 February 2019 and confirmed on Thursday 16 May 2019

# Spotlight on Avalon

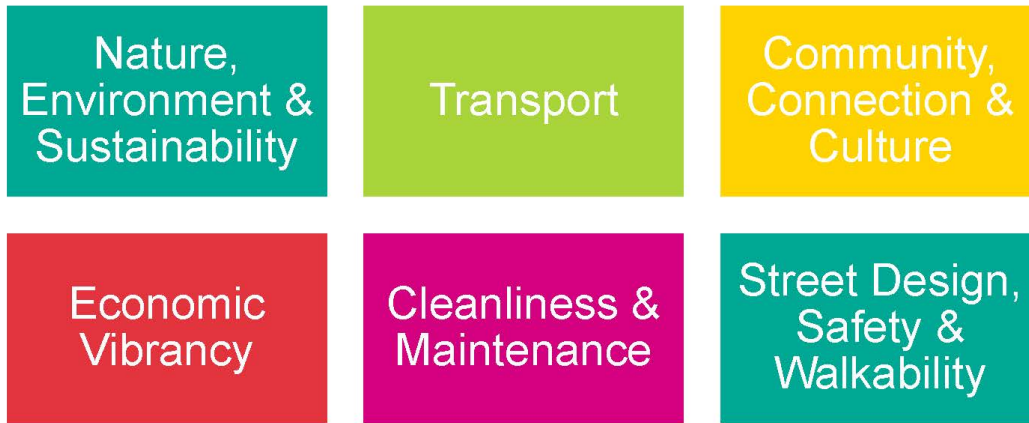
My Place: Avalon Spotlight on Avalon –  
Snapshot and community engagement  
summary



## Our Approach



# Our Care Factor Values



# Our Directions

Nature, Environment & Sustainability	Transport	Community Connection & Culture	Economic Vibrancy	Cleanliness & Maintenance	Street Design, Safety & Walkability
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve &amp; enhance green spaces with additional planting</li> <li>• Improve stormwater drainage</li> <li>• Retain &amp; improve quality of the natural environment</li> <li>• Retain village atmosphere</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investigate options for intersection of Old Barrenjoey Road &amp; Avalon Parade</li> <li>• Improve active transport modes &amp; connectivity</li> <li>• Advocate for public transport improvements</li> <li>• Car accessibility &amp; parking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Things to do in the evening</li> <li>• Creative art space, increase community activities, public art, culture</li> <li>• Increase opportunities and activities for youth</li> <li>• Increase public spaces to play, gather &amp; relax</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase activation of laneways</li> <li>• More vibrant outdoor dining</li> <li>• Activate during winter &amp; night economy – events</li> <li>• Reduce shop vacancy &amp; increase shop diversity &amp; unique local shops</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve cleanliness of public spaces &amp; maintenance of laneways</li> <li>• Improve/ update footpaths &amp; connectivity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ease of walking around</li> <li>• Enhance streetscape environment</li> </ul>



# Activity – Directions 20 minutes

Using your assigned Directions:

- (1) consider and outline what the Direction means, looks like/ includes (unpack it)
- (2) Identify potential solutions and any challenges to their resolution.



Directions

1

Unpack Directions – what  
does it mean/ look like

2

Solutions & Challenges



**ATTACHMENT 2**

**Workshop Notes  
SRG Meeting 13 February 2019**

<p><b>Direction</b> <b>Increase Opportunities and activities for youth</b></p>	<p><b>Opportunities identified</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hands on EMO workshops</li> <li>• Public plantings</li> <li>• Sport</li> <li>• Café's</li> <li>• WIFI</li> <li>• Youth group</li> <li>• Outdoor cinema on beach</li> <li>• Music festival performing arts</li> <li>• Ask the youth</li> <li>• Busking</li> <li>• Library golf</li> <li>• Surf comps</li> <li>• Art decoration – Surf/ skateboard</li> <li>• Band rehearsal space – jam sessions</li> <li>• Netball courts</li> <li>• Painting mural – map of Avalon</li> <li>• School design comp             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Paint bollards</li> <li>✓ Paint murals</li> <li>✓ Paint features</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Direction</b> <b>Opportunities for Laneway activation</b></p>	<p><b>Opportunities identified</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tables and chairs – café</li> <li>• Buskers</li> <li>• Large chess board</li> <li>• Sculpture and murals</li> <li>• Plants (in pots)</li> <li>• Lanterns</li> </ul> <p><b>Challenges identified</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council red tape – approvals required with long processing times</li> <li>• Dual role of lanes             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Commercial access</li> <li>✓ Deliveries</li> <li>✓ Vehicular access</li> <li>✓ Sanitation collection</li> <li>✓ Entertainment</li> <li>✓ Relaxation</li> <li>✓ Art</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p><b>Direction</b></p> <p><b>Activate centre during winter</b></p> <p>(Opinions where for and against this matter)</p>	<p>Table confirmed that the village centre was quieter during the winter months, reduction in tourist and visitors</p> <p><b>Opportunities identified</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Festivals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Music</li> <li>✓ Film</li> <li>✓ Art exhibitions</li> <li>✓ Theatre</li> <li>✓ Noodle market – pop up shops</li> <li>✓ Pittwater festival – water focus “whale festival”</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Challenges identified</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding – facilitate locals</li> <li>• Contradiction – retain village atmosphere Vs growth</li> <li>• Council red tape</li> </ul>
<p><b>Direction</b></p> <p><b>Enhance Streetscape Environment</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unique furniture for Avalon</li> <li>• Kerbs to garden beds (Woolies carpark)</li> <li>• Sidewalk seating dining</li> <li>• Laneway festivals – lighting</li> <li>• Laneway café’s</li> <li>• Laneway arts/ murals</li> <li>• Public games &amp; activity</li> <li>• Opposite primary school bench seating</li> <li>• Dumbar park – seating/ bench</li> <li>• Roofscape – seen from above</li> <li>• Old Barrenjoey Road green U Turn zone ( line of trees and linear garden)</li> <li>• Keep tree feel</li> <li>• Birds</li> <li>• Native bee hives (solitary bees) incorporated into landscaping</li> </ul> <p><b>Challenges identified</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council charges for footpath dining need to be reviewed and reduced.</li> </ul>

## ATTACHMENT 3

### Minutes from Naming Northern Beaches Council Open Spaces and Facilities Workshop 13 February 2019.

- Facilitated by Vicki Blaskett (Parks and Recreation) and Greg Baker (Property)

#### Introduction and agenda

- Please refer to the workshop PowerPoint presentation

#### Activity 1: What should be named and what should not be named on our reserves?

	YES	NO	MAYBE	COMMENTS
<b>Buildings (in general)</b>	Y			
Sports Pavilions and grandstands	Y			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does this include Sponsorship? – No, out of scope.</li> <li>The significant input of groups to a facility whether \$ or in-kind should be acknowledged somehow.</li> <li>What is our memorial policy? Benches only at moment.</li> <li>Assess case by case – hard to judge without knowing intention and reason etc.</li> <li>Fun names for playgrounds.</li> <li>History of a place should be preserved.</li> </ul> Summary – Overall the group felt that it was hard to make a definitive yes or no as it was dependent on a variety of factors.
Club houses	Y			
Amenity block		N		
Others			M	
<b>Playgrounds</b>				
<b>Sporting infrastructure</b>				
Cricket nets			M	
Netball courts			M	
Sportsfield			M	
Others				
<b>Swimming pools</b>			M	
<b>Gardens</b>			M	
<b>Others</b>				

#### Activity 2: What types of names do you prefer for facilities on our reserves?

	YES/NO	COMMENTS
Geographical/Location	Y	
Natural	Y	
Aboriginal	Y	
People	Y	There was a variety of comments about naming venue and facilities after people – see activity 3
Functional	Y	
Other		

### **Activity 3: When naming after people what criteria should Council consider when reviewing a naming proposal for a reserve or facility?**

Each individual was asked to write their ideas and thoughts on post-it notes, the following was recorded – please note that these are different individual's comments and in some cases are contradictory. Some of the points were discussed further however a specific stance was not confirmed either way on any particular matter.

- Plaques at a location rather than as an alternative
- Place names are long term – avoid naming after people
- Don't like names usually except when person dead or don't like using a person's names unless is already named that by community
  
- Naming okay if donation of land in memory of someone e.g. Husband
  
- Length of service 20+ years
- Significance of the contribution by person
- Community service over long time related to activity
- Association with locality or use of the facility
- Excellence in community field
- Community contribution rather than personal/ professional
- 40+ years of service week after week
- Set a high bar – 20-30 years' service
- Extraordinary service 20+ years
  
- Status related to use
- Relationship with the facility/ area
- Depends of facility/location
  
- Must be accompanied with historical information
  
- Deceased persons only
- Can be alive if inspiring/ significant
- Person should be dead – avoid scandal later

**ATTACHMENT 4**

## What are the top 3 housing issues for the Northern Beaches LGA?

