



MINUTES

PLACES FOR PEOPLE STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP

held in the Coastal Environment Centre, Narrabeen on

THURSDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2020

**Minutes of the Places for People
Strategic Reference Group
held on Thursday 6 February 2020
in the Coastal Environment Centre, Narrabeen
Commencing at 6:05pm**

ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members

Cr Ian White (Chair)
Cr Candy Bingham
Cr Stuart Sprott
Stephen Pearse
Jim Koopman
Mark Lowe
Merinda Rose
Les Irwig
Suzanne Cairns
Richard Michell
Kelvin Milsom

Manly Dogs
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
Ximena Von Oven	Governance Officer
Yianni Mentis	Executive Manager Environment and Climate Change
Jessica Currie	Coordinator, Recreation Planning
Felicity Shonk	Planner

1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Cr White acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which the meeting gathered, and paid respect to Elders past and present.

2.0 APOLOGIES

K Milsom / R Michell

Apologies were received from Mayor Regan, Caroline Ghatt, Sita Mason, Miranda Korzy, Louise Kerr and Steve Lawler.

3.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

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

4.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

4.1 MINUTES OF PLACES FOR PEOPLE STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD 24 OCTOBER 2019

Cr Sprott /R Michell

That the Minutes of the Places for People Strategic Reference Group meeting held 24 October 2019, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

5.0 UPDATE ON ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

5.1 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

DISCUSSION

Actions from the previous meeting were reviewed. The following actions have been completed:

- That a report on the Northern Beaches Open Space Strategy be brought back to the Places for People Strategic Reference Group in early 2020
- That the Places for People Strategic Reference Group provide comment on the draft Northern Beaches Local Strategic Planning Statement – Towards 2040, supporting preliminary studies and community engagement reports which are on public exhibition until 10 November 2019.
- That all members email their suggestions for Places for People Strategic Reference Group topics for 2020 to councilmeetings@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au for consideration.

The following action will be completed at the next Places for People Strategic Reference Meeting on 7 May

- That the updated Urban Tree Canopy Policy be brought back to the group in early 2020. That a report on the updated Urban Tree Canopy Policy be brought back to the group in early 2020.

ACTION

Cr Sprott requested that when the Urban Tree Canopy report is brought back for discussion at the next Places for People Strategic Reference Group that it include a comparison of Lidar data from the recent collection of data that was collected in 2014.

6.0 AGENDA ITEMS

6.1 NORTHERN BEACHES EMPLOYMENT STUDY DRAFT

DISCUSSION

L Nichols from SGS and F Shonk, Northern Beaches Council Planner, provided a presentation on this item.

An employment study for the Northern Beaches Local Government Area (LGA) is being undertaken by SGS Economics and Planning. The study analysis socio-economic data about the community and economy, reviews trends and drivers shaping the employment lands and precincts.

Highlights included:

- Policy context for the greater Sydney Region Plan (2018), North District Plan (2018) and Shape 2028 Community Strategic Plan (2018)
- Population
- Employment
- Journey to work and employment centre accessibility
- Economic trends and drivers
- Land use suitability analysis
- Market data analysis
- Growth distribution scenarios
- Draft vision overview for the Northern Beaches (Brookvale, Frenchs Forest, Manly, Dee Why)
- Local Centres vision to support local communities and the business network
- Strategic Plan objectives and actions were also highlighted to the group.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Places for People Strategic Reference Group note the information presented.

6.2 OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION STRATEGY UPDATE - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND KEY THEMES

DISCUSSION

J Currie, Coordinator Recreation Planning provided a presentation on this item. The following

points were discussed:

- The Open Space and Recreation Strategy is a 15 year timeline strategy
- The Action Plan highlights specific commitments which will be reviewed every 5 years
- Key themes of the Strategy are parks, playgrounds, beaches, tracks and trails, recreational use of bushland areas.

Consultation

- Social Pinpoint closes on 16 February
- Off Road Cycling Survey closes on 16 February
- A targeted consultation is currently underway and a telephone survey will be undertaken as well.
- The groups that will be consulted include cultural, recreation, community and environment groups, senior and disability groups, beach user groups, beach user groups, internal Council stakeholders.

Next Steps

- Complete Consultation Stage
- Analyse Submissions
- Develop the Draft Strategy and Action Plan

RECOMMENDATION

That the Places for People Strategic Reference Group

1. Note the ongoing consultation activities for the Open Space and Recreation Strategy.
2. Participate in a discussion on the key themes of the Strategy.

6.3 NORTHERN BEACHES ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY - PROTECT. CREATE. LIVE.

DISCUSSION

Y Mentis, Executive Manager Environment and Climate Change, provided a presentation on this item.

The Strategy contains 3 major directions supported by 9 themes

Directions

Protect, Create, Live

Themes

Bushland, Waterways and Catchments, Coast, Biodiversity, Sustainable Built Environment, Green Neighbourhoods, Sustainable Living, Adaptation and Resilience, Council Operations and Collaboration and Engagement and Education

The following points were highlighted:

- Strategic line of sight
- Engagement undertaken
- Participation demographics
- Feedback received
- Implementation and evaluation

The Strategy will be delivered through a series of actions plans, which will identify specific projects and actions.

The Strategy will be reviewed every 2 to 4 years and the progress will be measured against goals and aspirations identified in the Strategy.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Places for People Strategic Reference Group note the information presented.

7.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

ITEM NO.	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DUE DATE
	That a report on the updated urban Tree Canopy Policy be brought back to the Places for People Strategic Reference Group	Steve Lawler	May

The meeting concluded at 8:15pm

This is the final page of the Minutes comprising 6 pages numbered 1 to 6 of the Places for People Strategic Reference Group meeting held on Thursday 6 February 2020 and confirmed on Thursday 7 May 2020