

**MOSMAN COUNCIL
CLIMATE ACTION COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Harnett Room 6 September 2022
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

PRESENT

Chairperson:	Cr Carolyn Corrigan	Madam Mayor (MM)
Deputy Chairperson:	Cr Michael Randall	MR
Catherine Byrne		CB
Robert Grant (remotely)		RG
Sarah Rhodes (remotely)		SR
Jane Wilder		JW
Steve Smith		SS
Paloma Matis		PM
Sophie Lamaletie (Minutes)		

The meeting was opened with an acknowledgement of country MM

		ACTION
1.	Welcome	
2.	Apologies Rosemary Adams, John Leslie (still OS), Craig Covich	
3.	Disclosures of Non-Pecuniary Interest N/A	
4.	Resilience and Adaptation Strategy Consultation Update. Public Consultation Closed on 26/8/22. Received 20 Survey responses: (18 For – 2 Against) <u>Against:</u> No concrete targets, Taxpayer money should not be spent on Climate Action <u>For:</u> Very important and well communicated strategy, suggestions included more support for Electric Vehicles, incentives for solar panel adoption on residential premises, provision of Council based advice facility on household energy efficiency and sustainability similar to Duty Planner’s role, limit development on public land, increasing biodiversity, increasing active transport, targeting businesses with plastic free awareness, community connectedness, neighbourhood care, release of flood study outcomes.	SS to investigate face to face service

	<p>MR – Suggesting Council Climate Action service manned by Mosman Volunteers</p> <p>MM – Necessary to ensure message and information is consistent across volunteer base – to consider working collaboratively with staff</p> <p>PM – Residents consider Council as a trusted source of information</p> <p>SS – Information/ Educational resources available on website.</p> <p>AF- Suggested Climate Action online chat facility</p> <p>SM - Emphasised importance of direct personal community engagement to promote Climate action education.</p> <p>SS – Confirmed community feedback to be included in Council Report November 2022. Update to Mitigation Strategy will be reported to Council in April 2023. A lot of cross over in actions between mitigation and resilience and adaptation strategies</p>	<p>once a month with General Manager. Will also consider trial period for volunteer-based service and investigate online chat option.</p> <p>MM Recognition of significant and ongoing collaborative contribution of Zero Emissions Sydney North</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Question & Answer Session with Manager Development Services – Angelo Falato</p> <p>AF – Provided overview of Council’s Development Application Consent Process. General resistance in the community towards increasing commitment to sustainability and energy efficiency in development applications. Council encourages applicants to consider going beyond the minimum requirements when submitting development application.</p> <p>SS – Question about mandating light colours for roofs.</p> <p>AF- Reflectivity, views are some of the determinant factors when meeting light to dark roof requirements. Light roofs have high reflectivity.</p> <p>CB – Queried mandated white roofs in other Sydney Councils.</p> <p>AF – Confirmed that Mosman conservation area, harbour views and topography taken into consideration in DA process.</p>	

<p>JW – Queried Council’s position in relation to sharing the load of medium to high density housing</p> <p>AF – Mosman Housing targets low compared to other councils. 65% of Mosman housing stock Medium-High Density. Density of Residential flat buildings in Mosman occurs on ridges, close to transport. Health of buildings impacts sustainability and energy efficiency outcomes.</p> <p>SS- Queried whether Council can incentivise adoption of energy efficient measures in households</p> <p>AF – Not sure it is needed. Can be dangerous as to what incentives Council provide. Confirmed that MLPP closely examines and supports the securing of quality, sustainable, local landscape during the development application process.</p> <p>MR – Suggested Mosman further facilitation of Interactive Transport</p> <p>RG – Suggested further education to residents regarding long term benefits of double glazing and education building professionals about environmental practice. Suggested to engage environmental architect Tone Wheeler as speaker in Council run workshop.</p> <p>MM – Considerable concern by residents to be expected when Mosman Council Floodplain Management Report is released.</p> <p>SS - Mosman Flood Study report to be issued in 2023</p> <p>SS – Asked question on behalf of Rosemary Adams. Question was Would council consider a DCP that focuses on building and supporting resilience by addressing these various issues and others. Would it be possible to consider the Design and Place SEPP which the planning minister abandoned this year, as a local planning policy/DCP. (I did raise this in my submission to the strategy). Such a DCP would go beyond BASIX etc.</p> <p>AF- DCPs assist to inform development outcomes but are limited by not having statutory weight in the same way as LEPs and SEPPs. The Land and Environment Court explains this in terms of DCPs being used for the purpose of guidance.</p> <p>To have a DCP that seeks to impose a higher standard than statutory documents such as BASIX or establish requirements</p>	<p>SS with further input from Committee – To organise a community event/workshop to facilitate making one’s home more sustainable. Could invite a leading Australian architect.</p>
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	<p>abandoned by the State Government becomes problematic in terms of imposition of conditions and their enforcement.</p> <p>Any applicant that seeking to do more than meet any minimum standards may do so but an applicant who does not wish to do more than the statutory minimum cannot be compelled by Council to do so.</p>	
6.	<p>Mosman Council Climate Action Project Update</p> <p>SS – Solar Panels on Civic Centre (70kW) and Depot (12kW) roofs being installed in October 2022. LED Conversions of Vista St carpark reduced electricity consumption by 50% - Soon to be rolled out at Marie Bashir Sports Centre. EV Charger Installation at Raglan West Car Park.</p> <p>MR – Mentioned EV chargers on telegraph poles. Also, EV chargers that can charge hybrid models/ Type 2.</p> <p>SS – Council was offered to be involved but needs to take over asset after two years. Council has no experience in this or resources to maintain. Will monitor trial in other Council areas. Noted that Council does not currently supply petrol stations. No doubt that Council will be able to opt in in the future. Will investigate the charging of hybrid models.</p> <p>CB – Asked for update on the Jolt proposal.</p> <p>SS- Advised that Council is still waiting on planning advice from Jolt to demonstrate they are exempt development. Also due to the proposal involving advertising on public land Council will need to approve the installations. Three sites have been identified as suitable and hoping to report to Council in 2022.</p> <p>SS– Improvement of canopy cover in hardstand areas and streetscape. Report will be coming to Council to make some minor amendments to Council’s Street Tree Master Plan so that more suitable tree species can be planted in heat island areas. Would like to plant trees at Spit Junction but no room.</p>	
7.	<p>General Business</p> <p>MM – SES Commander is currently on leave.</p>	<p>MM to liaise with SES Commander to attend future meeting.</p>

	<p>PM – Operation Posidonia – Seagrass Balmoral Pilot Project on Saturday 10th September 20202; to restore seagrass meadows in Sydney Harbour. Aim is to engage the community through citizen science, increase awareness, collect and replant sea grass in Balmoral.</p> <p>MM- Recognises the collaborative role of SIMS (Sydney Institute of Marine Science). Also the importance of volunteers and that Council will continue to encourage more volunteers due to the valuable service they provide.</p> <p>SS – Advised QR codes in place on Balmoral Fig trees. Council identifying grass nature strips that could be made into native gardens to promote biodiversity and encourage residents to do the same with their nature strips.</p> <p>Mosman Bushcare Promotion Day Unmade The Grove. Support from Mosman Parks and Bushland Association. Most likely event to be held in October.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Monday 7 November 2022</p>	