MOSMAN ACTIVE TRANSPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

HARMONY ROOM, MOSMAN ART GALLERY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15 MARCH 2023, 8:30AM-10.00AM

Attendance: Mayor Carolyn Corrigan (MCC)

Warren Yates (WY) John Goddard (JG) Dagmar Williams (DW) Brian Watters (BW)

Chandra Chandrawansa (ME) Jana Jegathesan (RS&TO) Leonie Matthews (CSO)

Apologies: Councillor Michael Randall

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1.	Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country	
	In the absence of Councillor Randall, the Mayor, Councillor Corrigan chaired the meeting.	
	Madam Mayor welcomed all present and acknowledged the Country.	Note
2.	Apologies	
	Councillor Michael Randall	Note
3.	Disclosures of Pecuniary and/or Non-Pecuniary Interest	
	Nil.	Note
4.	Draft Walking & Cycling Strategy (WCS) 2022-2027 – Update following Council Resolution of 7 March 2023	Note
	Councillor Workshop held on 22 November 2022.	
	Council considered the report "EP/8 Mosman Walking and Cycling Strategy 2022-2027" at its meeting on 7 March 2023 and endorsed for community consultation.	
	Draft WCS on community consultation from 13 March to 12 April 2023. Advertised in Mosman Daily and on Your Say (Council Website). Council also distributed Draft WCS to TfNSW, Police, Keolis Downer, SHFT, NP&WS, Zoo, Northern Beaches Council (NBC) and North Sydney Council (NSC) for their review and comments.	
	The matter of 40km/h street initiative was discussed. As detailed in the Draft WCS, eight (8) streets have been nominated for a	

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	feasibility study. These roads have been selected based on a previous similar study undertaken in 2018 and high pedestrian activity areas.	
	The Mayor reported that some Councillors are not on board with the speed reduction option in residential streets. For such a proposal, community should be consulted, possibly during a public meeting at a later appropriate date. The details are yet to be discussed but this has no relevance to the ongoing consultation process of WCS 2022-2027.	
5.	WCS – Next steps for adoption of Strategy	
	Community consultation period of WCS 2022-2027 is from 13 March to 12 April 2023.	
	Council Staff will collate all the feedback received from the community and other stakeholders. Review those feedback comments and prepare a complete list with staff comments.	ME/RSTO
	To the extent possible, the draft WCS will be amended taking into consideration the suggestions/comments received throughout the consultation process.	April/May 2023
	The amended WCS 2022-2027 with a register of community and other stakeholder feedback, including a commentary from Council Staff, will be reported to Council in June 2023 for the adoption of the Strategy.	
6.	Progress on matters discussed at November 2022 meeting	
	As per the Minutes of the meeting of 8 November 2022, the below listed follow-up actions have been taken.	
	Feasibility study to reduce speed to 40km/h on selected roads. 40km/h speed limit initiative is also a MOSPLAN objective. Request for Quotation (RFQ) has been issued. It is planned to commence the initial studies in April 2023.	RSTO July 2023
	Walking Tracks – Discussed with Open Space Team of Council and noted that they undertake regular maintenance of walking tracks under Council management as per the Contract. Also attempts made to arrange meetings with SHFT and NP&WS. Council Staff will meeting with SHFT on Friday 18 March 2023 for preliminary discussions. Similarly we will arrange meeting with relevant staff of NP&WS and Zoo.	
	For Hamlet Lane – Shared Zone work. Council still waiting for TfNSW. Due to the current State Election, a response is unlikely until May 2023.	

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7.	Bicycle line marking & symbols – Audits and progress update	
	Bike symbols/line re-marking works are being done incrementally as per audit findings.	
	The Work Orders have been issued for Spit Underpass, Pearl Bay Avenue, Punch Lane and Cowles Road. The works are scheduled to commence on 29 March 2023.	ME July 2023
	Other required bicycle symbol/line re-marking works will need to be co-ordinated with the planned road repair/resurfacing works.	
8.	BusWalk Strategy Concept	
	Madam Mayor and relevant Council Staff appreciated the effort by Dagmar/Warren for the work done to develop documentation to promote "BusWalk" strategy.	Note
	The documents provided by Dagmar/Warren were circulated to the Committee Members prior to the meeting for review and information.	
	During the meeting Dagmar explained the concept, reasons behind it, promotional needs and way forward. Some of the key points:	
	 Aim to make it fun – encourage and inspire the community to participate. Promotion broadly through Council area. Suggestions for wide publicity includes market stalls, shopping centres, cafes and through bus drivers. 	
	- Bus services in Mosman are very frequent. Trial in selected locations (Spit Road, Balmoral, Bradleys Head Road).	
	 Possibility of using Sydney University research project. Targeted subjects - age/demographics. 	
	- Chamber of Commerce involvement also suggested.	
	- Recommended the review of the Active Transport Strategy from Transport for NSW.	
	Council Staff mentioned that in principle the "BusWalk" strategy is considered a great idea and needs further work to make it a reality. Council Staff will review further and communicate with Committee members of further details.	RSTO June 2023
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9.	Walking tracks (Council, SHFT & NP&WS)	
	Council Staff need to co-ordinate with other agencies responsible for auditing and maintenance of bush track. The aim is to find out their audit regimes and processes. Frequency of audits and improvement of signage, etc.	Note
	There are four (4) agencies responsible for maintenance of walking tracks in Mosman LGA. They are Mosman Council, SHFT, NP&WS and Zoo.	
	As a first step a meeting with SHFT will be held on Friday 17 March 2023. The purpose of this meeting is to access SHFT Master Plans in relation to bush tracks, updated maps of bush tracks, audits and maintenance regimes, adequacy of signage and future plans etc. Similar meetings will be arranged with NP&WS and Zoo. Following that a summery/findings will be documented.	RSTO April 2023
10.	Proposed WCS work tasks	
	40km/h zones – engage a consultant and proceed with the feasibility study.	ME/RSTO April 2023
	Slow Down Campaign – carry out on temporary basis for 2-3 more streets.	June 2023
	Audit of school catchments – prepare a proposal to engage consultant – what upgrades are required to enhance safety with respect to walking to schools. Consultants will initially select most appropriate schools (2-3) for this purpose. Relevant schools will be consulted in the future accordingly.	May 2023
	Bike Facilities – Proposal to place bike rack in Memory Park. May also install one at Balmoral Oval if fit for purpose after upgrade.	June 2023
	Footpath audits – Undertaken twice yearly for pedestrian safety in high pedestrian activity areas.	Note

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11.	Any Other Business	
	Issue raised regarding buses speeding in local streets. Safety of cyclists is an issue. Some are using side streets that are not on bus routes.	Note
	Public should report bad driver behaviour. Provide identification of the buses, bus route number and time of service to Keolis Downer for investigation.	
	Melaleuca Lane – further approach from resident regarding safety in the lane with cyclists on cycle path and cars backing out of garage. It is more risky to move the bicycle lane to the other side of the lane.	
	Council awaits consultant proposal for road safety audit of intersection of Melaleuca Lane. During this professional service, another look at the issues raised by the resident can be incorporated.	RSTO July 2023
12.	Future Meetings for 2023 Wednesday 12 July 2023 – 9:00am to 10:30am Wednesday 25 October 2023 – 9:00am to 10:30am	Note