

MEETING NOTES SYDNEY HARBOUR FEDERATION TRUST COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE CAC MEETING – 13 NOVEMBER 2018

Time: 6:00 – 8:01pm

Venue: Harbour Trust offices, Mosman

Present:

Julie Goodsir
Mathew Bradley
Sarah Dinning
Paul Forward
Kate Eccles
Adele Rancan
Beth Lawsen
Geoffrey Lambert
Woollahra Council Representative
Peta Lewis

Daniel Sealey (Harbour Trust)
Rebecca Hill (Harbour Trust)
Mary Darwell (Harbour Trust)
Rebecca Hage (Harbour Trust)
Justin Bock (Harbour Trust)
Will Cooper (Harbour Trust)
Kathryn Roberts (Harbour Trust)

Apologies:

Trent Zimmerman MP
Roy MacLeod
Flynn McDermott
Tony Abbott MP
Matthew Rafferty
Michael Regan
Mayor Jilly Gibson (part)
Mayor Carolyn Corrigan (part)
Bob Smith
Rob Crawford
Colleen Godsell

Executive Director – Welcome and Update

Mary Darwell (MD) welcomed attendees to the meeting and acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land and elders past and present.

MD provided an update on the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP).

The Harbour Trust provided an update on recent, current and upcoming events. In particular, the 200th Anniversary Celebrations of Macquarie Lightstation. The Harbour Trust recently nominated the lightstation for inclusion on the National Heritage list. The nomination was unsuccessful this year, but will be considered again by the Minister at the next assessment period. It was noted that if Macquarie

Ligtstation was successful in becoming a National Heritage place it would open up opportunities for applying for Commonwealth government grants for heritage restoration and interpretation.

The Committee enquired about the state of the Francis Greenway wall and if this was to be repaired or restored in time for the anniversary celebrations. The Harbour Trust advised that for safety reasons the wall will be fenced off from the public until funding becomes available to repair the wall. The Harbour Trust also intends to interpret the original lighthouse, perhaps by marking the building footprint, when funding becomes available.

MD provided an overview of the Cockatoo Island vision refresh. The Committee enquired whether the Southern Apron could be used by Defence, which is currently looking for additional space. The Committee also enquired about the possibility of aligning Cockatoo Island with broader visions for the Parramatta River and the new Powerhouse at Parramatta.

ITEMS FOR CONSULTATION

Philanthropy and Corporate Sponsorship

The Harbour Trust discussed potential philanthropy and corporate sponsorship opportunities and direction. The Harbour Trust has met with a number of peer organisations and explored best practice. The Harbour Trust needs to develop an offering in a crowded funding space as well as an engagement approach and execution plan. The Harbour Trust will work to identifying three to five projects initially.

North Fort car park – Proposed time restrictions

The Harbour Trust provided an overview of the current parking situation at North Fort. Weekends and public holidays experience high demand for parking, due in part to motorists avoiding paying a fee at the nearby NPWS car park.

To ensure that the North Fort car park continues to meet the needs of visitors to its site, the Harbour Trust is proposing to introduce time restrictions aimed at increasing parking turn over, while providing sufficient time for visitors to engage in a range of activities. Most spaces will be limited to 4 hours maximum, with some shorter stay spaces (2 hours) near the visitor centre. Accessible spaces will be unrestricted, and exemptions will apply to volunteers on duty, and café staff. Long stay parking in the area will still be available in the nearby NPWS paid parking areas and at the Parade Ground Precinct.

The Committee was generally supportive and enquired whether visitors will be fined if they overstay and how this will be monitored. The Harbour Trust advised that Rangers will patrol the area frequently at weekends and busy periods to ensure parking requirements are met, but initially there would be a period of grace as visitors familiarise themselves with the new restrictions. The Committee also suggested the Harbour Trust provide some form of community notification to the parking changes.

Headland Park Marketing

The Harbour Trust provided drafts for the new signage and brochure concepts of Headland Park. The signage will be installed from November and will be placed at various intersections of Headland Park. Some signage will provide "What's On" around Headland Park, informing visitors and tenants of the latest activities and events.

The Harbour Trust also presented the new and improved Headland Park brochure. Brochures will be available in the brochure holders of the new signage.

The Committee conveyed that the new brochure was a commendable improvement, its clear map making it easier to navigate Headland Park. The Committee enquired whether 10 Terminal would be added to the brochure as well as missing bush tracks around NPWS Middle Head.

The Harbour Trust advised that the brochure is with NPWS for final adjustments/amendments and any or all tracks would be added following their feedback. The 10 Terminal will be added to the map.

The Committee suggested the brochures be displayed at other areas outside of Headland Park; the Balmoral Beach Pavilion, Taronga Zoo Ferry Wharf and steps at Balmoral Oval being a few of the optimal areas. The Committee also suggested a children's brochure or activity book would attract families but would be a longer term project.