

MINUTES OF THE STRATEGIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE BOOT FACTORY, SPRING STREET, BONDI JUNCTION ON TUESDAY, 1 JULY 2025

Present:

Councillor Michelle Stephenson (Chair) Bondi Ward Councillor Will Nemesh (Mayor) **Hunter Ward** Councillor Keri Spooner (Deputy Mayor) Waverley Ward Councillor Ludovico Fabiano Waverley Ward **Hunter Ward** Councillor Dov Frazer Councillor Steven Lewis **Hunter Ward** Councillor Paula Masselos Lawson Ward Councillor Margaret Merten Bondi Ward Councillor Joshua Spicer Waverley Ward Councillor Lauren Townsend Lawson Ward Councillor Katherine Westwood Lawson Ward Councillor Dominic Wy Kanak Bondi Ward

Staff in attendance:

Emily Scott General Manager

Sharon Cassidy Director, Assets and Operations
Tara Czinner Director, Corporate Services

Tanya Goldberg Acting Director, Community, Culture and Customer Experience

Fletcher Rayner Director, Planning, Sustainability and Compliance

At the commencement of proceedings at 7.30 pm, those present were as listed above, with the exception of Cr Spooner who arrived at 7.40 pm during item PD/5.2/25.07.

Crs Fabiano, Lewis, Masselos, Merten, Spooner, Townsend, Westwood and Wy Kanak attended the meeting by audio-visual link.

PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS HERITAGE

The chair read the following Opening Prayer and Acknowledgement of Indigenous Heritage:

God, we pray for wisdom to govern with justice and equity. That we may see clearly and speak the truth and that we work together in harmony and mutual respect. May our actions demonstrate courage and leadership so that in all our works thy will be done. Amen.

Waverley Council respectfully acknowledges our Indigenous heritage and recognises the ongoing Aboriginal traditional custodianship of the land which forms our local government area.

1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

The chair called for declarations of interest and none were received.

3. Addresses by Members of the Public

There were no addresses by members of the public.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

PD/4.1/25.07 Confirmation of Minutes - Strategic Planning and Development Committee

Meeting - 6 May 2025 (A25/0079)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Stephenson

Seconder: Cr Nemesh

That Council confirms the minutes of the Strategic Planning and Development Committee meeting held on 6 May 2025 as a true record of the proceedings of that meeting.

5. Reports

PD/5.1/25.07 Investment Policy – Adoption (A24/0590)

MOTION / DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Spicer

That Council adopts the Investment Policy attached to the report.

Cr Wy Kanak requested that his vote against the motion be recorded in the minutes.

PD/5.2/25.07 Trade Debtors Policy - Adoption (A24/0597)

MOTION / DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

That Council adopts the Trade Debtors Policy attached to the report.

Cr Wy Kanak asked that his vote against the motion be recorded.

PD/5.3/25.07 Simpson Street, Bondi Beach - Renumbering (A23/0818)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Stephenson

Seconder: Cr Frazer

That Council:

1. Does not change the address of 299 Old South Head Road, Bondi Beach, to 299 Simpson Street, Bondi Beach, as it would not comply with the NSW Address Policy and User Manual and Council's Street Numbering Guidelines.

- 2. Does not change the numbering in Simpson Street at this time.
- 3. Informs the resident of 299 Old South Head Road of Council's decision.

Division

For the Motion: Crs Fabiano, Frazer, Lewis, Masselos, Merten, Nemesh, Spicer, Spooner

Stephenson, Townsend, Westwood and Wy Kanak.

Against the Motion: Nil.

PD/5.4/25.07 Rose Bay Shops (North) - Streetscape Upgrade (A25/0272)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Frazer

That Council:

- 1. Publicly exhibits the following concept designs for the Rose Bay Shops (North) Streetscape Upgrade, as set out in the report, for 28 days:
 - (a) Option 1 Upgrade with kerb extensions on Old South Head Road, ensuring no impact on traffic travelling southbound behind a vehicle turning right into Towns Road.
 - (b) Option 2 Upgrade within the existing kerb line of Old South Head Road.
- 2. Publicly exhibits the provisional multi-function pole package, as set out in the report and which can be added to any of the options, to underground overhead wiring and deliver smart LED lighting.
- 3. Officers prepare a report to Council no later than September on the outcome, the preferred

option, an updated cost plan and the proposed funding and delivery plan.

PD/5.5/25.07 Diamond Bay, Vaucluse - Local Street Network Review (A20/0069)

MOTION Mover: Cr Nemesh Seconder: Cr Frazer

That Council:

- 1. Retains two-way traffic in Diamond Bay Road, Craig Avenue, and Isabel Avenue, Vaucluse, as the introduction of a one-way traffic route:
 - (a) Does not have clear support from local residents.
 - (b) Would lead to higher vehicle speeds and safety concerns.
 - (c) May affect driver expectations and cause compliance issues with the one-way direction.
 - (d) Would lead to increased travel distance for residents.
- 2. Does not pursue the following alternative options at this time:
 - (a) Shifting the kerb line.
- 3. Investigates improvements to traffic flow through:
 - (a) Widening the travelway at the intersection of Isabel Avenue and Diamond Bay Road.
 - (b) Installing passing bays with identification signage including at locations between:
 - (i) 28–30A Diamond Bay Road.
 - (ii) 12-16 Diamond Bay Road.
 - (iii) 5-7 Isabel Avenue.
- 4. Continues to monitor transport conditions in the area.
- 5. Informs the Vaucluse/Diamond Bay Precinct of this resolution and consults the Precinct on the proposed investigation.
- 6. Officers prepare a report to Council no later than September on options and costings.

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THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNANIMOUS DECISION

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- 2. Does not pursue the following alternative options at this time:
 - (a) Shifting the kerb line.
- 3. Investigates improvements to traffic flow through:
 - (a) Widening the travelway at the intersection of Isabel Avenue and Diamond Bay Road.
 - (b) Installing passing bays with identification signage including at locations between:
 - (i) 28–30A Diamond Bay Road.
 - (ii) 12-16 Diamond Bay Road.
 - (iii) 5–7 Isabel Avenue.
 - (c) Widening Isabel Avenue with preference to the southern side by the use of culverts similar to the works done on the Military Road widening.
- 4. Continues to monitor transport conditions in the area.
- 5. Informs the Vaucluse/Diamond Bay Precinct of this resolution and consults the Precinct on the proposed investigation.
- 6. Officers prepare a report to Council no later than September on options and costings.

PD/5.6/25.07 Bourke Street Upgrade, Queens Park - Design Enhancements (A23/0400)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Townsend
Seconder: Cr Westwood

That Council:

- 1. Approves the design enhancements to the intersection of Bourke Street and Cuthbert Street, Queens Park, as set out in the report and as part of the approved and funded Bourke Street Upgrade project, including:
 - (a) Pedestrian crossings and continuous footpath treatments to improve pedestrian safety.
 - (b) Green paint and line marking for cyclists through the roundabout to improve cyclist safety.
- 2. Authorises the Executive Manager, Infrastructure Services, to modify the design should on-site

circumstances warrant changes.

6.	Urgent	Business
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There was no urgent business.

7. Meeting Closure

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.00 PM.

SIGNED AND CONFIRMED
CHAIR
5 AUGUST 2025