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Meeting: Rozelle Parklands Working Group meeting 4

Date / time: Wednesday 26 May 2021, 5:45pm– 7:45pm

Location: 33 James Craig Road, Rozelle
Ground floor, meeting room 1A/B

Attendees:

Attendee	Organisation	Role
Michelle Haerewa		Community Representative
Pieter van Zwieten		Community Representative
Troy Brewster		Community Representative
Cathy Edwards-Davis	Inner West Council (IWC)	Director Infrastructure
Caroline Butler-Bowdon	Department of Planning Industry and Environment (DPIE)	Executive Director Public Spaces
Lucinda Pike	Department of Planning Industry and Environment (DPIE)	Senior Manager and Landscape Architect
Celia Murphy	NSW Office of Sport	Executive Director
Julie Sundkvist	Transport for NSW (TfNSW)	Director, Eastern Harbour City
Lynne Machin	TfNSW	Director Communication & Engagement, Greater Sydney
James Naylor	TfNSW	Technical Director WestConnex Rozelle Interchange Project
Rebecca Spencer	Becscomm	Independent Chair
Apologies:		
Aaron Callaghan	IWC	Parks & Recreation Planning Manager
Fiona Morrison	DPIE	Director Open Space



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Item 1: Welcome, agenda and minutes from meeting 3 – Rebecca Spencer

Item 2: Introduction and what the Working Group needs to achieve – Julie Sundkvist

Item 3: Discuss the status and process of the Interim Report – Rebecca Spencer

Main points discussed:

- The Interim Report was submitted to the Working Group and the Minister’s Office for comments, most of which were included in the updated version of the report.
- Any outstanding comments / issues would be discussed and finalised during tonight’s meeting.
- The final recommendation report will then be developed and provided to the Minister.
- The IWC representative informed the Working Group that Council has formally resolved the following:
 - *“Request of the Government that a Master Plan and Plan of Management be developed for the Rozelle Parklands, as would be required for any new public park being established under Council’s care, control and management. That the development of the Master Plan and disclosure of costings for the construction and ongoing maintenance of the Rozelle Parklands is a prerequisite for consideration the Government’s request for Council to take on care, control and management of the Rozelle Parklands.” (Source - IWC)*
- Further discussions will take place between IWC and TfNSW regarding the CCM.
- The recommendations report will be finalised without references to the CCM.

Item 4: Discuss outstanding items – James Naylor

Main points discussed:

- The Working Group agreed that in the passive recreation recommendation section of the report it should be clear that passive recreation would be encouraged on the oval when not being used for organised sport.
- Cricket pitch – the Working Group discussed the option of a synthetic cricket pitch in the centre of the oval and noted that it would unlikely disrupt passive recreation.
- The Working Group discussed the option of a fence around the oval, and it was noted that a fence may inhibit the openness of the parkland.
- It was raised that the turf on the oval should be of high quality to ensure durability.
- Amenities block - the IWC Public Toilet Strategy recommends toilets be accessible within a 400 metre distance. The current location of the amenities block in the Parklands complies with the strategy.
- It was explained that if the amenities block were to be relocated to over to near the BBQ area it would be a very expensive exercise and might not provide significant benefit over and above the original proposed location.
- An alternative positioning of the facilities building semi-submerged into the embankment section near the oval remained an option, however, it would incur additional construction costs.



Item 5: Next steps – Julie Sundkvist

Main points discussed:

- TfNSW will work closely with IWC to finalise the details of the Parklands and find a position moving forward.

Item 6: Discuss the final Recommendation Report process – Rebecca Spencer

Main points discussed:

- The final report will be developed with the items discussed from the meeting tonight and provided to the Minister.

Item 7: Reflections and feedback on the Working Group’s process and success - All

Main points discussed:

- The process has been well received and the Working Group felt they learnt a lot from the other members.
- A longer consultation period would have been appreciated, but also recognised the time constraints.
- The information provided to the Working Group has been good to provide to the community and to help manage their expectations.
- There was an open line of discussion and the community felt they were being heard.
- Sub-groups were very effective and there was a good buy-in from the members. Everyone gave a lot of time and effort and it was appreciated by all.
- The DPIE planning principles and guidelines has been beneficial with the decision making.

Action Items:

Actionable item	Responsibility
Final report to include the items that have been confirmed tonight in relation to the amenities block, cricket pitch and passive recreation.	Rebecca Spencer
The Working Group will be updated with the progress of the final report.	Rebecca Spencer
TfNSW to commence discussions for management of the Parklands with IWC.	TfNSW / IWC

MEETING CLOSED AT 7.45PM

