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CLONTARF

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2016

Your direct link to the Clontarf Forum website is: <http://www.clontarfprecinct.com.au>



CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Hi Clontarf Residents,

The new Northern Beaches Council has announced their approach to Community Engagement which will be in place until the Council elections in September 2017.

Regrettably the council will not be supporting the reestablishment of the successful Precinct System which was an essential part of the former Manly Council community involvement process. The good news is that many of the former Precincts have reformed as Community Forums and so the structure will remain in some form. The other advantage is that we will have complete independence from Council and will be able to take the community's position on controversial issues without any pressure.

Council have indicated that resident forums can register with them and have their issues looked at via either emails or Customer Requests. So we will continue to meet and raise relevant community issues and suggestions in our minutes and send them to Council for a response. Council have indicated that the relevant business unit will respond.

I can't help feeling a little concerned about this approach as it was difficult enough to have Council respond to our issues when there was a Precinct Coordinator with Management support, previously. You may recall we sometimes struggled to have our issues dealt with in a timely and meaningful way. Anyway let's give the new council an opportunity to show us what they can do.

There has been no commitment from Senior Management of the new Council to visit our meetings where we used to have the General Manager, Mayor and Councillors visit our meetings at least annually and answer your questions. These forums were popular and gave all residents direct access to the Council decision makers. This therefore provided us with a level of influence that will not be available in the announced approach. It also provided resident input to Council decision makers which no doubt kept them grounded.

Northern Beaches Council has also announced that it

will replace the former Manly Council Committees with new more strategic committees. Each group will include community members, local experts as well as former Councillors and Mayors. If you are interested in joining a committee the application process is via an expression of interest and will be up on the Council website very soon. The groups and committees are as follows:

Economic Strategic Reference Groups

- Affordable Housing
- Economic Development and Tourism
- Place making

Environment Strategic Reference Groups

- Natural environment
- Waste and Recovery Management
- Sustainable Transport

Social Strategic Reference Groups

- Art, Culture and Heritage
- Community safety
- Open Space and recreation
- Northern Beaches Youth

While I can understand that a much larger Council needs to have a broader more strategic approach I will miss the very focussed former Harbour and Foreshores Committee of Manly Council. Let's hope these broader committees are able to get down into the detail that is required to effectively manage our precious environmental assets in Clontarf.

At our last meeting in early August we reported on Lynne and my presentations to the Council Public Forum on the 7th July covering a request for a person in Council for us to send our minutes to who would then follow up and coordinate a reply for us to take to our next Clontarf Forum Meeting. The Administrator Dick Persson responded by suggesting we send our minutes to his office for follow up, action and response. We also raised our key, minuted local issues for Council's attention.

While we didn't have a complete response from Council on our local issues raised in the July Clontarf Community Forum minutes we did receive a well considered, detailed response to the major issue of the Clontarf Beach Erosion on the point of Clontarf Reserve from the Deputy General Manager Environment and

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Infrastructure. I subsequently had a follow up discussion with Council Management where we have agreed to wait for an updated study on harbour movements from the Clontarf/Bantry Bay Estuary Management Study conducted in 2007. Council has indicated that the repeated erosion requires a well thought out strategic plan which we await with great interest. In the interim Council has agreed to build a strong timber sea wall similar to the one at the end of Monash Crescent. Council does not want to commit to the sandstone sea wall, as we suggested, at present, as they are concerned that a repeat occurrence of substantial sand erosion off the point could undermine a sandstone wall and cause an even larger problem with heavy sandstone falling into the harbour causing further destabilization of the beach and therefore threaten the Norfolk Pines on the edge of the reserve.

We were also able to obtain a response on the replacement of a pedestrian island in Ethel Street which was removed as part of the Balgowlah RSL upgrades. The issue was discussed at the Northern Beaches Traffic Committee in August and a recommendation to support the reinstatement will be sent to Council in late August and we fully expect approval will be given for the refuge to be reinstated. This is a real win for the Clontarf Community Forum.

We did not hear back on the connection to water for the dog tap in Sandy Bay Reserve, nor did we hear back on the long standing recommendation to upgrade the Graham Street Steps to make them safer by equalising the risers and redirecting water run off to a channel on the side of the steps. We have raised these questions again in the August minutes and hope for a response for our September meeting.

Lynne Young and Steve Schenaigal represented the Clontarf Community Forum at the Odour Control meetings organised by Sydney Water to consider the best approach to manage the damaging internal buildup of gas in the sewerage lines. It has been decided that the required new unit will be installed on the Mosman side of Middle Harbour hidden by the Egyptian Concrete Structure and the gases will be treated and redirected back into the sewerage line rather than expelled into the air. This is a satisfactory result after a very comprehensive process.

The Clontarf Community Forum will meet at 7.45 on Wednesday 7th September at the INTERIM LOCATION of Balgowlah Bowling Club, Bareena Drive, Balgowlah Heights.

We look forward to hearing your views.

Kind Regards

Phil Young (Chair Clontarf Community Forum)

AGENDA PRECINCT MEETING

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 7th September at the INTERIM LOCATION of Balgowlah Bowling Club, Bareena Drive, Balgowlah Heights.

- 7.45 pm – meeting commences.
- Apologies.
- Last meeting's minutes to be approved.
- Treasurer's Report.
- New Business.

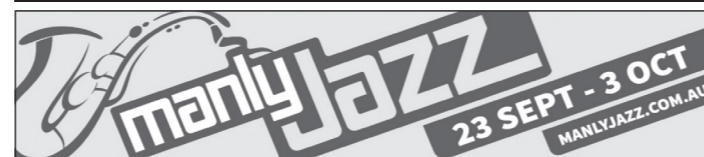
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CLONTARF HISTORY NOTES – THE ORIGINS OF STREET AND PLACE NAMES

Alder Street. Named after Mr. H.R. Alder, Deputy Town Clerk, 1927.
Allenby Street. Named after Field Marshall Viscount Allenby, Cavalry Commander WWI, who led the invasion of Palestine and captured Jerusalem from the Turks on Dec 9, 1917. He was also a patron of Lawrence of Arabia.
Alma Street. Named after the river Alma, 12 miles north of Sebastopol after the Battle of Alma in the Crimean War 1854.
Amiens Road. Named after the site of the appalling trench battles in the Somme – Battle of Amiens, WWI.
Barrabooka Street. From aboriginal term for "hunting ground".
Beatrice Street. Named after the daughter of Mayor Griffin.
Castle Rock Crescent. Formerly part of Ogilvy Road, re-named by Council resolution 4 Nov 1975. Near Castle Rock.
Cutler Road. Named after Sir Roden Cutler, VC, war hero and later State Governor. Previously known as Moore Street.
Ethel Street. 1880 named after the daughter of Mayor Griffin.
Fairbairn Avenue. Named after Alderman W. Fairbairn, Mayor of Manly, 1959.
Fisher Bay. Named after John Fisher's 30 acre holding of 1840.
Gordon Street. Named after Major General Charles Gordon. Hero of the Sudan war. Australia's first overseas battle.
Harbourview Street. Geographical.
Heaton Avenue. Francis W. Heaton, Mayor in 1918 and 1922, early Manly family.
Holmes Avenue. Named after Major General William Holmes (1862-1917), Commander of 5th Brigade AIF at Gallipoli. Originally known as Wharf Street when the ferries were in use.
Kanangra Crescent. Aboriginal for "beautiful view".
Linkmead Avenue. Named after the 1913 development known as Linkmead Point Estate.
Maretime Street. Named after the house belonging to Mayor J.G. Griffin.



Beatrice Street looking south, 1936.

Monash Crescent. Named after Sir John Monash, Field Marshal and Engineer WW1.
Moore Street. Named after Elizabeth Moore, land-owner (60 acres) at Clontarf and licensee of the Clontarf Hotel 1834.
Ogilvy Road. Named after Adam Ogilvy, who was mayor (1917) and secretary of the swimming club. Was originally known as Clontarf Road.
Peronne Avenue. Named after the battlefield outside Paris where Australian troops fought in WW1.
Plant Street. Named after Mr. John Plant Wright 1910, Garden Estate owner, boot maker (with 500 workers) and Bowling Club president for 8 years.
Russell Street. Named in 1899 after Alderman Adam Russell who was known for planting pines and establishing the Ladies' Baths.
Sandy Bay Road. Geographical.
Vista Avenue. Geographical.

Credits: John McCredie – History Librarian, Manly.



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