

St Catherine's Development Community Consultative Committee

Meeting No: 23

Date: Thursday 18th February 2021, 6.30 – 8pm

Venue: Zoom

Attendees	
<p>Community Members Danny Caretti – Charing Cross Precinct/neighbouring resident Dom Egan – Resident Chelsea Hunnisett – Bronte Beach Precinct representative Kate Marshall – resident Julie McAlpin – Charing Cross Precinct</p>	<p>St Catherine's Andrew Grech Warwick Smith</p> <p>Richard Crookes Belal Afyouni – Project Manger Cameron Waller – Construction Manager</p> <p>Independent Chair Roberta Ryan</p> <p>Minute Taker Sophie Alais</p>
<p>Apologies Tony Pavlovic – Waverly Council</p>	

Item	Description	Action
1	Welcome and Introductions	
	RR introduces everyone including new minute taker Sophie Alais.	
2	Apologies	
	Tony Pavlovic from Waverly Council.	
3	Minutes and Matter Arising	
	RR asks for volunteer CCC members to sign off the November meeting's minutes. JM and WS agree to sign off the minutes.	
	No matters arising from previous minutes.	
4	Construction Update	
	BA gives the CCC a construction update. BA says that they are currently in the process of completing the Level 4 slab. Plan is to have the first half poured tomorrow. In a week and a half, the second half will done up to the street. In the next month, complete structural elements on that level.	
	After level 4 slab is poured and cured, Richard Crookes Construction (RCC) can remove props that are holding the concrete. This means more trucks to take that out. Next, RCC will begin constructing the pool.	

	<p>BA says now expected to complete construction in Mid-September, pushing back from initial August completion date due to weather – particularly wind, less so rain – impacting the project.</p> <p>DC says that in the last minutes the crane was expected to be removed on Feb 7.</p> <p>BA replies that due to the weather delaying the project, crane removal will now happen in early May 2021.</p> <p>RR asks why it has been pushed so far back. BA replies that the project has experienced 2 months’ worth of bad weather.</p> <p>WS to give people an further idea, the envelope will be clad by April. Then RCC will be working on interiors.</p> <p>JM asks if RCC will work over the Easter period.</p> <p>BA says no firm plans yet to work over the Easter period, depends if the project hits major milestones. BA says he will inform the CCC and the community as soon as he knows.</p>	
5	Communications and complaints	
	<p>BA says between 17 Nov 2020 to yesterday 17 Feb 2021, there has been a total of 12 complaints.</p> <p>Including –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complaint from a neighbour about starting before 7.30am on a Sunday. BCC advised the neighbour that this was legal under revised Covid-19 guidelines. - 4 complaints about smoking in Macpherson St and smoking in Leichardt Lane. BA explains that it is difficult because when BCC get a new team, BA has to explain smoking rules all over again. BA says he is policing this as hard as he can. - Complaint about truck on Macpherson St. BA said BCC explained to the neighbour that it wasn’t their truck, - Early on, a water meter was damaged on Macpherson St while removing a tree. A resident said the water metre was now leaking. Sydney Water came and fixed it so issue is now solved. - Another complaint was about loud music – issue has been dealt with. <p>BA outlined the enquires received –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enquiry regarding cracking in 4 Macpherson St. Compared to dilapidation report. Person satisfied that the crack was already there. - Another enquiry about the project’s completion date. 	

	<p>BA says BCC issued several updates and alerts including –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Three construction updates were issued in December, January and February. Another one will be issued in March. - Several construction alerts were issued. Including 2 alerts about planned weekend works, 2 alerts about December holiday works, and 3 alerts about 4 Macpherson St water metre works. - One regular issue was engagement with Macpherson St. <p>RR asks the groups for any questions or comments that need to be raised with BA.</p> <p>DC says that a resident of 4 Macpherson St complained to him about workers smoking in the rear near Leichardt Lane.</p> <p>BA said this person had been responded to. One complaint was after Australia Day when no workers were on site. Other days, it was workers smoking there.</p> <p>RR thanks BA for his continued efforts to stop RCC workers smoking near residential buildings. Says that the neighbours appreciate his efforts.</p> <p>DC said someone from the community had asked him if the public could use the St Catherine’s school pool once it is complete.</p> <p>AG said the public were prevented from using the St. Catherine’s pool in the Conditions of Consent. Use of facilities in developments are subject to the indicative usage profile. The number of events that are occurring across the facilities and the limitation on them is determined in the consent. This does not facilitate community use.</p> <p>WS says this was not driven by the school. This was prevented during the consent process due to parking impacts.</p>	
7	Traffic Management and Afternoon Pick Up - KM	
	<p>KM said she read an article in the conversation (https://theconversation.com/school-run-cutting-car-use-will-take-much-more-than-educating-children-and-parents-143382) about the pollution caused by idling cars during school picks up and drop offs. KM says the article mentioned an organisation that helps student’s think about reducing pollution in their local areas.</p> <p>KM says there are many idling cars by St Catherine’s that causes pollution for local neighbours and the students. KM hoped the school would think about community engagement with neighbours and get students involved and raise parental awareness about the pollution caused by idling cars.</p>	<p>Investigate idling cars and possible ways to reduce pollution as part of the school</p>

	<p>AG says that the idling issue has been raised before. The school does have the cars in constant motion for both the junior and the senior school – car pulls up, child jumps in, then gone. Outside the car line, idling could be happening. The school is always reaching out to students and parents to keep the car lines efficient and safe ways to travel to school. Some idling may be caused by senior school parent’s arriving before 3.25. St Cath’s encourages parents to come after 3.25 to make a quick pick up.</p> <p>AG says that in terms of introducing new subjects, there are initiatives like ‘walk to school day’. Aim would be to get compliance with existing initiatives before introducing new ones.</p> <p>KM replies that the staff are very good but still there are many idling cars. KM says it’s about the health of children and neighbours. It is important to work constructively with the school on the issue since parents would be horrified about the level of pollution caused by idling cars. KM is happy to write to the Principal. The issue had been raised by many neighbours to KM since with this project and increased enrolments there will be more cars.</p> <p>DC asks if these cars are actually parking illegally and thus idling. DC also says that many modern car engine turns off when the car stops.</p> <p>KM says the idling cars may be parking illegally. KM also says there are still many cars with old fashioned engines that do not switch off.</p> <p>DC says that it is important to look at where the cars are idling to see if they are stopping illegally.</p> <p>RR says to put in the actions and see what response the school gives.</p>	<p>program</p> <p>.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Any Other Business</p>	
	<p>RR asks if there is any news from St Catherine’s that needed to be foreshadowed.</p> <p>AG says the school started with 1020 students, similar numbers to term 4 last year. Down 10 from 2020.</p> <p>AG says parents are still restricted from campus during the day. Some events are now allowed but there are no spectators or parents allowed at sporting matches. Some activity back on campus but nowhere near pre-covid-19 levels.</p> <p>AG gives the group a very early heads up that the traffic count will go ahead in the last week of term and then the second week of the school holidays. Last year, the traffic count was no undertaken due to</p>	<p>WS to ask traffic surveyors if there is an increase in traffic since covid.</p>

lockdown. We have engaged the company for the traffic count and a survey will go to the staff and student body.

DC asks that in terms of the transport management plan the numbers have to be down to get the occupation certificate post the finalisation of construction.

WS says there are no changes to DA requirements because of the virus. Current rules still apply. Count will be undertaken in the second week of the holidays (Monday 5th April) in order to avoid counting during Easter when traffic is different.

WS says the only other requirement would be the independent road assessment of the relocated pedestrian crossing on Macpherson St. Could potentially also use that term to look for idling cars, will talk to AG. It will update annual figures and see how the relocated crosswalk is working.

DC asks if AG or WS think that the virus has increased the number of parents driving their children rather than their children taking the bus due to fears around the virus.

AG says there has been increased demand for the St Cath's bus service. All four routes are now fully subscribed. Plus, the Bondi route that was introduced as trial last year is now fully subscribed. There is even a waiting list for the first time.

AG is not sure if there is an increase in parent's dropping off their children. AG says the start of the year is always busier. After school sport usually eases traffic woes. When sport stopped last year, it increased afternoon traffic.

WS says the survey will show if there has been an increase in traffic since Covid-19. WS says he will action asking the traffic surveying company if they have seen an increase in traffic since covid-19 on other projects. WS suspects that they'll just do the numbers and provide a general observation and compare it to previous data sets.

DC asks that given the delay in the finishing date, will there be another survey.

WS says there is no particular amount of surveys St Cath's has to do. Need to provide general commentary that there has been no net increase in cars from the 2014 base line. WS says there will be a survey before the project finishes, plus another one in April 2022 that will combine the post-construction 6-month survey and the annual survey.

<p>DC asks what St Cath's will do if the construction ends and they have more vehicles.</p> <p>WS say then they can't increase school numbers if they can't prove there hasn't been a net increase in cars.</p> <p>WS says crosswalk will move east towards construction entrance.</p> <p>DC asked if the crosswalk change was approved by council.</p> <p>WS says it was approved by Waverley Traffic Committee. The Waverley Traffic Meeting was in February 2018. Information went to the Department of Planning on 17th April 2020. It was approved by the Department of Planning on 2nd September 2020.</p> <p>DE asks if WS knows about the moves to create more wombat crossings and reduce the speed limit in local areas.</p> <p>WS says he has not heard of any changes. The crosswalk changes was from a design from the Roads and Maritime Services.</p> <p>JM says in reply to DE's question that council is looking to introduce 40km speed limits, street scape upgrades and cycle ways in many municipalities including Charring Cross.</p> <p>DE asks for the address to find the St Cath's CCC web address. https://www.stcatherines.nsw.edu.au/rpac/Community%20Consultation/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>WS makes an admin note that he may bring a visitor in June or July 2021. RR approves.</p> <p>DC asks what happens when construction ends with the CCC group.</p> <p>RR and WS reply that as part of the Conditions of Consent there are mandatory 4 meetings a year for two years post completion of the project to make sure everything is working as planned.</p> <p>DC asks if there are any plans for Stage 2 or Stage 1 B.</p> <p>AG says there is no planning for the next stage, the school is focused on finishing this stage first. Next stage will include planning – gap between RPAC finishing and how quickly the next stage would start. DC says that then they are only doing half of stage 1.</p> <p>AG says the masterplan is approved.</p>	
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	<p>DC asks isn't Part B approved.</p> <p>WS says that is St Cath's decided to do stage 1B, they would have get a construction certificate first. Any stage but Stage 1B requires a DA approval.</p>	
9	Next Meeting	
	<p>CCC agrees that late May could potentially be ideal for the next meeting since it would coincide with the crane being pulled down, potentially the traffic report being finished plus it would be after the Charring Cross Meeting.</p> <p>RR says the exact date will be decided plus the CCC can decide if it wants to continue via zoom or meet face to face.</p> <p>Next meeting Tuesday 18th May.</p>	