

GREATER MANLY RESIDENTS' FORUM – MINUTES

Meeting 3 March 2018

Manly Bowling Club (on the Park) Raglan Street, Manly NSW 2095.

Meeting Commencing: 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm latest.

Acknowledgement of Country – (*Libby Bubb*)

Welcome – (*Denise Keen*)

Guest Speaker: The Hon. James Griffin, MP for Manly

Mr James Griffin spoke about his first 10 months as elected MP for Manly and the variety of issues he has become involved with and initiatives he has taken forward for the area. The speech was very well received.

Matters noted included:

- Funding for a variety of small projects across the electorate secured, including funds for Friends of Ivanhoe Park Botanic Garden.
- Fifty Million dollars spend on the Health Hub at Brookvale.
- Investigating future initiatives for Health in the electorate for the future.
- New digesters for North Head Sewage Treatment works.
- Improvements in transport including Ride Plus, B Line roll out + car parking, change to phasing of traffic lights at Kenneth Road and Condamine Street and Sydney Road and Burnt Bridge Creek Bypass.
- Future use of the Manly Hospital site
- Manly Wharf – disability access being sorted.
- New Barangaroo Ferry Service
- Curl Curl North Primary School upgrade planning well underway.
- Return and Earn comes to Manly at the Coles site Manly Vale.

AND MUCH MORE.

Initiatives in the pipeline include:

- Legislative framework for autonomous vehicle use.
- Expanding the sanctuary at Cabbage Tree Bay Marine Park.
- A strategy to clean up Curl Curl Lagoon.
- Improved availability of before and after school care places.

1. **Open Forum** – bring your issues along for open discussion (all welcome)

Manly Lagoon walkway – Proposed Lighting presented by Nigel Cowan

The Forum discussed the inappropriate lighting proposed by NBC for Manly Lagoon Park and voted unanimously in favour of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: At the GMRF meeting held Monday 5 March 2018. The landscape plan for this area which shows 6 meter high floodlighting **MUST BE RE DESIGNED**. The former Manly Council trialed this type of lighting in Manly Lagoon and abandoned it as it interfered with residents, encouraged parties and bad behaviour and drove the tawny frogmouth owls and other fauna from the area. It is essential that NBC do not use a "one size fits all" approach to issues and put the wrong lighting into parks and reserves just because "that's what we use". GMRF resolve that Council be asked to totally review the light for this sensitive area taking into account the views of residents and look to protect the species living in the area. GMRF resolve that NBC be asked to source "LOW IMPACT | ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY" lighting for the Manly lagoon, consult with local residents and GMRF to ensure the appropriate lighting is installed. Note

must be taken of the trial run by the former Manly Council which found that the type of lighting currently proposed by NBC was totally incorrect and inappropriate for the area.

The resolution was submitted to NBC during the submission consultation period. GMRF continue to support the residents of Manly Lagoon area to achieve an environmentally acceptable lighting solution for the park and are actively lobbying Councillors, and Council staff where appropriate, to assist the residents in achieving the best outcome for Manly Ward.

Matters for discussion / action:

2. Proposed Tunnel connection from the Northern Beaches

- **Guest Speakers:** Ian Bollen and Neil Christansen | North Balgowlah

Following question time GMRF thanked Ian and Neil for their presentation and confirmed support for the Northern Beaches Tunnel group in their endeavours to ensure the BEST outcomes for the Northern Beaches and the people of Seaforth, Balgowlah, Manly Vale and surrounds as well as for the environment, bush area and our native animals.

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/pg/northernbeachestunnel> for more information.

3. Combined Forums meeting debrief.

- A brief summary of the first Manly Combined Forums meeting was provided by Sand Hudspith and was noted by those in attendance.

4. Security | Manly Beach, presented by Gary O'Brien.

- Noted for watching brief.

5. Waste and beach cleanliness | Manly Beach – presented by Gary O'Brien.

- Noted for watching brief.

6. Manly Hospital Site Project Steering Group meeting 6 March.

- Deferred to May meeting.

7. Roseberry Street Expansion – presented by Lloyd Keen. Noted.

- Meetings to be held with Council staff and Manly Ward Councillors to progress this issue. More information to be provided at May meeting.

8. Update of resolutions – deferred to May meeting.

- Drop in maintenance standards
- Public toilets in the Manly Council Area
- New Community Notice Boards
- Public transport to the new Northern Beaches Hospital
- Local Traffic Issues

Next meeting: April meeting suspended due to Easter

