

Hello Everyone and welcome to our second GMRFB Briefing Paper of 2020.

Our aim to keep you all up to date on the work that continues to be done by your GMRFB Executive and the Council to solve problems and find solutions to issues that inevitable arise in our area.

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NEWS !!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Due to COVID-19 and the difficulty in securing a suitable venue for our AGM, and taking into account the possibility of stronger restrictions, we have taken the decision to defer our AGM to 2021, as offered by NSW Fair Trade.

I'm pleased to advise that GMRFB Executive have agreed to remain in their roles until July 2021, and I thank them all for that.

Your Greater Manly Residents Executive is as follows:

Chair: Denise Keen

Co-Chair: Nick Reid

Treasurer: Nick Reid

Secretary: Vacant (volunteer needed)

Media Coordinator: Gary O'Brien

Website/Facebook Coordinator: Susan Robertson

Noticeboard Coordinator: Meg Morgan

MANLY HOSPITAL SITE – A CHANCE TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK!

*Denise Keen | Community Representative
Project Steering Advisory Committee*

A significant milestone has been reached with the publication of the draft concept Masterplan which is now ready for feedback. The foundations of the Masterplan include the Project's guiding principles, outcomes of the community consultation (held in September 2019), technical studies including environmental, heritage and specialist investigations, market

sounding exercises. **NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK.** Unfortunately we only have until **WEDNESDAY 19 AUGUST 2020** to do that.

PLEASE GO TO <https://www.property.nsw.gov.au/former-manly-hospital-site> to have your say.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS & OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN

Greater Manly Residents Forum has been working for the Manly community for many years. Prior to amalgamation of the three Northern Beaches Councils, working as Ivanhoe Park Precinct and Fairlight Precinct some funding was provided by Manly Council. That is no longer the case and we need to self fund. The best way for us to do that is through memberships. Many of you are members of GMRF. Your support both through the membership fee and your input through our website, facebook and, prior to Covid-19, our monthly meetings has been invaluable. It has enabled us to focus on the issues that matter to you, to engage with Council to achieve successful outcomes for our area, and to keep you informed via our website, facebook page and email distribution list. In the past 12 months just some of the issues we've worked on with Council are:

- Manly parking permit scheme
- Toward 2040
- Fairlight Walkway
- Manly Olympic signage
- Roseberry Street Traffic Issues (ongoing)
Installation of the Pedestrian crossing between Woolworths & Aldi in Roseberry Street specifically.
- Manly Hospital site
- Manly Lagoon Park
- East & west esplanade
- Fairlight reservoir
- Northern Beaches Bike Plan
- DA's of significance
- Manly Ward meetings with Councillors, CEO and staff.

Our continued ability to add value to our community, to continue to influence outcomes in our area, and to work with our councillors, Deputy Mayor Candy Bingham, Councillor Sarah Grattan and Councillor Pat Daley needs your support. I've attached a membership application form for you if you haven't already joined, or you can go to our website at www.gmrf.com.au You can also email us at greatermanlyresidentsforum@gmail.com

And it's easy to renew your membership. Membership fees are due by 1 July each year. Cheques and cash payments, made out to Greater Manly Residents Forum with your name and email address can be forwarded to the Treasurer, U29/80 Evans Street, Freshwater. NSW 2096, or make a direct payment to Greater Manly Residents Forum, Northern Beaches Credit Union BSB 512-170 Acct No. 100298344. Please include your name on the payment details, and thank you for helping us continue to help you.

NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL

Child Safeguarding Policy can now be viewed on line. Submissions close Sunday 9 August 2020.

<https://yoursay.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/2020-policies/child-safeguarding-policy-and-guidelines>

Subscribe to Council's monthly interactive newsletter to get updates on news, projects, events and opportunities that matter to you.

<https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/council/news/newsletters>

FRIENDS of IVANHOE PARK BOTANIC GARDEN

FIPBG held their Annual General Meeting on 20 July 2020 in St Andrew's Church Hall, Raglan Street. The meeting was attended by Zali Steggall, Federal MP for Warringah, James Griffin, State MP for Manly, Candy Bingham – Deputy Mayor for Northern Beaches and Councillor Pat Daley. The Friends are achieving a great deal within the garden with proposed works to the Old Tramway area commencing soon, ongoing monthly working bees which are well attended and include planting, weeding and unfortunately dealing with the rubbish left in the park. Council and Friends liaise on all works carried out in the garden, so if you have any concerns please go to the Friends website to contact them.

A current and very difficult issue they are dealing with is the ongoing vandalism in the park. The recent destruction of the Wollemi Pine (for the 2nd time) planted in the garden just over 12 months ago, along with the destruction of two quite large palm trees, the regular destruction of small shrubs, removal of species name boards, and long term systematic destruction of the fern gully in the garden combined with the rubbish left behind by is taking a toll on this beautiful area in Manly. Locals and residents alike say **enough is enough. This must stop.** FIPBG are working with Council and the Police to target vandalism, illegal drinking and loutish antisocial behaviour in the garden. Please see the attached letter from the to find out how **you can help stop this vandalism.**

For more information on Ivanhoe Park Botanic Garden go to their website at <https://www.friendsivanhoeparkbotanicgarden.com/>

ACTIONS CURRENTLY with COUNCIL

Fairlight Old Reservoir Site Park & Playground | Council

Once again, following representations by GMRF, in particular the hard work of Gary O'Brien, progress has been made in turning the old reservoir site in Fairlight into a park and playground. The site has opened with new turf. The next step is consultation with residents on the future plans for playground equipment. It is anticipated the plans will be ready for exhibition in August this year. Once this has been achieved Council will review funding sources and fit this into their budget for near future works. Thank you to Deputy Mayor, Candy Bingham for her representations to Council.

From: Denise Keen

Roseberry Street Precinct | Council

Traffic issues current and future in this area were flagged with Council two years ago resulting in Council undertaking to provide a traffic management study of the area. To date a pedestrian crossing has been installed between Woolworths and Aldi improving the safety of the many shoppers taking advantage of the two supermarkets in such close proximity. We hope to know more of planned improvements shortly. Thank you to Deputy Mayor, Candy Bingham for her support and initiative in pursuing this through Council.

From: Denise Keen

Manly Scenic Walkway | Council

In May Gary O'Brien and Meg Morgan representing the GMRF met with Jeremy Smith from Northern beaches Council to undertake an inspection tour of the Manly to Balgowlah section of the scenic walkway. The purpose was draw Council attention to what needed to be done now and in the future to improve the condition of the walkway. Council are keen to make improvements where possible. The key issues established on the day included:

- Removal of dead trees and dead branches on existing trees (prominent along the edges, close to the water). Clearing any branches or trees that have fallen to the ground.
- Clearing weeds close to where the grass ends
- Closer attention to the grass cutting to ensure this goes up to existing greenery
- Where greenery patches exist, ensure weeds are removed
- Improve lighting (several poles from Commonwealth Point to Fairlight Beach were identified as placement areas for additional lighting)
- Planting new trees/shrubs particularly in area to replace dead trees
- Upgrade/improve the greenery plantation area next to No. 1 Lauderdale Ave.
- Remove any weeds and ivy on trees and ground near the marina and consider adding several small green areas bordering the footpath
- Put in place a plan tackling weeds and maintenance (over and above cutting the grass)
- Check on handrail leading to Delwood beach and evaluate the need to add a further handrail

Thank you Meg and Gary for the work you continue to do on this issue. Also a special thank you to Richard Stanes for his hard work in this area/

From: Gary O'Brien

Dumping of Trolleys | Coles

Following representations to Coles by Nick Reid on behalf of GMRF, Coles are more closely monitoring the issue of trolleys dumped around the area. Whilst the colder weather and Covid-19 is having some impact on this issue, there is no doubt Coles actions are having an impact. GMRF thank Coles for working with the community on this issue and look forward to continued improvement, especially through the coming spring/summer season. Thank you Nick for keeping this issue on our radar and working with Coles for a solution.

From: Denise Keen

DA's of NOTE

DA2020/0552 181 Allambie Road, Allambie Heights. Previously Refused DA2018/1667. GMRF supported Save Manly Dam Catchment Committee in objecting to this slightly modified DA. Our objections are based on the following:

The DA appears to simply be a regurgitation of DA2018/1667 which was refused by Council and rejected by the Local Planning Panel.

Reasons for refusal included destruction of bushland and serious impact on Manly Dam, impacting wildlife and destroying yet more of the small valuable green areas still intact on the Northern Beaches. These issues have not changed with this new Development Application.

Constant pressure on our Crown Land by developers and organisations to extend properties for commercial gain at the cost of destruction of our natural areas. A development of this type is not for the use of the PUBLIC nor is it in the best interests of the PUBLIC. Continued encroachment on Crown Land will ensure our future generations live in a Northern Beaches devoid of beautiful natural public spaces.

This DA is within bushfire prone land. Its development will call for more of our precious and scarce native bushland to be destroyed to ensure a sufficient line of cleared land to protect the development. The development threatens endangered wildlife and will destroy 85 trees.

The additional stormwater created during and post construction will pollute the area as was the case with the disastrous destruction and pollution caused by the building of Manly Vale Public School, which occurred despite all the assurances this would not occur.

NEXT BRIEFING – OCTOBER 2020

Remember to stay in touch on our facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/GreaterManlyResidentsForum/> or through our website www.gmrf.com.au

We welcome your emails giving us ideas, letting us know of issues or just keeping in touch.

BUT MOSTLY, WE REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO BEING ABLE TO HOLD OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS FACE TO FACE ONCE AGAIN.

TAKE GOOD CARE EVERYONE!

*Denise Keen | Chair
August 2020*

Greater Manly Residents' Forum

Membership Application Form



Annual membership fees are as follows:

\$20 for Individual Member \$35 for Member and Partner (Family - same residence)

Membership is for a calendar year and due by 1 July each year.

Cheques can be made payable to **Greater Manly Residents' Forum**.

- Cheques and cash payments are to be forwarded to the Treasurer with the completed form.

Direct payment can be made to Greater Manly Residents Forum, Northern

Beaches Credit Union BSB 512-170 Acct No. 100298344

Please enter your name when making payment.

- Forms can be lodged electronically by scanning then sending to greatermanlyresidentsforum@gmail.com or by posting to: U29/80 Evans Street, Freshwater NSW 2096

Please direct any queries to Denise Keen (0411 606 275) or contact the above email.

Title: Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/>	Surname:	
	Given Names:	
	Other (additional person):	

Home Address:		
	Suburb:	Postcode:
Phone (home):	Phone (mobile):	
Email:		

Please indicate payment:	Membership:	Total: [write total \$ below]
	\$20 Individual	
	\$35 Family	\$
Payment option: Cash Cheque Direct Debit		

How to submit this form. Print the form and post to FIPBG with payment or scan and send to greatermanlyresidentsforum@gmail.com

Administration Area Only:	Date Received:
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Would you like to receive regular notices/newsletters? Yes No
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Please indicate with a (√) activities you may be interested in:
Administration/Management functions
Graphic Design
Newsletter production
Newsletter distribution
Management of Sponsors

Skills and qualifications can you share. Please (√)
Data entry
Accounting
Legal
Graphic Artist
Database Management

How did you hear about the Greater Manly Residents' Forum (GMRF)? Please (√)
Attended a GMRF event
Through an existing GMRF member
Through Northern Beaches Council
Other:



James Griffin MP

Parliamentary Secretary for the Environment
Parliamentary Secretary for Veterans
Member for Manly

MEDIA RELEASE

Wednesday, 22 July 2020

PLANNING PROPOSAL READY FOR FORMER MANLY HOSPITAL SITE

A vibrant health and wellbeing sanctuary supporting the needs of the local and wider community is one step closer with proposed plans for the former Manly Hospital site ready for further feedback.

Member for Manly James Griffin says it's an exciting time for the development and encourages everyone to view the latest concept master plan on the Property NSW website.

"This wonderful site will offer a diverse range of services and partnerships which leverage the greatest collective outcome for the community," Mr Griffin said.

"This has been a combined effort from the local community to make sure we maximise the benefits of a site located in an incredible position on the Harbour and Northern Beaches."

The Department of Planning, Industry & Environment and COX Architecture have prepared a draft concept master plan for the Site informed by the Project's guiding principles, outcomes of the community consultation (held in September 2019), technical studies including environmental, heritage and specialist investigations and market sounding exercises.

"This is about getting the balance right to ensure we provide the best health and wellbeing and supporting services to activate the former hospital site and to service the area and beyond, while ensuring the project is set up for success by being financial sustainable," Mr Griffin said.

A planning proposal will be lodged with Northern Beaches Council which will seek to expand the range of health, wellbeing and related uses permitted at the site under the current zoning.

The former Manly Hospital was closed in October 2018 and a Project Steering Advisory Committee (PSAC) established to develop future uses and masterplan for the site. The PSAC comprises members from the Department Planning Industry and Environment (DPIE), Northern Beaches Council, Northern Sydney Local Health District, National Parks and Wildlife Services and local community members.

"We want the community to continue on the journey with us and to get excited about this once in a lifetime opportunity to repurpose the site for the benefit of generations to come," Mr Griffin said.

A link to the updated concept master plan and an opportunity to submit feedback can be found here: <https://www.property.nsw.gov.au/former-manly-hospital-site>

The community will have an opportunity to submit their feedback on the concept master plan through to Wednesday, 19 August, 2020.

Media contact: Daniel Rubenach | Mr Griffin | 0432 498 014

6 July, 2020



Dear Resident,

Northern Beaches Police Area Command have received reports of trespass and malicious damage incidents occurring in and around the Manly Oval and Ivanhoe Park Botanic Gardens. These offences generally occur on Friday and Saturday nights. Youths appear to be congregating in the area consuming alcohol and illicit drugs resulting in offensive behaviour, damage to property and leaving dangerous/harmful litter in the area.

Police are requesting your assistance in the form of eyes and ears of the community. If you see any persons causing damage or behaving in an offensive manor, please contact Manly Police Station immediately on 9976 8099 or '000' if there is an emergency.

Northern Beaches Police are committed to the ongoing investigation and detection of offenders for these crimes. It is with your assistance that we work together to make this community a safer one.

Thanking you,

Crime Prevention Officer
Northern Beaches Local Area Command