

PLATYPUS COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING NOTES SUMMARY SYDNEY HARBOUR FEDERATION TRUST 11 April 2017

To provide updates on current Harbour Trust projects and the opportunity to comment on upcoming developments.

Site Use Update

Members were provided an update on the minor preliminary works taking place to remove obsolete and derelict infrastructure from buildings, and on site filming hire.

Management Plan Implementation

Members were provided a presentation of the architectural plans and explanation of Stages 1A, 1B and 2, including timings, and the funding allocated to the project.

Members discussed: the design and issues surrounding stair access and site access and security once the site is open to the public. The group also discussed communicating the various stages to the public and the possibility of bring forward various works. The group were advised that the works program has been designed to give the public access as quickly as possible. Discussions were held about parking issues and increased vehicles parking in High St and addressing parking through the current car park and the spaces to be created in the RANTME building. The state of High Street such as pot holes, was discussed and the works needed by North Sydney Council. A discussion would be held with North Sydney Council.

Generally, those present were very pleased with the planned works and the allocation of additional funding from the Harbour Trust.

Interpretation Plan Update

The group were provided an update on the status of the plan and provided a detailed history on the site. They were shown plans for the Submariner memorial and advised that the DA was with the Harbour Trust planning department for approval.

50th Anniversary of HMAS Platypus Commissioning

The group were provided a detailed history in relation to the 50th Anniversary, and the planned event. The organising group were to provide detailed event information to the Harbour Trust.

Communications and Consultation

The group were informed of the upcoming community consultation for Stage 1 works. A local letterbox drop was completed prior to initial works taking place in March. An updated sign will be placed in the two noticeboards this week, and a new major sign will be erected in front of High Street entry next to the noticeboard in the coming weeks to confirm next steps, and an overview of the Platypus vision. The Harbour Trust website remains the main source of updates. The Harbour Trust will also be using the Community Newsletter again, in both email and letterbox form as more information becomes available.