



**SYDNEY HARBOUR FEDERATION TRUST
BOARD MEETING IN PUBLIC
GENERAL QUESTIONS-NOTES OF DISCUSSION
29 June 2018**

Question as to whether the Landship has been waterproofed or if there are any plans to do so or to renovate it

The Acting Chair advised that the roof opening of the Landship was designed to replicate the open hold of a ship to facilitate training for Defence personnel in the loading/unloading of ships. The Harbour Trust has installed a covering across the roof opening to provide weather protection without impacting the building's heritage values. This structure was never built as a waterproof structure and the covering installed helps to reduce water ingress. There are no plans for additional weather-proofing or renovation. As is, the space is able to be used for temporary community and exhibition use.

Statement that the NSW State Government Member for North Sydney has announced funding to support the Middle Head Masterplan and question as to whether it is likely there will be provision in this funding for installing shelters at the bus stops adjacent to HMAS Penguin

The Acting Chair advised the Harbour Trust's understanding that the NSW Government has provided National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) with funding towards implementing the vision set out in NPWS' Masterplan for Middle Head and Georges Heights, which was publicly exhibited in 2016. At this stage, the Harbour Trust understands the focus for NPWS will include new paths on NPWS managed land, linking Middle Head with Chowder Bay. The bus stops on Middle Head Rd are located on land managed by the Harbour Trust, and so would not be covered by this funding. The Harbour Trust will continue to work with NPWS to coordinate planning for the Headlands.

Question as to why it is still not possible to provide a much needed bus shelter below Burnt Orange

The Acting Chair advised that the Harbour Trust actively encourages workers and visitors to use public transport. A bus shelter at this location would support this aim and has been identified as a desired outcome in the Harbour Trust's Management Plan for Middle Head. The timing of this project is subject to funding availability. It is a mid-range priority.

Question as to how long SIMS will be given to finalise and submit its proposal for 10 Terminal before the Harbour Trust may consider looking to an alternative prospective plan for the site

The Acting Chair noted that SIMS is a good fit for 10 Terminal and the Harbour Trust is awaiting further progress and is still open to other options.

Statement that 10 Terminal is unused and that there is an amount in the NSW Government budget for an educational field centre, and a question as to whether the centre will only be established if SIMS moves forward

The Executive Director advised that the Harbour Trust is not across the details of the funding announcement and that it looks forward to working with the NSW Government and SIMS.



Question as to when the Board will insist the Commonwealth Government provide sufficient funding for the Harbour Trust

The Acting Chair advised the Harbour Trust is working with the Government.

Questions about the status of land tenure of the two Harbour Trust Ovals; whether there is any written agreement with Mosman Council and if so, its nature; the Harbour Trust's supervisory conditions required of Mosman Council in their management of the Ovals; and who has priority use of the Ovals

The Acting Chair noted that Mosman Council has maintained and used the Ovals for sport since Defence's ownership of the site, and advised that the Harbour Trust and Council are working towards formalising these arrangements through a licence that has been prepared and is expected to be agreed to by both parties soon. The licence covers a period of 15 years and requires Mosman Council to invest in the Ovals. It will also need to prepare an Operations Plan for the Ovals, to ensure these assets are adequately maintained, and that there is equitable access for the community; this will include targets for equity of access for male and female sports users. The Operations Plan will be subject to the Harbour Trust's approval. Defence will retain priority of use for specific, occasional purposes, such as helicopter landings, exercise and training activities, which is a condition placed upon the Harbour Trust when these lands were transferred by Defence.

Statement about Middle Head Oval, that Mosman Council resolved in December 2017 and on 5 June 2018 to redevelop the natural turf utilising the advice and services of a professional agronomist firm and questions about whether the Harbour Trust is fully aware of all details of the proposed works, including an exclusionary fence for the duration of the works; and the Harbour Trust's opinion of Council's decision to improve the natural grass

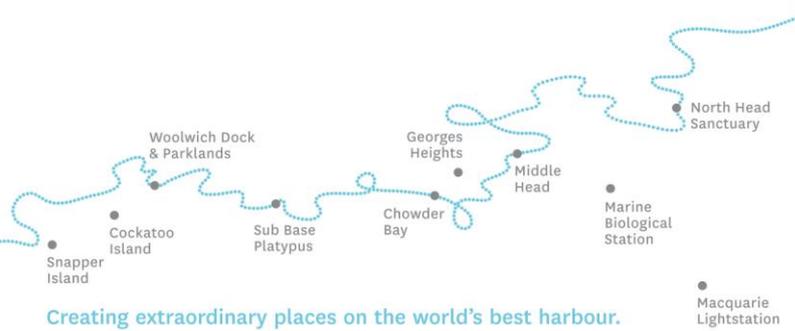
The Acting Chair advised that Council has advised the Harbour Trust of its resolution and of its tender for these works. It is understood that the project will involve regrading of the surface, during which time the public would be temporarily unable to access the Oval. The Harbour Trust will ask Council to keep all stakeholders informed as the project progresses. Council's decision to improve this facility, which will benefit local sports groups is supported.

Statement that Mosman Council resolved in December 2017 to request the Harbour Trust to accept a proposal for the Middle Head Pavilion separate from any improvements to the natural grass of the Oval, and question about the development status of the Pavilion

The Acting Chair advised that Council is developing concept plans for a replacement pavilion on the eastern side of the Oval, consistent with the Middle Head Management Plan. Council has consulted closely with the Harbour Trust about this and proposes to fund the project through its section 94 Development Contributions Plan. The Harbour Trust understands that Council has not allocated funding for the proposal in the coming 2018-2019 financial year. The community will be fully consulted about any such proposal once a formal application is received.

Statement about the Drill Hall Lighting Proposal by the Acting Chair

The Acting Chair advised that residents of Cross St and representatives from the Mosman Netball Club and Mosman Council addressed the Board. The Acting Chair noted that this proposal is being initiated by Council, and that while the Harbour Trust has agreed to accept a Development Application (DA) and



prepare a draft amendment to the site’s Management Plan, no final decision had been made by the Board regarding this matter. The DA and draft Plan amendment will be placed on public exhibition, with all submissions considered, to enable the Harbour Trust to make a fully informed assessment of the proposal’s potential benefits and impacts. The Acting Chair noted that Plans should be reviewed regularly to ensure they reflect contemporary conditions and needs.

A member of the public noted that the lease for the site also included restrictions on lighting the outdoor courts.

A member of the public made a statement that Management Plans should address local issues within the wider context of the Harbour Trust’s Charter.

Statement about the large number of visitors to Cockatoo Island during Biennale from an Asian and Indian background and a question about the availability of materials to help them get the best out of their visit

The Executive Director agreed there is an opportunity to improve interpretation and materials and there is strategic work underway to review these.

Suggestion regarding a permanent food facility on Cockatoo Island

The Acting Chair advised that the Harbour Trust Tenant Selection Committee had granted a licence for a new food and beverage facility, replacing an existing operator.