Purpose: To provide updates on the Platypus project and seek input from the CAC.

Prior to the meeting commencing, the group took a tour of the site where they discussed work progress and plans. The group viewed each building as well as the upper car park.

Platypus Renewal Project – Consultation with Council

An overview of the outcome of public consultation for the Platypus Renewal Project was provided. The Platypus Renewal Project was placed on public exhibition from 20 July – 16 August 2017. A drop-in session was held on 3 August which was attended by approximately 60 people.

54 submissions were received. Two community petitions were received – one requested all major buildings be demolished and more open space be provided (360 + 70 signatures), the second requested all major buildings be demolished and replaced by open space, and for new residential to be built on the site (50 signatures).

The key issues raised in submissions were: overall support; support for Kesterton Park link and kayak facilities; suggestion to demolish three large building and replace with more open space; increase traffic and parking management; Kiara Close – loss of car parking and access arrangements; amenity – noise, light spill, visual, privacy, site security; ambiguity about prospective commercial uses; and inadequate community consultation.

Members talked through the measures in place to address traffic, including local road improvements and the use of public transport to get to the site.

Kiara Close

The Harbour Trust has developed traffic management improvements for Kiara Close. This proposal has been forwarded to North Sydney Council for review and implementation in consultation with the land owner lora apartments.
Gateway Plaza
The group discussed the potential to relocate the two car park spaces proposed within the Gatehouse courtyard to the driveway entrance to this area, which would improve the amenity of the Gatehouse Courtyard.

Kesterton Park / over water link
The Harbour Trust is working with the Council and the RMS on the overwater link and the need for a pathway within the park (to be built by council) to connect to the wharf.

Council proposed play facilities
North Sydney Council has proposed new play and fitness equipment for Kesterton Park. This will contribute to the public recreation capacity of the precinct. The proposal is currently open for public comment. The Harbour Trust will make a submission to Council on the proposed play and fitness equipment. The Harbour Trust will work with Council to co-ordinate works to ensure minimal impact.

Project Update- Expressions of Interest
The Media Launch was held on the 31 Augus. The EOI is currently open and is receiving significant interest from a varied spectrum of the market,

Meeting closed 8pm.