

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING NOTES SUMMARY SYDNEY HARBOUR FEDERATION TRUST CAC MEETING – 29 August 2017

Purpose:

To provide updates on current Harbour Trust projects and opportunity to provide feedback.

Site tour:

Members toured the Sub Base Platypus site, and were provided details on the renewal project and works in progress.

Executive Director Welcome and Update

Members were presented the Harbour Trust Corporate Plan 2017 – 2021. The Plan builds on the success and achievements of the organisation's previous work and looks at the next set of challenges.

Members were provided an overview on the Reconciliation Action Plan. The Harbour Trust previously followed a plan set by the Department, and has now commenced the development of its own plan.

A brief update was provided on 10 Terminal – SIMS have expressed an interest in utilising the site.

An overview of the Expressions of Interest (EOI) campaign for the Platypus site was provided. The EOI will launch on Thursday (31 August) with a media event which will be followed by a national marketing campaign including the launch of a site specific website. The EOI offers all of the structures available at the site to the market so the Harbour Trust can ascertain complete market interest.

Harbour Trust Update: Visitor Counting and Surveys

An overview of the Harbour Trust's current visitor counting and targets was provided. Cockatoo Island (CI), Headland Park (HP) & North Head Sanctuary (NHS) now have automatic vehicle and pedestrian counters installed. At HP & NHS additional manual counting is taking place each quarter to help build a comprehensive set of data on visitor entry points.

Item for Consultation: Macquarie Lightstation

The 200th anniversary for Macquarie Lightstation will be held in 2018. The proposed dates for the

celebrations are 30 November – media and stakeholder event and 1 December – Open Day/ public celebration. Members discussed event options for consideration.

Consultation Outcomes: Platypus Renewal Project

Members were provided an overview on the response and the submission received to the public exhibition of the Platypus Renewal Project. The Harbour Trust will now consider submissions and address relevant issues prior to finalising the assessment.

Project Updates and recent achievements

Cockatoo Island

Channel Nine's Australian Ninja Warrior, which was filmed in December 2016, aired during July.

Nova's Red Room used the Turbine Hall to host Lorde's exclusive Australian performance. Media coverage was significant.

The Australian Cheese and Wine Experience commenced at Cockatoo Island.

The Cockatoo Wharf Upgrade was completed in August, and the wharf is now operating.

Sub Base Platypus

The 50th Anniversary of the Commissioning of HMAS Platypus was held. The event included the unveiling of the Submariner's Memorial which commemorates the service of the six Australian Oberon Class Submarines.

North Head

Antechinus - The Australian Wildlife Conservancy (AWC) relocated the Brown Antechinus to North Head

Third Quarantine Cemetery Interpretation Strategy - The draft Third Quarantine Cemetery Interpretation Strategy is on exhibition for public comment until 1 September.

Headland Park

Members were provided an update on the proposed lift at Chowder Bay.

The Draft Headland Park Interpretation Strategy is currently being developed, and will be exhibited in September.

Signage – Retail tenant signage was installed in June. The Wayfinding project is now in the design stage. Members were shown early concepts of the design and advised that once they are finalised in the next couple of months they will be circulated to the CAC by email for comment.

New Walking Track – The new path offers a scenic route through bushland connecting the Georges Heights Artist Precinct Burnt Orange and Middle Head Cafe. The track was identified as a priority in the amended Management Plan for Middle Head. It provides walkers with safer access between the two precincts.