

Information Briefings: Questions & Responses

Questions & Comments	Response
Theme: Engagement and Consultation	
<p>When did engagement for this project start?</p> <p>It was acknowledged the prior consultation and work that was done on this project with the former Pittwater Council.</p>	<p>Stage 1 engagement for the project (i.e. the survey) opened on 4 March 2019 and closed on 24 March 2019. Prior to this, Council's Community, Arts & Culture team have been liaising with key stakeholders in relation to this project.</p>
<p>There was no place in the survey to provide information on an individual's future use of the community centre if approaching retirement age.</p>	
<p>Why did we not consult outside of the Warriewood Valley area?</p>	<p>Due to the increasing size of the Warriewood Valley community, a need for a new larger community facility was identified and as such, incorporated into the Warriewood Valley Contributions Plan, Revision 13 ('the Plan').</p>
<p>What is the breakdown of age groups that were consulted?</p>	
<p>Why was the consultation not advertised in the Manly Daily?</p>	<p>A significant proportion of the funding for this project is coming from the developer contributions collected under the Plan. The consultation and engagement was targeted specifically to the local community the new centre is intended to primarily service via letters rather than advertising in the Manly Daily. Whilst the Warriewood Valley area was specifically targeted, engagement was open to all members of the broader community via Council's Your Say page.</p>
<p>Where did we send notification letters to advising that this project was open for consultation?</p>	<p>Letters notifying residents of the consultation and engagement process were sent to residences, businesses and other organisations based within the catchment area for the Plan.</p> <p>For a full breakdown of the survey results, please visit the project page.</p>
Theme: Funding & Budget	
<p>What is the budget for this project and where is the money coming from?</p>	<p>The project is funded from the developer contributions (\$7.11) and depreciation funds associated with the existing Nelson Heather Centre.</p>
<p>Will we be actively chasing grants to increase budget for this project?</p>	
<p>Will there be any rate increase to finance this project?</p>	<p>The draft Delivery Program 2019-2023 allocates \$4,647,000 for this project currently from developer contributions, and \$3,175,000 from depreciation.</p>
<p>Will the contributions be collected from the Lots of land that are yet to be developed?</p>	

<p>What amount has been collected from the <i>Warriewood Valley Contributions Plan</i> that will be used for this project?</p>	<p>Future development contributions expenditure is dependent on future anticipated income. The income and expenditure assumptions in the Plan are regularly reviewed to ensure they are reflective of expected future economic outcomes.</p>
<p>Earlier consultation on this project indicated a budget of approximately \$20m. Where has that money gone?</p>	<p>Council will be seeking grant funding for this project where appropriate.</p>
	<p>A rate increase is a decision of Council and we cannot give an answer for this specific project. All past and future residential development in the Plan area is levied for the construction of a community facility.</p>
	<p>The former Pittwater Council conducted consultation to establish what the community wanted from a new centre. A concept was identified, however, budget was never adopted by Council.</p>
<p>Theme: Parking</p>	
<p>How will you stop commuters using the B Line from parking in the carpark?</p>	<p>We will work with Council's Parking & Operations team to ensure the most appropriate parking restrictions are implemented, taking into account parking facilities, restrictions and public transport links in the adjoining areas.</p>
<p>Is the intention to keep parking for the centre separate from the parking for users of the sports field?</p>	
<p>Warriewood Square shopping centre are implementing three-hour parking restrictions so this is likely to impact this centre.</p>	
<p>Theme: Demolition, construction and design</p>	
<p>What will happen to the activities that are currently undertaken in the Nelson Heather Centre while the new centre is under construction?</p>	<p>Manager, Community Centres will be working with current hirer's, lessees and users to find alternative accommodation whilst the centre is under construction.</p>
<p>What is the demolition and construction timeframe for this project?</p>	<p>We are aiming to start construction at the end of 2020 with estimated completion by the end of 2021. This is subject to adoption of the budget, DA consent and the site constraints currently under investigation.</p>
<p>Is there an option to leave the current Nelson Heather Centre in use while the new centre is under construction?</p>	
<p>Will the entire site be demolished?</p>	
<p>This Nelson Heather Centre is built on a former tip site. The original proposal for this project was to build it in parallel with the Pittwater Road but that is no longer the plan. How do we propose to stop it sinking into the ground?</p>	
<p>Will you be designing the new centre in line with the public transport links?</p>	<p>Council will endeavour to keep trees of high retention value. The existing buildings are in a poor condition, have reached the end of their design life, and as such will be demolished. Unfortunately it is not appropriate to keep the existing centre open as this would severely impact the ability to construct a suitable new centre in that location.</p>



	<p>Investigations into ground conditions have been undertaken and recommendations have been sought from leading geotechnical engineers to ensure adequate foundations will be utilised to prevent excessive subsidence.</p> <p>The new centre will have direct footpath access to the existing B-Line bus stop on Pittwater Rd.</p>
Theme: Facilities	
Will there be free Wifi?	<p>This centre will be designed as a multi-use centre and as such, all facilities to enable a variety of uses will be considered.</p> <p>Council intends to adopt a high level of sustainability objectives for the building.</p> <p>Opening hours for the new centre will be decided by the Manger Community Centres and will be dependent on operational requirements and relevant guidelines.</p> <p>A member of Council's Youth Development team will collaborate on the project and will provide advice on what facilities are required to cater to youth activities.</p> <p>All future usage conditions of the centre will be determined by Community Centre management closer to completion time.</p>
Will there be shower facilities?	
Will there be batteries on the roof?	
Will the new centre be open 24 hours a day?	
Concerns were raised over facilities for youth.	
Over the years, there have been age restrictions for parties in the Nelson Heather Centre. Why is this?	