



Meeting Notes - Mona Vale Surf Life Saving Club Working Group – 20 July 2017

Civic Centre, Dee Why 6-8pm

Present: Campbell Pfeiffer – Executive Manager, Property
Bernard Koon – Senior Project Officer
Lisa Trewin – Community Engagement Officer

Working Group Members representing the following groups:

- Mona Vale Surf Life Saving Club – Executive
- Board Rider Group
- Local Residents
- Key User Hirer
- Local Business
- Bronze Café
- Architect – Warren and Mahoney

Meeting commenced: 6.05pm

Introduction and overview presented by Campbell Pfeiffer, Executive Manager, Property.

Mr Pfeiffer shared information on the history of the project and the working group's purpose.

Mr Pfeiffer introduced other Council staff present; Senior Project Manager, Mr Bernard Koon, Engagement Officer, Lisa Trewin and appointed Design Consultant Vish Kunjur from Warren and Mahoney Architects.

Mr Pfeiffer invited members of the working group to provide a short introduction about who they were, the group they were representing and what they hoped to achieve as part of the from the working group.

Mr Pfeiffer then introduced the Senior Project Manager, Mr Bernard Koon to give an overview of the project.

Mr Koon explained where the project was in terms of the project timeline – giving a short history of the meetings held with the MVSLSC and Council executive.

Mr Koon advised there had been an open tender process to appoint a design consultant – which attracted 31 expressions of interest, and resulted in Warren & Mahoney being appointed.

Explaining the scope of the project and how the working group would be involved with the design process – Mr Koon stated he expected the design phase should take us through until late November with the concept design anticipated to go to Council in December this year.

Some questions were asked with regard to timing, involvement of the working group and whether they would have an opportunity to see the design prior to going to Council, and what the total square metre size, how many storeys and expected budget might be.

Mr Koon addressed the questions advising the working group would have direct involvement with the concept design – with the opportunity to work with the design consultant Warren & Mahoney during the working groups' appointment.

Mr Koon advised the group that the expected height would be two storeys, square meterage approx. 1400sqm (approximately double the existing size), and the expected construction budget is expected to be in the order of \$4.7M.



Mr Pfeiffer then introduced Architect / Design Consultant Vish Kunjur to provide some background on his organisation and his involvement in the working group.

Dinner served 6.50pm

Engagement Officer Lisa Trewin – invited participants to continue their meal during the working session and provided a short overview on Community Engagement activity during the first stage of engagement. Ms Trewin gave a summary of the type of feedback received – over a comment period of 31 days where Council held two drop in sessions with close to 50 attendees, received nearly 30 online comments and 19 working group nominations.

All working group members were provided with a summary of the engagement feedback – and comments received from Drop in sessions.

Working Group Activity 7pm

The groups were provided sets of key words relating to the design that were derived from the community comments during engagement and from the Mona Vale Surf Club's needs brief. Participants were also invited to 'think outside the square' and add anything they felt may have been overlooked or change / enhance the comments presented.

Each group was asked to prioritise these in three segments, *needed, preferred, not needed*.

The group had approx. 40 minutes to carry out this task. During this time the groups had an opportunity to discuss what the needs were and challenge thoughts and suggest alternative ideas.

The results of this exercise are in Appendix A.

Some additional points that were raised by the group and captured by the Senior Project Manager, Mr Bernard Koon are listed below:

- Want a surf club that looks good
- A modern building that stands out
- A building that does not look like Avalon SLSC
- A functional building that is aesthetically beautiful
- A building that the community can be proud of
- Provision of hot showers
- The building should allow for multi-purpose uses
- Expecting excellent design
- Restaurant may not attract enough customers to be viable
- The bar should not be a public bar but only available for hire functions and club members
- The bar should be part of the function room
- Focus on rescue services and functional space
- The building should be accessible
- Community use of the space should be available where reasonable
- The number of people passing through in front of the building is not necessarily negative, helps people mingling and activates the area
- A gym is preferred but is not necessary
- A public space viewing platform is not needed
- The public amenities could be separate from the building
- The design is to address winds from the north and south

Participants were thanked for their participation, advised that feedback would be provided prior to the next meeting – either 24 or 31 August, 2017 – with the date to be provided.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm