



## Agenda

### Planning and Strategy Committee

Notice is hereby given that a Planning and Strategy Committee of Council will be held at Council Chambers, 1 Belgrave Street, Manly, on:

**Monday 9 May 2005**

Commencing at 7:00 pm for the purpose of considering items included on the Agenda.

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**TO:** Planning and Strategy Committee - 9 May 2005  
**REPORT:** Corporate Planning and Strategy Division Report No. 20  
**SUBJECT:** Mobile Phone Base Station - Latest Research Information and Latest Amendment to the Telecommunication (Low Impact Facilities) Determination Act 1997

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## **SUMMARY**

- Response to resolution of 21st February, 2005.
- Information and address from Dr. Tony Cripps, Scientific Advisory Panel Member.

## **REPORT**

Council has received written information summarising the latest information in response to the Council resolution. The presentation provided a summary of the latest information in relation to Legislative Standards as well as a summary of the latest literature on research.

As a member of Council's Scientific Advisory Panel, Dr. Cripps has attempted to give comprehensive and unbiased advice to Council on this issue and provided Web addresses for source documents. Dr. Cripps responded to Councillors questions on the occasion of his presentation to Council.

In summary, he concluded that research has not demonstrated harm at exposure levels as per Australian (and World Health Organisation) standards. Further, that the precautionary principle is and should be prudently observed. Further, that Council has little alternative other than to comply and observe the law in relation to the Base Station installations.

In the final analysis it is a matter of individual judgement as to whether people expose themselves to mobile phones at the personal level.

Base Station installations are covered by the Federal Act and the Service Providers are bound by that Statute and Associated regulations.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the information provided by Dr. Cripps in response to Council's resolution and provide copies of this information to all interested parties with particular emphasis on the sources of reliable information on the subject.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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**TO:** Planning and Strategy Committee - 9 May 2005  
**REPORT:** Corporate Planning and Strategy Division Report No. 21  
**SUBJECT:** Kimbriki Road, Terry Hills - Property Matter  
**FILE NO:**

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### **SUMMARY**

- Council is part owner of the property number 10 Kimbriki Road, Terry Hills.
- This property is one of several which the SHOROC (Joint Services) Councils own as a buffer to the Kimbriki Landfill Waste Management Facility and as a (land bank) reserve for future remediation of the site.

### **REPORT**

When this property was originally acquired, Pittwater Council did not participate in the acquisition (with Manly, Mosman and Warringah). Pittwater has now bought into the partnership and this report is a formality to approve the transfer of a share of the property as per the Local Government Act.

The terms have previously been agreed by Council.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council authorise the execution of transfer of property to Pittwater Council in accordance with the terms previously agreed by and between the (Joint Services) SHOROC Councils, under the Common Seal of Council.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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**TO: Planning and Strategy Committee - 9 May 2005**  
**REPORT: Corporate Planning and Strategy Division Report No. 22**  
**SUBJECT: Manly Scenic Walkway - Proposal from the Bicycle Committee to Defer the Community Forum on the Issue of Proposed Family Cycling**  
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### SUMMARY

1. Council previously resolved to have a Community Forum on the matter of whether or not to permit family cycling on the Manly Scenic Walkway.
2. The Community Forum is scheduled for 11.00 a.m., Sunday, 15th May, 2005.
3. The Manly Bicycle Committee has resolved to request postponement of the Forum.

### REPORT

Pursuant to Council's previous resolution, arrangements are in place to conduct the Community Forum on Sunday, 15th May, 2005. A Facilitator has been engaged and as per Council's resolution, the issue has been referred to various Committees of Council for input to Council on the matter.

When the matter came before the Bicycle Committee, the Committee endorsed a recommendation to Council in the following terms:-

"The Bicycle Committee requests that the Community Forum planned for Sunday, 15th May be postponed to provide time for the committee to investigate alternative east west routes for family cycling."

This is a matter for Council to determine.

It is difficult for staff to make a recommendation as to the merits of whether or not deferral is appropriate, however, I make the following observations.

1. It is not clear as to whether postponement is to provide time to investigate alternative east west routes that do not involve the Manly Scenic Walkway. If this was the case, there may be some justification in that it would avoid the angst and community conflict which the present proposal has aroused.
2. This issue has now been around for a considerable period of time and I believe that there is community expectation that both sides should be afforded the opportunity of putting their case at the Forum on 15th May, 2005 and that deferral at this late stage may be difficult to communicate to all parties who have "diarised" the event. It would also raise questions as to the reason for deferral which Council would not be able to respond to other than to say that further investigations are being carried out. Council would not be able to respond to the question of whether or not these other options involve the use of the Manly Scenic Walkway or not.

Council's attention is also drawn to an item in the Manly Traffic Committee agenda relating to this issue and of course Councillors will be aware that several other Committees of Council have also been invited to comment on the "family" cycleway proposal for the Manly Scenic Walkway.

It was intended that after the Community Forum all of these responses from the various Committees, plus the points made in the Community Forum would be correlated into a single report to Council for it to make its determination.

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**RECOMMENDATION**

That the proposed Community Forum for 11.00 a.m., Sunday, 15th May, 2005 proceed as originally planned.

**ATTACHMENTS**

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\*\*\*\*\* End of Corporate Planning and Strategy Division Report No. 22 \*\*\*\*\*

**TO:** Planning and Strategy Committee - 9 May 2005  
**REPORT:** Corporate Planning and Strategy Division Report No. 23  
**SUBJECT:** Items for Brief Mention - Minutes for Adoption by Council - Special Purpose Committees and Joint Committees  
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**1. Minutes Of Meetings:**

- (i) Seaforth TAFE Site Community Reference Group - Minutes of a Meeting held on 23rd March, 2005.
- (ii) Manly Sports Facilities Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 1st April, 2005.
- (iii) Manly Scenic Walkway Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 5th April, 2005.
- (iv) Manly Coastline Management Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 6th April, 2005.
- (v) Manly's Future Forum Steering Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 7th April, 2005.
- (vi) Manly Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 11th April, 2005.
- (vii) Manly Sustainability Strategy Management - Minutes of a Meeting held 12th April, 2005.
- (viii) Manly Lagoon Catchment Co-Ordinating Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held 14th April, 2005.
- (ix) Manly Bicycle Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 21st April, 2005.  
  
(See separate report elsewhere in this agenda in regard to Manly Scenic Walkway Community Forum)
- (x) Playground Management Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 21st April, 2005.
- (xi) Manly Traffic Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 2nd May, 2005.

**2. The following Minutes contain recommendations of a substantial nature requiring formal Council adoption as follows:-**

- 2(a) Playground Management Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 21st April, 2005

**Item Number: 5.3 - Ross Street**

**Recommendation:**

"That \$50,000 remaining capital works budget be used to commence playground refurbishment at Ross Street Playground, before the end of the 2004/2005 financial year."

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2(b) Manly Traffic Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 2nd May, 2005

**Item Number: 38/05 - The Corso Masterplan Review - Footpath Outside Coles/Darley Road Intersection**

Recommendation:

"That the Manly Traffic Committee comments on Option 2 of The Corso Masterplan Review be taken as follows:

- That the Traffic Committee supports widening of the footpath on the southern side of The Corso between Darley Road and Whistler Street to increase pedestrian capacity.
- The Traffic Committee considers that in recognition of the parking demand in Manly that the loss of parking on the southern side of The Corso between Darley Road and Whistler Street will have a significant impact on the area, particularly with short term parking and loading areas.
- That the intersection of The Corso and Darley Road remain as a signalised crossing. That suggested improvements may be road narrowing by extending the kerb and installing wider kerb ramps.
- That the parking and loading zones on the south side of The Corso be retained, and that the traffic lane be reduced in width, to enable increased in width of the pedestrian path and to reduce safety issues for pedestrians.
- That a variety of parking restrictions are considered including 5 minute and 15 minute parking periods. In addition, that loading zones are also limited by time to 15 or 30 minutes.
- That there is scope for the parking and loading zones near the War Memorial Cenotaph to be removed and relocated as parallel spaces along The Corso."

2(c) Manly Traffic Committee - Minutes of a Meeting held on 2nd May, 2005

**Item Number: 34/05 - Manly Scenic Walkway, Fairlight - Family Cycling**

Recommendation:

"That the Manly Traffic Committee comments on the issue of family cycling along Manly Scenic Walkway, Fairlight are as follows:

- The Traffic Committee considers that the Australian Road Rules may not apply to the land on which the Manly Scenic Walkway is located. In this instance, the control of the land could be managed in accordance with the Local Government Act. However, should the Australian Road Rules apply, then Rule 252 would permit the Council to restrict cycling along any section of footpath by following appropriate channels and erecting 'No Bicycles' sign.
- The Australian Road Rules and Regulations effectively permit only families with a child under the age of 12 years to ride on the footpath. As such the Australian Road Rules and Regulations does not permit other families eg, family of adults or with children over the age of 12 years to use the footpath. Therefore, the proposed concept for "Family Cycling" is difficult to implement and manage

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including issues relating to enforcement. In addition, there is neither precedent nor any standard signage for the Family Cycling concept. The concept creates a new category of cycling which is not defined by the Australian Road Rules.

- The Traffic Committee recognises cycling as an important alternative transport option and recreational activity. The corridor through Fairlight adjacent to Manly Cove is a key east – west link in the Manly Bicycle Plan. On this basis, the Traffic Committee encourages seeking of viable options for a bicycle path along this corridor.
- To determine whether it is appropriate for the Manly Scenic Walkway to be converted to a shared path allowing the use by pedestrians and cyclists, it is recommended that Council engage an independent consultant to undertake an audit or assessment for the existing walkway and a widened walkway."

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the recommendations of Minutes of Meetings, as listed in Item 1 above, being 1(i) to 1(xi), be adopted.
2. That in relation to all matters of a substantial nature listed in Item 2 above, being 2(a) to 2(c) be adopted as per the recommendations of the Committees.

**ATTACHMENTS**

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