

**MINUTES OF THE SYDNEY WEST REGION
JOINT REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL MEETING
HELD AT HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL
ON THURSDAY, 26 APRIL 2012 at 7.00 PM**

PRESENT:

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| Mary-Lynne Taylor | Chairperson |
| Janelle McIntosh | Panel Member |
| Felicity Findlay | Panel Member |
| Bruce McDonald | Panel Member |
| Paul Mitchell | Panel Member |
| Suzie Jattan | Panel Secretariat |

IN ATTENDANCE

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| James Farrington | Acting Executive Manager - Planning Division |
| Garry Mahony | Senior Town Planner |
| Debbie Johnson | Administrator |

APOLOGY: NIL

1. The meeting commenced at 7.10 pm.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the Sydney West Regional Panel Meeting.

2. **Declarations of Interest** - Nil

3. **Business Item 1**

ITEM 1 - 2011SYW117 - Hornsby Shire Council, DA/1129/2011 – Hornsby Aquatic Centre, 203X Pacific Highway, Hornsby

4. **Public Submission**

Mark Cambourn - addressed the panel against the item.

John Lambeth - addressed the panel against the item.

Mick Gallagher - addressed the panel against the item.

Kim Mullins (representing "Community Voice") - addressed the panel against the item.

Mick Marr - addressed the panel against the item.

Graham Hosking - addressed the panel against the item.

Moira Swords – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Matthew Rowe – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Leonie Kemp – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Adrian Stark – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

John Shaw – (Galston Residents Association) – addressed the panel against the item.

Michael Bradley – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Lisa Anderson – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Christine Kirby – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Dr Katherine Lennon – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Chris Kennedy – addressed the panel against the item.

Scott Phillips – General Manager – Council – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Bob Stephens – Acting Executive Manager Works Division – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Warwick Mayne-Wilson – Mayne Wilson & Associates (Heritage) – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Rod Howard – Howard Heritage Consulting – addressed the panel in favour of the item.

Beverly Hobbs - addressed the panel against the item.

5. Panel's Decision

The Panel accepts the further report tonight from the Council, as applicant, as properly and adequately meeting the Panel's request for consideration made at its February meeting. The Panel also accepts the report from the Council in this meeting is a thorough reconsideration by the applicant. The Panel has been assisted at both meetings by the depth and interest of the speakers who wrote to Council and addressed the Panel on this application. The Panel has found previously that the provision of the new pool was appropriate and an important addition to the infrastructure of the Shire. The comprehensive range of options has been considered without finding reconciliation of the competing interest of Hornsby Park's heritage and support for retention of the Women's Rest Centre. The Panel has concluded unanimously that the heritage values of the park should prevail and option 1 provides the superior traffic and safe access to the park. The Panel is aware of the concern by large number of persons that the Women's Rest Centre is to be demolished but believes that the other road options have an unsatisfactorily impact the on heritage listed park and isolates the Women's Rest Centre and playground areas in an unsatisfactorily manner.

The Panel unanimously approves the application for the reasons given in the council town planning report and as stated above and subject to the conditions recommended in the council report , with amendment to condition 56 and with the additions to Condition 3 as follows :

Condition 56

A Car Parking Management Plan shall be prepared to ensure that car parking is provided for users of the Aquatic Centre and the park and not for commuters or town centre traffic.

Condition 3

- c. The brick wall and circular bas-relief sculpture of the Women's Rest Centre building required to remain in-situ by Condition No. 4b, are to be featured as part of an interpretive courtyard. The Centre's existing sandstone wall to be demolished is to be reconstructed to form part of the courtyard. Details are to be submitted with the Construction Certificate plan,
- d. The northern driveway and car parking area within Hornsby Park shall be removed and replaced with landscaping designed to integrate the area into the Park and to include a pedestrian link to Old Mans Valley as indicated in Hornsby Shire Council Parks and Landscape Team Drawing No. LA-01 (Option 1) dated 23-3-2012.
- e. The restroom amenities building must include a parent and children's room and shall be constructed in the northern area of Hornsby Park in proximity to the playground to provide for replacement of the existing public toilet block to be demolished.

The meeting concluded at 10.00 pm.

Endorsed by



Mary-Lynne Taylor
Chair
Sydney West Region
Joint Regional Planning Panel
Date: 1 May 2012