

# Meeting summary

## Callan Park community trustee board

### - Meeting 3, 2024

Date: Monday, 19 August 2024

Time: 6:00-7:30pm

Venue: Leichhardt Service Centre, Level 3, Executive Meeting Room, 7-15 Wetherill Street, Leichhardt

**CTB members:** Keith Irving (Chair), Louisa Larkin, Roslyn Burge, Amelia Lawrence, Stephen Conaty, Deborah Lennis

**GSP staff:** Callantha Bringham, Director Strategy, Design and Delivery; Stephanie Licciardo, Senior Manager Heritage and Culture; Jenny Gleeson, Community Engagement Manager

**Secretariat:** Sophie Drysdale

**Apologies:** Mayor Cr Darcy Byrne

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<p><b>Welcome and opening</b></p> <p>Keith Irving, Chair, Callan Park CTB</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The meeting was opened by the Chair who gave an Acknowledgment of Country.</li> <li>The Chair noted that Michael Rose and Joshua French were unable to attend the meeting to present on GSP financial sustainability. This agenda item will be deferred to the Plan of Management (PoM) briefing session.</li> <li>No conflicts of interest were declared.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Callan Point</b></p> <p>Stephanie Licciardo, Senior Manager Heritage and Culture, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GSP shared background information about Callan Point in response to an action arising from the previous CTB meeting. It was noted that Callan Point has been identified as the most significant First Nations site south of Sydney Harbour.</li> <li>GSP discussed the management of the site, and the report and advice commissioned in 2020 to understand the Aboriginal cultural heritage values of the site.</li> <li>GSP discussed the importance of an integrated approach to foreshore management, bringing together Inner West Council's (IWC) swim site proposal; Bay Run project; Access, Movement and Parking Strategy (AMPS); and the PoM.</li> <li>The CTB considered as important first steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>finding short-term, cost-effective solutions for protection of culturally significant sites at Callan Point</li> <li>balancing the different proposed uses (e.g. conservation/protection of heritage, education regarding dog on/off-leash areas), and</li> <li>checking in with the Bushcare volunteer team around its works in the area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The CTB raised the following queries and comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>requested clarification regarding the study recommendation to 'open up views' and noted GSP response that this referred to the importance of the landscaped headland.</li> <li>the need to educate the community about the site's cultural significance to protect the site. Suggestion to use modest, corflute signage with minimal branding in the short-term. Signage at Lachlan Swamp at Centennial Parklands noted as a precedent.</li> <li>need for further consultation with the local Aboriginal community on the education and protection of sites of significance around Callan Point.</li> <li>suggestion to consider an alternate swim site for dogs to assist with protecting the cultural heritage of the site; however, there was concern that there are no safe alternate sites for dogs to use.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- reiterated concern about the increased use and subsequent impact to the area if the IWC swim site proposal proceeds. There is a need for GSP to work with IWC to ensure a coordinated approach to the swim site.</li> <li>- Recommendation to identify projects that can be completed outside of the PoM process to reduce delays.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action: GSP to provide an update at the November CTB meeting that addresses the key points and suggestions raised regarding Callan Point.</b></p>
<p><b>GSP projects and approvals update</b></p> <p>Callantha Brigham, Director Strategy, Design and Delivery, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GSP provided an update on projects and approvals, regarding the PoM, AMPS, Waterfront Green, Repatriation Ward B (B497), War Memorial grant funding, and the IWC swim site proposal.</li> <li>• GSP and the CTB discussed the timing for the out-of-session PoM briefing, agreeing to mid to late September. This session will also include an update on the AMPS and the deferred GSP financial sustainability item.</li> <li>• The CTB raised the following queries and comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- noted limited available budget for B497 upgrade works and funding options being explored.</li> <li>- whether GSP supports the IWC swim site proposal progressing.</li> <li>- whether GSP/IWC have considered that there are already other swimming spots located near Callan Park and whether a demand study has been undertaken.</li> <li>- acknowledged a coordinated approach with other government agencies is required regarding water and land side planning for swim site proposal.</li> <li>- whether there was an election commitment for a swim spot at Callan Park.</li> <li>- whether a new name could be considered for Waterfront Green such as 'Veterans Green' and/or an Aboriginal name, the policy context and timing given current consultation with community on values and preparation of PoM.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Action: GSP to arrange PoM briefing session, checking CTB member availability.</b></p>
<p><b>CTB member reappointment/recruitment process</b></p> <p>Jenny Gleeson, Community Engagement Manager, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GSP provided an overview on the next steps for the recruitment and reappointment process, noting that the current member term expires on 31 December 2024, and that GSP will issue a letter to CTB members to seek expressions of interest in reappointment for a second term.</li> <li>• The CTB queried whether current members who indicate willingness to serve a second term will be automatically appointed and only vacant positions filled by external nominations. GSP advised the Minister may reappoint members to service 1 additional term, as may hold office for a period not exceeding 5 years</li> </ul> <p><b>Action: CTB members to advise whether or they would like to nominate for a second term.</b></p>
<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>Jenny Gleeson, Community Engagement Manager, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTB noted new format of planning approvals summary and requested approved applications continue to be included for reference.</li> <li>• The CTB requested additional contextual information about the tone of the correspondence is provided in the correspondence summary.</li> <li>• The CTB asked about the process for granting filming licences.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action: GSP to confirm process for granting filming licences.</b></p>
<p><b>Next steps, thanks and close</b></p> <p>Keith Irving, Chair, Callan Park CTB</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next meeting will be held online on Monday 4 November.</li> <li>• GSP will conduct a risk assessment to consider alternate venue options.</li> </ul>