



Minutes: Western Sydney Airport Mayoral Reference Group

Date & Time:	Thursday 25 August 2016, 7.30pm – 9.00pm
Location:	Meeting Room 2, Springwood Community and Theatre Hub, Macquarie Road Springwood
Chair:	Cr Mark Greenhill, Mayor
Attendees:	<p>Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cr Mark Greenhill • Cr Anton Von Schulenburg • Amanda Foxon-Hill • Bob Treasure • Peter Dollin • Ross Coster • Anthony Green • Shae Foenander • Juliet Hinchliffe • Kathleen Sneddon <p>Officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Luke Nicholls, Director, City and Community Outcomes • Annalise Bentley, Senior Strategic Planner, City Planning
Apologies:	Janie Burry; Kevin Schreiber; Cr Annette Bennett; Cr Daniel Myles; Cr Sarah Shrub; Cr Chris Van der Kley; Cr Mick Fell; Cr Brendan Luchetti, Tony Middleton
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Item	Speaker	Notes
1	Chair	Welcome and Apologies Chair welcomed Kathleen Sneddon, new alternate community member
2	Chair	Acknowledgement of Country Nil
3	Chair	Confirmation of previous minutes Confirmed
4	Chair	Mayoral activities update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The update to the Terms of Reference was noted b. Mayoral meetings, no further action c. Noted that Mayor Steven Bali from Blacktown City Council launched online petition. Cr Greenhill noted and appreciated Cr Bali's position however will not sign petition on grounds that petition calls for no 24hr airport, whereas Cr Greenhill is campaigning for no airport at Badgerys Creek. The relationship with Blacktown City Council will be revisited post the local election. d. Noted Penrith City Council's stance. BMCC will continue advocacy through Strategic Alliance with Penrith and Hawkesbury City Councils. e. Cr Greenhill has been calling for Council candidates to oppose WSA. f. Noted Federal election outcome underlines the significance of WSA as an election issue. Cr Greenhill handed Opposition Leader Bill Shorten a copy of the Council's submission to the draft Airport Plan/EIS at his visit to Springwood Hub on 13 August 2016

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5	Members' activities – roundtable	<p data-bbox="592 241 1388 399">g. <i>Ross Coster</i> updated group on NoBCA group activities. Largely lobbying Penrith City Council councillors. Advised Penrith City Council has not held community forums on WSA proposal. Council recently voted against holding a forum.</p> <p data-bbox="592 409 1388 777">h. <i>Bob Treasure</i> moved that BMCC write to Penrith City Council and/or meet with new Council – refer to Action. Further, it was proposed that BMCC write to newly elected MPs in the seats of Chifley, Lindsay, Greenway, Werriwa, Macarthur and McMahon to request a statement on their position regarding WSA. Recommended reference group travel to Canberra (seek approval through Senator Lee Rhiannon) to raise the profile of local community concerns. Cr Greenhill will consider & consult with Councillors following election subject to outcome.</p> <p data-bbox="592 787 1388 1102">i. <i>Anthony Green</i> presented paper on potential terrorism threat from WSA on critical infrastructure. Highlighted potential economic and human losses. Considers EIS has not adequately addressed residual risk. Recommended that Council investigate with Environmental Defenders Office (EDO) avenues for legislative challenge. Cr Greenhill and Luke Nicholls agreed to contact EDO to discuss Council's position and potential avenues for action.</p> <p data-bbox="592 1113 1388 1386">j. <i>Amanda Foxon-Hill</i> raised that while the Council and community can get involved in planning for alternative with the regional councils (and should continue that) the site of the airport is outside of Blue Mountains control. Suggested action to determine what value the Blue Mountains has and develop a plan to capitalise on its multifaceted values in preparation for any future regional strategy.</p> <p data-bbox="592 1396 1388 1606">k. <i>Juliet Hinchliffe</i> discussed recent activities through school Parents and Citizens Associations. Written to Tanya Plibersek, Shadow Opposition Leader and Education Minister (Fed) and Simon Birmingham, Minister for Education (Fed). Awaiting comprehensive response.</p> <p data-bbox="592 1617 1388 1743">l. <i>Shae Foenander</i> advised she has received response from UNESCO regarding its position, highlighting the actions it can take in protection of threatened species. Supports rally to Canberra.</p> <p data-bbox="592 1753 1388 1932">m. <i>Peter Dollin</i> considers Penrith city key to actions. Moved BMCC write to Penrith City Council to request a meeting with the Penrith Mayor and/or Councillors in the interests of open dialogue on the proposed WSA and to accurately ascertain its position on the proposed WSA. Updated group</p>

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			<p>on recent RAWSA activities and lobbying.</p> <p>n. <i>Kathleen Sneddon</i> updated group on recent activities including media, suggests writing directly to Editor of BM Gazette.</p> <p>o. <i>Cr Von Schulenberg</i> notified group that he will not be recontesting, Cr Greenhill acknowledged his service and recommended Cr Von Schulenberg write to new Council and request continuation of membership as a community member following election.</p> <p>p. <i>Luke Nicholls</i> – advised group of recent Council correspondence to new federal ministers</p> <p>RECOMMEND:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. BMCC write to Penrith City Council to request a meeting with the Penrith Mayor and/or Councillors in the interests of open dialogue on the proposed WSA and to accurately ascertain its position on the proposed WSA. 2. BMCC write to newly elected Federal MPs in the seats of Chifley, Lindsay, Greenway, Werriwa, Macarthur and McMahon to request a statement on their position regarding the proposed WSA. <p>ACTIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. After BMCC election, Cr Greenhill to consult with councillors about organising for the reference group to travel to Canberra to raise the profile of local community concerns with the proposed WSA. 2. Cr Greenhill and LN to contact EDO to discuss Council's position and potential avenues for action.
8	Next Meeting Date	Chair	<p><i>Proposed date: Thursday, 27 October 2016</i></p> <p>Subject to election of new Council</p>
9	Meeting Close	Chair	<p>8.45pm</p> <p>Mayor thanked members for service to group to date and reaffirmed support for the group to continue post election of a new Council.</p>