



Dear Community Members

GREENWICH WHARF - PROPOSED CHANGES

Having had no response to our request for more time, we assume that submissions on the wharf upgrade must be in by 5 May.

Have your say by emailing your submission to wharfupgradeprogram@transport.nsw.gov.au or participating in a survey:

[Click Here](#)

HUNTERS HILL COUNCIL SAYS NO TO SYNTHETIC TURF AT GLADESVILLE RESERVE

Hunters Hill Council has voted to decline a \$2m grant offered by The Hon Anthony Roberts to replace natural grass with artificial, synthetic turf at Gladesville Reserve. The synthetic pitch was strongly supported by a local soccer club.

As a Henley resident was quoted as saying “this is a community park, it is not a homeground for anybody”. A refrain often heard in Greenwich.

Hunters Hill Council voted to investigate a high grade grass pitch.

Our own Councillors had such an opportunity at their March meeting but, despite the Minister for Planning’s announcement that he had concerns about the environmental impacts of synthetic turf, they voted 4-4 to pursue Council’s plans for a synthetic Bob Campbell Oval.

It is very concerning that a \$3.62 million grant, we understand the largest grant Council has ever received, is to be applied to a project that has, at best, been supported by just 4 of 8 Councillors.

THE MINISTER FOR PLANNING’S INVESTIGATION INTO THE IMPACTS OF SYNTHETIC SPORTSGROUNDS IS UNDER WAY

The Minister for Planning’s investigation of synthetic turf has begun.

We are pleased to hear that the Minister will hold a community workshop as part of his Department/s investigation. We will circulate details of this when they are released.

Our Mayor has advised Councillors that Council has received no direction from the Minister to pause its progression of plans for BCO to await the outcomes and recommendations of the investigation and that there was no suggestion that Council’s project would be impacted by the investigation.

For community information purposes below is a flyer about an event at the Diddy on 5 May.

Many members of our community may welcome the chance to exchange ideas about local and federal issues that are important to them.

Details of the event organiser and its objectives can be found on:

[Voices of North Sydney](#)

<https://vimeo.com/543007371>

And you can register for the event on

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/democracy-at-the-diddy-tickets-152664099431?utm-medium=discovery&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-source=strongmail&utm-term=listing>

DEMOCRACY AT THE DIDDY!

**7pm for a 7.30 start - 9pm
Wednesday 5th May**

Longueville Sporting Club cnr Kenneth St & River Rd

Grab a meal or drink and join us in the convivial surrounds of the "the Diddy" to discuss your top 5 local issues and top 10 federal issues.

Our democracy was designed for us to participate. It CAN reach its potential, but only if we get involved. There are better ways to hear and act on community priorities than the processes that often seem to split communities and set groups against one another.

WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR TOP FIVE LOCAL AND TOP TEN FEDERAL ISSUES

What you say will be communicated to local and federal politicians and candidates. The upcoming local elections are a great opportunity to improve participation in decision making.

If you can't make this one, we're planning more events in the North Sydney federal electorate. Hunters Hill, Willoughby, Lane Cove, North Sydney.

REGISTER VIA OUR WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK PAGE.

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