



Housing and Affordability Advisory Committee

8th February 2023

Ashfield Customer Service Centre

Minutes

Meeting commenced at 6:32pm and concluded at 8:09pm

1. Present

Community members		Staff	Councillors
Louise Crabtree-Hayes (LC-H)	Yolanda Gil	Ben McGowan (BM)	Jon Atkins (JA)
David Collins-White (DC-W: Deputy Chair)	Megan Grealy	Debjani Sarkar	Olive Diaz (OD)
Laurel Draffen (LD: Chair)	Kirsten Gridley	Gisella Velasco	

- Acknowledgement of Country:** LD provided an Acknowledgement of Country
- Introductions:** With OD attending for the first time, LD invited members to introduce themselves.
- Apologies:** Hazel Blunden (HB), Queenie Tran (QT) and Clr Dylan Griffiths (DG).
- Quorum** (minimum 6 members): A quorum was achieved.
- Disclosures of Interest:** No conflicts of interest were disclosed.

Discussion of items

No.	Item	Summary	Actions	Council's response
7.	Past Minutes – Actions Arising	JA summarised the actions arising from the Minutes of the 7 December 2022 meeting. Updates on the Audit of Council Land and the Hay Street car park were provided. A share folder has been established for members to share and edit documents.		Noted
8.	NSW Election Forum	BM presented a report on the REDWatch forum: NSW State Election: Public, Social and Affordable Housing Policies of the Major Parties in relation to the NSW election held on 2 February 2023.	A video or audio recording of the forum to be emailed to members if available.	Noted

9.	Sydney Alliance Pre-NSW Election Assembly	<p>The Sydney Alliance will be holding a Pre-NSW Election Assembly on Tuesday 28 February 2023, 6.15pm to 8:15pm, Morley Centre, 2 Darcy Road, Westmead.</p> <p>Registration via the Sydney Alliance's website is required.</p>		Noted
10.	Proposed Affordable Housing Roundtable	<p>Members discussed aspects of the draft program for the proposed Affordable Housing Roundtable. Approval to hold the Roundtable is currently being sought from Strategic Planning.</p> <p>It was agreed that the sub-committee comprising LD, HB, DC-W, QT and LC-H continue preparations for the roundtable if approval is forthcoming. Members had chosen 17 May 2023 as the preferred date for the proposed event via a recent survey.</p> <p>Note: Similar to HAAC meetings, two members of staff from Strategic Planning need to attend sub-committee meetings.</p> <p>Members agreed to hold a HAAC meeting on 7 June 2023 to review the proposed roundtable's findings and recommendations, should the roundtable go ahead.</p> <p>Members agreed to invite City of Sydney to give a presentation to a future HAAC meeting on successful partnerships with Community Housing Providers (e.g. St George Community Housing and 11 Gibbons Street, Redfern site) to develop council land for affordable housing.</p> <p>It was also noted that Resilient Sydney Affordable and Diverse Housing Project, led by City of Sydney and involving 33 metropolitan councils, aims to help councils collaborate across metropolitan Sydney to deliver diverse affordable rental housing.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The sub-committee to continue preparations for roundtable if approval is received. • A HAAC meeting to be held on 7 June 2023 to review the proposed Roundtable's findings and recommendations. • Invite City of Sydney representative to address HAAC on the development of council land for affordable housing. • More information on Resilient Sydney Affordable and Diverse Housing Project and its past forums to be provided to members. 	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>To be actioned</p> <p>Action completed 10 Feb 2023.</p>
11.	Mayoral Minute on Renters Rights	<p>Members provided feedback on Mayoral Minute on Renters Rights (C1122[1] Item 30).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback included in Council report 	
12.	Other Business	<p>There was no other business.</p>		
13.	Future Meetings	<p>Future HAAC meetings are to be held on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 May 2023 • 7 June 2023 • 9 August 2023 • 8 November 2023 		Invites sent