

## South Fremantle Precinct – Minutes

Date: 22.5.18

Time: 6:30 pm

Venue: The Local

Number of attendees – 23

No.	Item
1	<p><b>Introduction (Sean Hefferon, Co-Convenor)</b></p> <p>Brief introduction and overview of meeting. Apology submitted on behalf of Jon Strachan (South Ward Councillor) who is on sick leave.</p>
2	<p><b>Recap of Precinct Process (CoF – Jennifer Valeseni)</b></p> <p>Policy to guide precincts now been passed – Review of policy scope 11 precincts – 7 active currently – support from council. Funding of \$850 yr to support activities. Open to all. Guidelines on council website. Enable dialogue btw council + precinct.</p>
3	<p><b>Update from Hampton Road Working Group (South City Precinct)</b></p> <p>Julie Murphy from the HRWG: Sept 17 issues raised – crossing Hampton Rd – safety issues/dangerous to cross at times  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Vision statement – Safety for peds + cyclists</li> <li>→ South City precinct formed → action group set up.</li> </ul>                     'Calm beautify, connect'. Key goals.</p> <p>Summary statements circulated 2018 - significant interest + expansion of working group 'Friends of Hampton + Ord' (FOHO) campaign – petition council ahead of budget setting Many MVA's and several blackspots along that stretch of road Reduced use of cycle paths 2 – due to safety fears Potential for signif ↑ traffic with increased development south of Fremantle + Cockburn Coastal Drive (if goes ahead)  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Example – plans for Rockingham Rd - ↓ 4-2 Lanes, introduce bike lanes + median strip</li> </ul>                     LT vision for Hampton and Ord is as a 'Boulevard' – given the many restored historic buildings Safe accessibility of people, cycles. 'FOHO' website – more information The URL for the website is: <a href="http://www.friendsofhamptonandord.wordpress.com">www.friendsofhamptonandord.wordpress.com</a></p> <p>Additional questions/comments: Q – Are you working with cycling groups? A - Not yet would like to</p> <p>Comment (Sean) - Sth Freo Ward affected by same issues as South City is working to address.</p>

Comment (Andrew S) - Ongoing dialogue between council and Ports Authority to control trucks/manage traffic. – Focus is on ‘changing behavior’ rather than just ‘checking access to CBD’

Q – Roadworks outside Romano’s Smash Repairs on Hampton Rd. What is happening?

A – Jennifer V (CoF) to follow up – see below from Jennifer’s 23/5 email to Precinct:

**Roadworks on Hampton Road, in front of Romano’s**

*Last night the City profiled out half the roundabout, profiled out the bus lane and northbound vehicle lane. Resurfacing will be occurring tonight. 2 new tree pits have been dug out to put in new trees south of Lloyd on Douro Road.*

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**FaceBook poll – a) discussion of results (b) confirm priorities for South Freo Precinct (c) next steps (Sean Hefferon, Co-Convenor)**

Good response to poll.

Key focus for group based on poll results with top 4 being: improving built urban environment; increased tree cover, better cycling infrastructure & footpaths, dog beach facilities

- Request for volunteers. For working parties for top 1-2 priorities
- After discussion focus to be built (1) urban environment (2) footpaths/peds/cyclists

1. Urban built environment

- Potentially collaborate with Hampton Road working group.

2. Footpaths upgrade

- Safety of peds and cyclists

3. Seek EOI from people over 2 week period regarding joining 1 of the above working groups

NB: Cindy L confirmed for #2 working group

Other:

- Liz P mentioned that Precinct noticeboard being developed.
- Query re South Tce traffic calming plan. Brad P (Mayor) advised plan is underway with more work to begin. Precinct to have continued input into the project so can be updated regularly

*Update from Jennifer to Precinct 23/5/18:*

**South Terrace upgrade**

*Works to upgrade the node between Little Lefroy Lane and Sydney Street are scheduled to begin 28 May.*

*Background info on this project available here <https://mysay.fremantle.wa.gov.au/south-terrace>*

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**Update – Solar Farm business plan (Mayor Brad Pettitt, CoF – Louise Ainsworth)**

Louise:

- South Fremantle Landfill Site – Council obligated to Mx Solar Farm – Land/development approval subject to signif No of conditions
  - Council + Independent auditors (mandatory compliance)
  - Must also comply with Dept of Environment.
  - Business plan – must be transparent and released for comment

Interested parties directed to website as information extensive

Q – What gain to local residents?

Once profitable, council will benefit through ↑rent.

Doubts voiced around lack of control or benefits, also accountabilities for breaches in safety – council to monitor – ‘mandatory audit report’ - Legal requirements council to include in B.Plan.

If company breaches obligations to lease – would legally have to return site to original condition.

Q. Why pursue the development at the site?

- Runs at a negative value currently
  - Council goal to create development in line with current council values
- Have turned down other redevelopment (building) proposals
- Ken – gave an example of successful remediation
  - May require constraints on future use.
  - Solar farm proposal quite feasible if topsoil stabilized to Dept of Environment regulations

Q. Aesthetic changes from POV of closest residents.

What plans?

- 2 options of solar panels – Images passed around.
- Plans to have vegetation screening where there is nil risk of overshadowing panels

Other concerns/comments –

Q. Glare?

Solar panels options are min glare + orientation would be ‘away’ from housing

Q. International examples show sites fully excavated before redevelopment. Has Council considered?

Costings for excavation were done – cost prohibitive – however Council would consider international protocols

Q. Is it (solar farms)common in residential areas?

- No, not common

Q. Are there any other sites that could be used in Fremantle?

- No

Q. What is council’s key reason for supporting a Solar farm?

- Possible \$ benefit, long term community benefit if successful.
- Site inappropriate for public open space, community activity/ sport.

Q. Why did 1<sup>st</sup> applicant pull out?

- Multiple reasons/incompatibility

Q. Have all health risks/unknown risks been considered?

Will only proceed if + when all risks known and controlled to Australian regulations

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**Update – Scott St/Hampton Rd works (Council – Mayor Brad Pettitt)**

Andrew S - Solutions possible are – change bus lanes + reconfigure right hand turns

- Still needs significant precinct and council dialogue.
- Traffic lights rejected by mainroads.
- Disabled parking bays opposite AR/ Sth Fremantle

*Update from Jennifer to Precinct by email 23/5/18:*

**Scott Street intersection**

*The City officer’s met with Minister’s office last week, in line with direction from council to defer item in December. A report will be prepared for council consideration in July 2018, so stay tuned for a further update.*

*Background info on this project available here: <https://mysay.fremantle.wa.gov.au/hampton-road>*

7	<b>Any other matters for discussion (late items)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Disability bays – on South Terrace. Council to contact Liz and Sue directly.</li> <li>- Control over MCs – Safety issues MCs weaving around speed islands currently <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council will make some of these speedhumps permanent (and these will stretch across whole street span). Precinct voice will be supported in approach to police by council.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
8	<b>Meeting finalisation</b>
	<p>8.1 Review actions to be taken</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Post to social media to seek EOI from people: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) working group focusing on community input on improving the urban road environment (so possible link to South City Ward project)</li> <li>b) working group focusing on community input into improving local footpaths, safety of peds and cyclists</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	8.2 Next meeting – 31/7/18 @ 6:30pm @ The Local
	8.3 Meeting close                      Time closed: 8pm