

# Meeting summary

## Callan Park community trustee board

### - Meeting 2, 2024

Date: Monday, 3 June 2024

Time: 6:00-7:30pm

Venue: Online

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

**GSP staff:** Laura Stevens, Director Community, Engagement and Partnerships; Callantha Bringham, Director Strategy, Design and Delivery; Jacob Messer, Director Operations, Visitors and Sport; Kerry Jahangir, Director Finance; Kerrie Davies, Senior Manager Operations; Jenny Gleeson, Community Engagement Manager

**Guest presenter/in attendance:** Simone Plummer, Director Planning, and Tim Brown, Coordinator Parks Projects, Inner West Council

**Secretariat:** Sophie Drysdale

**Apologies:** Mayor Cr Darcy Byrne

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<b>Welcome and opening</b> Keith Irving, Chair, Callan Park CTB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The meeting was opened by the Chair and an Acknowledgment of Country was given.</li> <li>CTB members and presenters introduced themselves.</li> <li>No new conflicts of interest were declared.</li> </ul>
<b>Inner West Council Tidal Baths proposal</b> Tim Brown, Coordinator Parks Projects, Inner West Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inner West Council provided an update on the Callan Park Tidal Baths proposal, including providing information about the draft concept design and next steps for the project.</li> <li>The CTB raised the following queries and comments:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>concern about the impact of the proposal on the Aboriginal cultural heritage of Callan Point.</li> <li>request to see the results from the heritage survey conducted at Callan Point and for the Tidal Baths proposal to be informed by this data. Also noted there is a Conservation Management Plan for Callan Point which should inform the proposal.</li> <li>seeking further clarity on the planning approval process, governance structure and timeline for the proposal.</li> <li>questions about patronage estimates, consideration of access through the park to the site, how the lack of amenities near the site will be managed, how rubbish will be managed, and assurance that dog owners will be able to continue to walk dogs at Callan Point.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Suggestion that the Tidal Baths proposal is not discussed at another CTB meeting, unless it is regarding GSP decision-making on the proposal.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action: GSP to provide CTB with information regarding previous proposals for Callan Point conservation and including boardwalk</b></p>
<b>Tree management</b> Kerrie Davies, Senior Manager Operations, GSP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GSP provided an overview of tree management in response a previous request from the CTB.</li> <li>The CTB raised the following queries and comments:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>concern that there is insufficient budget for new tree planting, noting that there are multiple mature trees in the parkland and juvenile trees need to be planted to maintain the tree canopy.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- suggestion to establish a tree planting event and/or community donation program for Callan Park.</li> <li>- whether an Urban Forest Strategy will be developed for Callan Park, for GSP and NSW Health land respectively.</li> <li>- regarding the Tree IQ documentation, query whether GSP is setting a list of priorities from those recommended.</li> <li>- how GSP is monitoring damage caused to the garden bed edging - particularly that adjacent to the Callan Park War Memorial.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action: GSP to provide CTB with further information on how the grant funds for tree planting were distributed.</b></p> <p><b>Action: GSP to provide CTB information regarding the tree management program at Callan Park, including prioritisation of works.</b></p>
<p><b>Regulation remake</b></p> <p>Jacob Messer, Director of Operations, Visitors and Sport, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GSP provided an update on the Regulation remake noting that the draft regulation is expected to soon be placed on public exhibition for a 21-day period. It is anticipated the remade Regulation will come into effect on 1 September 2024.</li> <li>• The CTB raised the following queries and comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- how are there consistent regulations across Callan Park and Centennial Parklands when each parkland is so unique.</li> <li>- setting the rules under the Regulation and enforcing them is important, including education.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>GSP projects and approvals update</b></p> <p>Callantha Bringham, Director Strategy, Design and Delivery, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GSP provided an update on current Callan Park projects and approvals, including the Plan of Management; Access, Movement and Parking Strategy; Waterfront Green; Repatriation Ward B (B497); War Memorial grand funding application; Bay Run upgrade; and Wharf Road car park.</li> <li>• The CTB raised the following queries and comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Plan of Management: suggestion to include a map indicating pop-up locations.</li> <li>- War Memorial grant funding: whether GSP has been successful in the grant application</li> <li>- Wharf Road car park: noted there has been informal parking on the grass, which is causing damage following recent heavy rain events.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Draft CTB performance report 2023</b></p> <p>Jenny Gleeson, Community Engagement Manager, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual reporting re requirement outlined in the Terms of Reference to evaluate the CTB's performance, including self-evaluation of its level of effectiveness against its purpose and responsibilities. Provides opportunity to reflect on first year of operation.</li> <li>• GSP provided an overview of the self-evaluation findings. The CTB raised the following queries and comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- dedicated community engagement position within GSP invaluable and helpful.</li> <li>- hopeful that in context of the self-evaluation feedback that the CTB be given the opportunity to raise issues that contribute to the agenda rather than presentations.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>Jenny Gleeson, Community Engagement Manager, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GSP provided information about the correspondence received and responses from GSP. The CTB raised the following queries and comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- when will the response to the pathway edging and whipper snipper activity query be received.</li> <li>- request that specific community groups are not identified in the correspondence summary.</li> <li>- request for information on GSP action and response to correspondence.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<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 on Monday 19 August.</li> <li>• The CTB requested the following items are included on future agendas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- information about the renewal and recruitment process for CTB members.</li> <li>- what GSP plans to do to provide access to drinking water, more benches and more bins.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The CTB also requested GSP provide a plan for the remaining 2 agendas for the year.</li> </ul>