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## Appendix B:

### Community and Stakeholder Engagement Report

#### Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan (Stage 2 of 2)

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# 1. Summary

Project Title	Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan
Impact Level	2: High, Local
Stage(s)	2 of 2 stages
Report Period	12 July 2019 to 18 August 2019
Version	1.0
Status	Final
Related Projects	Nil

This report outlines the Stage 2 community and stakeholder engagement conducted as part of the Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan project. The consultation period documented is for the public exhibition of the draft Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan from 12 July 2019 to 18 August 2019.

The report content reflects the insights of 181 participating community members and stakeholders, including:

- Local residents
- Other Northern Beaches residents
- Visitors
- Manly Community Forum
- Save Little Manly Group
- Council's internal departments

All direct quotes in this report are from excerpts of engagement records and the individuals provided permission.

Note: Community and stakeholder views contained in this report do not necessarily reflect the views of the Northern Beaches Council or indicate a commitment to a particular course of action.

## 1.1. Engagement Approach

A documented engagement methodology is outlined in the Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan Community and Stakeholder Engagement Plan (Oct 2018).

The engagement process gave consistent and accessible information to all participants across activities. Engagement results provide responses across a spectrum of demographics, expertise, experience and understanding of our local government area.

Engagement was carried out both online and face to face. Community members and stakeholders had the opportunity to provide a comment online (via the Your Say project page), in person (during drop-in sessions) or by email.

## **1.2. Key Outcomes**

### **1.2.1. Community Sentiment**

The project generated interest from local residents and visitors to the Little Manly area.

Many respondents expressed approval that the masterplan proposals contained only minor adjustments to this already much-loved and valued area. This confirmed the mandate set by the community in Stage 1 community engagement.

The exclusion of the 40 Stuart Street property from the masterplan generated concern with some members of the community highlighting in their submissions that this was a missed opportunity.

### **1.2.2. Community Feedback**

Community feedback about the landscape masterplan have been summarised into the following categories:

- General support for the draft masterplan.
- Support for individual proposals within the masterplan.
- Concerns raised about individual proposals within the masterplan.
- Suggestions regarding the implementation of individual proposals within the masterplan.
- Concerns raised about the omission of opportunities.

Some of the individual proposals within the masterplan received mixed feedback (for and against). Further details are provided in section 5.2.

### **1.2.3. Key Themes**

A number of key themes arose during consultation, including:

- Disappointment at the exclusion of No. 40 Stuart Street from the masterplan, with many flagging that it was purchased for the purpose of returning to open space.
- Concern regarding the proposed shade trees, with many flagging that they are not necessary and will impact harbour views for residents and passers by.
- Concern regarding the proposed use of No 34 Stuart Street, with many people flagging that it should be reserved for community use and not a commercial use.
- Suggestions that the upgrade of the Little Manly Point playground should be 'nature-inspired'.
- The requirement for a public amenities at Little Manly Point.
- Support for the proposals to increase safety and accessibility.
- Suggestions on how to manage parking and traffic flow on Stuart Street.
- Support for the retention of the natural landscape character.
- Request for ongoing transparency regarding plans for Council owned properties on the Little Manly Foreshore.

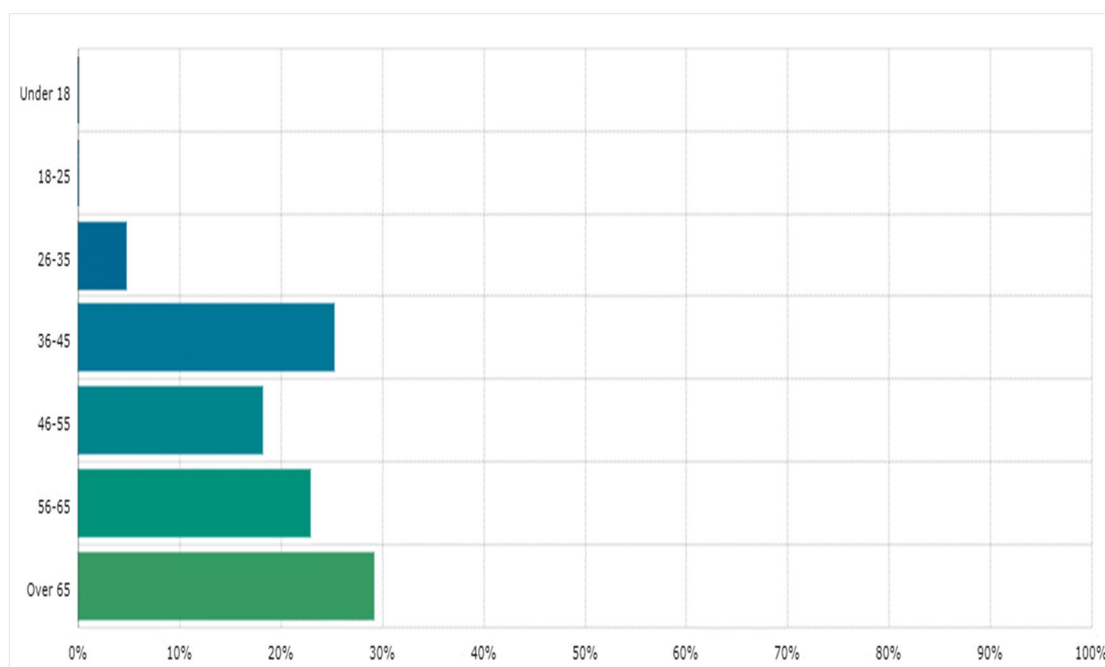
### 1.2.4. Participation Snapshot

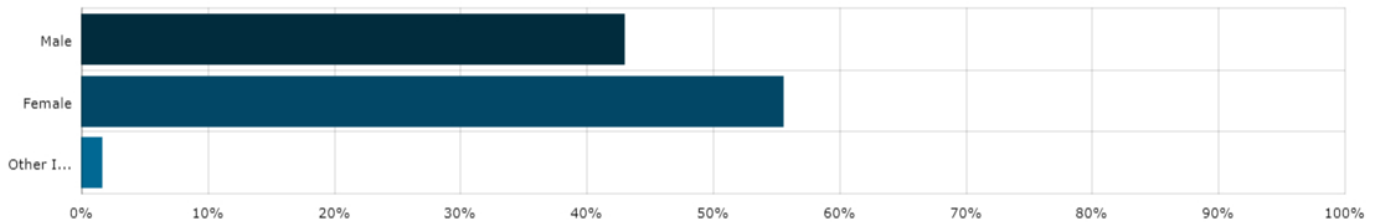
Online visits to the Your Say project page	1087 visits during the consultation period
Attendance at Drop-in sessions	80 people combined attended the two drop-in sessions
Online comments via Your Say	157 online comments / submissions
Written comments using a paper form	Eight handwritten comments provided during the onsite drop-in sessions
Email comments	Ten email comments sent to Council
Presentations to Organised Community Group	One presentation to Manly Community Forum
Internal stakeholder comments	Six comments from Council business units

Respondents who provided a comment online via the Your Say page had the option of providing their postcode, age group and gender identity.

No demographic data was captured for respondents who provided a comment in person at the onsite drop-in sessions or sent a comment via email.

The following graphs provide demographic snapshots of respondents who provided their feedback.





The majority of respondents were local residents with the remainder commonly visiting the Little Manly area from other parts of Sydney.

Most respondents were over 35 years old (only five percent of respondents were below this age). Social media posts on Facebook and Instagram targeting young people were used to address this engagement gap.

Overall, gender was evenly distributed, 56 percent females and 43 percent males. One percent chose not to disclose their gender.

### 1.2.5. Acknowledgements

Thank you to the 181 Northern Beaches community members and stakeholders across the local government area who shared their time, expertise, views and anecdotes.

We recognise this is one of many engagements that Northern Beaches community members and stakeholders have participated in. We also acknowledge the support of staff throughout the engagement period.

## 2. Background

Little Manly Beach is a very popular harbour beach renowned for its natural and harbourside beauty. Little Manly Point is a large park situated on land that was formerly the former Little Manly Gasworks.

This report outlines the community and stakeholder engagement conducted as part of Stage two community engagement during the public exhibition of the draft Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan from 12 July to 18 August 2019.

The draft masterplan was endorsed for public exhibition at the 25 June 2019 Council meeting.

## 3. Engagement Purpose and Objectives

The engagement purpose and objectives include:

- ensure decision making considers community sentiment and feedback,
- increase community awareness about the project and its impact(s),
- facilitate a connection and integration between people and organisations,
- generate innovative ideas and action,
- create a community of interested stakeholders for projects on the Northern Beaches.

The overall objective for the Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan project is to engage with the local community and users of the Little Manly Reserves (Beach and Point) to develop a landscape masterplan. The intent of the landscape masterplan is to provide a long term strategy for improvements to be undertaken over-time when funding is available.

The objective of stage 1 engagement was to obtain feedback on a draft scoping document. The feedback was then used to frame the draft landscape masterplan.

The objective of stage 2 engagement was to publicly exhibit and obtain feedback on the draft landscape masterplan.

## 4. Engagement Methodology

Community and stakeholder engagement for the draft Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan was conducted over a six week period, from 12 July 2019 to 18 August 2019, and consisted of a series of activities (see below) that provided opportunities and platforms for community and stakeholders to participate.

This report represents what Council has heard as accurately, comprehensively and transparently as possible by using consistent quantitative and qualitative analysis techniques.

The project is impact level 2 (High, Local) on the Community and Stakeholder Engagement Plan was devised on a two-stage approach:

Stage 1: Preparation of a Scoping Document to obtain feedback on the important issues to the community.
Stage 2: Develop a Draft Landscape Masterplan for Public Exhibition to obtain feedback on the masterplan proposals.

Summary of the key activities and results:

Engagement Activity	Overview
Online Platform	Project updates, background information and presentation of the draft masterplan in various formats (to allow for a user-friendly experience) on the Your Say project page. 1087 visits to the project's online consultation page.
Face-to-Face (Drop-in / Pop Up / Information Session / Stakeholder Interview etc.)	Two face-to-face onsite drop-in sessions held at Little Manly Reserve, allowing face-to-face discussions with over 80 community members. Council received eight handwritten submissions during the drop-in sessions, with most people preferring to submit an online submission on Council's Your Say website page after the drop-in session.
Social Media	One targeted social media post published on Facebook and Instagram targeting the 18 to 35 year olds to increase

	representation of this demographic group. Key analytics include a total reach of 4033 people.
Forms	One general comment form developed for this consultation period, available online on the Your Say page and in paper format at the drop-in sessions.
Traditional Media	Six Your Say ads were published during the engagement period in the Manly Daily. Two Manly Daily ads were published during the engagement period to specifically inform the community about the drop-in sessions held at Little Manly Reserve.
EDMs	Two direct emails with project updates and three inclusions in the Council Community Engagement Newsletter during the consultation period.

#### 4.1 Online Platform

Your Say Northern Beaches used a project landing-page to conduct online engagement. It provided a portal for users to visit, find information to support their engagement and offer feedback. The provision of information is an important factor in building community capacity to participate in the engagement and make informed contributions.

The draft landscape masterplan was presented in two different formats on the Your Say page to allow for a user-friendly experience. The document could be downloaded in a PDF format or each page separately viewed in an 'image slider' format.

#### 4.2 Forms

A general comment form was used as an engagement tool. The form provided participants with an opportunity to communicate their comment on the various proposals made in the draft masterplan. The form was available in person at the drop-in events.

#### 4.3 Social Media

Council used Facebook and Instagram during the consultation period to reach out to younger audiences. A hidden post targeted at 18 to 35 year olds supported project awareness and delivered key messages and calls to action to specific demographic groups that were not yet adequately represented in the respondents.

#### 4.4 Print Media

A total of six Manly Daily ads provided large distribution scope to raise project awareness and community interest. Two of these ads were published during the engagement period to specifically inform the community about the drop-in sessions held at Little Manly Reserve.

#### 4.5 Electronic Direct Mail

- Information about the project was included in three Northern Beaches Community Engagement Newsletters. With a distribution list of over 22,000 people, this activity increased awareness and drove traffic to the project landing-page, essential documentation and engagement tools.

- Council sent two direct emails to approximately 336 community members who had registered interest in receiving project updates.

## 4.6 Face-to-Face

Two organised face-to-face on site drop in sessions offered Northern Beaches residents, workers, students and visitors another opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback on the draft Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan. Facilitators were available at the sessions to engage the public and provide a forum for deeper conversations. iPads were used to direct people to the online comment form that captured feedback. Paper feedback forms were provided to people who preferred to provide their comment in writing.

### Drop-in sessions

Location	Site	Time and Date	Attendance
Little Manly	Little Manly Reserve	10am-12pm, Sat 27 July 2019	Approx. 50
Little Manly	Little Manly Reserve	10am-12pm, Wed 7 Aug 2019	Approx. 30

## 5. Engagement Results

### 5.1 Emergent Themes

Of the 181 submissions received, the draft landscape masterplan (masterplan) proposals generally received support, with the exception of three key issues that are of consistent concern to the community.

1. The community seek to have the future of 40 Stuart Street resolved by this masterplan. A majority representation contend that 40 Stuart Street should be demolished and the land established as part of the Little Manly Reserve open space. Reference was provided that the land was purchased by majority vote by Manly Council for the specific purpose that it be returned as foreshore open space.
2. The community prefers the property at 34 Stuart Street to be used for the benefit of the community and not a commercial use.
3. Many people do not support the proposed shade tree planting within Little Manly Reserve, in particular near the kiosk. The concern is that tree planting will impact upon views from Stuart Street and from residential properties, contrary to the goal of creating vistas of the harbour elsewhere within Little Manly Reserve and Point.

### 5.2 Community Feedback

The community generally supported many of the suggested proposals and these will remain in the masterplan, including the following elements:

Retention of the natural landscape character as a general theme



Proposals that are minor in nature, aimed at improving the amenity for park users as a general theme
Improved and safe pedestrian access within and connecting Little Manly Reserve and Little Manly Point
Footpath through 34 Stuart Street
Footpath in front of the kiosk
Stairs connecting Little Manly Reserve park with the beach, although with the desire to widen the length of the stairs
Selective crown-lifting of vegetation to improve harbour vistas within the parkland
Public amenities at Little Manly Point
Upgrade the playground at Little Manly Point

The community raised some concerns and provided feedback regarding the following proposals in the draft masterplan:

<b>Draft masterplan proposal:</b>	<b>What we heard</b>	<b>Masterplan revision/Council response</b>
Identification of the use of 40 Stuart Street	This property should be included in the Masterplan and returned to open space.	Council has prepared an alternative future option for the masterplan that incorporates the use of 40 Stuart St as open space, to be reviewed in 2022 when the loan taken out to purchase the property is realised.
Identification of the use of 34 Stuart Street	Council should ensure this property is leased for community use and not for commercial use.	The Council draft masterplan notated that Council would seek expression on interest / public tender for community use on this land, with use to be restricted to recreational / educational activity. This intent remains in the masterplan

Shade tree planting to Little Manly Beach Reserve	<p>The shade trees are not necessary. People bring their own shade tents in summer and enjoy the sun in winter.</p> <p>The shade trees will impact on views from Stuart Street and residential properties.</p>	The proposed shade tree planting to the Little Manly Beach Reserve in the vicinity of the kiosk are removed from the masterplan. Any new tree planting is to be clear from obstructing the view of the harbour.
Intention to slow vehicle movements along Stuart Street	Various suggestions provided to meet this objectives. Solutions need to address noise concerns for local residents, and location, with the option to extend works further along the street.	The masterplan recommends investigation and implementation of appropriate traffic calming measures along Stuart Street to increase pedestrian safety.
Providing additional watercraft storage within Little Manly Reserve at 34 Stuart Street	Comments suggested that the existing storage capacity is at a maximum and that additional storage should be provided. The Manly Dragon Boat Club has expressed a desire to utilise the land at 34 Stuart St for storage and associated boating activities.	As a recreational pursuit, support for additional storage capacity is provided within the masterplan, with recognition that this may be part of the proposal to utilise 34 Stuart St for community use.
Maintaining the 7 hour parking time limit along Stuart Street	Comments provided indicated that a reduction in the parking time limit disadvantages the boating community.	No changes to the current 7 hour parking time limit is proposed.
Landscaping the area around the Norfolk Island Pine near the kiosk to improve open space amenity	The decking under will improve sitting opportunities. Some responses asked for the area to be increase, whilst some are concerned that this proposal reduces the open space area.	The decking is included in the masterplan for the recreational benefit and comfort it is able to provide. The loss of grassed area by the decking is considered a solution that does not diminish recreational open space use.

Existing swings should remain in clear eyesight of park and kiosk users	Suggestions that the swings should remain in the location as existing to capture the sun and also remain where parents are able to see their children from the kiosk.	No changes to the location of the swings are proposed in the masterplan. Review of the soft-fall dimensional area, when due for replacement is recommended.
Council programs for existing Pool and Boat Ramp (not part of this masterplan)	Out of scope for this masterplan.	A Tidal Pool Renewal program for Little Manly is currently planned with works to be commenced in 2020. Information is on Council's website.

Aspects of the community feedback that had varying responses, for and against, include:

<b>Draft masterplan proposal:</b>	<b>What we heard</b>	<b>Council response</b>
The presence of the kiosk within open space	Various opinions are expressed regarding the existing kiosk, These include suggestions range from removing or relocating it to leaving it as is. Concern is raised that it is an intrusion into the open space, whilst comments are provided that it provides a useful role within the open space.	The kiosk remains in the masterplan, with no expansion of the leasing area forward towards the beach or reserve.
Road surface treatment at the intersection of Stuart Street and Craig Avenue and road chicanes	Whilst support is provided for traffic calming measures along Stuart Street, this is provided subject to the investigation that such measures would not impact upon residents by increasing noise levels.	The masterplan recommends investigation and implementation of appropriate traffic calming measures along Stuart Street to increase pedestrian safety.
Proposed car parking along Stuart Street.	Parking is not an issue for the majority of the year. Reducing parking hours on Stuart Street will have an impact on enjoyment of activities at Little Manly Reserve and Point.	The masterplan retains the existing parking arrangements without an increase to parking spaces.

The following analysis of specific comments provided by the community supports the interpretation listed above.

**Table 1**

Common observations with the draft masterplan proposals:		
	agree	disagree
Include No. 40 Stuart St in the masterplan as open space	74	
General support for the masterplan	34	
Shade tree planting	6	25
Allot No. 34 Stuart St for community use	30	
Upgraded playground at Little Manly Point	21	
Public amenities at Little Manly Point	11	5
Relocated child swing		14
improved traffic calming measures along Stuart St	10	2
Reduction of parking time limits	3	9
Beach access 'meeting place' and widened stairs	11	
Additional car parking	3	8
Pedestrian access in front of existing kiosk	10	
Pedestrian access through No. 34 Stuart St	7	2
Improved harbour vistas from within parkland	7	1
Decking under Norfolk Island Pine	6	1
Widened footpaths along Stuart St	4	1
Exclusion zone for swimmers	4	

**Table 2**

Community suggestions:		
	agree	disagree
more water craft storage	9	1
demolish kiosk	3	5
demolish kiosk and relocate facilities into No 40 Stuart St	7	
leave it as natural as possible with low key improvements	6	
improved pedestrian movement and access for all	6	
existing Kiosk is unsightly	3	
inappropriate to maintain public access through the kiosk	3	
need for improved signage	3	
include bicycle parking to all areas	2	1
a jetty along the boat ramp or swimming enclosure	2	
more picnic seats	1	1
pedestrian ramp access near boat ramp	1	
beach access by widened stairs near boat ramp		1
remove non native trees	1	
need for recreational activities for older children	1	
further walkways		1

## 6. Conclusions

Feedback collected through the engagement process identified a number of recurring themes as well as novel ideas and perspectives.

The results of the engagement process indicated that there is general support for the draft masterplan, and specifically the following elements, which are included in the masterplan:

- Allot No. 34 Stuart St for community use,
- Upgrade the playground at Little Manly Point,
- Public amenities at Little Manly Point,
- Improved traffic calming measures along Stuart St,
- Beach access 'meeting place' and widened stairs,
- Pedestrian access in front of the kiosk,
- Pedestrian access through No. 34 Stuart St,
- Improved harbour vistas from within the parkland,
- Decking under the Norfolk Island Pine,
- Widened footpaths along Stuart St, and
- Exclusion zone for swimmers.

The general support is subject to the resolution and inclusion of the following elements:

- Include No. 40 Stuart St into the masterplan,
- Remove shade tree planting in the vicinity of the kiosk area as shown on the draft masterplan,
- Retain the swing in its current location, and
- Maintain the existing parking time limits.

## 7. Next Steps

- Report to Council with results of public exhibition and final masterplan for endorsement.
- Report back to the community with the final masterplan.

## 8. Appendices

### 8.1 Full Summary of Community and Stakeholder Responses

All comments and feedback received are provided in the following pages.

Submissions are included as received with no alterations.

#4, property grounds of 34 Stuart Str should be kept as they are, and no footpath should go through it (maybe next to it / next to the fence)  
#6, again another change of this area. How many times do they need to change the landscape. this is a clear waste of public money.  
#7, another relocation of the kayak storage area. this has been done several times over the last 15 years.....  
#12, I understood that the public did not want to upgrade the "swing area" and was happy as how it is now

Love the pedestrian safety / traffic calming measures specifically the chicanes, highlighting of the Craig Ave/Stuart St intersection and the pathway down the side of 34 Stuart St to keep pedestrians off the street. Suggest a ramp rather than stairs however to allow strollers, trolleys and kayaks to be pulled/pushed rather than scurrying behind the cars parked in Craig Ave.

Bathrooms in LM point park also a big win.  
Well done.

I agree the area needs upgrades and think the proposals will really improve the amenity of the area.

It is good to see a masterplan for Little Manly being prepared. As a local architect and resident of Stuart St and Marshall St for over 30 years I have watched the usage of the beach increase enormously over the last few years in particular.

I would like to make the following points -

1. The masterplan raises a series of small minor changes some of merit, some unnecessary but what is telling is what is lacking in the masterplan. Manly Council bought No 40 Stuart St because at the time it was zoned Open Space. Why now is it not included as part of the masterplan as it has the potential to offer considerable increased amenity to the beach front park which struggles under the high level of summer usage?
2. The existing kiosk is unsightly. Its back which it presents to the raised footpath along Stuart St, the main entry to the park and beach is a terrible run down way to present to visitors. The cafe has always stored its junk, refuse, tubs, old fridges, unused catering bits and pieces, old signs, umbrellas all in full view as people enter the park. It is inappropriate that at present public access up to Little Manly Point is through the kiosk. I understand a new path will be put seaward of the kiosk but the levels are steep and this will require further loss of much needed grassy areas.
3. At present there is strong conflict between the toilets sharing the kiosk building. I think it inappropriate to shower less than 4 metres from people sipping coffee, it is unreasonable to expect people to do so and I don't. I also don't walk through the kiosk to get to the womens public toilet, the public/commercial conflict is clear and the masterplan as it stands takes no steps to address this.
4. No 40 could house the kiosk, new toilets and allow for more generous and straightforward disabled access to little manly park. The blocks orientation so as to preserve view corridors for residents, makes the property well suited to a new internal refit or a new building housing these functions. This would allow for the demolition of the existing kiosk which alienates a significant portion of the available open space associated with a heavily used beach.

In short the beach and its park would greatly benefit and be significantly expanded by the demolition of the existing kiosk, toilets and its associated paths and outdoor storage areas. Once its gone a simple clear beautiful stepped grassy bowl like park could open out to the beach with all the cafe and toilet facilities housed off to the side in 40 Stuart st along with a new straight forward disabled entry coming down from the widened Stuart St footpath. What a loss that No 40 Stuart St is not even coloured on the masterplan giving the impression it is not part of the site to be considered. Is Council positioning itself to sell off No 40 on the basis that it makes no contribution to the park and beach?

I largely support the proposed Masterplan in particular reducing parking hours from 8 to 4 hours, improving public amenity around the kiosk and providing public toilets at Little Point park (vital!). However, I believe the following should be added to this proposal:

1. reducing the light pollution emanating from the lights at the beach onto nearby residences on Addison Road - they are unusually bright and require residents to close curtains at night to reduce glare. I also believe that they should be dimmed to improve protections for the Little Penguins who nest nearby
2. Improve signage - the signage at Little Manly beach is out of date and confusing for visitors. The information should be consolidated onto one sign with key information being identified - no fishing (including spear fishing) within the swimming enclosure, no dogs and swimming within 3 days after rain at your own risk.
3. Recreational activities for older children - there is a focus in the masterplan for younger children with 2 playgrounds provided in close proximity to each other. Strongly suggest that recreational areas be provided for older children such as a basketball court - this provides a healthy alternative for local kids, minimizing their use of screens.

Looks great. Definitely need the chicane and the shared pedestrian zone at the intersection of Craig Ave as long as it doesn't create extra tyre noise which can become wearisome for residents who live close by.

I strongly disagree with adding additional public toilets at Little Manly Point for the following reasons: 1. As there are currently toilets at Little Manly Beach, adding new toilets within two hundred meters of the existing ones is unnecessary and a waste of public funds. 2. During the summer months Little Manly Point Car Park and the surrounding streets are seeing increased illegal overnight camping in vans and cars, by adding toilets to Little Manly Point you would be providing facilities to encourage more of this activity and creating a problem for no real benefit.

I think that it is an excellent plan.

The whole area is very well used most of the year and as a disabled person I can well support the idea of putting toilets up in the Gas works parking area. Many disabled groups were unable to use that lovely area because of their absence.

The other thing is shade for the lawns by the beach. It is very hot in summer and people congregate under the Norfolk Island Pine by the Kiosk. You may have to move the large tree shown by the beach access steps further towards No 40 to improve sight lines.

Tinkering at the edges needs to have a strategy behind it not a special interest.

One wonders why some of the elements of this masterplan for these two popular reserves have not been implemented already.

Who can object to upgrades of pedestrian safety, or changes to increase parking in an area where parking is at a premium. The public transport option reduces pressure on other areas of public open space in and around Manly and should be promoted including improving access and shelter at stops.

One assumes there is already access to the beach near the bathing enclosure for people with disabilities, multiple accessible shaded picnic benches and shaded seating or parking for mobility devices. I hope they will be increased.

The complex of facilities crowded into the area numbered 15 on the masterplan seem like a lost opportunity when the Council owns a residence adjacent to the park, No 40 Stuart St, that could have a change of use to a facility similar to the Kiosk at Shelley Beach, bringing an increased income to Council to offset the cost of maintaining the Reserves.

The small kiosk that once sold ice-cream and soft drink has been made redundant by changes in social behaviour and it is time to allow and facilitate change to cater for current recreational and social behaviours. A relocation would also allow for an upgrade to the toilet and changing facilities at the site numbered 15 without altering the built footprint. This does not negate the need for public amenities at 20, a necessary development.



The open space areas numbered 8 and 12 should be connected with a path useable by people with disabilities. It would allow for an access option that did not include slopes and allow a person with disabilities or ambulatory difficulties to use all the features and facilities of the area.  
The open area of No 40 Stuart St adjacent to the beach should be included in the open space shown as 12 as a transition into a food and beverage facility.

My family and I regularly use Little Manly - a great spot.  
You'll be aware that there has been strong community support for appropriate community use of this area in the past.  
It now seems that 40 Stuart St has been omitted from the Master plan.  
Please change this situation and include it in the plan.

Hi, just viewed your draft Little Manly master plan. My understanding is that the area of the house next to the main reserve was to be incorporated as extra space. #40 Stuart St: what are the plans for this block? We have family picnics in the area.

Hi there, the draft plan does not include 40 Stuart street - this is a massive oversight, as it should be added to the foreshore park as open space (building to be demolished/knocked down to create more open space). The landscaping plans need to be completely amended to include #40 as open space, rather than tree planting separating it from the rest of the foreshore park.

34 Stuart st should be amended to have a community use as it is community land.

If this is a master plan for Little Manly Reserves it needs to take into account the entire area and how they work together, and that has not been done.

Why isn't #40 Stuart St included? It was always meant to be but suddenly you have dropped it. We visit this area regularly after having lived there for many years and it is one of Manly's gems.  
Make the redevelopment worth doing and include #40

I am shocked and dismayed that 40 Stuart Street has been completely omitted from the Draft Little Manly Masterplan! I would request the Masterplan to include 40 Stuart Street as open space. 40 should be demolished/knocked down, so that the land may be added to the foreshore park and for 34 to have a community use.

I am a northern beaches council resident and frequently use little manly beach with my family. I strongly believe it is in the best interests of council residents and users of little manly beach for the council to demolish number 40 stuart street and add that land to the foreshore park for public use. I also believe it is in the best interests of council residents to make number 34 stuart street community use.

The absence of 40 Stuart Street from the draft Masterplan is of most serious concern. I dare to say each and every local resident would like to see it preserved for open space with the aim of it being included within the park and playground area. My wife and I are longtime residents of Addison Road and together with friends,



our children and grandkids are frequent visitors to Little Manly Reserve.  
Please reconsider and include the property within the draft Masterplan and designate it as open space.

Please include 40 Stuart St in the foreshore park as open space after knocking it down.  
Also please ensure that 34 Stuart street has a community use.

What happened to the plan for 40 Stuart St? It was designated for open space to improve the park. Do not allow this to be residential any longer. The community has been promised that it be opened up to the park. We have been patient!

Reduction of parking hours- Will this be taken into consideration with the tightening of the residential parking schemes? Has a survey been done to determine who is parking here? I suspect it is residents who are without off street parking. The steady march to reduced parking times in Manly has lead to increased numbers of empty shops in the Corso, and along Pittwater Rd. Reducing the parking times seems premature without completing the overall residential parking study.

I would like to see the masterplan include 40 Stuart Street and hence protected from any future potential sale. Lot 40 should be demolished/knocked down, so that the land may be added to the foreshore park

Also requesting community use for 34 Stuart St such as Sea Scouts or a water sports club or a community art gallery rather than a commercial enterprise. It is Community Land so it should have a community use.

So please make a submission asking for 40 to be demolished/knocked down, so that the land may be added to the foreshore park and for 34 to have a community use.

While it is agreed that the proposals for improvement to the public facilities at Little Manly Reserve have merit why has no mention been made regarding the demolition of 40 Stuart Street and the inclusion of the ground area of this property to the public reserve which was promised by the old Manly Council. Would you please review your Master Plan proposals for this priceless public space and ensure that Council carries out it previous commitments to demolish 40 Stuart Street for the good of local residents and visitors to Manly.  
Thank you

I am disgusted with this latest plan for the Little Manly precinct - what is the aim of the Northern Beaches Council - to sell off all it can lay its hands on??????????? First it was the Warringah golf course, now Little Manly - what's next?????????????????

40 Stuart st should be incorporated into the foreshore park as open space.  
34 Stuart st should have a community use - NOT commercial.

34 Stuart St is Community Land so it should have a community use and 40 Stuart St needs to be demolished/knocked down, so that the land may be added to the foreshore Park. I'm surprised and dismayed these considerations haven't been taken into account already given the history of the area

The plan suggests restricting the number of boats coming into to the swimming area. Fair enough to protect the safety of swimmers. However, there is no provision for mooring yacht tenders or small craft to enable easy shore access. This is true of all of Sydney harbour. In Europe ample provision is made for the berthing of small craft alongside jetties. According to RMS, and [REDACTED], both of whom I have been in correspondence with Manly Council are the decision makers. I suggest a jetty alongside the boat ramp or swimming enclosure.

Great proposals in general. Biggest issue (for me) is slowing down cars on Stuart st. P platers racing down the hill while trying to cross with a 3mth old baby in a stroller on Sunday. Use 40km/hr speed zones same as beachfront where you have beach access and cars interacting in same space.

Love the path from Stuart st through 34 Stuart st to stay out of Craig ave (ramp for strollers please?)

Also no more trees needed in Craig Ave end of the park as the big one that's there is plenty. Issue is more too much shade than not enough (my opinion)

Love the 'stadium stairs' connecting park and beach. Will be great to plonk down and chat with the neighbours

Regarding the Little Manly master plan, I would like 40 Stuart Street to be knocked down and the area incorporated into the reserve. Also 34 Stuart Street should be used for the community and not be a business.

Please include the demolition of the house at number 40 Stuart Street and the addition of this land into parkland. It is an eyesore and there is not enough space the existing park for the many users on good days. The house at number 34 also needs attention. If it can't be demolished then some community use would be good.

Hi I'm confused about why 40 Stuart St is not included as part of the foreshore for the public. The long held vision is that the foreshore park of Little Manly will include the land of 40 Stuart St, requiring it to be demolished. 34 Stuart St should also be used for the community. Please don't lose this opportunity for establishing public spaces in Manly for future generations. Thanks

Please include 40 Stuart Street as part of the Masterplan. It is an integral part of the beach and foreshore, and an important open space asset, not a financial asset.

Hope decision makers will stick to idea of "only minor adjustments". Have looked at the plan, notice what looks like suggested tree position- cm.circles in different tone of green, area12. & hope we won't be confronted by anything like a Tuckeroo, height 8 to 15 metres width 7 metres webb reference by impact far from minor.

Being long time residents of Stuart Street, we endured all through the adverse, arrogant antics of the former Manly Council in relation to the beachfront properties at Little Manly. It has been openly stated/legislated to be Open Plan Foreshore for over 70 years, however the former council failed to act appropriately, especially in initially allowing No. 38 Stuart fall into private ownership and its subsequent questionable re-

zoning to Residential. In due course, Manly Council acquired ownership of 40 Stuart which itself is now extremely run down and totally lacking in any form of recent building maintenance - plus the ugly unkempt gardens are a disgrace. Once upon a time, the Stuart Street beachfront was always neat and tidy. We urge NBC to now demolish 40 Stuart for the health of everyone concerned and not just keep accepting its rental income. The area contained therein would be invaluable if cleared and extended and thus create much needed area for public recreational use. No 36 Stuart needs to be definitely considered as a community facility and not be left to just derive rental income for the NBC as it also deteriorates. In past years it has been neglected/run down as well as No. 40. Farrell's Cottage at 36 remains a vital and integral factor in the history of the Little Manly Cove. Please take responsible action on behalf of the citizens and visitors to Little Manly and make it a showcase area again as it once formerly was.

As a resident of Northern Beaches Council I sincerely believe that 40 Stuart St should be in the Masterplan for Little Manly Reserve. It is logical that it be demolished and used as open space. A community use should also be found for 34 Stuart St

I am disappointed to see no plan for the resumption into the reserve of 40 Stuart Street. This was purchased some years ago and assuming it has been prudently managed rental should have paid off a considerable part of any mortgage by now. The property is zoned Open Space, as was the whole of Little Manly foreshore until Manly Council unwisely re zoned the only property not owned by the Council, 38 Stuart St. The LM Masterplan should include the prospect that this house will be demolished to create more open space for the people especially families with younger children who flock to this spot. Perhaps current staff are unfamiliar with this background but please include plans for 40 to be demolished within the next 10 years.

The Masterplan should include 40 Stuart Street . This property has been part of the overall plan for over 50 years

I have 3 comments to submit:

#### 1- 40 Stuart St.

You Have to include 40 Stuart Street in this Master Plan of Little Manly.

It is shocking that you seem to have "forgotten" this very precious public space in this Submission.

I look forward to seeing the revised version which should clearly propose opening up that property to public access for all.

The best way to do that is to destroy the current dwelling and turn the land into park.

Little Manly Beach Foreshore or the "long-held vision" of open-space for the foreshore park, includes 40 Stuart Street which is publicly owned.

#### 2-Trees.

Please provide more trees for shade in the park areas / areas close to beach; 8 and 12 in particular.

As this beach is a family friendly place with many babies, toddlers and young children, it is critical to provide families with shaded areas.

Protecting from the sun is important for all of us.

Currently there is not enough shade.

#### 3-Slowing cars on Stuart and Addison

In map areas 1 and 2 you are looking at ways to slow down cars. This is very important and necessary.

Further to these efforts, there needs to be crosswalk area to provide pedestrian safety at the intersection of Stuart and Addison Road.

This intersection is currently a huge hazard for pedestrians and there are more and more pedestrians every year coming to Little Manly Beach.

Lots of these pedestrian are families coming by ferry to Manly, including families pushing prams and walking with toddlers.

Addison Road could benefit from having a chicane, or a speed bump or any other strategy to slow cars.

As a minimum, there needs to be a lot more signage to slow down cars in the entire Little Manly Beach area.

Footpaths along Stuart St should be widened to shared paths to allow for safe bicycle access to the parks.

This would be consistent with Council's transport strategy of increasing cycling for transport for short trips and reducing private motor vehicle usage.

Bicycle parking should be included in all three park areas.

Please add 40 Stuart St to the open space.

Retain 34 Stuart St for community use.

Retain boat/kayak storage.

I support the changes to the master plan except no 19 - reducing the street parking from 8 to 4 hours. Obviously no one at Northern beaches council owns any water craft whatsoever and has ever tried to park a car and trailer at Little Manly. I have been launching a fishing boat at Little Manly ramp for over 40 years and it is now impossible to park after 7.00am on a Saturday or Sunday with a boat and trailer at Little Manly in summer. There are only 7 car and trailer parking spots in close proximity to the ramp and the street parking adjacent to the boat ramp is now always filled with inconsiderate car owners leaving car and trailer owners no where to park. I have on several occasions launched my boat and left it with my children while I drove around Manly trying unsuccessfully to find a parking spot. I ended up having to retrieve my boat and drive to Roseville. The 8 hour on street parking should remain and be signposted as boat and trailer parking only like Fishermans beach at Long Reef. The current parking arrangements means I cannot use a public boat ramp to go fishing for the day with my family. If I was ever lucky enough to find an on street parking spot, 4 hours is not long enough to enjoy a days boating.

Little Manly Beach is a jewel on the harbour with its safe swimming area enjoyed by young children and older people. The foreshore park is loved and treasured by locals and visitors alike with grassy areas for picnics and family gatherings.

The park is heavily used and the inclusion of 40 Stuart St provides an opportunity to increase the size of this precious open space.

40 Stuart St has been included as open space in every plan since 1951. Every Manly Council since 1951 has reiterated its intention that 40 Stuart Street should be part of the foreshore park. Although it is, of course, still zoned Open Space, it is not even mentioned in the Draft Little Manly Masterplan. The staff of the new Northern Beaches Council don't seem to understand the history of the Little Manly Beach Foreshore or the long-held vision of open-space for the foreshore park. Council now own all the foreshore properties except for 38 which is in private ownership at present.

One concern is that 40 might be sold off. When [REDACTED] was the Administrator he received offers on the property which he rejected but can we rely on the Northern Beaches Council to do the same. Council is

wrongly treating 40 as a financial asset. They should be treating it as part of the foreshore park. It is not a financial asset it is an open space asset.

Council has had years of benefitting from leasing 40 and the house has had a hundred years of use and wear and tear. It is looking shabby and would need money to be spent on it to bring it up to standard. There would also be asbestos cement sheeting present which would be degenerating causing a health risk not only to the tenants but also to members of the public using the foreshore and therefore creating a liability for Council.

Now is the time for 40 to be incorporated into the foreshore park as open space. Now is the time.

I would also like to urge Council to seek a community use for 34 Stuart St such as Sea Scouts or a water sports club or a community art gallery rather than a commercial enterprise. It is Community Land so it should have a community use.

The plan on exhibition omits several elements in the Reserve.

- a. Future use of 34 Stuart St
- b. Little Manly Swimming Enclosure
- c. Future use of 40 Stuart St
- d. Little Manly Café
- e. Appropriate Landscape Management Plan
- f. Memorial seat plan
- g. Playground redevelopment
- h. Adventure play area
- i. Venue Hire plan

The plan does not prioritise works or consider improvements with the existing maintenance budget.

Kayak storage: is it possible to increase kayak storage? This area is dominated by older style apartments with limited storage options. There are few areas to store kayaks on the beaches. This is a water based community. The wait list for kayak spaces is long and it can take a number of years to gain a space. The harbour is a perfect place to kayak and this adds to the health and well being of the community.

Bins located at Little Manly. It is unfortunate that one of the first things you see upon arrival at Little Manly are bins. Whilst I am aware these need to be located in a place so they will be used, it is unfortunate this is in such a prominent location.

Whilst the overall master plan has merit. Consideration has to be given to the kiosk area and the public interaction.

The use of shade trees is largely floored given the foreshore soil and the fact their will be possible view impairment which could end in L&E court. In addition the shade service that a tree provides would be a decade away before its deliverable. The new Kiosk tender has a development part for effective use. This is subject to sensitive design criteria. This is a highly used area and the interaction of the public in high demand times with the kiosk requires a measure approach.

Please consider that locals from other parking areas such as Ocean Beach come here and may want to go kayaking for a picnic etc which is longer than 4 hours. I think other parking areas local to Manly should be able to park there for the 8hrs. Otherwise I am pleased to see you are retaining a lot of the current features and the kiosk which is a national treasure!!

I really like the plan to redevelop the area. A lot of thought has gone into it.

Looks good

Objection to new road pavement surface (1) . I doubt if this will slow traffic and am concerned this will increase road noise further for nearby residents (I have lived next to such a surface in the past). Objection to the establishment of chicanes (2). I believe chicanes create a traffic hazard and are dangerous causing more accidents rather than preventing accidents.

Otherwise all good-

The proposal to replace the current street parking on the southern side, at the top of Stuart St should be dismissed. The expense of constructing these car spaces is not justified, particularly as the net gain is so small and a loss of street parking for cars as well as those with attached trailers is already limited. Note that this one of the few locations the locations where residents parking don't park their cars overnight.

Intruding into a well-used grassy area of the park is unwarranted. (23 & 24) this area is a well used recreation spot for picnickers, slackliners, fitness enthusiasts, sunset viewers and those just contemplating on the memorial bench.

The Stuart St is at its narrowest in this location, with a blind spot at the corner of Stuart and Carey. On summer weekends regular stand offs occur when all the car parks are used on both sides of the road and only a single lane remains. No one can drive up or down the street between Marshall and Carey. Most people are patient and resolve the situation by moving into the driveways lower down the hill to allow vehicles to pass. Installing right angled parking in the location proposed would further exacerbate this situation with cars moving in and out of the traffic at right angles. And it would be necessary to remove the parallel parking opposite.

There are too many unintended consequences to this proposal.

Number 40 Stuart St is owned by the Council. This property should have been included in the plan. The LM cafe is open for Tender and the consultation has exhibited plan has offered some proposal for this area.

The community should be offered options to discuss for the future of Number 40.

Continued extensions of the foot print of the cafe/toilet has resulted in erosion in the front of the building.

Access through the cafe is not an ideal solution for either visitors, cafe patrons and staff.

The cafe has outgrown its premises with storage fridges and cupboards now placed at the rear and continued hard standing placed around the building for the chairs and tables.

The proposal to build a platform around the Norfolk Pine will further add to the built structures in the area, without increasing open public space.

Consideration should be given to separating the cafe and the public toilets and put the cafe in number 40. In addition the cafe could be better weather proofed in number 40 to allow for all year round trading making it more viable than at the present time. Council could seek a greater lease fee from this new location than it receive from the current location.

During busy summers and week day evenings the cafe operator is regularly requested to provide toilet paper for the public toilets and attend to any cleaning and maintenance issues that may arise. Often the area smells and queues to the toilet can impede cafe patrons or pedestrians in and around the building. A cafe should not be relying on public toilets for its patrons to use.

If the cafe was moved to number 40 the public toilets could be retained in their current location and the front of the cafe along with outdoor seating could be removed and the pathway restored in front of the building. This would resolve the erosion problem and create more open space for beach users. Separation of Council services such as toilet cleansing and public place bins could be achieved.

I dropped by the "have your say" tent at Little Manly Park today and met [REDACTED] the council landscape architect and his colleague. Just to add some further detail to my existing comments:

- \*Traffic calming – highest priority (in my opinion)

- \*Chicanes are an excellent solution and if choking the street down to a single car being able to pass (safely) then I think this is an excellent solution. Another resident mentioned that they had been installed on another street but were still wide enough to allow 2 cars to pass so had not been effective therefore thought should be given to how narrow to make the chicanes

- \*Suggested locations are effective, particularly the set outside 34 Stuart St which will present as the natural road crossing for most given it will be the narrowest crossing and it is opposite the new proposed pedestrian entry into the park

- \*[REDACTED] mentioned the possibility of placing a chicane further up the hill on Stuart St towards Addison road as a consideration which I would certainly support as it would prevent all but the most reckless drivers from travelling at speed at the bottom of the hill which also coincides with the main pedestrian crossing. Consideration would need to be given to placing it a fair way up the hill to allow cars towing boats to be able to swing into and out of Craig Ave

- \*Additional parking on Stuart St near gasworks for a net increase in off street parking is noted and well considered

- \*The visual break up of the roadway by painting or using a paved surface at the intersection of Stuart St and Craig Ave will also be highly effective in my view as it alerts motorists to the fact that additional attention is required. In terms of execution I think council should give thought to whether a painted surface would be sufficient or a different, textured surface eg pavers would be more effective - balanced by the potential noise generated by a paved surface and how that noise may bother residents. I know the pavers on Smith St for example seem quite noisy to drive on but are also effective in slowing traffic - probably a good place to look/listen before deciding on how to execute.

- \*Consider raising the issue of a 40km/hr zone on Stuart St with RMS given you have pedestrians interacting with the foreshore in the same way as East/West Esplanade and North Steyne which are all 40km/hr zones

- \*The suggested pedestrian path along the western boundary of 34 Stuart street is a good suggestion as we all know users will take the closest path so those approaching from the Addison rd end of Stuart Street are unlikely to walk up to the boat storage area to drop down into the Craig Ave park. Per my previous feedback I would simply suggest installing a ramp that runs along that boundary to allow those with strollers to safely access the park otherwise you will end up with the most vulnerable users still in Craig Ave dealing with the reversing boat trailers etc

- \*This would also eliminate a maintenance cost as I note that council (rightly) pays to have the trees running along that boundary pruned every 12 months or so. By removing that screen planting and the jacaranda (which really only served as privacy screening for when there were residences living at 34 Stuart St) council will free up some budget to be used elsewhere as well as give the Norfolk island pine space to flourish.

- \*I would strongly resist planting of any further trees in either the Craig Ave or the kiosk park as there is ample shade already and better use could be made of the existing shade around the boundary of 40 Stuart St and the existing park.

- \*View loss is the obvious downside of additional planting as well as the fact that with a south facing park, users are seeking out sun for 9 months of the year and the 3 months of summer allows users to bring their own shade (if more is desired) however there is now way to bring more sun the other 9 months!

- \*I would also comment that the tuckeroo tree that was planted at the Craig Ave end of the park a few years ago is now getting very large and dense and is starting to cause loss of views. This is only going to get worst



as that species can/will grow quite tall so council should consider these issues when selecting species in other areas.

Sunday morning 9am and there are 4 cars with trailers parked on the southern side of Stuart St. The fishing boats can be seen from the LM Point fishing off Canae Point near Q Station. There is plenty of parking available elsewhere for single cars only.

I generally support the changes envisaged in the masterplan, but I have three comments on matters that I feel need changes or improvement.

- 1) The existing parking spaces in Craig Avenue are not sufficient to meet the demand from swimmers and other beach users, particularly on the weekend. This has been helped by the addition of a net seven extra spaces in Stuart Street, but more still needs to be done. The situation can be much improved by reducing the parking timing to 2 or 3 hours from the existing 12 hours in Craig Avenue. This is ample time for beach and water users to use the water, café and other facilities there. Keeping some movement in the cars parked enables more people to access the area. People with boats moored in the bay would complain that they need 12 hours parking if they are going sailing for the day, but most of the boats do not move off their moorings for months at a time. The overwhelming parking demand volume is from short-term beach users.
- 2) The beach there should be off-limits to commercial operators. Because the pool is small and often busy, many people swim laps of the beach. However, in summer a power boat hire company and a barbeques afloat company operate from there. They frequently come to and from the beach and moor just off the beach. This is a danger to swimmers and results in a public liability exposure to the council.
- 3) There is a glaring mistake in the masterplan with the omission of the council-owned property at 40 Stuart Street. When council acquired this land in 2012 it was intended to be added to the waterfront as open space, so how can a masterplan exclude a portion of the Little Manly Beach area from its strategic deliberations? Even if nothing is planned in the short term, the long-term plan for this valuable piece of land must be included in the document.

Every council for over 60 years has shown this land as open space in their plans and stated that it would eventually be incorporated into the foreshore park. The house is in poor condition and the land would greatly improve the existing park area and enable it to accommodate the increasing usage of this area. It would also facilitate an improved access to the park for disabled people by the elimination of the very awkward zigzag access ramp.

Come on councillors, make your mark on history by making this happen where other councils have failed! The loss of revenue from the house rent is a pittance in comparison with the revenue base of the enlarged council, and there would be a huge public outrage if you were to sell this land.

The facilities at Little Manly are used by many who do not live in the Little Manly area, including me and my family.

I would like to advise you of my objection to the proposed for additional trees adjacent to the kiosk at Little Manly Beach. These proposed trees will give minimal useful shade in afternoons due to direction of the sun and only result in adversely affecting the vista from the street and the properties on the opposite side of Stuart Street as well as reducing the usable space in this area. Additionally, I consider that the existing straggly eucalyptus tree North-east of the Norfolk Pine should be removed as it serves no purpose and detracts for the overall outlook.

With regard the restriction of powered water craft, this seems of little use as water craft rarely go outside the proposed restricted area and would be impossible to enforce.

However, I would additionally suggest that consideration be given to the construction of a walkway along the side of the pool for safety reasons as children walk along the existing beam and sometimes fall off which



is a safety issue should these children not be able to swim (I have had to assist children on a number of times). The recent erection of a sign will not stop children walking along the beam.

Your positive consideration of the above comments would be appreciated.

Master Plan at Little Manly Beach - detail area A

Points 1 and 2 - This is to consider boat trailer movements

Point 7 - This should be an increase in dingy and kayak storage area

Point 8 - Remove picnic table closest to the kayak storage area, it will hinder access to the kayak storage area. This area is often used to wash down kayaks.

Point 9 - Car and trailer flow and parking needs to be reviewed. This is a cope out. The very least resurface it. The ramp is in need of upgrade now! Gabions used as scour protection are breaking with wire exposed where people walk with barefeet. Council are liable for this. The ramp is in desperate need of an extension into deeper water, even very small boats struggled to use the ramp at lower tides making it dangerous. A fixed jetty structure along the side of the ramp should be considered. RMS have grant programs to assist with all of Point 9.

General - Open grass areas should remain where people wash down kayaks, fishing gear etc. Provide a suitable space and facility for this.

We oppose the planting of additional trees as proposed in the Little Manly Draft Landscape Masterplan.

- Further planting of trees will have a detrimental effect on an iconic harbour tourist drive by additional loss of views from Stuart St and when coming down Marshall St.
- The Park and kiosk are a popular year round recreational area where locals, families and visitors currently enjoy a sunny space. Further tree planting, will turn these areas into cold, uninviting spaces for the greater part of the year. The great variety of portable cabanas and sun shelters available today can be used by park and beach goers for the 3 months of summer without affecting the park use for the greater part of the year. Likewise, the proprietor of the kiosk provides umbrellas for summer shade.
- Planting more trees will severely affect views for residents in Stuart St, Marshall St and Craig Ave. and to a lesser extent Wood St and Osborne Rd.

We have over the years lost approx. 75% of our views to tree plantings by council and at the time of one planting being told that the plantings were only low and would not further effect our views. They are now so dense and high that we have totally lost that part of our view as well.

(Refer to Manly Councils DCP section 3.4.3 and councils own TREE GUIDE)

On a positive note the proposed steps from the park onto the beach are shown on the Masterplan to have been widened. Having spoken to a number of interested parties there seems to be a strong view that these steps should be constructed as far across the park as possible even to the extent of across the whole fronting the beach. The treads of steps should be wide enough to allow people to use them as seating as seen in other beach areas where they are extensively used for that purpose.

Another suggestion not mentioned in the Masterplan is the inclusion of a watering system for the parks. I note that the water available for the park is from a bore so that would not be drawing from Sydney water system particularly important in times of water restrictions. At the moment locals are trying their best to maintain the grassed area in a good state by watering the area themselves.

The proposals sound pretty good to me. One thing that concerns me is that on busy summer days it is very difficult to traverse the path which goes right through the kiosk if one is trying to take a walk. There are people sitting and people placing/picking up orders and it is all too crowded. Is there any way of relieving congestion there, such as modifying the kiosk a bit by changing the counter location? Pedestrians should have priority over a business in a public place. Thank you.

Little Manly Reserves Landscape Masterplan.

There is no mention of what the plans are for council acquired 40 Stuart St, which was promised to be integrated as open space. This land is integral to the access of the beach. The house should be demolished and landscaped to improve bush feel and was promised to be used as community land.

Point 18 mentions establishing views-I think it is very important to leave intact bushland sections as they are. Please do not clear any bushland or remove any native trees or shrubs, as this will degrade the natural value of the area.

As a local who lives directly across the road I welcome the planned up grade to the area. I fully support the proposed alterations to the road to reduce the speed of traffic and hours of parking. However, I do have some concerns with a few of the proposals especially to the main grass area as indicated by NO12 on the proposal. I believe this area should remain predominately open - grassed with an open vista. This area is especially used in winter as a sun trap and for large group gatherings. I do not see the need for further trees to be planted in this area. People come to this area to catch the sun or bring a marquee with them if shade is required.

I am TOTALLY against the relocation of the swing. Pushing it back closer to the road and under tree foliage is making it a greater risk. The beauty for a parent is that you can easily see you child on or near the swing and know that it is far back from the road for extra safety.

Area NO 18 certainly needs to be cleared and planted with suitable foliage to enhance the area.

My family and I live at ■ Stuart Street, directly opposite Little Manly Point Park. We have owned our house and lived here for 8 years and are very regular users of the Park and Beach.

In those 8 years we have seen Little Manly Point Park become increasingly overgrown with self-seeded trees and weeds. The character of the Park has changed from a formal parkland with industrial heritage character and beautiful view, to overgrown bushland with some grassed areas and self-seeded trees and newly planted natives blocking views. In addition, the use of the park has increased considerably, mainly by the fishing community and partying backpackers. The Beach has also become much busier and whilst it is delightful as it is, it needs some more trees for shade, and some formalising of the landscaping to allow more people to sit on the grassed areas.

Our current concerns with the Beach are:

1. Lack of shaded places to sit
2. Path through the kiosk
3. Lack of clear and attractive connections between the Park and the beach

Our current issues with the Park are:

1. Overgrown and excessive plantings that have impacted on the original formal character of the Park and its industrial heritage charter, and views of the Harbour
2. Poorly maintained and overgrown areas along the edges of the Park with self-seeded trees and weeds strangling the figs

3. Lack of proper interpretation of the former Gas Works and the industrial heritage of the site.
4. Anti-social behaviour of the party-goers that frequent the lower levels of the Park on weekends.

Our current issues with the general area are:

1. Antisocial behavior of visitors to Jump Rock and Collins Beach (swearing, litter, alcohol, abuse, coming onto private property)
2. Parking across our driveway on weekends so we can't get out (every weekend) and no ranger action
3. Overgrown vegetation at the end of the Stuart Street cul-de-sac and along the lower driveway of the park.

I have read the 'Little Manly Point Plan of Management Report' 1990 and note that many of the recommendations of that report have been implemented. The development of the current Master Plan should respond to the recommendations in that report.

In regards to the current Master Plan, I support the general approach to the improvements to the Beach in particular. They are much needed and will not unduly alter the character of the place. The plan to upgrade the play equipment and acknowledge the Aboriginal cultural heritage of the Park, is fantastic.

However, I have some concerns/suggestions:

1. Parking: I support the creation of additional parking however all parking in this area must be patrolled and time limits enforced, and cars parked across driveways booked.
2. Amenities block: Must be designed to complement the character of the Park and should be locked at night. The local residents must be allowed to review the design.
3. Landscaping within the Park: There is a need for large scale stripping of the landscaping along the Stuart Street boundary and the eastern driveway. These areas have been overplanted in some places and infested by weeds and self-seeded trees in other. The park was originally designed to be formal with an industrial heritage character and with views from Stuart Street across to Balmoral. With the heavily treed National Park so close, there is no need for the amount of native planting that Council has placed in the Park in recent years, it does not respond to the character and heritage aspects of the Park. The large fig trees and very tall gums should be the only trees in this Park, so that people can understand its history and benefit from its harbourside location
4. Interpretation Plan: the interpretation within the park needs a significant upgrade, to better acknowledge the traditional owners and provide more attractive, up to date and meaningful information about the history and industrial heritage of the site. I recommend that a new Interpretation Plan be part of this Master Planning process.

Please note that I would have liked to come to a drop in session but I was unable to due to kids sport on Saturday and work on Wednesday. I would very much appreciate the opportunity to discuss this in more detail with Council's team. I am a heritage consultant and think I can offer some positive input into this process. An evening session would be appreciated.

I am a former resident of Stuart Street. Regarding the Little Manly master plan, I would like 40 Stuart Street to be knocked down and the area incorporated into the reserve. Also 34 Stuart Street should be used for the community and not be a business.

I have two main concerns about the Draft Little Manly Masterplan. Both relate to the fact that this precinct is much loved and used by local residents of the area.

1 To deliver on the vision for the park, the Masterplan proposes 'Leasing 34 Stuart Street out to a recreational business potentially to supply kayaks etc for hire'. Further, the Plan proposes '7 Relocate existing kayak storage to allow for the above transition area and to rationalise use of open space area and rationalise boat storage area'. Clearly, the intention is to lease out No. 34 to a business hiring kayaks. My

concerns are:

i Leasing this property does not constitute community use; it provides for a commercial enterprise. In particular, a kayak-leasing business will not serve the locals, who presently store kayaks in the storage area at Little Manly or at their residences. This facility should be offered for use by a not-for-profit local organisation.

ii A kayak-leasing business will bring more traffic to the area from occasional kayak users / tourists. Is the purpose (apart from revenue-earning) to attract more visitors to what is currently a local amenity? Has consideration been given to the congestion and extra parking that will be required for clients of such a business?

iii There is already a kayak hire business adjacent to Manly wharf. Is there a commercial need to duplicate this in Manly? Would a kayak hire business be better placed at Clontarf reserve, for example?

2 Why has the property at 40 Stuart Street not been included in the Little Manly Beach Masterplan? Provision for its future use should be proposed, as for Nos. 34 and 36. This property should become part of the foreshore park, and the intention to do this specified on the Masterplan. This has been the desire of residents for decades.

Frankly, as a local resident it often seems to me that Council treats Manly as a cash cow. We do get millions of visitors a year, mainly to the main beach, Shelly Beach and Corso areas. No doubt local businesses and the Council derive great benefit from this. I would like to see the Little Manly precinct treated as something other than a revenue-earner. I believe that the facilities at Little Manly should be maintained for local residents.

What a great masterplan for the area! My family, The [REDACTED] owned the properties at [REDACTED] Stuart Street for many, many years and I am enjoying seeing this area as open plan. The design is great and it fills my heart knowing that the Council is looking after it. I had 3 generations live here and we would spend most weekends enjoying the incredibly beautiful area and being together with the extended family and friends.

I would love to have a shelter to be named after and in memory of our Family. It would be great to add some history to the area and we as a family would really appreciate having this memory for our future generations. My grandfather had a had shake agreement with the council that if we were ever to sell that we would offer it to the Council, of which we did at that time, even though at that point the Council was not in a position to buy it but since have. So if you would consider this for the shelter that is planning on going where 36 Stuart Street is, I would be really humbled. If you would like any information about our family, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your time

Thanks for the opportunity to comment on the draft Masterplan for Little Manly foreshore. I note there is no mention of No 40 Stuart St. I was of the understanding that Council acquired this in 2012 for open space. I would like to know what intentions Council have for the is property. I would like to see it incorporated into the open space, thus widening the park area for the many families that visit this area regularly during the summer months.

My family and I have had a special interest in little Manly beach and its surrounds having bought our family home opposite the beach in 1967. My brother and I still own the property. We each spend significant parts of the year with our families at the property enjoying the beach and local area.

In 1967, the area was a backwater primarily because of the gasworks. My parents bought the property based on written assurances then from Manly council that the gasworks would be removed as well as the houses on the foreshore. In their place would be parkland.

My parents lived to see the very successful parkland on the point but the park along the foreshore has never materialised despite concerted efforts by residents that this is what is wanted by ratepayers.

So it is with dismay that I see no 40 Stuart St is not included in the current proposed master plan - we're back to 1967! Still no parkland!

Ratepayers financed the purchase of number 40 with the intention that it would be demolished with the land to be included as part of the reserve.

This omission needs to be rectified. Number 40 Stuart St needs to be central to the actions to be undertaken in the current master plan, that is, demolished with the land to provide much needed addition to the open reserve. Some proposed parkland at long last!

I live in Stuart St. and the traffic on Addison is also like Stuart "a race track". How about a roundabout at the top of Stuart and Addison ? I'm not against Chicans.

I'd also like to see more Palm trees as they don't drop too often and would give the street a "beach feel ".

34 Stuart st maybe a good place for a Historical Society ...showing old photos...information such as Andrew Boy Charlton was brought up in Stuart St.

The ocean pool he swam in is now demolished.

The man who writes a historical page in the local paper may have some good ideas. A place to have speakers and meetings. Also offering bags for beach clean ups...and a toilet .

I should imagine the drain that catches the street rubbish will be repaired and emptied.

The Norfolk pine is beautiful but the Jacaranda looks shabby. ..especially if they add more trees. I suppose people with views will not be happy.

I hope they're not putting a ramp from the boat ramp area to connect to the kiosk...as the underneath will be filthy and not cleaned out.

When walking around the Gas works with my dog I've noticed a council truck thats meant to be cleaning the pathways stops at the end where the childrens play area is..

gets out has a few smokes looking at the view but appears to rarely get his cleaning job done!

a) I support the footpath beside Craig Avenue.

b) I'm concerned about the commercial nature of the lease that is planned for 34 Stuart Street. I would prefer to see a community use such as sea scouts or a water sports club rather than a private venture.

c) I think That a Labyrinth should be put on the Circular grass area where the gas cylinder used to be at little manly point. An example of what I mean is at the following link:

<https://www.centennialparklands.com.au/visit/things-to-see-and-do/centennial-park-labyrinth/health-benefits>

d) I'm very concerned that 40 Stuart Street has been left out of the plan. My understanding is that the masterplan is being drawn up as a result of a motion by [REDACTED] which also mentioned the possibility of a restaurant in 40 Stuart Street. . I'm concerned that no specific question about 40 has been put to the community. I don't want a restaurant there but I would like the building at 40 demolished. I would support a simple cafe and toilets that could be put at 40 and the old cafe and toilets removed. However I would prefer 40 Stuart Street be used as open space .

My reasons are:

1. the 1951 plan Cumberland Shows little manly as all open space. So this is the status quo position. So I support this, open space,.

2. Since 1951, 42 and 44 Stuart Street were made part of the little manly foreshore.

In 1977 council acquired 34 . In 1998 36 Stuart Street was acquired for open space And this is now used for open space and for dinghy storage. So similarly 40 Stuart Street should be given an open space use.

3. in 2007 council voted to buy 38 Stuart Street. But failing to do so at the auction they voted to compulsory acquire it. But the General Manager didn't carry out that motion even though that is how local government democracy works! councillors make a decision and then the General Manager carries it out. This was the first backward step in a gradual progression towards making little Manly Beach foreshore open space. Having lost

38 Stuart Street I don't think council should lose 40 Stuart Street to a private buyer.

4. In 2012 40 Stuart Street was bought by council in the public interest to add to the park. I think it should be used as open space because that is what it was bought for.

5. The population of Sydney was about 1 million in 1951 when the Cumberland plan planned for open space at little manly. Now the population is maybe 5 million so there is even more pressure on open space.

Particularly at Manly when the tourists and visitors from all over Sydney flock to Manly and the ocean beach and east esplanade are very busy little manly provides open space that the local manly community can use.

6. Little manly is heavily used. It is ideal for small children and the elderly because there is no surf to knock them over. So it is very popular with young families it is also very popular for family picnics family gatherings and parties. But it is crowded so more space is needed.

7. Many people in Sydney now live in units and so they need open space.

8. There is a small amount of open space at little manly point but the next nearest open space is Ivanhoe Park. People really are crying out for more open space and at little manly there is the opportunity to add to the open space by demolishing 40.

9. Little manly is a very beautiful place it is much loved it is a harbour gem. The land is precious. that is why the opportunity to increase the open space by the demolition of 40 is such a wonderful vision.

10. I don't think 40 should be treated as a financial asset just a something to bring in the rent. I think it is an open space asset. When the mortgage is paid off which is soon the income from the rent won't be needed so the building should be demolished.

The plan to plant shade trees along the fence of 40 defines a boundary between the open space and 40, instead of incorporating 40 into the reserve. The landscape plan for the park Should consider the whole area including the open space at 40.

I don't know when the next master plan will be drawn up but it will be in a number of years and so 40 needs to be included in this plan now.

I.m at the park every month for the last 20 years

Please may 40 Stuart St be added to the foreshore reserve at Little Manly. Keeping it public land as it was intended, and not sold off to private buyers.

While the proposed plans to update the Little Manly Reserve are supported 80 pc, the failure to include the area at present occupied by 40 Stuart Street is thought to be an aberration by the planners involved in the development of this area. No. 40 Stuart Street is now public property and was my understanding that this property was always nominated as open space for use by the community.

It is respectfully requested that the senior management of the Northern Beaches Council and all councillors fully support the community in having this area declared Open Space when Council plans for the redevelopment of this area are finalised.

Under no circumstances would the majority of residents or community minded people in the NBC Region support the sale of this property to private interests.

Thank you

I'm against the private sale for 40 Stuart St.

I'd like to voice my support in ensuring number 40 Stuart Street Manly be added to the foreshore reserve at Little Manly Beach. On an immediate level, as the land was originally acquired as open space, it should remain as open space. Changing this plan sets a risky precedent which could all too easily be passed on to



other parts of the area, thus risking the iconic, open spaces that make Manly not just one of the most loved jewels within Sydney, but a 'must see' destination for many international travellers and visitors as well. On a broader level, it's the open access to the foreshores of Sydney Harbour both in Manly and beyond that set our harbour aside from almost any other in the world. A place close to a city, with clear water and safe sandy beaches which can be accessed by all. This ethos is deeply ingrained in the fabric of the harbour, it's history, people and lifestyle. for posterity sake and for the future, it should remain so.

We have enjoyed Little Manly Beach reserve since moving to the Manly area 12 years ago. This recreational space is unique and is an area mainly enjoyed by locals. It would be an absolute disaster if 40 Stuart Street was sold. Once this unique open recreational space is sold the opportunity to have it as recreational foreshore land for use in 100 's of years will be lost forever.

Please please please keep 40 Stuart as open space for all the rate payers of the Northern Beaches to enjoy now and for generations to come.

Hello, This is all great. The oversight is making it clear that No 40 Stuart St will not be sold. Needs to be marked on plan as future open space or community facility please. people in the community are worried given the fraught history of the site. thanks.

Dear Sir/Madam Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Little Manly Masterplan. Overall the plan looks good and i only really have one comment as discussed with the planners on Saturday 21st July at Little Manly. That comments relates to the location of the "shade" trees right near where the current bins are located next to the steps down to the beach (number 10 and 12 on the masterplan). I think the shade trees would be much better located next to the garden fence of number 40 (owned by the council). This would have the double benefit of:-

1. not spoiling the view for locals and the many tourists who come to Little Manly and stop and look at the view and
2. Provide shaded areas for families and individuals to sit and enjoy the location

Thank you again for providing the opportunity to comment and I hope my comments are taken into account regadrs

We're writing to object the proposed parking development on the corner of Stuart Street and the Little Manly Point car park. It's been suggested that you will remove the current parking arrangements in the street and replace with 7 new parallel spots. We oppose that idea as it would cause more traffic congestion along Stuart Street with people trying to parallel park. Also it would be more dangerous with people not seeing children as they try to park their cars. There are many children running around that area as it takes you to the park and I think it would be more risky for everyone involved.

We're also writing to disagree with the proposed plans of putting in toilets into the car park. There are already toilets down at the kiosk so I believe this to be unnecessary. Putting in toilets in the car park would only encourage late night party goers to stay longer and for homeless people to camp out there more often, which already happens.

I believe the area is perfect as it is, so doesn't need the cost or time of developing it unnecessarily. Thank you for your consideration.

I oppose any further tree planting in the Little Manly beach area. The proposal in the draught plan for the area on the east side of the kiosk to be upgraded will achieve a large usable space under existing shade without impacting negatively on the area.

Further planting of trees will have a detrimental effect on an iconic harbour tourist drive by additional loss of views from Stuart St and when coming down Marshall St.

- The Park and kiosk are a popular recreational area where locals, families and visitors currently enjoy a sunny space year round. Further tree planting, will for approx. 9 months of the year turn the park and kiosk area into cold, uninviting spaces. The great variety of portable cabanas and sun shelters available today can be used by park and beach goers for the 3 months of summer without affecting the park use for the greater part of the year. Likewise, the proprietor of the kiosk provides umbrellas for summer shade.

- Planting more trees will severely affect views for residents in Stuart St, Marshall St and Craig Ave. and to a lesser extent Wood St and Osborne Rd. We have over the years lost approx. 75% of our views to tree plantings by council and at the time of one planting being told that the species were only low and would not further effect our views. They are now so dense and high that we have totally lost that part of our view as well.

(Refer to Manly Councils DCP section 3.4.3 and councils own TREE GUIDE regarding view sharing)

On a positive note the proposed steps from the park onto the beach are shown on the Masterplan to have been widened. Having spoken to a number of people there seems to be a strong view that these steps should be constructed as far across the park as possible even to the extent across the whole beach front. The treads of steps should be wide enough to allow for seating as seen in other beach areas where they are extensively used for that purpose.

Another suggestion not mentioned in the Masterplan is the inclusion of a watering system for the parks. I note that the water available for the main eastern park is from a bore so that would not be drawing from Sydney water system particularly important in times of water restrictions. At the moment locals are trying their best to maintain the grassed area in a good state by watering the area themselves.

We are long-term residents of Little Manly and in essence, applaud Council's overall masterplan for Little Manly.

However, there is a major omission from that plan which could be, at best, a simple oversight or - of far greater concern - an attempt to conceal what council intends to do with an integral part of the Little Manly landscape.

I refer to the fact that no mention is made of how 40 Stuart Street will be incorporated into this plan.

This property was acquired by the former Manly Council to be incorporated into its 'Open Space' plan to give residents and visitors greater access to this unique and beautiful harbour foreshore.

A cynic might say that, like number 38, 40 Stuart Street could end up in the hands of private interests with that vital open space being lost to the community forever.

We submit that the Masterplan be revised to include the demolition of number 40 and the open space released to enlarge the parkland adjacent.

A further omission is any plan to create a walkway along the top of the western pool fence with steps and ladders at each end. This would enhance pool users' enjoyment and safety and provide an easy and safe pick up and drop off point for boats at the harbour end of the walkway, removing the need for them to visit the beach. Forty Baskets and Balmoral are two good examples of how well this works.



On the "RMS" point of the plan, since 2017 we have been pleading with the RMS (with no response) to segregate power boats from swimmers at Little Manly. Every summer, we see many dangerous situations with power boats moving among swimmers. It's not 'if' but 'when' somebody will be minced by a propeller. There is enough room for all, so please isolate power boats to the western end of the beach around the boat ramp or to the end of the pool walkway submitted above..

I am delighted by the draft Master plan - its seems very thorough and meets the concept of not too much change and improvement. However, I am very disappointed that the issue of No 40 Stuart Avenue has just been left out. This is completely unsatisfactory. The house was bought to increase the amount of open space in the park. The money for the purchase was budgetted when the block was purchased. The original intention must be met - it is a complete slap in the face to simply omit it from the plan - no doubt leaving the door open to selling it at same time in the future. This is unacceptable. I urge the council to include No 40 into the plan with the intention of demolition and increased parkland. This area will come under increasing pressure as the population of Manly continues to grow and every piece of public land should be preserved. No 40 Stuart Street is public land! Please, please do the right thing!

Section 1.from Craig ave east 40 km/h. S 8 no more plantings,enough shade.S 11 extend wheel chair ramp straight to kiosk at the right gradient,take out bends not needed,too many pathways taking up to much recreation area,it is only a small area as it is for the number of people that go there.S 12 NO more shade trees restricting more viewing of our beautiful harbour.S 19 do NOT reduce parking time south side of Stuart st from 7 to 4 hrs as it was originally for cars and boat trailers for boating people.S 22 lower plantings along waterfront so visitors who are sitting have a clear view of harbour S 30 No more shade trees as they would block harbour views behind them and they are not needed.S 31 remove plantings so picnicing family's have a clear view of our beautiful harbour.there is NO where on the grassed areas where there is a clear view of the harbour.

Not keen on large trees being planted near the cafe. Will be ok on the boundary.

Hi, thanks for the info about the meeting at Little Manly. Sorry I can't make it, but my main comment is about the complete absence of any reference to #40 Stuart St in the Little Manly Plan. We live in Osborne Rd and our understanding is that the property was purchased as part of council's intention to return the use of that land to the community. It would be such a great asset to have that extra space and would put to rest the long term confusion and negativity about the zoning of that public foreshore.

Please take seriously the option of adding that land to the land now available from #36 and #34 Stuart St. Thank you for purchasing those properties and for the community consultation, but please don't take a step backwards. That cove is a special family meeting place and an asset to our community.

Please give #40 Stuart St back to our present community, for the enjoyment of our grandchildren's and future generations.

I would like a response to my submission please.

I would like to make additional comments regarding the Little Manly Reserve Masterplan where I think you could improve the plan while keeping with the intentions. In particular items 12, 19, 20, 21, 23:

Item 12: I agree with the additional shade trees you are putting in but I think you could add more trees, in particular where your new seating is located, having shade trees for these seats would make sense, personally I would go further and put shade trees in the grassed open area as this area is largely unused at present due to the lack of shade. People who do use it end to put up their own shade (gazebos etc), having trees here would encourage use. Maybe you think the grassed area will be used for ball games (cricket etc) but its not.

Items 19 and 23 and 21: I understand your intention with item 23 is to increase the parking spaces available but I think you could do this better by adding parking bays around the area you have marked as 21. By putting parking bays in the yellow highlighted area on the attached map where the existing path runs you could add 13 parking bays. The path could then be relocated to the other side of the planted area without encroaching on the gas works open space area to any degree. This would allow you to add additional parking while leaving area 23 as is because this parking is used significantly by cars with boat trailers especially during the mornings as they have limited parking in the area after launching their boats at the boat ramp. I also see making the area 4 hour parking as being a problem for boating people. I believe having 8 hour parking along this side of the street is reasonable if you were to include the additional 13 parking bays in area 21.

Item 20: Adding additional toilets to this area that are only 100 metres from the existing toilets at Little Manly beach seems pointless and a waste of council funds. In addition travellers camping overnight in vehicles in this area has become a more common occurrence in recent years and I believe it will encourage people camping overnight in cars and vans in the Little Manly Point area by providing them with toilet and fresh water amenities. Please do not do this.

While I believe that the NBC is to be congratulated on their proposed redesign of the Little Manly Reserve I myself strongly believe Council should demolish the old houses owned by council to increase the public use area and to beautify the whole area. The rerouting of the footpath around the existing kiosk is long overdue and will improve this area of the reserve.

I am a regular visitor to Little Manly with my children and have seen the landscaping master plan for the area.

Most of the proposed changes are an improvement but I am mystified at to why 40 Stuart Street has been omitted from the plan. I believe this is a piece of land that it owned by the council, and it adjoins the existing park, so it clearly should be taken into account in council's deliberations.

The green space adjoining the beach is very popular with families but on weekends this area is under great pressure from the users. The children's play area has only two swings and no other facilities. If the house on 40 Stuart Street was demolished the land there would provide the perfect space for additional children's facilities as well as some tables and benches with shade for adults.

Please take the 40 Stuart Street land into consideration in completing this master plan.

It's great to see The Northern Beaches Council considering Little Manly with a new masterplan as it is a wonderful harbour, beach and foreshore! Unfortunately I see that there is no mention of 40 Stuart Street in the Plan. This property, along with 34, 36 and 38 has been zoned Public Open Space since the adoption of the County of Cumberland Plan in 1951. 40 Stuart Street was purchased by Manly Council in 2012 for the express purpose of increasing the area of the Little Manly Reserve. Incorporating Number 40 into the Reserve, with the building structures demolished and made good, should be the primary objective of the Little Manly Plan, not something that is overlooked altogether! It would be a shame for this decade to end before there is any action taken on Number 40. ...AND TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

#### PLEASE NO TREES AROUND CAFE OR GRASSED AREA

Can the wide concrete steps down to the beach be extended ? Great idea but could easily be bigger

Could the area near the boat ramp/parking be the designated shaded area ?

Café and surrounds are ugly and messy. Can the council request that the proprietors clean it up ?

It would be fantastic if the electricity substation could be moved - even better so the gardeners could tidy up the slope behind it that is now currently just weeds.

Platform around the Norfolk Island pine is great - could also easily be bigger.

Could a bin for dog poo be installed next to the footpath that leads up the hill close to where the additional carparking is planned ? Dog walkers come into our property and deposit their dog poo in our bins because they're visible and there aren't any others nearby. A dispenser for bags would be great too!

Appreciate all the effort that's gone into this and your willingness to listen to the residents

Hi Council

Most of the changes will be great for Little Manly. But I can't see how moving the swings into the shade bit - where everyone picnics is a good idea. All around the edge is where parties and picnics happen - if you move the swings to that area, you then have kids running to and from through the eating areas. There is nothing wrong with where they are now. Also, planting shade trees in front of the kiosk will block any winter sun that area has. There is enough shade for people or else they bring their own - we don't need more trees, which then kills off the grass, grows tall and blocks the view of little manly. At the moment you can view the water all the way up Marshall. You will basically be blocking out all that area. If people want more shade they bring their own gazebos - it's worked for years.

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Please increase the number of storage for kayaks in little Manly. I've been in the queue for almost 3 years.  
Thanks

We would love a more comprehensive and nature-inspired play area to replace the current playground. We recently visited Kew Gardens that has just put in a new playground with a focus on blending into the existing natural habitat, using timbers, water, pebbles and the children's own imagination to create a jaw dropping play area. Please have a look for inspiration. <https://www.kew.org/about-us/press-release/kew-open-giant-new-childrens-garden-may>

Thank you for your work so far into the draft reserves landscape masterplan for the Little Manly and Gasworks area.

I would like to make comment specifically on the playground at the gasworks.

This playground is barely used due to its dilapidated state. The space is also actively avoided by the community due to infestation of ticks during the summer months.

The Gasworks area has great potential for unstructured free play for children and their carers. Elements from the Ian Potter Children's WILD PLAY Garden in Centennial Parklands would be suited to the Gasworks area.

I don't believe this is something that should wait 4 years. In addition to the reasons outlined above, our community would appreciate immediate prioritisation in the masterplan.

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Thank you for considering my comment and we look forward to the implementation of this exciting project.

Although I live out of the district, at Balgowlah Heights, my wife and I and two children, aged 9 and 4, regularly visit little Manly. We love to swim, paddle board, kayak and have meals at the kiosk. We also visit in the winter to play on the beach, walk around the rocks and eat at the kiosk.

We like the laid back feel of Little Manly. It has not been touched by commercialism. The kiosk is rustic and beachy and not overpriced. We like that the draft Masterplan is aimed at retaining the natural feel of the area. We particularly like the wide steps onto the beach allowing easier access to and from the beach.

We also like the addition of toilets at Little Manly Point Park. It is a long way from the playground at the park to the toilets at the kiosk. The planned upgrade of the playground will also be good. The playground recently upgraded at Tania Park is fantastic.

We are not in favour of the trees around the kiosk. We enjoy sitting in the sun when we go there for meals in winter. We are concerned that this area will be shaded with the planting of trees.

Overall an excellent plan especially in relation to improving and extending pedestrian access within the reserve and to Little Manly Point.

However, it says in

2. Investigate potential etc

4. Review design potential etc

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Is there any reason why these aren't part of the plan now?

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Two issues and they both relate to a reduction in the little manly green space.

Item 11

The existing pathway system would be adequate with a minimal amount of improvement. A secondary path on stuart street that does not rely on any footpath widening would be adequate for disabled access etc

Item 23

There seems to be very little gain for the extinguishment of over 200m2 of green park area for car parking. At most times parking for this area is adequate. To acquire 200m2 in this locality would cost in excess of 1\$million, \$80,000 + construction cost per space makes no sense.

It is important that there is a clear path in front of the Café for people to walk through for access to the Point or north end of beach, push prams and carry equipment. At present it is very dangerous and the Café hogs the flat walk pathway. Please do not allow a commercial venue to dominate this family beach.

Can we make it a cool play area for kids? There's a playground in Kew Gardens in London you should look closely at. It's been refurbished in 2019, inspired by nature.

Uses all natural materials and allows for free play with the opportunity to pump and change the direction of water.

I live at Asquith but go to Manly every three to six months to see a specialist doctor. My sister lives in Manly and I always meet her afterwards for lunch, usually at the Little Manly Beach cafe.

My sister told me about Council's plans for upgrades, all of which, on a quick look at the website, seem favourable EXCEPT for the trees around the cafe. The reason we choose to meet at Little Manly Beach is that, except for the six weeks of summer holidays when it gets quite busy, it is such a lovely peaceful venue. The views from the cafe are unbelievable, especially for someone coming from a leafy suburb, and we like to soak up the winter sun whilst having a meal. There will be no winter sun to soak up if trees are planted round the cafe.

We own a unit at ■ Stuart St, directly opposite Little Manly. We purchased it specifically because of the views. We'd be devastated if changes to Little Manly resulted in the view being reduced. Maintaining the view is extremely important to us, as the primary view from our balcony, living & dining room, kitchen & bedroom is the reason we bought it. We treasure the iconic view. As the famous song by Australian Crawl goes- "as the Manly ferry cuts its way to Circular Quay." We want to continue to enjoy the splendid sight of the ferries & other boats crossing the harbour. We also cherish the iconic view of Centre Point Tower.

We also don't want the view we enjoy to be impaired as we paid a premium amount for the unit because of

the beach, park, harbour & city views. Our unit would be massively reduced in value if the views were diminished. If renting our unit out, the amount we could achieve with an inferior view would also be significantly reduced.

We also bought the unit because we love spending time at Little Manly. Its quaint, not overly developed ambience is a big drawcard for all. It's an escape from the tourists & hustle & bustle of Manly's other beaches, yet it already has the things locals want, including toilets, grassed areas, shark net, food shop, ample areas shaded by trees & disabled access.

We're concerned the Masterplan shows more trees being planted for shade, as mentioned in #8 & 12. Depending on the location these are planted, & height they would grow to, they may block the view from our unit & other locations, including the iconic one down Marshal St. The community must be informed what type of trees are being considered, how tall they'll grow & exactly where they'll be planted. Any height more than 4m could massively impact the historic & iconic views everyone enjoys.

There are already an adequate number of trees providing shade. More would have an adverse effect. For about 9 mths, shade is not wanted. People, for most of the year, enjoy & benefit from sitting in the sun for warmth & essential Vitamin D. More trees would result in not enough grassy areas left in the sun during autumn, winter & spring. At the Drop-In Session on 27 July, we noticed people at Little Manly were all choosing to stand & sit in the sun. Also, grass dies in the shade & is difficult & costly to replace & attempt to maintain.

The 3 new trees that are indicated near the proposed new stairs (#10), & are to the west of the shop, would block invaluable sight lines that parents use to supervise & locate their kids. Physically blocking this open & much used space would impede people's current clear view of the beach & water & would make keeping an eye on kids very hard. The biggest dangers for kids at the beach are drowning, becoming lost, being abused or lured away by paedophiles. The position of the proposed new trees creates a real safety concern for kids. Adults who go to the shop or escort one kid to the bathroom etc would have the view of other kids on the beach or in the water blocked by the new trees. Trees planted on the western edge of the grass area would not block essential sight lines or affect the flow of a busy & perfectly functioning open area.

People have beach umbrellas & pop-up domes they take to the park or beach to use if they require shade for the few months of summer when being there for an extended amount of time. The aerial photo in the Masterplan shows this.

Permanently blocking light all year, negatively affecting views, creating grass maintenance issues, encroaching on open spaces & blocking sight lines for child supervision by planting more trees is unnecessary.

Also concerning us is #1- provide selected road pavement surfaces. The road being painted would be fine, but changing the surface of the road by having texture or paving etc. would result in a different sound when driven over & would create noise pollution for local residents & visitors. The constant noise of cars driving over a different surface would be awful for people living nearby & be torturous at night when the sound would be more apparent.

#2- road chicane. We believe this to be unnecessary. We have never found traffic moves too fast on Stuart St. It is a narrow street, especially from the corner of Marshal St and has cars parked either side, so cars drive slowly.

#14- Relocation of electrical substation. We would need to know the new location.



#8 & 12- Shade tree planting. We are very concerned that these new trees will block the view from our unit & other locations. I'm sure council can understand us feeling this way, as #18- "Improve recreational comfort & amenity by adding seating & establishing clear vistas of the harbour", demonstrates council is mindful of the importance of this. We'd very much like to preserve the iconic clear vista we currently enjoy of the harbour from our unit. We would be very distressed if any changes to Little Manly resulted in the view from our unit being reduced in any way.

ROAD CHICANES: There is no need for road chicanes in Stuart Street as you have indicated in the Landscape Plans. You have indicated two in Stuart Street. Stuart Street is not long enough for chicanes. They are totally unnecessary.

REDUCED PARKING HOURS from 8 hours to 4 hours - too short a time if you are on a boat ie time it takes to get to the boat, time on the boat and the time it takes to return to shore.

RELOCATE THE EXISTING GARBAGE AREA OUTSIDE THE KIOSK - The existing garbage area is hygienically unsuitable right outside the kiosk and it is also alongside the steps to the beach, which means you have to walk past it and close to it. It is right in the middle of the beach area, is unattractive and blocks the view of the beach and the water. Move it over to the far side of the beach where it is more suitably located.

Kayak storage- increasing the number of kayak storage racks would be very welcome, given the waiting time of getting a berth there. Also monitoring use of kayaks there so that inactive watercraft are not occupying much sought after berths.

Please leave no.40 as open space. I was brought up at Little Manly as I lived in Addison Road for most of my childhood.

Little Manly is unique and the atmosphere there is special, particularly because it's not built up to the max. Thank You!

I am generally in favour of the Little Manly master plan, but I have one important concern. The plan does not include the property at 40 Stuart Street. It is my understanding that the land at 40 Stuart Street is owned by the council and therefore should be included in the plan.

This property is situated next to the existing green space/play area and should be incorporated into the plan as an extension of the existing park. I am a regular weekend visitor to this part of Little Manly with my young children, and it is a very good place for youngsters. However, in summer it becomes very busy and needs more green space to enable all the visitors to fit in. In the future, this will become even more of a problem. Please adjust the plan to show this property as a future extension to the landscape plan of Little Manly. With the greatly enlarged size of the council, it should be possible to demolish the existing house and develop a nice extension to the existing green area next door to it.

Firstly I believe it is wrong that number 40 Stuart st has been omitted from any of these plans.

It has always been included previously as part of future expansion.

The park is very busy and the extra space in utilising number 40 be it demolishing the property to expand the grass areas or be it used partly as a new cafe.

I also am not in favor of the trees being planted either side of the path in the middle of the park because this would block the view corridor which is enjoyed by visitors to the park, owners of properties surrounding the park and in general people who drive by if something special is happening in the harbor.

In relation to the swings being moved to the rear of the park I'm against this also.



The reason being is parents will not be able to see their children as visually as they can now and also unfortunately the swings would be closer to the road and more susceptible unfortunately to predators .

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I am also concerned with the tree planting in the center of the park these trees would reduce usable space and obstruct the views of people in the park .walking on paths .driving past and also the many residents that can view the harbour from their homes. We have noticed that a lot of visitors to the area bring their own shade devices.

At number 12, I would propose a table tennis table, similar to Steyn side. This will be great for families and also will provide sheltered playing in summer winds, which is a problem on the ocean side for playing

Number 24: on to plan of new path proposal, building a small free gym area on the hill. Gym should be simply monkey bars etc. With such a great view at this spot this would prove to be an attractive location for fitness people and children

I live in a high rise apartment at Rhodes and am a regular visitor to Little Manly Beach. We love Little Manly because it is a beautiful, unspoilt and safe beach.

I offer the following comments on Council plans for an upgrade of Little Manly Beach.

Having a three year old, I do not like the idea of moving the swing set. Presently, my wife and I can sit at an outside table at the kiosk and keep a close eye on my daughter as she plays on the swings. If the swings were moved to the location proposed we would not be able to let her go to them on her own. The position under the trees would also be quite cold in winter.

A further issue is the proposed trees around the kiosk area. During the summer the umbrellas provided by the kiosk give plenty of shade for the outside tables. If trees are planted in this area they will overshadow the kiosk during winter. It is very pleasant at the moment to be able to sit in the winter sun as we have coffee or a meal.

We are pleased to see that the play area at Little Manly Point Park is going to get an upgrade. The play area has a gloomy feel about it. More colourful equipment may help brighten it up and I would also suggest artificial grass or rubber compound on the ground, as the bark is a problem for children wearing sandals.

We love going to Little Manly both winter and summer and I hope my input is helpful.

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I'd just like to use this opportunity to encourage you to think ambitious about the playground area. There are no sizeable playgrounds for children in the Eastern Hills, which is a large gap in our otherwise lovely neighbourhood. Perhaps also consider a skatepark in association with it as a neighbourhood play area for all ages.

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Utilising the Little Manly area for the above items would be supporting and promoting healthy active environments in the area and would be beneficial for not only the dragonboat team but the community as well. We all love to paddle in Manly, meet for breakfasts at Little Manly Kiosk after paddling on a Sunday and feel like we are a part of this community in the Little Manly beach area. Being able to have these facilities and storage space in Little Manly beach would allow us to continue to promote active lifestyles, allow people to be a part of a community and continue the enjoyment of being a part of a sports club that is open to everyone.

I hope you will take this into consideration.

It would be great to have the Little Manly area as a community space for all residents to use. Manly has enough commercial outlets, but not enough areas for locals to store their water crafts at a reasonable price in a mostly sheltered location. Water sports support a healthy lifestyle and have an important social component. Using the area as a watercraft storage facility with an shower block and additional storage would benefit individuals and make the area even more attractive for locals.

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- i) a fence surrounding the whole playground and seating area

Thank you for considering my comment and we look forward to the implementation of this exciting project.

Please leave no. 40 Stuart Street Little Manly an open space for the community.

Dear North Beaches Council,

Please allow the Little Manly masterplan to include 40 Stuart Street as open space.

In drawing up a masterplan for the Little Manly foreshore park, please include 40 Stuart St as open space.

This is such a special place - loved by locals and visitors alike. Please allow 40 Stuart Street to increase the size of this precious open space.

Support the master Plan but 40 Stuart Street must be included to increase the integrity and amenity of the area. It is inappropriate to have a private residence abutting a public beach and reserve .  
with increasing densification of the area, public open spaces are even more precious

#### Overview -

I support most of the changes suggested

I do not support moving the swings

I object to the planting of additional shade trees at Little Manly Beach

I live at ■■■ Stuart Street Manly, on the corner of Stuart and Marshall Streets, directly opposite Little Manly Beach.

I commend Council for taking into account the views expressed by the community in 2018 as a result of community consultation, the general consensus being that the community wanted little change. The main issues were the need for toilets at Little Manly Point Park, greater pedestrian safety in Craig Avenue and Stuart Street and relocating the path which currently runs through the kiosk. All of these issues have been successfully addressed in the Draft Masterplan.

I particularly like the "meeting place" steps onto the beach and feel these are a clever and practical addition. In fact, I feel that the steps at the kiosk end of the beach should be extended.

I am not in favour of the swing set being moved to the new position under the trees. This is a very cold and uninviting position for most of the year and too far from the beach and kiosk for parents to allow children to play there alone. The swings in their current position get lovely winter sunshine all day long and are heavily utilised all year.

I am greatly concerned to see the proposed addition of shade trees at Little Manly Beach. At page 91 of the report to Council dated 24 June 2019 regarding the Masterplan, the Council response to the Issue "More trees" states "Council has included additional trees strategically placed to avoid loss of existing views." The position of the three shade trees in the vicinity of the kiosk as indicated on the Draft Masterplan would result in our losing a substantial part of our main harbour view from our living rooms and balcony.

We have already lost our harbour views to the left of the Norfolk pine due to the growth of a street tree planted in front of the property next door. If the three shade trees near the kiosk were planted, as proposed in the document, we would lose the majority of what is left of our harbour view to the right of the Norfolk pine.

I love the feeling, as I'm sure all visitors to Little Manly do, of coming down Marshall Street and seeing the harbour open up before me. This lovely view would be severely compromised by the planting of these trees, as would harbour views from Stuart Street.

**I STRONGLY OBJECT TO ANY PLANTING OF TREES AT LITTLE MANLY BEACH WHICH IN ANY WAY IMPEDE RESIDENTS AND VISITORS ICONIC HARBOUR VIEWS.**

I have lived directly opposite Little Manly Beach for the past 14 years. During this period I have been able to observe the area in all seasons and conditions.

During the three months of summer groups erect cabanas and other shelters on the grassed area for their gatherings. They use the grassed area for ball games and other activities. Beachgoers bring their own shelters to erect on the beach.

During the other nine months of the year visitors avoid the shaded areas and have their gatherings in the sunny parts of the grassed area.

The kiosk has umbrellas which provide adequate shade for customers in the summer. These umbrellas are rarely used for the rest of the year as customers like to sit in the winter sun.

The planting of trees that cause loss of views to residents is also contrary to the Northern Beaches Council Tree Guide which states -

"..... Make sure it won't impact on your neighbours through shading, loss of views or damage to fencing and building foundations."

In conclusion -

I like the proposed -

- toilets at Point Park
- pedestrian safety for Craig Avenue
- traffic calming for Stuart Street
- the path around the front of the kiosk
- platform around the Norfolk pine
- provision of access to the upper level of grassed under the Norfolk pine
- the meeting place steps

I don't agree with moving the swing set to a shaded area

I object to the planting of shade trees that will impede residents and visitors harbour views

[REDACTED], opposite the kiosk on Little Manly Beach.

I attended the drop in session held in October 2018 and provided a submission to Council in November 2018 regarding the changes proposed for Little Manly at that time. I am pleased to see that Council has listened to the community and is now suggesting only minimal changes to Little Manly Beach.

I am very much in favour of -

- Toilets at Little Manly Point Park
- Traffic calming in Stuart Street by way of chicanes
- Creating a footpath down Craig Avenue beside 34 Stuart Street
- Running the path in front of the kiosk
- Landscaping the area around the Norfolk pine
- Meeting place steps down onto the beach - I would suggest making them wider at the kiosk end of the beach

I am not in favour of -

Moving the swing set. In its current position it is visible to parents from the beach and kiosk and is in a nice sunny position

**I AM OPPOSED TO THE PLANTING OF ANY TREES ON LITTLE MANLY BEACH THAT RESTRICT VIEWS FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS**

We purchased our property 14 years ago because it was opposite the beach and had lovely harbour views. Those views have been eroded over the years by the growth of new and existing trees.

If the three trees in the vicinity of the kiosk are planted we will lose most of our remaining harbour views

from our living rooms and front balcony.

The lovely view of the harbour as you come down Marshall Street would be greatly affected by the planting of trees, as would the harbour views from Stuart Street.

Visitors to the beach bring their own shade during the three months of summer. There are multiple lightweight shade structures available for beachgoers. Picnickers and groups erect cabanas on the grass during summer. In the other nine months of the year they gather in the unshaded areas to enjoy the warmth of the winter sun.

Landscaping the area around the Norfolk pine and providing access to the upper level of grass under the pine will create a much larger and more usable shaded area for visitors wanting shade during the summer.

The kiosk provides umbrellas for shade during summer. Most customers choose to sit at the outside tables during the other nine months to enjoy the winter sun. The trees planned for the vicinity of the kiosk would result in the kiosk being in shade all year.

The Executive Summary on page 89 of the report to Council (25/6/19) says that Council has prepared the masterplan based on feedback - dot point 3 being - "Protection of vistas of the harbour from Little Manly Point". To now propose the planting of trees at Little Manly Beach that will impede harbour views is contrary to what is proposed at Little Manly Point.

Suggestion -

I would like to suggest the installation of pop up sprinklers in the main grassed area. There is a bore water tank next to the boundary with 40 Stuart Street with a regular supply of bore water, and the installation of sprinklers set to a timer would be most welcome. I have been regularly watering this area for the past 10 years using a large spray sprinkler. I am never able to achieve a good soaking as I have to move the sprinkler a number of times to reach all parts of the area. Pop up sprinklers strategically placed would give the whole area a good even watering.

Thank you for seeking comments and input into the draft plan, community involvement is very important. The draft as a whole is great but some things need to be included:

Slowing vehicle movements should be extended to the corner of Marshall and Stuart st and also the corner of Carey and Stuart st

Appropriate and mass plantings of vegetation from local species should be provided especially where vegetation is being removed to allow for vistas etc

Large paved areas opening directly to the beach will only increase erosion and provide invitation for dogs to freely access the beach, paved areas should be limited to safe stairs and ramps and vegetation between these areas should provide wind breaks

There should be large clear signage regarding dog access and rules regarding dogs on leash both in the reserve and in little manly point where off-leash dog numbers are increasing

Better signage to identify bin use as at present it is unclear which bins are recycling and which are general waste

The kiosk should be improved to provide more space for food preparation and seating

Parking should be reduced to 4 hrs and number 34 Stuart St should be used for community purposes

No 40 Stuart St should also be purchased to widen the space for the reserve and other community purposes After swim showers should have separate small showers for children only and foot wash only to be separate

The path from the kiosk to Little Manly Point should remain and trip hazards removed (uneven paths)

Clear maps for tourists should be provided at the reserve and also on entry to the point

Toilets in the point park are a must and play areas in both sections should be upgraded

Safe access for the swim jetty - widen the walkway and add steps to access

Signage about the history of the area including aboriginal significance should be included

More and more people are fishing from the point and larger signs should be provided showing appropriate size catches, species and fines for littering with plastic waste etc

The entry to Collins beach from Stuart st should be clearly shown on a signage map and also provide information that it is the entry to the national park i.e. no dogs allowed and no bins or toilets are provided there

I visit Little Manly reserve and the Point Park on a daily basis as I live nearby. I have noticed in the last few years and increasing number of people from out of the area visiting and using both areas. It is there for us all to share, and in doing so show respect for others and for the environment so that future generations will enjoy what we have today.

Thank you for listening

Hi, I am sorry to say that his plan shows more than one missed opportunity as well as a lack of real vision for the future of this site. I think the failure to move the kiosk away from its dominant position shows lack of awareness of the large numbers of people who use the beach, which is increasing each year, as opposed to the coffee drinkers.

I can find no mention of a new toilet block, sorely needed.

There is a real opportunity to reduce hard surfaces but you propose increasing them. The current ramp from Stuart Street is a real eyesore.

Perhaps your unwillingness to tackle the issue of number 40 is the problem.

Number 40 was bought to be demolished and this is the opportunity.

I have also suggested moving the cafe and toilets into number 40 to free up the rest of the space and would like to see this canvassed.

Number 34 is also for open space and now is the chance to relocate the building, perhaps on the Point, and add to the open space. Council should also purchase number 38 and complete the park as has been planned for many years.

In essence, less commerce, more greenery and more shade please.

And Liberate number 40 now!

Well done on a thorough and pleasing draft landscape plan. The majority of it is exciting but I do have a few comments below.

The landscape plan needs to have a rabbit eradication plan, a full disclosure of what is happening with 40 Stuart St and what the plan is for the dire state of the Little Manly swim enclosure.

Item 19 - A long length of parking time is needed for people who use the boat ramp and plan to be on the water for more than a couple of hours.

Item 23 - I appreciate the desire to create more parking spaces but this is not the solution. An excessive amount of money will need to be spent to provide these parking spaces with very little amount of spaces achieved. It also reduces spaces for boat trailers to park which they often do in that exact area of the road. A solution could be more parking on the southern side of the existing Little Manly Point carpark loop.

Item 28 - The children's playground is something I feel passionately about. I would like to see a full demolish and a whole new unstructured free play area for children expanding outside the current playground footprint.

This park is called 'The Dirty Park' and 'Tick playground' amongst parents of Manly. In its current state and with the current proposal, it will continue to be underutilised. Simply 'upgrading the existing playground within existing footprint' is unsatisfactory. I also don't believe this is something that should wait 4 years.



The Gasworks area has great potential for unstructured free play for children and their carers. Elements from the Ian Potter Children's WILD PLAY Garden in Centennial Parklands would be suited to the Gasworks area. Studies show natural playgrounds provide better opportunities for children to develop gross-motor skills than modular playgrounds. Contact with nature is associated with health benefits for children, such as reduced sickness and stress, reduced rates of bullying behaviour, lower rates of obesity, improved cognitive function, increased creativity, improved interaction with adults, reduced ADHD symptoms and reduced rates of aggression, anxiety and depression. Plus, they're just plain good fun.

In addition to the reasons outlined above, our community would appreciate immediate prioritisation in the masterplan. Reasons include:

- This large natural space has the potential to be a safe place for children and their carers to spend time.
- An opportunity to showcase the breathtaking harbour views to both Northern Beaches residents and tourists alike.
- A playground will provide not only our children, but also their careers with an opportunity to reconnect with nature.
- Investment by the Council (and possible grants) will contribute not only social but also economic benefits to the community of Little Manly, encouraging a central meeting spot and attracting visitors to the area.
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Below are my suggestions for a new playground:

- a) Enlarge the footprint considerably including pathways and ropeways through the natural bushland that already exists.
- b) Play equipment for all ages and access and inclusion for people with disabilities
- c) Soft natural coloured rubber surface
- d) Natural building materials e.g. use of logs and stumps for stepping stones, seats etc.
- e) Seating and picnic benches
- f) Upgrade to shade cloth
- g) Thrilling features: see Rocketship park's large metal slides, elevator the at Walter Gorr playground, flying fox at Darling Harbour playground and the clever integration of natural elements at Centennial Park's 'Wild Play'.
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Save Little Manly Reserve

item 23 will cause a lot of traffic flow problems on stuart st and will spoil the enjoyment of that area of the park. people picnic there and sit in the sun. why not move this proposed new parking further down stuart st to the round about end where it would join onto existing car park and not spoil the open grass areas of the park .

I would like to see no. 34 used for community activities such as low impact sports such as SUP, canoes and dragon boat paddlers to store gear etc. It can also be used as a base for yoga classes, mum groups or a drop in center for older community members.

I request that the council demolishes number 40 Stuart St and retains it as open space, as was intended when Manly Council purchased the property in 2012. It should remain in public hands and be zoned as a public space for all to enjoy. I also request that number 34 be zoned for community use such as an environmental education centre or community gallery for the same reason. These are not assets to be sold off. They should remain in community hands in perpetuity.

While there are many positive aspects to the Little Manly Draft Landscape Masterplan, I am strongly against any tree planting in the beach area in the stretch opposite Marshall Street. There are a number of reasons for my concerns:

1. When people approach Little Manly down Stuart St or Marshall St, the view of the beach opens up and creates one of Sydney's most iconic views. Additional tree planting would spoil what is a truly unique outlook.
2. Rather than creating a more pleasant environment, any tree planting would have the opposite effect. For about 9 months of the year, because of the direction the park faces, it is subject to southerly and south-westerly winds and during that time, people are searching for areas in the sun as shaded areas are simply too cold. For most of this period, the shade would fall on the kiosk or up onto Stuart St. In the summer months, visitors to the beach bring portable sun shelters, covering the grass area while the kiosk has its own umbrellas, because, for most of the day, the sun is over the water.
3. As a resident of Stuart St, my view and the ones of other people living along Stuart St, Marshall St and even Wood St would be severely compromised by any further tree planting. The trees that are already there are so dense, tangled and high to have already taken much of the view and should not be added to.

However, other aspects of the plan such as landscaping on the far side of the kiosk would be a very positive improvement, as would the proposed new steps to the beach.

I like the idea of improving this already beautiful area. I don't understand why there is no mention of 40 Stuart Street, I believe Manly council own this property. Wouldn't it make sense to expand the open space using this area?

Keep up the improvements we love them, but you need to make this a completely transparent project and let us know what is happening with properties owned by council.

I think you have missed the mark with your proposed tree plantings. The 3 large trees proposed for close to the kiosk are in the wrong place. You propose to put them where no one actually sits, where the bins are located and where there is a telegraph pole. Also runoff from the water sources run down the grass and concrete path and down the existing steps, so unless you address that you are wasting your time. From the street they are visually located in the middle of the park and will block views from neighbouring houses which means they will only be poisoned anyway, so why bother. Put some smaller trees on the other side of the kiosk where people actually sit.

I like the concrete steps, if similar to that at the big beach they will work well.

I like the path around the kiosk, it should have been put in years ago. Perhaps you can also level off the grassed area in front of the kiosk so people can sit there - it is currently too steep.

I like the proposal to engage with the RMS with a swimming exclusion zone. As a local resident who is always at the beach it is worrying watching the boats come into the beach, mainly to 'show off' and pick up a coffee, the speed and navigation around swimmers is disturbing and urgently needs to be fixed before someone is seriously hurt.

#### Roads and Parking:

The entire area needs to have no camping signs installed and more notices advising of restricted parking. Wood Street in particular. Campervans are aplenty in summer, with the backpackers defecating and urinating in neighbours yards. I have personally witnessed this on many occasions.

The suggested parking zone in Stuart Street will work well however I have an alternate proposal. Bike riders, skateboarders and cars roar down Stuart street from the park. I am amazed that someone hasn't been run down at the intersection of Marshall Street. My proposal is to make Stuart street one way from Marshall Street to Carey Street. Have parking on both sides of the road and also install the additional spaces and mark them on an angle. Install planter boxes on the roadside at the intersection of Marshall Street to filter traffic into one lane.

Please fix the showers at Little Manly Beach. If the electrical sub station can be moved perhaps you can make that the outdoor shower area with better drainage. The current drain clogs up every few days in summer and over flows down to the beach - it is quite gross.

The swings: Why move them to the shade? The parents generally sit at the kiosk and watch the children play, they will have less visual aspect if moved and it is concerning that they would be closer to the road. I see this as a problem, keep them where they are.

Consider installing a floating pontoon/platform for kids to swim out too. Its fun and many calm beaches have them.

Finally, can you install a clock on the telegraph pole please? Locals walk down to the beach with just a towel and it would be great if a clock was available.

I support and endorse the submission of Save Little Manly Beach Foreshore Inc, the community group that has worked to protect open spaces on Little Manly Beach.

Of particular relevance in the submission of Save Little Manly Beach Foreshore Inc is that the council-owned 40 Stuart Street be demolished so that the land it would be incorporated into the park for the community.

In addition, I propose that the Kiosk be demolished in order for there to be a sensible path from the entrance to Little Manly Beach to the steps leading to Little Manly Point. This would be beneficial for the long term management of the open space on the reserve. A new kiosk could be built on the space created by the demolition of the house on 40 Stuart Street.

Thanks for the chance to comment. What is NBC planning to do with 40 Stuart st? When it was bought by Manly Council, it was to remain a public good, to eventually be incorporated into Little Manly beach reserve. The attached plan suggests it will be OUTSIDE the public space.

It should remain a public asset!

I support the idea that it be knocked down and the space be included as part of the bordering open space. It's certainly hardly worth investing Council fund for its restoration. Too late.

And selling it off to a developer would be SO wrong...

Item 2. Please make provision for bike access in any chicane

I strongly support items 4, 5, 14, 15, 16, 19 and the RMS item to better control watercraft activity.

I suggest provision for fishermen to scale and fillet fish away from swimming areas

The glaring omission in this Masterplan is 40 Stuart St. Its importance is overwhelming.

As a community, spear-headed by SLMBF Inc. we have fought to keep Little Manly Beach Foreshore in Public hands most recently from 2005 to 2019. This has involved 4 court cases in the Land and Environment Courts, Unfortunately 38 Stuart St was bought in 2007 by private owners despite Manly Council's resolution to purchase 38 Stuart St and despite the, as yet unresolved, subsequent resolution to purchase 38 Stuart St by compulsory acquisition.

The purchase of 38 Stuart St by private owners, Emma and Tom Lane, was a huge blow to the community. Two court cases centred on 38 Stuart St, one in 2008 brought against the owners by Manly Council to restrict the building of 38 Stuart St and another brought by SLMBF Inc in 2014 against the zoning of 38 Stuart St to E4, old residential zoning, by Manly Council. SLMBF lost this case.

The two other court cases, in Sept 2013, one brought by Manly Council against SLMBF Inc and the other brought by SLMBF Inc against Manly Council. The case against Manly Council was to prevent the sale of 34 and 36 Stuart St. SLMBF Inc won and Manly Council had to pay all costs. Jean Hay was mayor at this time. SLMBF Inc was totally supported and funded by the community.

Little Manly precinct community overwhelmingly supported a park on the foreshore of Little Manly Beach. Its chairman, did not support this view.

No 40 Stuart St was purchased by a majority vote by Manly Council in Oct 2012. It was purchased by private treaty to be included in the park.

The time has come to demolish this old building and include it in the open space of the reserve. The trees along the 40 Stuart St fence line are an insult to the public who own the space of 40 Stuart St. It was bought with this intention and the community expects it. Furthermore the community needs this space. It is not just a local community it is the broader community brought by ferry, or as tourists coming down for a swim from the centre of Manly. Its beautiful, its safe, its free and it's needed for future generations. It is glorious swimming for children or aged people and great paddling or sailing in the generally calm waters.

On any day, but particularly on a summers day the green area near the kiosk is pitifully small for the hordes of people who come to relax and gather sustenance in an increasingly crowded world.

As any land fought for, this is hallowed land. Return it to the people for whom it was bought. Demolish 40 Stuart St.

Little Manly Beach Reserve has been designated as a park since 1951 in the Cumberland Plan.

I assume that Council has already considered the "submissions" forwarded via the Manly Community Forum Minutes. If they haven't then I should be contacted on 0417 489879 to provide copies of the summaries prepared from our public meetings. To summarise, what I have gained from a consensus of resident and

public response to the proposed Master Plan is as follows: People don't want major development of the LM Beach and LM Point Reserve area, but they do want an upgrade of what is currently there. They want: Improved toilets at the beach and a new toilet facility on LM Point Reserve. A redirected pathway around the cafe to avoid the congestion at the cafe and to facilitate better movement along the scenic pathway to North Head. Improved landscaping of the area behind the toilets/cafe and along behind the iconic pine tree at the eastern side of the cafe. Improved landscaping along the edge of No.40 and shade trees along this edge and/or shaded tables as per the BBQ area at LM Point Reserve. Remove self-sown bushes and shrubs for improved view lines at LM Point Reserve. Improved pedestrian access along Craig Av. Widening of the southern Stuart St pathway between Craig Av and the access ramp to the beach, to allow easier access to LM Beach. ( pathway is extremely narrow and overgrown) Vastly improved children's playground at LM Point Reserve. widened steps ( for seating) down to the beach as shown in the proposal. More cleaner and tidier storage area behind the cafe. No major change to the Council owned property at No.40, that is, no plan to develop a restaurant style facility at this block. ( definitely no liquor licence)and no demand for parking that is currently non existant. Suggested plan for additional parking at the top of Stuart St is good but could be designed so that cars are angled and park from the rear. Consideration be provided to separate swimmers and boats along the beachfront. Consideration be provided to relocate the boat ramp to the southern end of LM Point Reserve, entry from the service road at the end of Stuart St. Do not move the swings to the shaded corner of the beach park. Parents appreciate being able to see their children from the beach and cafe. This shaded corner is a very popular spot for young parents with babies. The future use of No.34 be offered to the community as a separate project and suggestions be considered over future months. Stuart St road calming devices require careful consideration. Noise issue will be a factor if the chicanes have humped slow down mechanism. Little Manly Swimming Baths must be given priority budget and should form a major part of any Master Plan. If there is a separate project for an immediate upgrade of the very temporary netting provided at the southern end and new support piers, then it must have an immediate priority. The temporary netting will not last and the closed access for swimmers will not be adhered to. Several supporting posts are loose and dangerous. An additional shade table to be added to the area in front of No.34 Stuart St. Currently there is seating only around the one shade tree. Some of these suggestions can be handled in the short term, other require development over a longer period. Unfortunately, this plan has been on the drawing board for a number of years and residents and visitors have little confidence in an early commencement. I would appreciate some acknowledgement of this submission so that I can inform residents that their suggestions are getting consideration.

I have lived in the Manly area for more than 20 years - originally at Fairlight and now on Pittwater Road Manly. I first discovered Little Manly beach with my daughter about 15 years ago. Back then it was a closely held secret that few people knew about. Over the years we have watched the crowds increase as Little Manly was discovered, but the area still retains its original charm.

I am pleased to see that the plans for the upgrade are low key and are, in general, addressing safety issues and opening up more open space. The toilets at Point Park will be a welcome addition.

I do not agree with the planting of more shade trees. There are plenty of shaded areas during summer at present and will be even more when the upper level under the Norfolk Pine is opened up. Little Manly is very popular on sunny days during winter. People gather on the lawn in the sunshine. No-one is seeking shade. If more trees are planted, the sunny areas will be diminished.

We also like to sit at an outside table at the kiosk in the warmth of the sun in the winter. These tables will be in shade if shade trees are planted near the kiosk.

When my elderly mother comes to visit, I always take her for a drive to Little Manly on our way to North

Head. We park in Stuart Street or Marshall Street and enjoy the view. Visitors like my mother come to Manly to see the water, not a filtered view of the harbour through trees.

I support the submission of the community group Save Little Manly Foreshore Park. The vision of the 1951 Cumberland Plan that designated the Little Manly foreshore as open space, and subsequently affirmed by the Department of Planning and various actions of Council, should be pursued. Number 40 Stuart St should be demolished and the area incorporated into the park .

Thank you for taking public comment on the LM master plan. I like what is proposed in the plan and would like to stress a few items that are important to me, my family and many LM residents.

- The houses at 36 and 40 Stuart St to be destroyed and turned into open space. Open space on the harbour shoreline is an amazing resource for all to enjoy and this is an opportunity to increase open, public space.

- The park needs more trees near the water, in and around the grassy areas. Many people use the park for picnics and families need the shade (babies and kids). Also, the existing grass needs to be replaced with new grass. Some areas are just gravel and sand at the moment.

- The area is such a hot spot for pedestrian activity, including kids, boats, etc that a speed control device is needed to slow down traffic at the Craig Ave/Stuart intersection.

In 1997 I was [REDACTED] when the council acquired 36 Stuart Street. On behalf of Little Manly Precinct, the residents and I fought Manly Council when it tried to rezone the Stuart Street properties. In the attached article published by Manly Daily after council voted to keep Stuart Street properties OPEN SPACE I said: "The land was not the council's property to play Monopoly with but was owned by all Manly residents and held in trust for future generations." Manly Councillors had the vision to acquire the Stuart Street properties on behalf of the people of Manly for the nation and those who come to visit Manly. The then councillors had a vision to retain the Little Manly properties in trust for future generations. I would strongly encourage the decision makers to visit Little Manly beach in summer when mums and bubs and lots of others flock to this rare harbour beach situated in a most magnificent and pristine part of the world, and to ensure that the properties remain in public hands for all and not just a fortunate few. Thank you for your favourable consideration.

An overall plan needs to be developed including incorporation of properties owned by the public at 34,36 and 40 Stuart Street at Little Manly. Refer attached for details. Once the shape and extent of the park are agreed access to the various parts and facilities in each part can be considered.

Thank you for your work so far into the draft reserves landscape masterplan for the Little Manly and Gasworks area.

I would like to make comment specifically on the playground at the gasworks - Item number 28.

The current proposal means that the facility will remain underutilised. For a range of reasons outlined below, simply 'upgrading the existing playground with existing footprint' is unsatisfactory.

This playground is barely used due to its dilapidated state. The space is also actively avoided by the community due to infestation of ticks during the summer months.

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- d) natural building materials eg use of logs and stumps for stepping stones, seats etc.
- e) seating and picnic benches
- f) maintenance/upgrade to shade cloth
- g) cutting back or removal of close hanging trees, shrubs and other vegetation
- h) thrilling features: see Rocketship park's large metal slides, elevator the at Walter Gorr playground and the clever integration of natural elements at Centennial Park's 'Wild Play'.
- i) a fence surrounding the whole playground and seating area

Thank you for considering my comments and we look forward to the implementation of this exciting project.

I would like to make 2 comments:

- consult with Manly's Penguin wardens in regard to impact of any work carried out under this plan and what can be done under this plan to further protect the penguins in close proximity to the beach
- demolish No 40 Stuart st to provide further parkland



I generally support the Masterplan but I have concerns with a couple of the items -

- I do not want the swings pushed up closer to the road. You want to be able to see kids having fun and not worry about their safety, it works where it is why do you need to fix it.
- The back of the kiosk needs to be cleaned up and managed (by lease holder or council)
- No additional tree planting at #12 and #8
- #10 could have the seating the full length of the reserve with the existing vegetation removed from the beach and maintained. The stair access at the boat ramp end should not be on the beach but in the reserve area.
- additional showers available near the boat ramp reserve area.

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I have viewed the draft Little Manly Reserves Masterplan. I regularly visit the current reserve with my grandchildren.

I object to the current draft plan, on the basis there is too much loss of natural landscaped space. The current reserve is small, so the loss of any grassed space is significant.

The cafe-kiosk, operating as a commercial cafe/restaurant business within the park, seems at times out of control as regards the park space they occupy. There is a need for Council to rein this in, with strictly marked and defined boundaries, which are properly enforced - with fines if required. Over the years the scale of this concession business has gone from a small beach kiosk serving drinks, ice creams and light snacks, to a much enlarged restaurant business with the table area just taken from the reserve open space.

There is a clear conflict of interest for Council between protecting the reserve's natural amenity, vs the income received from this expanded business within the park. The cafe really needs to be relocated elsewhere, where it's still convenient for those that like to use it, but where it has less impact on the very limited open reserve space.

Similarly the proposed platform under the tree in this section and the new path required (because the original is sought by the cafe business) in this section of the reserve is reducing the open grassed areas. This again is very undesirable.

The obvious method of increasing the currently insufficient park landscaped area is by demolishing and removing the building at number 40, which I understand is now owned by Council. So the current draft masterplan appears deficient in this regard, and it really should include plans for demolition of this building and a landscaping arrangement for the park being extended into this space.

Thus the proposed masterplan seems to need a serious rethink to better consider the reserve's function as a park for public recreation, rather than being increasingly paved and covered, and being used as a commercial business location.

Finally the current masterplan seems to lack any real creative vision to make the reserve appear more attractive. The current draft also fails to address the need to unite both sides of the reserve around number 38 (the only property not owned by Council).

Currently one has to go down onto the sand to cross from one side to the other - which is not easy for older and less physically able residents like me. If the previously proposed boardwalk "bridge" around 38 can not be built, then Council should resume a footpath width off the beach end of number 38, to provide the level

access that disabled and less mobile residents can use.

i have visited Little Manly beach many times, often had a swim and sometimes went on for a walk along the foreshore. I was excited to hear that no 40 Stuart St was bought by council with the view to get it included in the park area. I request that Council will not spent any thoughts or money on a plan which does not include this important asset. Especially if it is called a Master Plan, it must reflect a masterly overview and not only a patch of a park area.

Hello. I would like my comments to be taken into consideration for the Little Manly Landscape Masterplan. I am aware the No 40 Stuart Street was purchased by Manly Council in 2012. The plan was to lease it out until 2022 whereby the loan would have been paid off and then it would be available for demolition and the 'lot' be returned back to the park as open space. This is essential as we are in desperate need of such open space at Little Manly. It is a very busy leisure space in the Summer and as a local I love to visit Little Manly as my preferred beach. Children would be able run and families would be able to picnic with space around them. I would like No 40 Stuart Street to be incorporated into the Masterplan moving forward. I would also like considered that No 34 Stuart Street be utilised as a Community space, either a club house or Art gallery rather than for commercial enterprise. This would be a very good use of space with the many Community groups in this area needing a home. Thank you.

We have lived in Stuart Street for the past 5 years and our family including our two daughters enjoy Little Manly Reserve on a daily basis.

Moving the swings is a waste of money and shouldn't be placed in amongst the trees at the rear due to the high incidence of ticks in the area and also that a lot of parents and grandparents like to sit at the Kiosk and still be able to easily watch their children on the swings.

If more shade is needed right near the tables at the kiosk, then umbrellas should be used over tables. Trees planted in this area will ruin the iconic view that all residents enjoy as you see straight down the harbour. We support more shade from trees, but ONLY along the fence line next to the house along the northern boundary.

We only support the new restroom facilities in the carpark if they are locked every night from sunset and cleaned twice daily. This carpark is hidden away and an open toilet block at night could attract unwanted and possible illegal activity in the reserve.

As part of the Little Manly plan, we would like to suggest that the bins at the end of Stuart Street be contained in a timber cover or something similar as is done in all other park areas. This is part of the Manly walk and it is a shame that the end of this street which has views to Collins Beach and Store Beach has the two public bins without any casing.

To whom it may concern. In regards to the above proposal I have a few concerns. As a resident of Stuart Street for over 10 years I welcome the chance to comment.

1 I don't think the swings at little manly park should be moved to the back of the park. They are used by many families and provide a great central meeting point and help break up the space. More importantly if they go to the back of the park it's an area that is closer to the road and more out of eyesight from the cafe which could lead to children wandering off or onto the road.

2. Trees along the front of the park. I think there is ample natural vegetation there and if more shade is

required then people bring their own umbrellas or shade cloths. Trees will block out the views for the people living opposite and I don't think that's fair and will actually take up more room in the park thereby leaving less space for people to enjoy.

3. Chicane or speed bumps. I strongly disagree to this. These are hard on cars and unpleasant for the drivers. I don't think people travel down our street too fast and in fact I have seen many times people pay more attention to the traffic hazard than the surrounds and come close to having an issue with a pedestrian for precisely the reason the traffic hazard is trying to avoid.

4. Toilets in manly point. I am also strongly opposed to this. Whilst I understand the desire to have amenities particularly near the playground we will be left with an isolated toilet block near an isolated and hidden car park. The potential for illegal/illicit behaviour there at night is huge. It would become a hotspot for all sorts of illegal behaviour. There are already toilets for. At little manly beach that are well lit and visible from the road. They aren't that far away and I think are a significantly better option.

5. Reducing parking from 8-4 hours. This won't help as all it does it mean people have to leave the beach after a few hours and do the parking merry go round to find another park or pay the invariable fine. We have seen parking at a lot of beaches in the eastern suburbs go like this and it is one of the locals greatest bugbears as it actually increases traffic flow and encourages people to park in more residential areas. As residents too it also means if we have guests come for the day they cannot find a decent length of parking time. No one wins here except the governments revenue raising.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment, I hope the above points will be taken into consideration.

#### As a general observation

This is a good thing and I encourage you to make sure that notwithstanding all the feedback you receive there is actual progress. Lots of chat on this in the past with no real action. Some comments below for your Consideration

Item 18 - makes a lot of sense and is not a significant investment. There is such wonderful potential for harbour vistas but there is limited seating, view corridors have been reduced by vegetation growth (or thoughtless planting). I often observe people contesting /concentrated on the only one or two spots which enjoy views from this very large bit of open space! Where trees are to be removed, suggest replacing with native species which are unlikely to see a repeat. There is an awesome opportunity for a rock type garden with natural grasses, grass trees etc (bizarrely not a single grass tree in this precinct!)...i can specify exactly where if it isn't obvious to you

Item 17. A good idea but please also consider safety elements in this scope. The walls above (to the east and south) have guard rails on some sections which are overgrown and not maintained, in other areas they are absent altogether. (E.g saw a kid chasing a ball through bushes there the other day and nearly went over the drop). It would be good if this upper section could also be accessed from the pathway coming from the gasworks car park (ie so don't have to walk down to beach then back up some stairs)

23. I appreciate the need for parking but suggest a cost benefit analysis given the limited number of incremental bays being provided by this solution

27. I will defer to the heritage experts but consider if there are other means to preserving the heritage of the site while providing improved amenity. There are many good examples run by SYDNEY city council. The park at the top receives little use because it's not level, is tick infested, and has inferior aspect/outlook. Consider levelling and/or using part of to improve the parking (the trees on the eastern side of the park are of no particular amenity at present and should not be a reason not to explore this further. They can be replanted if needed)

Item 28. The kids park is appalling and needs upgrading. Consider if this can be moved up the hill closer to the car park (perhaps incorporating some of the heritage elements/history). Lack of natural light is a concern and consider elements to discourage anti social behaviour in evening hours (often used by kids drinking/drug taking). The tan bark is a home for ticks. Please ensure any surface of the new play area is not bark.

A land use priority is to retain the open space zoning for the Council owned land, as it is an important location for public access and recreation.

Retain the heritage building at 34 Stuart Street for community uses compatible with the public reserve and beach.

The houses on 34 and 40 Stuart Street could be used as venues for indoor recreational or educational activities. In wet or inclement weather, when it is unsuitable for outdoor recreation, few venues are available for indoor recreational, cultural or educational activities. Most venues are commercial, such as shopping centres.

Identify No. 38 Stuart Street for future public open space and integration into Little Manly Reserve. If the property is acquired it could be leased for some years to offset the cost of purchase.

Trees would improve the landscape and provide shade within open space and playground areas.

Provide areas for passive recreation that do not conflict with active pedestrian thoroughfares.

This submission is on behalf of **Save Little Manly Beach Foreshore Inc.**, a community group that was formed to protect open space in Manly. The group campaigns to keep foreshore open space in public ownership for all to enjoy and opposes private development on the foreshore. **SLMBF** supports the long held vision of open space for all of the foreshore of Little Manly Beach.

The Northern Beaches Council now owns all the foreshore at Little Manly except for 38 Stuart Street.

The 1951 Cumberland Plan designated the Little Manly foreshore as open space and over the years Manly Council has made gradual progress towards that goal with only two setbacks both of which relate to 38 Stuart Street.

The house on 42 /44 Stuart Street was incorporated into the park in the 1950's or 1960's.

34 Stuart Street was acquired by the council in 1977. It is on the NSW Heritage list. In 1990 the Department of Planning reaffirmed the plan for open space for all of the Little Manly foreshore.

36 Stuart Street was acquired by council in 1998.

In 2004, The Manly Council Section 94 Developer Contributions Plan included the acquisition of the remaining beach front properties, 38 and 40, as an expenditure to be funded from the S94 Contributions.

In 2005, the Coastal Management Plan reaffirmed the zoning of the beachfront properties 38 and 40 Stuart Street as "Open Space for Acquisition".

In 2007, Manly Council voted to acquire 38 Stuart Street at auction but the price limit that it had set was outbid by **a private buyer, Tom Lane**, so Council proceeded to pass a resolution to purchase 38 by compulsory acquisition. *The Council staff failed to carry out that motion. This was the first setback and 38 Stuart Street remains privately owned.*

In October 2012 Council acquired 40 Stuart Street by private treaty in the public interest.

In December 2012 Council voted to sell 34 and 36 Stuart Street and to rezone 34, 36 and 38 to a residential zoning. *This move came out of the blue and was the second setback though it was the first time since 1951 that Councillors had changed the tide of progress towards open space.* However SLMB took Council to the L&E Court to prevent the sale. The Court found that the land at 34 and 36 was Community Land and therefore could not be sold. However a later Court case was fought regarding the residential zoning of 38 and in this matter Manly Council won and 38 was rezoned from Open Space to Residential.

The old house that was on 36 Stuart Street has now been demolished, the dinghy storage area has been reconfigured and the rest of 34 and 36 has been landscaped as a park.

The status quo is for Little Manly foreshore to become open space and SLMB supports this. The two setbacks in conflict with the status quo have been the private purchase of 38 and its zoning to Residential and we have opposed both of these.

Our reasons for supporting the open space vision are:

Little Manly Beach is a beautiful harbour location loved and enjoyed by all who visit it. It should be shared by all and not privately held.

The beach has a netted swimming enclosure, a boat ramp and a grassy foreshore and is a wonderful amenity for swimmers, boats users, stand-up paddling, kayaking, wind-surfing, picnicking, family gatherings, parties, passive recreation. It is therefore very popular and busy.

The Cumberland Plan made provision for open space at a time when the population of Sydney was 1 million people. The population is now approaching 5 million and so the need for foreshore open space is much greater. Many of the 5 million people live in units without backyards and so the limited amount of foreshore open space available is in high demand.

There was a gasworks at Little Manly Point from 1883 until 1966. The removal of the gasworks and creation of a park at Little Manly Point has improved the beauty of the area and made Little Manly a much more desirable beach to visit than in 1951.

The natural environment at Little Manly is unique with Little Penguins nesting near the boat ramp and on the rocks along the west side of the beach. There are also bandicoots and echidna at Little Manly Point.

The area should also be appreciated and respected because of its significant aboriginal history. It was in this area that members of the First Fleet made first contact with aboriginal people. Later, in around 1914, the remains of eight aboriginal people dating back to the 1500s, i.e. pre-European, were found at Little Manly. Then in 2011 during building excavation for a basement at 38 Stuart Street more aboriginal bones were found dating from the early 1800s.

Open space at Fairlight, Delwood, Manly Cove and Ocean Beach is limited and busy and there is no potential to extend the open space at those locations. Little Manly, only, has the potential to increase its open space. None of the other Manly foreshore beaches have houses on them so why should there be some at Little Manly! Would people object if Council decided to build some houses on East Esplanade or Ocean Beach?

The house on 40 is a hundred years old and is looking shabby and in need of maintenance. It has seen good service but should now be demolished. It was bought with a loan which is partly being met by the rental income and we understand that the loan will be paid off next year. It was bought so that it would be incorporated into the park for the community. We are concerned that the house contains asbestos which could pose a health risk if the house is allowed to deteriorate.

SLMB therefore urges the Northern Beaches Council to pull down the building on 40 Stuart Street and to incorporate the block into the park as open space. We feel that this should be included in the Little Manly Masterplan because this is the next step towards the open space vision for Little Manly. The landscape design should cover the foreshore area including 40 and so the new shade trees in the draft Masterplan shown along the fence line of 40 should be removed. The disabled ramp which takes up space and has zig-zag turns that are very difficult to manoeuvre could be replaced with a straight ramp when 40 is included in the park. To omit 40 from the Masterplan is to ignore nearly 70 years of progress towards open space.

Regarding the use of 34 Stuart Street, **SLMBF** suggests that a community use, such as water sports clubs, should be found rather than a commercial use.

It was good to meet up at the open day and thank you for requesting info from our dragon boat club. As discussed we are a not for profit dragon boat club with a local membership of approx. 60+ members and growing. The large majority of our members are local to the Northern Beaches and we currently are based at the Manly Yacht club. We are tight for space. We have two dragon boats on the deck and have access to a cupboard for storing our erg paddling machine, life jacket, paddles, personal belongings etc when paddling. Other gear is stored at members homes. We also store two outrigger canoes at a commercial canoe storage in Fairlight. A dragon boat team races with 22 people. If we continue to grow (as we plan!) we will need to store another boat. We are tight for space and concerned about the long term viability of our space at the Manly Yacht Club as their lease is coming up for review.

Currently our fleet consists of;

- 2 dragon boats 12 mtrs long x 1.4 mtrs wide
- 2 single outriggers canoes 6 mtrs long x 0.4 mtrs wide

These boats can be stacked vertically on a frame work to reduce area. We have also have a need for dressing rooms and showers, also a space to store exercise equipment such as weights and the erg.

We would be very interested in being part of community use of No.34 Stuart Street.

Dragon Boating is a sport which is very low impact and tends to attract an older and female demographic.

This Masterplan is full of small details. It fails to address the big issues relating to the future of this site.

1. It fails to address the integration of the Council owned property 40 Stuart St into the public realm. This was acquired by the late Manly council with ratepayer funds for the purpose of public open space. Now is the time to plan for its use and integration.

2. It fails to address the conflict between the kiosk/toilets and the prime family/children's use grassed area facing the swimming enclosure. This area is now congested and unavailable for picnic activities. The kiosk's present incarnation as a cafe is making the situation worse. Beach users and picnickers are now forced off the path to go around the kiosk. Now is the time to resolve this conflict by relocating the kiosk.

3. The present toilet/change room facilities are crude and poorly designed. Smells from the toilets waft over the kiosk. The rear of the facility is unsightly and used for storage by the kiosk. The concentration of activities, rubbish bins, signage, kiosk furniture and ancillary equipment is limiting. The masterplan fails to meaningfully address this issue. The proposed solution (numbered 16 on the plan) is to cover precious ground adjacent the seawall with more paving. This proposed solution merely reduces useful space and increases the curtilage of the kiosk.

The toilet block should be relocated further from the beachfront and a simple showering set-up installed.

4. A another significant failure is the failure to address the accessibility of the park and in particular the access from Stuart St. The present access ramp arrangement from Stuart St is a complicated zig-zag arrangement which is both an eyesore and difficult to use. The masterplan should address this significant limitation.

These are major failings of this draft masterplan. A masterplan is a vision for the future and this draft has sees a future with all the limitations of the past. Is this what Council aspires too?

Once the additional space of 40 Stuart St becomes part of the thinking there are any number of options for relocating the kiosk, building new toilet and change facilities and improving the wheelchair access from Stuart St. I could point council to the new facilities and cafe at Tamarama Beach as an example of what is possible with some clear leadership and skilled designers.

I am a resident in Craig ave.



Just a few points,

More trees really not required for shade. People like to sit in the sun in winter, and I have observed people enjoying the park in summer often bring their own portable shade covers.

Unfortunately we can't provide sun in winter under trees.

The grass struggles now and with more trees would certainly not flourish.

Could the Council consider bigger signs re dogs on beach, or maybe larger fines.

People, often local residents, take their dogs on the beach early mornings, and late in the afternoon knowing full well that the rangers are not around.

The park is a beautiful local spot, and really doesn't need too much change, most people I have spoken to love it the way it is.

Thank You

To construct a boardwalk from Stuart St down Craig Ave to the beach will require demolishing the fence and flora/trees on the council owned property 34 Stuart Street as there is no room to construct it successfully otherwise due to lack of space on the outside- it being the existing parking spaces.

Having been residents in Stuart St now for over 20 years, we continue to hear of change after change and improvements for the entire LM area. Firstly, the council owned houses at 34 and 40 Stuart are in a disgraceful, run down, un-maintained condition now, and with trees/flora so overgrown. Tenants must enjoy living in the dark. We heard rumours that the properties were to be one day redeveloped, with no.34 quoted to be an Aboriginal Arts Centre, and 40 as a Restaurant/entertainment venue. Both suggested rehabs would be totally unacceptable due to reasonable accessibility, increased noise pollution late into evenings for no. 40, and a total lack of parking spaces ever being available. The kiosk upgrading is absolutely necessary as it serves so well as a casual eating/coffee venue for everyone who visits. Having an observation deck on top seems rather useless for ?what? viewing ? Yes, there is a desperate need for public amenities somewhere near the beach in the LM Point area !!!! They are only around 20/30 years overdue. The former Manly Council seriously ignored many substantial suggestions or very valid complaints made by many concerned nearby residents for changes and/or improvements, and that is now evidenced by all LM recreational conditions being so sadly run down for such a beautiful harbour beachside location. It is to be hoped that the NBC will take all the necessary actions to improve everything - not just for the pleasure of rate paying residents within its environs but also for the increasing tourism the area attracts.

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what I have gained from a consensus of resident and public response to the proposed Master Plan is as follows: People don't want major development of the LM Beach and LM Point Reserve area, but they do want an upgrade of what is currently there. They want: Improved toilets at the beach and a new toilet facility on LM Point Reserve. A redirected pathway around the cafe to avoid the congestion at the cafe and to facilitate better movement along the scenic pathway to North Head. Improved landscaping of the area behind the toilets/cafe and along behind the iconic pine tree at the eastern side of the cafe. Improved landscaping along the edge of No.40 and shade trees along this edge and/or shaded tables as per the BBQ area at LM Point Reserve. Remove self-sown bushes and shrubs for improved view lines at LM Point Reserve. Improved pedestrian access along Craig Av. Widening of the southern Stuart St pathway between Craig Av and the access ramp to the beach, to allow easier access to LM Beach. (pathway is extremely narrow and overgrown) Vastly improved children's playground at LM Point Reserve. widened steps ( for seating) down to the beach as shown in the proposal. More cleaner and tidier storage area behind the cafe. No major change to the Council owned property at No.40, that is, no plan to develop a restaurant style facility at this block. (definitely no liquor licence) and no demand for parking that is currently non existant. Suggested plan for additional parking at the top of Stuart St is good but could be designed so that cars are angled and park from the rear. Consideration be provided to separate swimmers and boats along the beachfront. Consideration be provided to relocate the boat ramp to the southern end of LM Point Reserve, entry from the service road at the end of Stuart St. Do not move the swings to the shaded corner of the beach park. Parents appreciate being able to see their children from the beach and cafe. This



shaded corner is a very popular spot for young parents with babies. The future use of No.34 be offered to the community as a separate project and suggestions be considered over future months. Stuart St road calming devices require careful consideration. Noise issue will be a factor if the chicanes have humped slow down mechanism. Little Manly Swimming Baths must be given priority budget and should form a major part of any Master Plan. If there is a separate project for an immediate upgrade of the very temporary netting provided at the southern end and new support piers, then it must have an immediate priority. The temporary netting will not last and the closed access for swimmers will not be adhered to. Several supporting posts are loose and dangerous. An additional shade table to be added to the area in front of No.34 Stuart St. Currently there is seating only around the one shade tree. Some of these suggestions can be handled in the short term, other require development over a longer period. Unfortunately, this plan has been on the drawing board for a number of years and residents and visitors have little confidence in an early commencement. I would appreciate some acknowledgement of this submission so that I can inform residents that their suggestions are getting consideration.