

**BURWOOD 150 YEARS ANNIVERSARY
STEERING COMMITTEE
Tuesday 10 May 2022
1.30pm - 2.50pm**

Minutes

ATTENDEES:

Committee Members:

Andrew Anderson	Community Representative
Susan Borel	Community Representative
Cecily Gray	Burwood Historical Society Representative
Dennis Quinlan	Community Representative

Guests and Council Officers:

Brooke Endycott	Director Community Life - <i>Chair</i>
Katarzyna Malicka	Local Heritage Librarian
Richard Old	Events Coordinator
Dominique Roberts	Cultural Projects & Public Art Producer
Daniel Pocaterra	Executive Assistant – Community Life

(Minutes)

APOLOGIES:

Cr John Faker	Mayor of Burwood - <i>Chair</i>
Cr Heather Crichton	Burwood Council - <i>Alternate Chair and Delegate</i>
Claire Boskett	Community Representative
Justine Ann Channing	Community Representative
Li Hua Chu	Community Representative

1. WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Burwood Council's Director Community Life, Brooke Endycott opened the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country and noted the apologies of the Mayor and Cr Heather Crichton.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil declarations of interest were submitted.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 FEBRUARY 2022

The Burwood 150 Years Anniversary Steering Committee minutes were confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings of the previous meeting held on 12 October 2021 with Committee member (Moved by Cecily Gray/ Seconded by Susan Borel).

4. UPDATE ON ACTIONS ARISING FROM MEETING HELD ON 22 FEBRUARY 2022

Council officers provided an update on the actions arising from the meeting held on 22 February 2022, including the following:

- Council's Local Heritage Studies Librarian provided an update on the research into the current copyright status of *Between Two Highways* by Mr. Eric Dunlop. It was noted following further research and consultation with the National Library, that the copyright

of the publication will expire in 2023. Arrangements and preparation can commence at this time to see it digitised and uploaded by 2024.

- Council has further followed up with the managing agent to discuss restoration of the Burwood Clock Tower. As it is a private building, Council will assist by identifying heritage grants available.
- Council confirmed that contact details of author Roger Coombs and publisher Catherine Warne have been exchanged to members of the Committee so they can directly provide suggestions of potential sources and photographs for the publication. Both the author and publisher are currently pursuing information and resources externally. Once further research has been carried out, they will look to the Committee for further information and resources.

Actions or Recommendations arising:

- 4.1 Dennis Quinlan noted that the Burwood RSL is over 100 years old and has an archive of photographs and prints. Dennis has offered to digitise any photos from the archive to present to the author and publisher should they wish to utilise the photos in the publication.
- 4.2 Council to investigate any possible grant opportunities for the Burwood Clock Tower so the owner can pursue restoration work.

5. PRESENTATION ON PUBLIC ART OPPORTUNITIES

Council's Cultural Projects & Public Art Producer provided a presentation to the Committee outlining the current and planned public art program for the Burwood Local Government Area.

Current public art projects in progress that were discussed included:

- Site 1 – Liverpool Road; 343-347 Liverpool Road, Strathfield NSW 2135
- Site 2 – Cevetto Lane; 6-8 Coronation Parade, Enfield NSW 2136

Proposed public artworks discussed included:

- Site 3: Railway Parade and Burwood Road corner, direct visibility with Burwood Train station entrance / exit. Typology: Contemporary Mural and potential lighting installation. Theme: Contemporary Mural and lighting installation to reflect Burwood town centre's unique cultural identity, reflecting how our demographics and uses of the space have changed over time.
- Site 4: Railway Parade and Burleigh Street. Typology: Light Projections onto railway picture windows. Theme: Burwood's musical history.
- Site 5: Railway Parade and Ford Lane Installation. Typology: Contemporary Street Art Mural. Theme: Burwood's Musical History.
- Site 6: Burwood Art seat (open-air gallery in Burwood Park). Typology: Digital & printed display. Theme: Artist asked to respond to the 150-year celebration of Burwood. This site could potentially be focused on First Nations recognition. In place by 2024 linking to telling the story of Burwood.

A range of street activation projects celebrating Burwood's history throughout time were also discussed. Options included:

- Inclusion of 150 Year banner artworks into Council's Street Banner Program.
- Installation of floor decals with images and stories sourced from Burwood's local studies collection and developed in consultation with the Burwood Historical Society and community groups.
- Inclusion of a 150-year themed artwork into Council's Creative Hoarding Program.

Council will keep the Committee updated as artworks are developed and will engage the Committee as distinct projects progress. Council invited the Committee to send through any suggestions to Council for any other public artwork locations or ideas for consideration.

Actions or Recommendations arising:

- 5.1 The Committee agreed that Railway Parade and Burleigh Street would be great locations, and particularly supported the concept to have artwork displayed via lighting projections so as not to impact the heritage wall.
- 5.2 The Committee suggested a theme for the Burwood Road underpass, to recreate an impression of the original train station.
- 5.3 Council officer, Dominique Roberts will follow up with Dennis Quinlan to assist with reference imagery for the proposed projects.
- 5.4 The Committee suggested the corner of Portland Street and Tangarra Street, Enfield as a possible public art site, which will be followed up by Council.

6. REVIEW OF 2024 EVENTS SCHEDULE

Council's Events Coordinator provided an update to the Committee outlining the current and scheduled events organised by Council including:

- The Lighting Project over winter (July) to align with the first meeting of Council.
- Road Show, with ongoing promotion throughout the year.
- Return of the Street Parade as part of the Burwood Festival held in September/October.
- Currently scheduling local park experiences over April-May and September-October.

Actions or Recommendations arising:

- 6.1 The Committee suggested that Council arrange a 150 Years theme across all events in 2024.
- 6.2 Burwood RSL Club will tentatively book the dates of Friday and Saturday 12 April and 13 April 2024 for the 150 Years Dinner and Awards night.
- 6.3 Council will provide a presentation for next Committee Meeting covering on the Burwood Urban Park Arts and Cultural Centre.
- 6.4 The Committee suggested to explore the possibility of engaging the Burwood Band for the Burwood Festival. Council to investigate what groups are currently operating and could provide unique performances.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

Council received an application from a local resident, Michael Pelegrino, requesting to join the Committee. Michael is a young person and local resident and has studied local history, geological studies and is an active volunteer at the St Thomas Church, Enfield.

Given that Jack Karnaghan has formally resigned from the Committee, the Committee unanimously endorsed the application of Michael Pellegrino to join the 150 Year Anniversary Steering Committee.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for **9 August 2022**.

9. CLOSE OF THE MEETING

Director Community Life, Brooke Endycott thanked the Committee for their attendance and participation. The meeting was closed at 2.50pm.