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Venue:	City of Ryde – North Ryde Office	
Date:	7 th November 2019	
Time:	Started at: 4:00pm Closed at: 5.45pm	
Chair:	Clr Bernard Purcell	
Meeting Support (MS):	Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors	
Staff Convenor:	John Brown, Senior Coordinator - City Activation	

Committee Role: To assist Council in the refinement and implementation of the Macquarie Park Master Plan vision and objectives to achieve sustainable growth in Macquarie Park.

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
х		Clr Bernard Purcell	Council representative	City of Ryde (Chair)
		Clr Chris Moujalli	Council representative	City of Ryde
	Х	Clr Edwina Clifton	Council representative	City of Ryde
		Martin Keetels	Community representative	Konica Minolta
х		Tony Abboud	Community representative	Riverside Business Chamber
х		Vanessa Hindmarsh	Community representative	Sonic Healthcare
		Oliver Taylor	Community representative	Stockland
х		Paul Hogan	Community representative	Macquarie University
	Х	Penny Dillon	Community representative	Optus
	Х	Mark Broomfield	Community representative	Macquarie University
	Х	Michael Lochtenberg	Community representative	Colliers
Х		Ben Matthews	Community representative	AMP Macquarie Centre
Х		Denys Bizinger	Community representative	Jones Lang LaSalle
	Х	Michael Butterworth	Community representative	Community
	Х	Tim Hunt	Community representative	Novartis
		Stefan Sjoka	Community representative	Cyrus Media
		Craig Chung	Community representative	City of Sydney
		Malcolm McDonald	Community representative	Department of Planning (DoP)
	Х	Anthony O'Neill	Community representative	Frasers
Х		Mark Ames	Community representative	Connect
	Х	Matt Hamilton	Community representative	Goodman
х		Zara Crichton	Executive Director	Venture Cafe

Additional Attendees

Name	Position Title	Organisation
John Brown	Senior Coordinator – City Activation	City of Ryde
Jan Bouhali	Economic Development Coordinator	City of Ryde
Michael Dixon	Transport Manager	City of Ryde
Paul Bateson	Resource and Resilience Officer	City of Ryde
Maryann Litkouhi	Development Manager	Stockland
Colin Bailey	Community representative	City of Ryde
Jerome Laxale	Mayor	City of Ryde
David Ballm	Associate Director – Transport for NSW	TfNSW
Korean Delegation	Mayor, Councillors, media and business representatives	City of Jongo-gu



Details	Action	Responsibility and Date
1. Welcome, Attendance and Apologies		
Councillor Purcell welcomed all present and provided an acknowledgement of country.		
The attendance and apologies were recorded as above.	Noted.	
Members of a visiting Korean delegation from the city of Jongno-gu were in attendance for part of the meeting.		
Confirmation of Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising		
The minutes from the meeting of 8 th August 2019 were confirmed.	The minutes were confirmed.	
3. Venture Café Update		
 Zara Crichton provided the following update: The Thursday Gatherings program aims to improve the human condition - a week at a time. Recent events have showcased the MQU Incubator, Macquarie Hospital, Hearing Hub and the use of robotics. Venture Café continues to hold regular and diverse events with numbers steadily building. It was noted that government, corporate, global organisations and the university are all investing in Macquarie Park – this is building an innovation ecosystem. 	The information was noted. Zara forwarded a copy of her presentation to the Committee members	
 4. Macquarie Park Transport Access Plan David Ballm from Transport for NSW provided an update on the Macquarie Park Transport Access Plan. The Metro line reopened on Sunday 26 May following the successful provision of Station Link. As part of Station Link a number of changes were made around Macquarie Park to improve and develop access including: 	The information was noted.	
Changes to Traffic Light Phases Parking Changes Bus Priority Measures Travel Demand Management Active Transport Wayfinding - As development continues in the area TfNSW is committed to providing improved transport opportunities Major upgrades include the expansion of the North West Metro into the CBD and Bankstown together with the planning and delivery of an improved Bus Interchange and Bus Priority on Herring Road.		
 5. Macquarie Park Presentation Maryam Litkouhi provided the following information Stockland is developing the site at 11 – 17 Khartoum Road and 33 Talavera Road – 'M Park'. It is ten years since Stockland has undertaken an office development, having recently undertaken retail/ retirement and residential developments. 	The information was noted.	



-	Stockland is working with Danish architects to create positive experiences for people who visit the site and work there; place making is at its core. Workshops have been conducted to ensure a range of users have been consulted regarding the future development. Core Principles of the development include: 'Health and Well Being + Thriving Neighbourhoods. The plan incorporates open spaces that all can access and additional roads which will improve connections.		
6. M	acquarie Park Special Levy Projects (MPSL) Update		
John E	Brown provided the following update regarding MPSL projects:		
-	The Macquarie Park Special Levy 2019/20 projects will include: footpath upgrade in Giffnock Ave (adjacent to Sonic Healthcare) –widening the path in granite/ landscaping and multi-function poles. Funding will also support Venture Café, Connect, and the implementation of the Macquarie Park Marketing Plan. Place making will be supported with a community event (Sunset Sounds at Wilga) on 29 November 2019. To continue to improve the quality of the public domain, an embellishment planting program is also being implemented. Hypothecated funds from Macquarie Park car parking fees will be directed to: additional bike racks/ widening footpath along Lyonpark Road / behavioural change programs.	The information was noted.	
	A promotional plan is currently being undertaken; the campaign will comprise videos and supporting fact sheets. A Community of Practice will be established to discuss and promote the NTE in Macquarie Park. The Women's Community of Practice has been very successful and next year a home based Community of Practice will be formed. A number of events are planned for small and medium sized businesses across the city. Focus will also be given to young entrepreneurs and the establishment of a mentoring program. The Easy to do Business program has been successfully implemented and is helping to streamline the approvals process.	The information was noted.	
	onnect Macquarie Park + North Ryde update Ames (GM of Connect) provided the following update:		
-	The Connect AGM was held on 6 th November 2019 - Derek Yen (Downer) was elected Chair and Craig Lenarduzzi (Stockland) was appointed Deputy Chair. Several Connect members recently awarded sustainable transport awards from TfNSW. It was noted that transport will be impacted during the construction of the pedestrian bridge over Delhi Road. Connect will work with TfNSW to communicate this to businesses. Connect delivered a successful October mobility festival,	The update and information was noted.	
_	'Move Mac Park'. The festival delivered numerous events to highlight sustainable transport with over 2,000 people participating. Keoride has expanded its transportation service to include		
	trips during the day and within the 5km zone.		
-	The collaboration that exists in Macquarie Park is seen as one		



of Macquarie Park's major assets.		
9. Macquarie Park Innovation District (MPID)		
Paul Hogan (MQU) provided the following information.		
 The MPID was established 3 years ago to support collaboration between business, government and the university. The initial focus has been on building networks though events including: hackathons, innovation showcases and Venture Café. In 2020 the MPID will be engaging with landowners which facilitate investment in the Precinct. An initial meeting will be held by the end of November to begin this initiative. 		
10. General Business		
Resilience Update		
Paul Bateson (Resilience Officer at CoR) advised that he will be engaging with the businesses in Macquarie Park to look at ways Council can assist them become more resilient across a range of issues - heat, energy, traffic congestion etc.	The information was noted.	
Workshops are currently being conducted with staff and later with Councillors to develop a resilience plan.		
11. Next Meeting		
Thursday 20 th February 2020 at Ryde Council, North Ryde. (TBC)		