



31 August 2004

WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANDWICK WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, 90 AVOCA STREET, RANDWICK, ON TUESDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER 2004 AT 6:00 PM

Committee Members: His Worship the Mayor, Cr M. Matson, Crs Belleli, Hughes (Deputy Chairperson), Notley-Smith (Chairperson), Seng, Sullivan, Tracey & White.

Quorum: Five (5) members.

NOTE: AT THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 20TH APRIL, 2004, THE COUNCIL RESOLVED THAT THE WORKS COMMITTEE BE CONSTITUTED AS A COMMITTEE WITH FULL DELEGATION TO DETERMINE MATTERS ON THE AGENDA.

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ACTING GENERAL MANAGER



Director Asset & Infrastructure Services' Report 63/2004

SUBJECT:	REQUEST FOR STAIRS AT 29 FRENCH STREET, MAROUBRA
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DATE:	26 August, 2004	FILE NO:	PROP033069 xr 98/S/0178
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REPORT BY: DIRECTOR ASSET & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

INTRODUCTION:

At its meeting held on 24th August, 2004, Council resolved:

“that a report be prepared for the Works Committee Meeting on 7th September, 2004 on the construction of stairs outside 29 French Street, Maroubra, which will enable the infirm residents access to the property”.

ISSUES:

The subject property is on the low side of French Street and the boundary levels at the driveway are approximately 1.6m – 1.8m below the roadway.

The cost to provide a set of steps between the kerb and the driveway (there is no pedestrian gate at this property) is approximately \$12,000. This would include a rail and a landing at both ends and retaining structures as required. It must be noted, however, that this will provide access from the road pavement to the driveway just outside the property boundary and the gradient of this driveway and the internal driveway is very steep. The residents involved would have to carry out considerable works on this property to achieve a safe access to and from their doorway.

Council usually charges householders for the construction of such pedestrian accesses to their properties as it does for vehicular accesses. It should be noted that there are numerous other similar situations throughout the City of Randwick and any provision of such a facility at no cost could create a rash of similar requests.

Councillor Bastic has confirmed that the occupants of the house are elderly and infirm and are also the holders of a disability parking scheme permit and it is conceded that they would have difficulty in accessing their property from the roadway in French Street.

CONCLUSION:

It is considered that Council could agree to provide steps from the French Street kerb to the property boundary adjacent to the driveway serving this property as a one-off situation. There are no funds allocated in the current capital works budget for such facilities and should Council wish to fund this project, it is considered that the only available funding would be the 2004/05 Unallocated Capital Works Budget Allocation. (previously Councillors Bids).

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

- (a) Council constructs steps on the French Street nature strip to service 29 French Street, Maroubra;
- (b) The \$12, 0000 required to carry out these works be funded from the 2004/05 Unallocated Capital Works Budget Allocation.
- (c) The owners of 29 French Street be advised that they will need to carry out additional works on their own property in order to attain satisfactory access to and from their house from the bottom landing of the steps.

ATTACHMENT/S:

Nil

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MICK SAVAGE
DIRECTOR ASSET &
INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

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FRANK ROTTA
MANAGER DESIGN

Director Asset & Infrastructure Services' Report 64/2004



SUBJECT:	MARJORIE CRESCENT - PETITION AGAINST FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION AND ASSOCIATED TREE REMOVAL
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DATE:	26 August, 2004	FILE NO:	R/0501/01
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REPORT BY: DIRECTOR ASSET & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

INTRODUCTION:

At the Works Committee Meeting held on 13 July, 2004, Council resolved:

“that the proposed 2004/05 Footpath Construction Programme be approved and adopted.”

One of the streets included in this programme is Marjorie Crescent from Storey Street to its end.

ISSUES:

As a matter of course, each street was checked by the designers and it was ascertained that a number of trees needed to be removed to enable the footpath to be satisfactorily constructed. On 25 August, 2004, a petition with 32 signatures covering every house in this street with a covering letter also dated 25 August, 2004 was received by Council. This letter and petition are attached.

The sentiment expressed in the petition is self explanatory in that none of the residents want any trees removed or footpath constructed.

CONCLUSION:

Since none of the residents in Marjorie Crescent want the footpath constructed it is considered that this street should be removed from the programme and that the remaining funds be allocated to another street in this area. A recent request has been received for the construction of a footpath in Snape St between Percival St and Marville Ave. Although there is a footpath on the opposite side of this street, this street is a collector road and the provision of a footpath in this block is considered appropriate since it would provide a continuous link for residents in the subject houses to the bus stops in Bunnerong Rd.

There is already footpath along the on this side of Snape St between Charman Ave and Bunnerong Rd. The block to the east of this one being proposed is adjacent to Snape Park and is not considered as a footpath priority at this time

The cost of providing this path is also similar to the costs saved in Marjorie Crescent. As such it is considered that the residents of Marjorie Crescent be advised that Council has investigated their request and agreed to abandon the footpath works in this street and the available funds be allocated to provide a footpath in nearby Snape St on the southern side between Percival St and Charman Ave.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The residents of Marjorie Crescent be advised that Council has investigated their request and agreed to abandon the footpath works in this street.
2. The available funds be allocated to provide a footpath in nearby Snape St on the southern side between Percival St and Charman Ave.

ATTACHMENT/S:

Covering letter and Petition.

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MICK SAVAGE
DIRECTOR ASSET &
INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

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FRANK ROTTA
MANAGER DESIGN

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25 August 2004.

To: Mr Frank Rotta, Randwick City Council. Fax 9319 1510/9399 0977**From: L. Saunders, 6 Marjorie Crescent, Maroubra. Fax 9349 1945**

No. of Pages: 3

Subject: Tree removal/footpath construction, Marjorie Crescent, Maroubra, Central Ward.

The following Petition objecting to the removal of trees and construction of a footpath on the Council verge, is signed by ALL ratepayers/residents of Marjorie Crescent Maroubra, Central Ward and immediate adjoining streets.

Please note that only three residents in this street, at the upper end of the Crescent where there are no trees on the Council verge, reported that they received a letter drop advising of the Council's actions. One of the three found the letter in the gutter outside his home. No-one else knew of this plan and it was by sheer good fortune that some residents were home when the employees of Advanced Arbor Service Pty Ltd arrived to chop the trees down - they told us about the planned footpath.

We request that you seriously re-consider this matter. Please notify us in writing of the outcome.

We thank you for your consideration.

Yours faithfully,



L. Saunders

cc Cr Murray Matson (Mayor), Cr Chris Bastie, Cr Ted Seng, Cr Anthony Andrews, Mr Bryan Bourke, Mr Zulfi Inamdar, Mr Trevor Stolz

DEAR Mr. Rotta,
I would appreciate your phone call on 93491945 or
mob 0408 220776 when this matter has been
re-considered, as the residents of the Crescent are
concerned.

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PETITION

We the ratepayers and residents of Marjorie Crescent, Maroubra - Central Ward absolutely do not wish, and strongly object to, the cutting down of the trees on the Council verge as we consider them and the native birds they attract to be things of beauty and an asset in this street. We would rather have the trees than the proposed footpath which would alter the whole appearance and nature of this quiet, pleasant crescent.

NAME (print) ADDRESS PHONE NO. SIGNATURE

Cheryl Funnell	8 MARJORIE CR	93445305	[Signature]
Tommy Fowler	8 MARJORIE CR	93445308	[Signature]
Lesley Cornish	21 Storey Street	93443929	Lesley Cornish
Paul Cornish	21 Storey Street	93443929	Lesley Cornish Paul Cornish
Liam Cornish	21 Storey Street	93443929	Liam Cornish
Myka Cornish	21 Storey Street	93443929	Myka Cornish
Frankie Jackson	19 Storey St	93141818	Frankie Jackson
J. Anderson	9 Storey St	93141818	[Signature]
Kate Copper	10 MARJORIE CR	93142234	[Signature]
STENAES COPPER	10 MARJORIE CR	"	[Signature]
ANDY COPPER	10 MARJORIE CR	"	[Signature]
MIKE COPPER	10 MARJORIE CR	"	[Signature]
Lulu Lim	12 MARJORIE CR	93155069	[Signature]
Mrs M. Madeline	4 MARJORIE CR	93447569	[Signature]
Weller	16 Marjorie Cr	93447569	[Signature]
Claude Valenti	16A MARJORIE CR	93498714	[Signature]
Lee Valenti	"	"	[Signature]
Mrs FLIKIER	18 MARJORIE CR		[Signature]
Mrs FLIKIER	- 11 -		[Signature]
Mr Abdul Aziz	20 MARJORIE CR	0405444285	[Signature]

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NAME (print)	ADDRESS	PHONE NO.	SIGNATURE
T. McCaffery	22 MARJORIE CRES	9349-6059	<i>T. McCaffery</i>
S. Kowale	7 MARJORIE	93120054	<i>S. Kowale</i>
J. Fair	9 MARJORIE	93140054	<i>J. Fair</i>
J. Bourque	5 MARJORIE	93448664	<i>J. Bourque</i>
J. Kohary	1 MARJORIE	MARJORIE	<i>J. Kohary</i>
David Vallance	2 nd MARJORIE CRES	93491945	<i>David Vallance</i>
L. Samuella	2 nd MARJORIE CR	93491945	<i>Lorraine Samuella</i>
E. Vallance	2 nd MARJORIE CRES	93491945	<i>E. Vallance</i>
FAY NASH	7 MARJORIE CRES	9344-6868	<i>F. Nash</i>
D. ROBERTS	10 ROYAL ST.	9349-9389	<i>D. Roberts</i>
J. SANTIPIETRI	3 MARJORIE CRES	93493076	<i>J. Santipietri</i>
A. SANTIPIETRI	5 MARJORIE CRES	93493076	<i>A. Santipietri</i>
M. WELBY	12 ROYAL ST	93140300	<i>M. Welby</i>
C. PROVOIS	24 MARJORIE CRES	8347 1159	<i>C. Provois</i>