Bronte Catchment Citizens Jury

Who will be invited to participate in the jury?

Sampling frame based on:
Core criteria, suggested by Planning Group, 8/8/01:
- Age – demographically representative spread
- Gender – half men, half women
- Type of dwelling – houses/flats
- Occupancy status – owners/renters
- NESB – one, or perhaps two
- Education – demographically representative spread
- Income – demographically representative spread

The Planning Group suggested additional criteria, to consider during screening process:
- Own car or not?
- Intention to stay in catchment?
- 1 person who doesn’t use the beach/park/gully area?
- 1 person who accesses SLSC?

Levels of knowledge?
- The citizens jury process assumes that people will start off from a relatively ‘uninformed’ level of knowledge;
- During the process, they will be presented with detailed, specific, and highly complicated evidence;
- Through a process of deliberation and discussion, participants will become more informed and more aware around specific issues;
- By the end of the citizens jury, we assume that participants levels of knowledge will have increased, resulting in informed, realistic recommendations that can contribute to sustainable approaches to environmental management
- Do we need to ensure a range of different levels of knowledge?
  - What are the implications for the process?

Affiliations (community, environmental, professional, commercial, political)?
- issues of affiliations, relationships, interests and agendas
  - how do we ensure ‘disinterested’ participation
  - what does this mean regarding perceptions of ‘stakeholder’ status
  - what does this mean, given Bronte is a community of particularly aware, interested, and motivated individuals, activated around environmental issues and stormwater in particular
  - are there some affiliations or associations that are positive and some that are negative, for the process?
  - How do we screen for these?
    - Initial demographic questions asked of participants in tele-poll (incl occupation; profession)
    - Would you be interested in participating in a citizens jury?
    - Follow-up contact, after tele-poll, to arrange face to face meeting
    - In face to face meeting, ask:
      - Membership of community/sporting groups?
      - Interests?
      - Responses to four values questions?
      - What else?
Expectations, Roles and Responsibilities

- Jurors
- Witnesses
- Observers – invited by project, subject to agreement of jurors? Or not? Numbers at any one time (not to exceed number of jurors); therefore scheduled attendance only
- Facilitators
- Evaluator
- Council, as contractor
- Stormwater Trust, as funder
- Bronte Catchment Project Team, as consultants
- Support staff – council; project team
- Project Working Group
- Citizens Jury Planning Group – see draft terms of reference
- Media – local; national; paper; TV; radio

Resources and support – underlying principles, to enhance access and participation

- For jurors
  - Childcare
  - Payment
  - disability-related requirements
  - interpreters
  - literacy
  - meals
  - accessibility
  - insurance and public liability cover

- For Jury processes
  - use of Council Chambers and associated level 3 meeting rooms, over 3 ½ days
  - 3 laptops with powerpoint
  - audio equipment
  - 2 overhead projectors
  - council staff to assist (re audio);
  - note-takers;
  - project team to assist and organise;
  - security;
  - catering.

Confidentiality

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• Status and use of information and records of process (open and closed sessions) – based on social research principles, details of individuals and personal contributions remain confidential to the project consultants Elton Consulting. Records of process (audio-recording, video-taping, all notes and session write-ups) remain confidential to the project consultants Elton Consulting. Elton Consulting will make jury recommendations and project findings available in a report to Council and the Stormwater Trust.

Open and closed sessions
• daily review of process – closed
• small group deliberations – closed
• full jury deliberations – open?
• presentations by witnesses – open
• question and answer sessions with witnesses - open