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Dr Sacha Blumen  
President  
2011 Residents Association Inc

By email: blumensacha@yahoo.com.au

Dear Dr Blumen

I refer to your letter of 20 November concerning the refurbishment of Forbes Street, Woolloomooloo.

As you may be aware, the City has engaged in a Woolloomooloo Improvement Plan and has consulted extensively with the local community about a number of actions it can take to improve safety, amenity and public domain in the area. 2011 was invited to those community consultations.

We have developed 6 key projects which we are developing in further consultation with the community:

1. improvements to safety and activation of Forbes Street
2. cleanliness and maintenance of public spaces
3. physical and social improvements to Mary McDonald Centre, Tom Uren Square and Walla Mulla Park;
4. increased use and safety of Sydney Place and Juanita Nielsen Centre;
5. improved safety in the public domain through increased accessibility, way finding and lighting; and
6. Bourke Street Park improvements.

A key element of this process is to engage the community not only in any design of changes to the public domain, but in the provision of training and employment opportunities, and the development of social and cultural programs. City staff have already worked closely with the youth attending Juanita Nielsen Centre to develop sports and cultural programs to engage local young people on Friday and Saturday nights over the summer.

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The next step in this process is to develop some concept plans which will be discussed with the community prior to any further plans being developed. We expect this to take place in the first part of 2008. 2011 will be invited to these consultations.

The artist's impression in the Sydney City News was just that – an impression. It was not intended to be in any way a specific design for the area.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "f.m. Barone". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Monica Barone**  
Chief Executive Officer