Online Form Submission

Title: Bay Watch, Walk and Wellness (BWWW)

Details:

"My idea is to transform the first destination between the ANZAC bridge and the fish market into a promenade that encourages circulation but also quiescence. The walkway through the area must allow for continual access: a timber walkway at the front of the Bays (away from vehicular traffic) would promote the timber heritage of the area (e.g. the timber sheds at Wentworth Park) but also reinforce the maritime feature. Moreover, reminisce of the timber walkway at Bronte, this promises to become a popular jogging route. If a new connection by the Glebe Island Bridge is built, bicycle rental facilities like those common in Europe (scooters, or roller blades – unique to Sydney) may transform the site into the beginning of a bike trail around the precinct. Lockers and change rooms would mean the public can partake in sports then continue their day without diverting home. This would improve the living environment of the area by offering new sporting activities and alternative transport.

To allow the public to stop and stay, a basketball court, a children’s park, outdoor gymnastic equipment along with benches, sunbaking chairs or even just steps created for the public to sit on in front of the bay can be created. This will benefit nearby residents providing an alternative to the Wentworth Park as well as attracting the general public.

To promote the bay and its boating activity, bars in boats, common in Paris or Lyon, can be set up closer to the fish market. This would be an opportunity to stimulate night time activities, keeping the precinct alive day and night and encouraging a different variety of people to the site. Again, an idea inspired by Europe, this is the chance to prove and support Sydney's diversity. Often compared to America, Sydney has the chance to show it rivals with Latin and Germanic European countries as well. This could also enhance the fish market through clever marketing (menu options such as clamato juice common in Canada, catchy names like “I drink Like a Fish” or panels on the walls that explain the history of the site). Although some of these ideas are in place around the world, which attests to their effectiveness, they are unique to Sydney. They would all in different ways improve the living environment of the area, attract new patrons, promote the bay's heritage and present activities and create jobs and spending."
Movement and circulation: An inviting walkway and facilities
Quiescence and sport: Activities for all ages engaging locals and internationals
Bars on boats: Creating jobs, increased footfall and varied demographics
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