Minutes of Meeting

Greenwich Community Association

5 December 2012

Meeting opened at 7.36pm

Rod Tudge as the interim GCA president, commenced the meeting welcoming those present and then gave a brief history of his association with GCA through his many years and roles in Lane Cove Council and his regular attendance at many GCA meetings.

Apologies: Helen Jones, Merri Southwood, Jenny Smith, Tom Lawson

Present: As per the attendance book.

Presentation proposed Plans for Wardrop Street:

- Width of street is too narrow for parking on both sides. Kerb to centre of road needs to be minimum 20 meters, whereas proposed parking area on the north side would be only 16.9 metres.
- John May pointed out there was nothing to be gained with either angle or 90 degree parking
- Council have an alternative plan to beautifying the area and retaining the trees. Cr
 Pam Palmer raised the question as to who would look after the nature strip plants.
- Proposal is for the bus stop to be moved into Chisholm Street, adjacent to the School
 where there is suitable space. An entrance could then be developed from Chisholm
 Street into the school. Would need to enter into discussion with P&C re moving the
 bus stop.
- This would provide an additional 3 parking spots for 24 hrs.
- Patricia Quealey proposed in order to maximise parking in Wardrope Street, parking spaces should be marked out.
- Dion Weston raised the question as to what is the time schedule?
- Cr Pam Palmer proposal was for a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Wardrop Street and Greenwich Road and for paving on South side Wardrop Street.
- The above proposed changes to increase parking will require the support of East Ward Councillors.

Minutes of 17 October meeting: Minutes were tabled and accepted. Moved by Peter Walton, seconded by Alan Winney.

Matters arising from previous minutes:

- NSW Green Paper General Manager's workshop on Green/White Paper, letter from GCA, Rod Tudge to participate.
- John May requested a copy of the plans for Gem Club and Brownie Hall

Correspondence in:

- Invitation to Lane Cove Orchestra.
- Presentation for former Councillors
- Golden Whistler Lane Cove Bush care newsletter.
- Lane Cove Community Database.
- Duncan Gay MLC, looking into Shell proposal.
- DA's 46/50 Greenwich Road, 1/24 George St, 3 Coolabah Ave, 1 St Giles Ave, 18
 Bellevue Ave, 12 Wallace St, 55 Kingslangely Rd, 41 and 17 George St, 38 Lower
 Serpentine Rd
- Lane Cove Council nominations for Citizen awards, deadline 12 Feb 2013. Proposal from Patricia Quealey to nominate Merri Southwood.

Treasurer's Report:

- Peter Walton read and tabled the current financial report. Moved by Patricia
 Quealey and seconded by John May
- Re Greenwich Public School funding of bricks or seat, must be in accordance with GCA Constitution. Moved by Patricia Quealey and seconded by John May

Community Consultation:

Proposal for Northwood Shopping and Residential Centre, now open for inspection.

Shell:

- Shell terminal operation meeting 6 December
- Peter Walton gave a brief explanation re the Shell Gore Reference Group and input by Susan Robinson who is now on the Reference Grp, raised the issue re noise from demolition of tanks, ETA for shipping noise, noise emission. Suggestion for construction noise walls. Double glazing houses that will be effected
- Discussion also re issue on odours emitted
- Susan Robinson also raised issues pertaining to EPA and the NSW Dept. of Planning and Infrastructure.
- Dion Weston also asked as to when Shell will be submitting part of their DA application.
- Cr Pam Palmer also raised concerns re construction noise during development..

Better Planning Network:

 Re Green/White Paper workshops, Merri Southwood would represent GCA at these BPN meetings. 185 organisations are now participating.

No Subcommittee reports.

Councillors Reports:

Cr David Karpin

Trial for trapping feral cats in bushland.

Northwood Development

Discussion re the renewal of Lane Cove Golf Club lease.

First meeting of Marshall Ave Liaison Committee, minutes on Council website.

Cr Pam Palmer

Explanation re foreshore planning zone.

New Year's Eve Manns Point will be alcohol free zone.

Michael Coombs suggested there should be more than 4 refuse bins.

Rosenthal Ave development plan.

Sunday family events at Greenwich Baths.

North Shore Times article on overcrowding in schools. This is a Govt issue.

General Business:

- Jill Pain proposed that GCA write to Council to congratulate them on the steps being taken to trap feral cats in bushland.
- Dion Weston raised the issue of the difficulties he is experiencing in being able to enrol his expected child into childcare. He has requested a letter be sent from GCA to Lane Cove Council to improve access for Greenwich residents to local childcare facilities.
- Michael Coombs raised concerns re a broken pipe that could be affecting the Greenwich Bath's beach.

Meeting closed at 9.45pm