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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 6th September, 2017

Venue: Artarmon Community Hall

Present: Adrian Alexander, Plamen Bassarov, Peter Egan, Robert Newman, Sue Livingston, Peter Wilton.

Attending: None

Apologies: Lindsay Alexander, Maz Berry, Dale McKay. Christine Tuon,

Meeting Opened: 7:50 pm

Minutes Confirmation of minutes of 2nd August 2017; *proposed P Egan, seconded A Alexander.* Minutes taken as read and accepted.

Business Arising from Previous Minutes/Outstanding Action Points

ACTION: P Wilton will circulate a response to the Executive for The Greater Sydney Commission, North District Plan.

ACTION: P Wilton will write to Council on the issue of the fencing style to be used on the Artarmon Road Bridge (domestic style rather than "suicide prevention") and will include a request to improve the pedestrian/cycleway access to Cordia Way at Artarmon Road Bridge during the bridge remedial works.

ACTION: P Wilton will contact Nick Logan (President of Artarmon Village, Inc) after the upcoming Council elections to re-invigorate the Hampden Road Clean-up Campaign.

Open Forum

Not required.

President's Update

Peter Wilton reported on his attendance at the WCC Citizens' Panel formed to assess the possible uses of the former Artarmon Bowling Club clubhouse as a community recreation facility. Sue Livingston also attended as a representative of the Willoughby South Progress Association in Bob Taffel's absence. The President was pleased that the APA campaign to retain/refurbish the Clubhouse was so successful. Council has budgeted \$1.5M for the project. The Citizens' Panel recommendations are due by the end of October 2017 for Council's consideration. Discussion ensued regarding the incorporation of the former Artarmon Bowling Club site in the newly mooted "Artarmon Parklands" proposal; a management plan encompassing the reserves and parks in Artarmon.

President's Update (cont)

The Western Harbour Tunnel and Beaches Link were discussed as the next major issue for the APA to address. It was agreed that the focus of the campaign should be the potential impact of additional traffic being funnelled through Artarmon due to the lack of feeder ramps on the expressway. Possible locations of the stacks and dive sites were discussed, particularly with reference to Artarmon Park. If Artarmon Park is likely to be adversely affected this should be considered a point of negotiation. On 11th October, a representative of the Beaches Tunnel Link Project will address the APA Public Information Meeting.

Peter Wilton has reviewed constitution of the Artarmon Progress Association to bring it to compliance with regulations of the Department of Fair Trading. Using the model constitution supplied by the Government, and incorporating aspects of the existing APA constitution, the president tabled a Draft Constitution of the Artarmon Progress Association for comment by the executive.

ACTION: *P Wilton will meet with A Alexander to check over the draft. The Executive will peruse the draft and direct comments back to P Wilton before it is finalised.*

The Artarmon East Parking Scheme proposed by WCC as part of their parking strategy was discussed with a view to comment from the APA. It was decided that there was more value in the Association encouraging individual households to make submissions based upon their circumstances.

ACTION: *P Wilton will draft an Artarmon Immediate encouraging members to make a submission.*

Correspondence As circulated

Sue Livingston reported contact from a representative of the WCC Family Day care Scheme asking for a stall at our next Street Fair. (A reply has been made that we have no fixed date).

ACTION: *P Wilton will contact Rev David Lim of St Basils and then draft an Immediate about the upcoming St Basils Fair.*

The secretary has responded to a request from Willoughby City Library to update the Association's details in their records.

Adrian Alexander presented three letters from WCC regarding completion of the Hampden Lane Shared Zone, the Jersey Road Reserve Landscape Improvements Plan and the Thompson Park Playground Renewal. The latter two requested input from the APA.

ACTION: *A Alexander will circulate the correspondence from Council for input from the executive. P Wilton will formulate a response from the APA. Jersey Road submission is due by 18th September and Thomson Park submission by 22nd September.*



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Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report tabled and accepted. Adrian Alexander reported that the last Gazette made a profit of \$1237, most likely boosted by election advertising. Although there are some overdue debtors, the treasurer was confident they will pay promptly.

History Project and Heritage Report

A Alexander reported that his current focus is the streets associated with Thomas Broughton.

Gazette Matters

Adrian Alexander recently conducted a pedestrian survey of the distribution area of the Gazette, in particular the Artarmon Industrial Area. He proposed increasing the print number of the Gazette from 5,000 to 5,300. Extra copies should go into doctors' surgeries, cafes, real estate agents and Windsor Gardens. Lane Cove Library has also requested copies. The executive agreed the number of Gazette copies should be increased by 300. Peter Wilton suggested a further push in contacting potential long term advertisers. Advertising rates have not increased for several years. It was agreed that increasing the rates should take a staged nature in consideration of present advertisers as opposed to new advertisers.

A reassessment of the workload for long-term Gazette deliverers was discussed. It was agreed that those who have been delivering for many years should be contacted to enquire if they are happy with existing arrangements. The upcoming Public Information Meeting could be a forum for requesting new delivery volunteers.

ACTION: A Alexander will identify and contact the long-term deliverers to check on their workload satisfaction.

Adrian Alexander suggested bringing deadlines for the next Gazette forward as he will be away from early November. Upcoming articles include the Parking Strategy, Election Results and an update on the Beaches Tunnel Link. The call again went out for filler articles.

Federation Report

Peter Wilton reported on his election as one of two vice presidents of the Federation of Willoughby Progress Associations. He intends to support the pooling of strengths of the various associations, with a broad focus on Willoughby LGA issues.

Membership Report

Lindsay Alexander reported via email that there has been no change in the last month in memberships. He will be absent for the AGM, but confirmed his willingness to stand for the Executive for another term.

Website Report

A Alexander and R Newman have been working through a review of the website material and have culled much of the redundant or incorrect information. There is still more to refine.

Traffic and Parking Report

Peter Egan reported on the Sydney Metro worksite on the corner of Mowbray Road and Pacific Highway. There was a discussion on traffic management as the project progresses with respect to removal of landfill, with the comment that it might be most efficient though the use of traffic co-ordinators. P Egan had been contacted by a resident to say that noisy works have occurred near the train line without notification. It emerged that the contractors have been working without notifying Sydney Metro of their schedule.

Public Information Meetings

The last public information meeting of the year will be held on Wednesday 11th October. A representative of the Western Harbour Tunnel and Beaches Link is confirmed to speak.

It was agreed not to combine the APA Annual General Meeting with this PIM, as it is anticipated there will be much interest and many questions from the floor with respect to the Beaches Tunnel Link.

ACTION: P Wilton will draft an Immediate to be sent to members on 27th September and 9th October informing them of the date of the PIM.

ACTION: A Alexander will contact Willoughby Leisure Centre to request additional chairs.

Council Matters

Nothing to report.

Other Business

Nothing to report.

Next Meeting Next executive meeting will be held Wednesday 4th October, 7:45pm.
Annual General Meeting will be held Wednesday 1st November, 7:45pm.

Meeting closed at 9:30 pm.