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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

- Date:** Wednesday, 1ST August 2018
- Venue:** Artarmon Community Hall
- Present:** Peter Wilton, Adrian Alexander, Plamen Bassarov, Peter Egan, Jordana Goodman, Robert Newman and Robert Brandt.
- Also Present from Elizabeth Street Action Group;
Caroline Betts, Justine Hurtis, Cameron Reid, James Heyward and Mr Yoann.
- Apologies:** Lindsay Alexander, Sue Livingston
- Meeting Opened:** 7:50 pm

Open Forum: 42-44 Elizabeth Street Artarmon Boarding House Development Application

A delegation of residents from Brand Street apartments which back on to Federation Lane and the proposed Boarding House Development Application at 42-44 Elizabeth Street addressed the meeting in regard to their concerns about the proposal. The proposal is to build a 5 level, 26 rooms Boarding House capable of accommodating up to 52 guests.

They have called their group the Elizabeth Street Action Group. So far they have a number of meetings and have engaged a Town Planning firm to lodge an objection with Willoughby City Council opposing the proposal.

Their strategy is to seek to have lodged enough objections to the proposal (minimum of 10) for application to be referred to the Willoughby Regional Assessment Panel for consideration.

It is understood that The Federation of Willoughby Progress Associations, Inc. and the Mayor have indicated concerns in relation to the Boarding House planning legislation as it now stands.

The main issues with the DA proposal are that:

- the site is too small (below the minimum size of 1,100 m² under legislation);
- the building/population too dense for the site's location;
- it does not have enough parking for the proposed population and there will be increased competition for existing on-street parking as a result;
- the building is too high under existing WLEP limits;
- minimum setback from the street standards and not met; and
- It is an inappropriate development in the Artarmon Conservation Area.

The Committee expressed support for their cause and will endeavour to do what we can to have the application refused.

Minutes

Minutes of 4 July 2018 taken as read and accepted.

Proposed P Egan, Seconded P Bassarov.

Business Arising from Previous Minutes/Outstanding Action Points

Dive Site Parking - P Egan not yet drafted letter to WCC re Dive Site Parking arrangements for employees. It appears there is insufficient parking available on site for employees and as a result the employees will seek to park in suburban streets reducing resident parking availability.

ACTION: P Egan will draft a letter to Council querying the situation of Sydney Metro's provision of on-site parking by workers. The draft will be circulated to the Executive.

Artarmon Local Centre Strategy –Parking a major issue yet to be resolved.

APA is awaiting the final WCC draft proposal to be exhibited for public comment before replying to Council on this matter.

General comments – it was noted that until there is a substantial consolidation of land title in the Village that limited development is unlikely to happen. It was suggested that WCC present development incentives to owners to consolidate small lots.



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President's Update

Public Information Meeting October 2018

P Wilton advised that the next Public Information on 17 October 2018 will be with representatives of the Beaches Link and West Harbour Tunnel Project, subject to final confirmation of the date. Major concern with Beaches Link project is the proposed on/off ramps at Reserve Road/Dickson Avenue as this has the potential for a substantially increase in traffic flows through the Artarmon residential (both side of the railway line) and industrial areas. There is a need for more on/off ramps between Reserve Road Artarmon and North Sydney to reduce the traffic flow through Reserve Road and the residential streets.

Milner Road Apartment Development

Concerned residents of Milner Road have contacted the APA seeing assistance in sorting out the impact of construction parking in Milner Road and surrounding streets. Also they are concerned with the long term increase in parking needs upon the completion of the project (27 apartments). P Wilton will contact the resident who wrote to the APA advising that the Council propose to review/introduce a West Artarmon Resident Scheme in the short term. Milner Road residents should use the opportunity to push their case for a wider review of parking possibilities within Milner Road given the street is wider than most in Artarmon and could accommodation additional parking spaces if the paved area was increased (and angle parking introduced).

Council Advisory Committees

Council Advisory Committees are under review and the Federation of Willoughby Progress Association and a number of Councillors are keen to see the committees stay in their current form and not be disbanded.



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President's Update (continued)

APA Insurance Cover

APA carries insurance cover for its volunteers and activities, which is arranged through the Federation of Willoughby Progress Assn, Inc. This year's cost is \$365.00. P Wilton proposed that we pay APA's share of the premium and brokers costs. This was accepted.

Correspondence As circulated

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was tabled and accepted.

There is one outstanding debtor and some confusion about a direct credit.

The Treasurer will be following this up.

Annual General Meeting and Christmas Drinks

A Alexander reported on commencing preparation of the Annual Report to be presented at the AGM on 7th November 2018. Christmas drinks will follow the AGM. All members and especially Gazette volunteers and advertisers will be invited.

Gazette Matters

A Alexander reported that the September edition of the Artarmon Gazette was well underway. Boarding House DA's at 42-44 Elizabeth Street and 19 Hampden Road will be the lead page 1 article. Reports on Beaches Link and Metro Sydney dive site arrangements and Centenary of end of World War 1 will be included. We are looking for a Gardening Contributor to replace Mollie Shelley who has retired. Additional advertisers are being sought.

History Project and Heritage Report

Adrian Alexander reported that progress has been made in the research of the background of William Gore prior to arriving in Australia. Further research will be undertaken while he is in London and Dublin in September/October 2018.

Federation Report

Next meeting Saturday 4 August 2018. P Wilton to attend.

Membership Report Deferred



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Website Report

Nothing to report

Traffic and Parking Report

(See comments in Business Arising from the Minutes re situation with Sydney Metro workers' parking)

P Egan raised the issue of Sydney Metro plans for the area around the cottage at 2 Orchard Road. S Livingston has confirmed from the previous owner that Sydney Metro purchased the property. P Egan suggested that the APA write to WCC advising that the property has been sold (believed to be a 'heritage item of interest' listed in the Willoughby Local Environment Plan (WLEP)) and request that the Council follow up with Sydney Metro in respect to the building's preservation now that the building is unoccupied and likely to stay that way for some considerable time.

ACTION: P Egan to draft letter to Council for President to sign.

Other Business

A Alexander noted his absence from 4th September to 11th October.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 5th September, 7:45pm.

Meeting closed at 9:40 pm.