

COMMITTEE MEETING – MINUTES

MEETING INFORMATION	
Meeting date	Wednesday, 7 July, 2021
Location	Microsoft Teams
Chair	Michael Dawes (MD)
Present	Adrian Alexander (AA), Andrew King (AK), David Roberts (DR), Judy Simpson (JS), Mai Mullins (MM), Mary Ann Irvin (MI), Robert Newman (RN), Winsome Byrne (WB)
Apologies	Georgina Roussac (GR), Jordana Goodman (JG), Lindsay Alexander (LA), Peter Egan (PE), Plamen Bassarov (PB)
Disclosure of interest	None
Meeting opened	7:45 PM
Meeting closed	9:40 PM

MINUTES

1. Meeting Introduction

1.1 Welcome

The Vice President took the Chair and, noting that a quorum was present, opened the meeting at 7:45 PM.

1.2 Confirmation of previous minutes

The 5 June 2021 meeting minutes were accepted.

Proposed: Winsome Byrne Seconded: David Roberts Motion: Carried

1.3 Correspondence

Email correspondence is documented by the Secretary and circulated before the monthly meetings. When an item of correspondence requires follow-up, it is forwarded to the appropriate committee member and noted in the circulated report. The return email actioning the enquiry is copied to the Secretary.

2. Business arising from previous minutes / outstanding actions

2.1 Improvements to Pacific Hwy/Mowbray Rd intersection

- MD had call with Maria Swallow from Transport for NSW. She advised that there were no plans for improvements to the intersection.

- WCC have advised they are not able to progress this any further
- MD & GR sent request for meeting with MP on this as well as the inaccessible east side access to Artarmon Station

2.2 FWPA action re community participation in the planning process

- No further update
- WB advises the Artarmon Village Incorporated wishes to do a story on impacts of planning to the retail businesses

2.3 Proposed Herbert Street Precinct development concerns - update on FAQs & next steps post PIM

- MD has drafted letter which was circulated for APA review
- MD will send if no objection from APA
- The working group has been meeting every Monday to work on a campaign to raise community awareness about the development plans for the southern RNSH campus. They have put together an ePetition to the NSW parliament, which needs 20,000 signatures to ensure it is debated (currently sitting at 277 so far)
- They have also started a change.org petition (currently with 245 signatures) to draw attention to the ePetition
- There are also plans for post cards, a display, and people in the hospital foyer to raise awareness
- JS advises the working group has just revived a Facebook SaveRNSH page
- APA discussed what information and links would be shared on the APA website and the committee agreed for the ePetition link and Facebook page to be published on APA website
- Action: Facebook and ePetition links to Andrew

2.4 Request to reconsider inaccessible east-side access to Artarmon Station

- Action: As noted above – the APA is attempting to meet with our MP to discuss this issue

2.5 New wombat crossing at 26 Hampden Rd Artarmon (& removal of existing pedestrian refuge at crest near tennis courts)

- The APA have included feedback on this in the WCC Chatswood-St Leonards bicycle path – have your say submission
- No further update

2.6 Vision for Artarmon (old library site etc)

- AA reports no further update
- Action: AA to circulate a vision in draft form for APA committee input
- Action: PE to attempt to locate formerly drafted APA master plan

2.7 Bowling Clubhouse – feedback to WCC

- Letter received back in response to APA letter of complaint
- Discussion on a meeting to be organised with APA and Willoughby South Progress Association (Bob Taffel) with Michael Cashin (meeting to be possibly this week)
- Plans still with the architect

- Heritage classification still in progress
- Next week's WCC meeting agenda includes an item to defer works until Heritage assessment complete. Council officer's recommendation is that council proceeds with the work
- JS has volunteered to stand in for GR at APA meeting with Hugh Phemister

2.8 APA membership engagement drive

- Artarmon Public School fair – No update to report
- Artarmon Academy – the school has planned activities and initial response was positive. WB & DR will continue conversations with the school after school holidays.
- Diversity story – suggestion made that the stories could come from the school (students, teachers, parents) with a few selected for printing
- Action: WB and DR will continue to progress these items

2.9 Artarmon Loop bus correspondence to WCC

- No update
- Action: Please review the draft correspondence if you haven't already

2.10 WCC Chatswood-St Leonards bicycle path – have your say submission

- APA submitted two submissions
- Members also discussed notification issues with the letter drops
- MI shared updates from Bike North meeting with WCC on the bicycle path

3. President's items

3.1 Donation to OpenAustralia Foundation – the charity which runs PlanningAlerts

- APA members discussed the proposal to make a donation and the idea was met with agreement
- RN suggested possibly offering a pro bono ad slot
- A news story was also suggested
- APA agreed on all three ideas
- Action: MD will work with WB for the story
- Action: AA to arrange the donation

4. Committee Reports

4.1 Gazette Update

- Next edition will be the pre-election focus
- Page 1 lead – hospital story (JS)
- Channel 9 tower dismantling update story (WB)
- Maintenance items (WB)
- Commonwealth Bank closure (AA)
- Story about Glenda Gartrell (WB)
- Action: JS asked for the Gazettes to be delivered to her by Fri 27 August so they can be distributed before the election
- Action: Any other story ideas please contact WB

4.2 Review of WCC Committee minutes

- MD shared items of note verbally

4.3 Treasurer's Report

- Verbal update provided and report circulated prior to meeting.

5. Any other business

- **APA files** – central cloud-based solution (e.g. Google Drive or Microsoft OneDrive)
 - MM will continue to investigate costs for retail licences should the APA be ineligible for NFP status
- **Upgrade APA website theme & server version – investigate themes (news/blog style)**
 - No further update – hold over for next month
 - Action: AK & MM will put out a request for a quote for the work.

6. Open Forum

None

Meeting closed

Next meeting & date	Committee meeting Wednesday, 4 August, 2021
Time	7:40 PM for 7:45 PM start
Location	MS Teams