Minutes of Ordinary General Meeting  
Held 18th October 2016 at Newport Community Centre

Meeting commenced at 7.05pm
Members present: As per attendance sheet
President: Gavin Butler
Treasurer: Kyle Hill
Secretary: Wendy Dunnet
Committee members: Bill Thomson

President's welcome to all present:
Gavin Butler welcomed members and guests.

Apologies: Robert Dunn, Bruce & Kay Hammer, Peter Middleton, Selena Webber, Sue Ross, Kylie Ferguson, Ian & Yvonne Heard, Brian Penhall, Dick England, Joe Saleh, Roger Johnston

Approval of Minutes of previous Ordinary General Meeting held 20th September 2016
Moved: Greg Ross  Seconded: Di Cook

Treasurer's Report:

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Note: Venue Hall hire for July, August, September of $139.20 was paid.

Correspondence & Matters Arising:

The majority of matters arising related to items for discussion and would be dealt with on the agenda.

GB waiting on notes from his meeting with the Administrator. Once they are received he will post to the web site.

He also received a call from Michelle Carter at NBC re: parking survey at Kalinya St. Newport. Council has employed Parking & Traffic consultants who have conducted a traffic survey (results as
yet unknown). Council will be at Kalinya St, Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd November to talk to the public about the issues. There is also an on-line survey. Check website for details.

It was noted that due to The Newport now offering Valet parking and charging for it there is more pressure on the parking spaces nearby.

Newport Flood Study. Noted Dick England nominated to sit on the reference group and the Chairman thanked Dick for nominating to represent the NRA in this study.

**Items for Discussion:**

**NBC Council Meeting 27th September 2016**

Main item on the agenda were sporting field facilities in the total Council area and what might be done to increase the number of fields.

Secondly, it was agreed by the Administrator that the draft Mona Vale Place Plan be placed on exhibition for 40 days and there would be a public meeting half way through, to answer questions prior to submissions.

Other items discussed can be found in the minutes on the Council’s website.

**Report on the B-Line bus service to Newport**

GB advised we are waiting on another meeting with Stokes and the Department of Transport.

Following Eric Martell’s proposal put forward at the last meeting, Glen Moore suggested a solution to terminate the B-Line at Mona Vale without changing any of the current buildings would be to turn the buses around at the Mona Vale bus depot.

GB & GM to draw up a proposal and forward it to Rob Stokes.

**Beaconsfield to Bardo - Barrenjoey Rd safety issues.**

Suggestions were made to the Administrator. GB to review what we can do.

**Proposed Mona Vale Place Plan**

There was a general discussion by all at the meeting over the Draft Mona Vale Place Plan and concerns were raised over the amount of time it is on display and the lack of community discussion. There was great disquiet noted about the six storey building height proposals contained in the plan and the precedent it may create for Newport and Avalon etc.

An information stall for The Mona Vale Place Plan will be at the Mona Vale Library Laneway from October 5th at selected times and the only Community Meeting will be held on Saturday 29th October. To attend and ask questions one needs to register.

A draft flyer raising the concerns the MV plan may have on the future built form of Pittwater, prepared by NRA member David Catchlove, was read out as it was a good summary of the issues.

All Objections and Submissions need to be lodged by 13th November 2016.

It was recommended members check the “Draft Mona Vale Place Plan” on the Council website and www.SAVEMONAVALE.weebly.com website for their information.

**Greater Sydney Commission**

A community meeting by the GSC was held on 10th October 2016. Sue Young, Kyle Hill, Bill
Thomson, Selena Webber and Wendy Dunnet attended on behalf of the NRA. (Jeff Brady was an apology as he was unable to attend).

Bill, Kyle & Wendy reported to the meeting. There was a general concern as to what the GSC would deliver as their Plan for Sydney and more concern over the short time frame (November 2016-March 2017) that the Draft District Plans would be on Public Exhibition.

There were further concerns how this Plan would affect each of the Villages of the Northern Beaches LEP’S and the power with which the GSC might have, to execute their District Plans.

There was considerable discussion and this will stay on the Agenda for follow up information.

**New Reference Groups**

* A meeting was held on 28th September 2016 to introduce the members of the Reference groups to the process. Only two of the five nominees from the NRA were appointed being Lorrie Morgan (Art, Culture & Heritage) and Peter Middleton (Economic Development and Tourism).

**Old Caltex site – S96 (2) application to cover unauthorised works**

GB advised we are still waiting on a L&E court decision.

**Other Planning Applications**

The list of new DA’s and Section 96 applications received during the month, and those not otherwise dealt with during the meeting, were read out.

GB advised that the DA for the childcare development on Queens Parade West has been refused. It is understood that the applicant will be applying to the L&E court.

No other NRA action was deemed necessary for these applications at this time.

**Proposed RMYC Marina Extension**

Greg Ross recapped the details of the current situation with the RMYC marina extension. A conciliation meeting is due to take place on 17th November. GB will represent the NRA and will discuss traffic issues.

Glen Moore explained, he has set up on change.org website a petition asking the NBC to do their job and refuse the application. He requested we support them by signing the petition.

It was agreed that he could send an email to the NRA to be sent to all members asking them to support the submission and to pass on to as many people they could either by email or Facebook.

**Coles Supermarket & Compliance with DA conditions**

The Chairman advised the NRA had written to Council with a copy to Coles Newport manager. NBC have acknowledged our letter and they are looking into it.

**Woolworths Site and concept for future development**

No information at this time other than it appears the site is on the market.

**Southern Newport Beach water tap & rubbish bin facilities**

The tap has been installed. We are waiting on the bin.
**Enhanced Future for Newport Oval / Community grants.**

Ongoing.

**General Business:**

The following issues were raised:-

Car parking signs in the Bramley Street Eastern carpark are being hidden by vegetation which needs pruning.

The centre island on Barrenjoey Road has not been mowed by the RMS for sometime. There was some discussion that there have been labour issues.

If you sit on the bench at the entrance to the beach from The Boulevarde you cannot see the Headland due to the vegetation growth. Kyle Hill volunteered to investigate.

The Chairman advised he has yet to organise a meeting with The Newport following up on our correspondence and their reply.

**Meeting Closed at 8.55 pm**

**Next Meeting to be held on Tuesday 15th November 2016 at the Newport Community Centre at 7.00pm.**