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Minutes of Ordinary General Meeting Held 16th September 2014 at Newport Community Centre

Meeting commenced at 7.05 PM

Members present: As per attendance sheet
President Gavin Butler
Treasurer Kyle Hill
Secretary: Peter Middleton (Apology)
Committee members: Selena Webber (Apology)

President's welcome to all present:

Gavin Butler welcomed members and guests on behalf of President.

Apologies: Peter Brady, Peter Middleton, Ruth Latekefu, Selena Webber, Martha Gee

Approval of Minutes of previous Ordinary General Meeting held 15th July 2014.

Moved: Kyle Hill

Seconded: Bill Thompson

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer offered the following report:

Balance @ 31/07/2014	1865.39
Add Receipts	40.01
Sub total	1905.40
Deduct Payments	0.00
Net Assets as at 31/08/2014	1905.40

Treasurer's report accepted: Moved: Di Cook

Seconded: Sue Young

Correspondence & Matters Arising:

Correspondence was tabled and discussed, as necessary, under agenda items. It included:

'Peninsula Historian': September issue received and retained.

Newport Sculpture Trail – (see below)

Letter from Planning for People Charter (See below)

Letter from Commonwealth Bank – Sales flyer noted

Invitation from Pittwater Council to attend the 'Enliven' Pittwater Business Summit – (see below)

Items for Discussion:

Newport Sculpture Trail – This years event is proposed to occur from Friday 21st November to Saturday 6th December 2014. It is proposed that on the Friday 21st the official launch will occur at the Foamcrest carparks. A request has been made that we write to Pittwater Council to support the closing of the car park for that day. We have been advised that Woolworths have been approached and appear receptive to the closure of their part of the Foamcrest Ave car park. It was RESOLVED to write to council in support of the Sculpture Trail even and closure of the car park for the day.

PWC Community Ref Groups:

- **New Delegate for Connecting Communities** was sought from the meeting but no responses were received (this follows the resignation of Hans Hui who is moving away from Newport).
- **New Alternate for Natural Environment** was sought from the meeting but no responses were received (this follows the resignation of Hans Hui who is moving away from Newport).

Report Leading & Learning Reference Group

Gavin Butler reported that the meeting agenda covered matters similar to those covered by the reference groups who reported the prior month, i.e. Presentation re Northern Beaches Health Service redevelopment, especially the Mona Vale Hospital Masterplan (It was noted that the presentation was very similar to that given to our NRA meeting in July), A presentation from Shoroc on the 'Too Good to Waste' plan covering the changes to Kimbriki and the closure of Belrose, Place Management and Enliven Pittwater Update plus an update on the 10/50 Vegetation Clearing Code and issues.

Planning for People Charter:

The communication from the Planning for People Charter was read out and noted that the community campaign to launch this proposal was to be held this Thursday the 18th of September at the 'Tree of Knowledge' at the back of NSW Parliament at 1pm. It was further noted that to view the proposed charter you need to go to their website www.thecommunitycharter.org. No members were available to go to the launch.

'Enliven' Pittwater Business Summit – 19th September 2014

It was noted that following an invitation from Pittwater Council to allow one representative to attend this summit at no cost that the President Gavin Butler had agreed to attend.

Bramley Rd Blind Spot (see website)

The suggestion that an activation sensor be added under the bitumen at the STOP sign was yet to be followed up by the NRA executive.

Newport Bus Shelter - Southbound

This matter was a carry-over from the last meeting where an awning on poles rather than a fully enclosed shelter (no room outside the shops) was suggested. Bill Thomson has offered to organise a design suggestion.

Enhanced Future for Newport Oval (Members had been referred to NRA website for details.)

Gavin Butler gave an update and noted that the NRA had yet to send letters to some of the sporting clubs to glean support. He further noted that he had agreed to attend a 'Grant Writing Workshop' to be held on the 9th October being run by Pittwater Council as a means to get ideas of who and how to approach government for a grant for this proposal. GB noted that we need to get the sporting club users on-board to this proposal before we formally approach council for their monetary support.

Newport Bowling Club Fence

Further to this matter on last months' agenda the executive were yet to approach council with a view to tap into funds that we believe were available in a Newport parking fund to enable levelling and resurfacing with gravel and fixing the fence.

Community Garden for Newport (see website)

This is to be kept on the agenda to encourage the nominating of as many sites as pertinent, where a local community wants to support.

SW advised that PWC currently has a Community Gardens Policy on Exhibition.

Pittwater Unleashed (see website)

This matter was brought up at the prior meeting but further discussed and related to the proposal that a Pittwater Group had made to council to run a trial to allow unleashed dogs on the Northern end of most ocean beaches in Pittwater. A motion moved by Bill Thompson and seconded by (Jeff Brady?) which was **CARRIED** (noting that there were no objections but a number of members abstained) was for the NRA to write to council noting that the Northern end of Newport Beach was comprised of a reserve dedicated to Eric Green, is a wildlife corridor leading to the sanctuary on South Bilgola Headland, had sensitive sand dunes undergoing re-vegetation and comprised a section of the Bi-centennial Coastal walkway used by residents and Australian and international visitors, therefore the northern end of Newport beach is not suitable for off-leash dogs.

It was further noted that the meeting had no idea what the council staff would recommend nor how the council might vote and that any 'Trial' once commenced would be hard to stop becoming permanent. It was agreed that the executive e-mail the other resident groups to advise them that a vote along these lines had been adopted by the NRA

It was further **RESOLVED** that the NRA write to council to request that they advise the procedure they propose to occur once the report comes to council – i.e. that the residents have ample time to make submissions to any recommendations made by staff and agreed by council.

Planning Applications

Notices on a number of DAs have been received and include:

- DA for Lot 16 Sec 5 of 29 Foamcrest Ave (really the shop in Robertson Rd planned for a new restaurant). It was agreed that the NRA should write an objection regarding the proposed construction of a new kitchen out the back with no set-back from the boundary
- DA 5 Calvert Parade – additions to dwelling
- DA 21 Mirrabooka St. - additions to dwelling
- 28 Walworth Ave. – Alterations and additions to dwelling
- 18 Bungan Head Rd – S96 alterations to existing DA for additions to dwelling

General Business

Meeting Closed at 8.20pm

Next Ordinary General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 21st October at the Newport Community Centre at 7.00pm