



# Newport Residents Association Inc.

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## Minutes of Ordinary General Meeting Held 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at Newport Community Centre

### Meeting commenced at 7.03pm

Members present: As per attendance sheet  
President Gavin Butler  
Treasurer Kyle Hill  
Secretary: (Kyle Hill deputised)  
Committee members: Bill Thomson, Wendy Dunnet

### President's welcome to all present:

Gavin Butler welcomed members and guests.

**Apologies:** Robert Dunn, Di Cook, Peter Middleton, Pat Stewart, Martha Gee, Brian Penhall, Greg Ross (Horseshoe Cove Assn)

**Approval of Minutes** of previous Ordinary General Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016

Moved: Bill Thompson

Seconded: Jeff Brady

### Treasurer's Report:

Balance @ 30/01/2016	922.02
Add Receipts	140.02
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>1,062.04</b>
Deduct Payments	0.00
<b>Net Assets as at 14/03/2016</b>	<b>1,062.04</b>

The Treasurer advised there had since been three cheques drawn for Post Office Box renewal, Hall Hire and a reimbursement cheque for printing and Christmas Function costs amounting to \$383.45

Moved: Bill Thomson

Seconded: Lorrie Morgan

### Correspondence & Matters Arising:

Correspondence out was the NRA submission to the Delegate for the boundary review Pittwater/Warringah (Part).

Other correspondence was tabled and discussed under agenda items as appropriate.

### Items for Discussion:

#### **Council Amalgamations** (see updated website)

GB updated the meeting re the current position whereby Warringah had made its own boundary proposal for all three councils of Manly, Warringah & Pittwater to amalgamate. GB commented this was dangerous issue for Pittwater if accepted as it would undo all the progress Pittwater council had made for the benefit of Pittwater residents since the secession from Warringah 24 years ago (1992). GB advised he had written on behalf of Pittwater Forever to the Minister for Local Government with copies to Rob Stokes and the Delegate to object that the Warringah proposal had called for submissions from the 23<sup>rd</sup> February however Warringah did not publish their proposal for three weeks after that date meaning the time frame that people could realistically make objections had been severely shortened. This made the proposal possibly invalid or unfair and unreasonable. GB also noted to the meeting that he addressed the council meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> March on behalf of the NRA raising these same issues and encouraging council to seek legal advice on the proposals validity.

GB noted that Pittwater Council had committed \$100,000 at the last council meeting to fight the Warringah proposal. PC had held a Leaders meeting the previous Thursday where they unveiled their strategy which included a brochure to every household which included as part of it a tear off prepaid submission form which residents could use to lodge an objection to the Warringah proposal. GB commented that all at the leaders meeting were very disappointed at the quality of the council brochure and its ambiguity however as it was already printed and delivered to the post office for distribution there was little that could be done. Additionally council was to hold street stalls outside shopping centres over the Saturdays 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> March and the 2<sup>nd</sup> April. These stalls would be manned by two staff, one councillor and at least one community member.

The meeting was circularised with a roster sheet for members to note when and at what times they could assist at these stalls.

Public meetings were to be held by the delegate on each night Monday to Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March to the 23<sup>rd</sup> March at Mona Vale, Manly & Dee Why respectively. GB called for members to attend these meetings and either speak or just be there to show solidarity for Pittwater. GB noted that written submissions could be made in writing or on-line up until the 8<sup>th</sup> April.

An active lively discussion was held about the whole matter however GB requested that members focus on defeating the Warringah proposal whether or not they agreed with the Pittwater Council earlier submission to form a Greater Pittwater or still hold firm to the retention of Pittwater on its current boundaries.

#### ***Dep't of Planning – Site Coverage Proposed Amendments & Expansion of Complying Development***

There had been no reply to the NRA submission to date, nor and feedback on the standing of the proposals.

#### ***Dep't of Planning – Complying Development definition***

It was noted that the Dep't had also recently advised council of a proposal for comment for a proposed expansion of the Complying Development definition to include Medium Density Residential development. This proposal had raised a number of concerns however the NRA had not had a chance to review the council summary and reply to the department as yet and would summarise at the next NRA meeting.

#### ***Enhanced Future for Newport Oval*** (as per website)

GB noted that this project was still a solid desire of the NRA but realised due to the Amalgamation issue it was on the backburner at this time with council.

#### ***Old Caltex site – S96 application to cover unauthorised works***

Jeff Brady updated noted that developer had a deadline of 16<sup>th</sup> March to respond re the unauthorised works and he had not heard anything else.

#### ***DA 373 Barrenjoey Rd: update***

No further confirmation from that given at the last meeting whereby it was understood that some changes had been agreed without notice to the affected residents.

#### ***Horseshoe Cove & RMYC extension***

Bruce & Kaye Hamer and Glen Moore from the Horseshoe Cove Assn addressed the meeting giving an update on the further objection they were forced to make following the RMYC additional expert opinion that had been lodged and that they had requested that the NRA reaffirm their earlier objection that council should not consider the matter until the council Waterways Review had been completed. The meeting agreed to send a letter of reaffirmation to council.

#### ***Other Planning Applications***

GB reported of the other DAs / Sect 96s notices received since last meeting none were deemed necessitating an NRA submission.

#### ***Community Gardens for Newport*** (see website)

It was noted that this was going full steam ahead

### ***Proposal to limit car sales on Barrenjoey Road***

There was no known update of the RMS position following the closure of submissions from residents on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

### ***Coles Supermarket & Compliance with DA Conditions***

John Waye gave a detailed summary of the noise, non-compliance with hours and safety issues around re the truck deliveries to Coles. These matters included larger trucks than allowed on the consent conditions, rubbish left around, the non-supervision of the unloading and non-use of the provided safety gates across the footpath. John requested the NRA to help. GB gave a background summary of the history of the supermarket, the problems around construction time and that the provision of this small supermarket was part of the Newport Masterplan and its retention would not be objected to.

Bill Thompson moved a motion (seconded by Kyle Hill) that the NRA write to Pittwater Council advising council of all the non-compliant matters, with additional emphasis on the pedestrian safety matters and truck movements. Motion was unanimously carried. GB said he would meet with John Wale as soon as convenient to get all the details, check the DA 'Conditions of Consent' and write a letter. GB further said he would attempt to meet with the Coles Manager at the time of lodging the letter with council.

### ***Sand Dunes Plantings, adjacent to Myola Rd***

A discussion about this matter was had with Kyle Hill noting that he believed in his professional capacity that the Banksia trees were all self-sown.

### ***Southern Newport Beach Water tap and rubbish bin lack of facilities***

It was agreed that the NRA would write to the council re the provision of an appropriate bin and reinstatement of the tap at the beach access near Ross Street.

### ***'Pittwater Unleashed' update*** (see website)

Bill Thomson reported that new minutes were now available (GB to follow up with link on web site) and that at the last meeting he understood that there would be no change to the current dog policy on Newport Beach i.e No unleashed dogs allowed.

### ***NRA Secretary for 2016***

GB repeated appeal for a nomination.

## **General Business**

### ***E-mail from NRA member Roger Johnston***

Roger had just written to the President requesting that the meeting consider three matters on the Agenda. As the Agenda had already been published GB advised Roger he would mention the matters in General Business and put them on the Agenda for next meeting. The items being;

- **Provision of a tree on the Roundabout at the corner of Robertson Rd and Foamcrest Ave.** For beautification of the area.
- **The Bus Stops in Newport**  
Weekends the bus stops space should be shortened from two large busses to one to allow some parking for shoppers.
- **Provision of timed lights at the pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Barrenjoey Rd & Queens Parade** for school kids safety and convenience.

### ***Irrubel Rd Footpath construction.***

Glen Moore wanted to put a thank you on record to Pittwater Council for this long awaited improvement.

### ***Myola Road Footpath requests***

Lorrie Morgan raised the issue of the still outstanding footpath improvements. Councillor Sue Young said they were on the budget program but we would have to look at it to find when they were scheduled.

***Pittwater Woman of the Year***

GB on behalf of the NRA congratulated Lorrie Morgan on becoming the Pittwater Woman of the Year. The meeting showed their congratulations by acclamation.

**Meeting Closed at 8.45 pm**

**Next Ordinary General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April at the Newport Community Centre at 7.00pm**