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President's Report 30/6/2019

I would like to thank the members of the Newport Residents Assn for allowing me the privilege once again of being their President for the past twelve months. The past year, whilst not as active as the prior few, was important on a number of fronts.

We have four of our members representing us on four *Strategic Reference Groups* of the Northern Beaches Council being, Secretary Wendy Dunnet (*Transport & Travel*), Peter Middleton (*Economic & Smart Communities*), Lorrie Morgan (on two different *Arts groups & committees*) and Dick England on the *Newport Flood Study*. The NRA has again shown its community commitment by having the most representation of any community group in the LGA and on behalf of the members of the NRA I wish to pay a special thanks to these four members.

During the year we had a drive around Newport with the new NBC CEO, Ray Brownlee and this proved to be very productive.

We were very active in the proposal to the NBC that they acquire the 62 Hillside Rd properties to add to the bush land reserve with continued dialogue and submissions to council and our State representative Rob Stokes.

We had meetings with Council re changes to planning laws, Newport Oval upgrades, submissions and representation at independent planning review panels against the proposed rezoning of foreshore land at the corner of Nooal & Bardo Sts, Newport and many other submissions as noted under '*Documents/Submissions*' on our web site.

Finally I would like to thank all the members of the Committee for their contribution and active support during the year.

Gavin Butler