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Minutes of Meeting Held 16th August 2022 at Newport Community Centre

Meeting commenced at 7.04pm

Members present:

President

Vice-President

Treasurer

Secretary:

Committee members:

As per attendance sheet

Gavin Butler (apology)

Kyle Hill

Glenn Moore

Wendy Dunnet

Simon Barlow, (apology) Sue Young,
Peter Middleton (apology)

President's Note

Kyle Hill as acting President, welcomed members and guest Annie Lang from NBC.

Apologies: Gavin Butler, Peter Middleton, Greg & Sue Ross, R.Seldon, S.Barlow

Approval of Minutes: of previous meeting held 19th July 2022. Amendments noted were date change to Treasurer's report, June replacing May and NBC trials for dogs on the beach should read 'open for consultation' not 'commencing'.

Moved: S.Young

Seconded: G.Moore

Treasurer's Report:

Balance as @ 01/07/2022	\$1906.68
Add Receipts	\$50
Sub total	\$1956.68
Deduct Payments	\$284.94
Net assets as @ 31/07/2022	\$1671.74

Moved: T. Young

Seconded: M. Hawkeswood

Payments included room hire, \$143, Internet Hosting fees \$108, storage fees, \$33.54

Members' Subs 2022-2023 Now due & payable. \$20 per person or \$25 per family

Correspondence & Matters Arising:

Annie Laing provided an update on maintenance actions raised at the previous meeting. Glenn Moore asked if the ongoing issue of potholes be addressed. Annie to also advise if any more work will be done on the Newport to Bilgola stairs and pathway to improve safety.

Louise Kerr from NBC wrote, at the request by Ray Brownlee, to advise that Woolworths are still pursuing investigations for their site in Newport and the adjoining sites, but that no final decisions related to the site have been made by the Woolworths senior executive team. Once Council has any further information that can be shared with the public Council will advise accordingly.

Annie Lang advised that the items on the Traffic Committee agenda were approved. Item 4.5 Raised safety platform on Gladstone & Bishop Streets and 4.9 No stopping on Herbert avenue. There was one other item regarding changes to parking on Burke Rd which was approved.

Items for Discussion:

Robertson Road Update

There are no updates at this time. Allison Cooper is working with Rowie Dillon (from Mitch & Mark homewares store) to hold an event in Robertson Road on Saturday 15th October 7am-7pm. It is proposed that Robertson Road will be closed & there will be programmed activities. It was suggested that the closing time be extended. Annie to contact Allison. They will update members with details at the next meeting. Rowie is also currently working towards re-establishing the Newport Chamber of Commerce, with Karen Bond.

Newport Planning Applications

Wendy D read out the list of DA's that have been notified to her & Glenn. All were for alterations & additions.

We received an NBC letter advising of their refusal of DA2021/2621, 27 Nullaburra Rd (the NRA had put in a submission). There is to be a Land & Environment Court conciliation conference on site on 22nd August at 930am.

Pittwater Ward Councillors Meeting

The next meeting will be at the Newport Community Centre on Wednesday 24th August at 7pm. Kyle explained to the meeting that Gavin had forwarded to our 3 Ward Councillors, information from a PCA Zoom meeting with Angus Gordon on the extensive Beach erosion on Newport Beach.

Included in that correspondence were a number of questions prepared by Gavin (re-iterated to the meeting by Kyle) & forwarded by R. Amon to be asked of Council.

Annie advised that Todd Dickenson, Executive Director Environment & Sustainability has written a reply to those questions and sent it to Rory Amon.

It was discussed that anyone can attend the Ward meeting but it is important to register on the Northern Beaches Council website: Pittwater Ward community Meeting Registration. It is also possible via that link to send a question to the Councillors.

PCA Update

Following the request to the 3 Pittwater Ward Councillors regarding the Newport Beach erosion, PCA has decided that the Resident Associations which have beach frontages should be the ones involved with trying to find a suitable solution.

PCA is continuing to work on the new NBC LEP/DCP and gathering what they see as the issues to be addressed.

Newport Beach Erosion

The meeting discussed the current works on Newport beach and asked 'what happens after the 'emergency' 90 days? The question of 'why was the sand put into bags which will have be removed vs just putting the sand directly on to the beach, was also raised? What does Council propose for the future? This led to discussion of sea walls and the current DA plans for the Newport Surf Club. Is a new seawall being installed and if so, what is it? The committee to look at the Surf Club DA and consider if a further submission needs to be prepared. Also to ask Angus Gordon his opinion regarding a sea wall in front of the Club.

Newport Activation Group

Newport needs an active Chamber of Commerce so activities such as the Market Day, traditionally held in November & other events can be organised. The Robertson Road Spring event -15th October - is being coordinated with the support of Council.

General Newport Maintenance

Glenn M to check Dearin Park as we believe that has not been completed as we expected. Wendy D to have a look at the stairs leading from Newport bBach to Bilgola. Council is due to inspect the stairs again.

Other NBC matters and General Business

Annie Laing to check on the status of the Newport to Bilgola shared pathway.

Sue Young advised there was a Keep Councils Local rally on 9th August 2022 in front of Parliament House which was a great success. Speakers included Labor Local Government spokesperson MP Greg Warren, Shooters, Fishers & Farmers MP, a representative for Green's MP Jamie Parker and an Independent MP.

Greg Warren re-stated that a Labor government will not forcibly merge or demerge any Council and will allow referendums, so that communities can have their say. Councillors from Canterbury Banks-town, Hilltops and InnerWest spoke as well as community representatives from Tumberumba, Guyra, and Gundagai. Speeches can be viewed on Save Our Councils Coalition facebook page. De-amalgamation is going to be an issue at the next State election.

Meeting Closed at 8.12pm

**Next Meeting: will be 20th September 2022 at the Newport Community Centre at 7.00pm
Guest speaker will be Angus Gordon to discuss the Newport Beach erosion.**

NRA annual membership renewal falls due end June: \$20 per person or \$25 per family