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Minutes of Meeting Held 18th May 2021 at Newport Community Centre

Meeting commenced at 7.04pm

Members present:	As per Covid19 attendance sheet
President	Gavin Butler
Vice-President	Kyle Hill(apology)
Treasurer	Glenn Moore
Secretary:	Wendy Dunnet
Committee members:	Peter Middleton, Sue Young, Simon Barlow

President' Note

President welcomed members and special guests, Trish Chaney, Allison Cooper and Claudia Brodtkd from NBC.

Apologies: Kyle Hill, Sue & Greg Ross, Bronwyn Brooks, Di Cook, Bill Thomson, Warwick Kitt, Dick England.

Approval of Minutes of previous meeting held 20th April 2021. Gavin advised a variation to the Treasurers report in the minutes. The balance as at 31st March was \$1377.63 not \$1606.63.

Moved: P.Middleton

Seconded:S.Barlow

Treasurer's Report:

Balance as @ 31/03/3021	1377.63
Add Receipts	120.00
Sub total	1497.63
Deduct Payments	505.37
Net assets as @ 30/04/2021	992.26

GB noted expenditure included \$395.52 for the purchase of Survey Monkey and \$109.85 for Anzac Day wreath.

Moved: S. Webber Seconded:S.Young

Note: Members Subs 2020-2021 Now Due & Payable

Correspondence & Matters Arising:

The Northern Beaches Clean Up Crew (who meet on the last Sunday of the month at 10am on the northern beaches) responded to GB's letter of acknowledgement of the great work they do. They noted they are on Facebook, Instagram & have a website if members want to keep up to date with where they are cleaning up next & their other activities.

Selena Griffith emailed an invitation to a Voices of MacKellar kitchen table on Wednesday May 19th at 6pm at her place.

Both Warwick Kitt & Bill Thomson wrote, concerned over the state of Queens Parade East and the urgent need by Council to resurface the road. Their request to be followed up by Trish Chaney who advised the meeting Council's Capital Works program is now on exhibition. Gladstone Rd & Suncrest Rd are currently included in that program.

We received an email from a neighbour, regarding the wine bar, Mrs Robertson (corner Robertson Rd & Foamcrest) & their concerns about increased patronage & noise. The use of 2 adjacent outside areas now means patrons are there until 2am on Friday & Saturday nights. The bar trades till 8 & 9pm earlier in the week but until 10pm on a Thursday & later on the weekend. The departure of patrons is very disturbing at that time of the night. She requests help in reviewing the situation & if acceptable trading hours & noise levels can be applied to suit a residential area. It was believed normal process had been applied to their license but the combination of COVID19 restrictions & therefore the use of outdoor areas may be contributing to the problem. Trish Chaney will follow up on the license.

Andrew Camarsh responded to Gavin's email regarding the Newport to Serpentine shared pathway/cycleway. GB had suggested the pathway continue into Bilgola as a safer option for pedestrians and cyclists. Andrew Camarsh noted further work needed to be done to refine both the coast walk & the cycle connection. He will keep us informed.

Matters arising

54 Bardo Rd is being considered in the L&E court on 25th May 2021. Lawyers have written & asked for a submission. We have already submitted one. Due to COVID 19 it will not be held on site. GB gave an interview to Wendy Frew from The Coast Radio Northern Beaches. Her program on over 55 developments will be aired at 11am on Friday 21st May. It can also be streamed at rnb.org.au/stream & as a podcast on www.mixcloud.com/TheCoastRNB/

GB suggested listening to her interview as she gives a very good briefing of over 55's development criteria.

The Mona Vale residents association has emailed noting changes to the Local Housing Strategy and those who put in a submission will have received advice from Council regarding resolutions made at the April Council meeting. Of concern is an email from the Government regarding Housing targets by district, LGA& by suburb. Newport is noted as requiring 50 additional dwellings whereas Avalon is 15, Bilgola & Palm Beach 5, Mona Vale,40. GB noted this will be another subject for his meeting with Rob Stokes.

One of our members, Pat Stewart has written to R. Stokes & the Councillors expressing her concern over the Nooal St/ Bardo Road amendment to the Pittwater LEP to allow for seniors livings as an additional permitted use on the site. It essentially is a spot rezoning & of concern that it will set a precedent. Submissions close 30th May 2021. Submissions can be sent to council@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au and mark it PP0003/17

Items for Discussion:

351 Barrenjoey Rd (nth corner Barrenjoey Rd & Robertson Rd)

At the Council meeting (23rd March 2021) the Mayor tabled a Mayoral minute which was passed. It proposes Council aims to have representatives of all parties concerned with the development (s) of Robertson Rd, including property owners, the NRA & Council meet to discuss the best outcome. Andrew Pigott, Executive Manager Strategic & Place Planning, has written advising staff are progressing arrangements for the workshop. At this stage they are aiming for the meeting to be held in late May.

Simon Barlow received an email from Louise Kerr, Director Planning & Place, also confirming the workshop.

Newport Planning Applications

All planning issues were discussed as above.

Classification 62 and 85 Hillside Rd

A report is expected to go to the May Council meeting to decide the classification of these two sites.

Newport SLSC update & Youth Space Plans

The Youth space has been completed & is being well patronised. GB has sent through to Council some photos regarding the drain next to the path. The kids have been losing their balls down it. Council to rectify as soon as possible.

Fresh Produce Market

The Fresh Produce Market has been hindered by bad weather & COVID 19. Council staff have met with the Operators and the markets will cease until September when it is planned to have a re-launch once the weather is warmer. This will give Council & the Operator time to discuss best options going forward. The Newport working group is also being reconvened & this will be the best way to discuss ways of supporting the markets that it can be a sustainable operation

Youth Crime in the Northern Beaches

GB to discuss with Rob Stokes.

Newport Survey

Glenn Moore put our survey on Mail Chimp and gave a presentation to the meeting of some of the results that have been collated to date. We received over 575 responses and in addition to the 150 collected prior to Christmas, we aim to have the results completed by the end of May. Hopefully we will be able to share the results with Council and include information they have from the survey they did last year as well as the PXassessment results. It was proposed that Council please consider assisting the NRA with the cost of setting up the Mail Chimp (\$395) and putting the results together.

NBC Reference Group Updates

WD provided a summary of the Transport & Travel SRG. Unfortunately there was not a quorum so the meeting was informal. Council staff briefed the meeting on the NSW Government Parkn'Pay app. This will provide ticketless parking and help drivers to avoid parking fees by being given a 10 minute alert before their meter expires. Council is also planning to roll out in-ground Parking

sensors starting in Manly. This will direct drivers to available spaces. Through the NSW Government Federal Stimulus School zone Infrastructure program Council is up-grading pedestrian crossings and footpaths to improve safety at more than 40 schools including Newport Public school. Staff gave an update on the Streets as Shared Spaces project proposed for The Strand, Dee Why. It will go to the next Council meeting.

General Newport Maintenance Matters

Following on from an on-site meeting last year, Council has developed a draft landscape plan for Dearin Park (corner of Gladstone Rd and Kalinya St). WD contacted Steve Lawler, who requested we put the additional seating we would like on the plan for Council to consider.

At last month's meeting Greg Ross discussed the proliferation of Indian Myna birds. This was again discussed and noted how many of them are at the Flying Fox Park. There is a Facebook page which details how to eradicate them. It was questioned as to whether Council considered them a pest and therefore should have a plan or policy for eradication?

GB requested Council repair the bitumen pathway leading to the Bilgola headline. It is overgrown & it needs resurfacing.

NBC Matters & Projects Open for Comment

Submissions close 6th June for Unleashed dogs on North Palm Beach & South Mona Vale Beach. S. Young noted that Council have not prepared an Environmental Impact report which should be completed prior to the proposal going to the public for comment.

General Business:

Sue Young advised the meeting that it is 5 years since the NSW Government forced the Council amalgamations. In May there was an amendment to the Local Government Act that allows any new Council to apply for de-amalgamation up to 10 years, & the Government must pay their costs. They are still waiting on the Government to release the KPMG report. Protect Pittwater is starting a new petition (after the previous one was rejected) which was launched last week.

Meeting Closed at 8.29pm

Next Meeting: will be Tuesday 15th June 2021 at the Newport Community Centre at 7.00pm