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Minutes of Meeting Held 17th October 2023 at Newport Community Centre

Meeting commenced at 7.47pm

Members present:

President

Vice-President

Treasurer

Secretary:

Committee members:

As per attendance sheet

Gavin Butler

Kyle Hill

Glenn Moore

Wendy Dunnet

Sue Young, Peter Middleton

President's Note:

Gavin Butler welcomed members and guests including Andrew Johnston & Allison Cooper, NBC, Rowie Dillon, Newport Chamber of Commerce and Carman Meehan from Dr Scamps MP office.

Apologies: Greg & Sue Ross, Ron Seldon, John Colquhoun.

Approval of Minutes: of previous meeting held 19th September 2023.

Moved:S.Young

Seconded:K. Hill

Treasurer's Report:

Balance as @ 31/09/2023	1334.22
Add Receipts	\$45
Sub total	\$1379.22
Deduct Payments	\$156
Net assets as @ 30/09/2023	\$1223.22

Moved:K.Hill

Seconded: T.Young

Payments: NBC Room Hire \$156

Members' Subs 2023-2024 Now due & payable. \$20 per person or \$25 per family

Correspondence & Matters Arising:

We received an email from Rory Amon, Member for Pittwater notifying us that the NSW Government has cancelled the \$340 million for widening Mona Vale Rd from Baha'i Temple to Kimbriki tip, cancelled \$106.1 million for the Wakehurst Parkway and notified the closing of Narrabeen Ambulance Station. It has promised it will build a new Ambulance station at Dee Why but has not allocated any funds. The NSW Government has budgeted \$26 million for upgrades & maintenance at Narrabeen Sports High School.

Andrew Johnston emailed an update to the painting of the outdoor dining spaces in Robertson Road due to commence this week.

Items for Discussion:

Trafalgar Park Playground equipment

The playground is scheduled to be completed early next year. Kyle noted some baits had been put out in the park & warned people to not have their dogs off-leash.

Proposed sites for EV charging stations

The charging station planned for The Boulevarde will now be moved to another location due to potential flooding near the canal. Over 240 submissions were received by Council in response to their request for prioritising locations. The 2nd location in Newport will be near Dearin Park.

Robertson Road Update

WD noted correspondence from Andrew Johnston regarding the Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) for 351 Robertson Road (previously discussed at the last meeting). It has not been approved. Andrew clarified that the CTMP must be submitted with the DA. A Construction certificate cannot be issued until the CTMP is approved.

Simon Barlow has finished his exhibition and plans to keep working on the vision for Robertson Road.

Robertson Road will be closed off for 4th November festivities.

Newport Planning Applications

WD advised most applications received during the month were for alterations & additions except for a licence transfer application for 352 Barrenjoey Rd Newport previously known as Sir Duncan and now being rebuilt as a Mexican restaurant.

John Colquhoun noted that the 36 Bardo Rd DA was refused by Council. There is to be an on site 'conciliation conference' on 20th October 2023 at 930am. Only those who made submissions can attend. The purpose of the meeting is to "Explore whether an agreement can be reached". If there is no result the matter will go to Court at a later date.

Both Gavin Butler & Glenn Moore explained the DA for renovations to the Royal Motor Yacht Club and the submission sent by the NRA to Council regarding this DA. Major points raised included the illegal parking on Prince Alfred Pde which must be addressed as part of this renovation, the

installation of a new passenger lift, means the old lift shaft could be demolished & overall, the renovation should take into account the aesthetics of the building on adjoining properties not just from the water.

West Pittwater Tree Shade Proposal

Kyle Hill has been in touch with Sam Treharne and he may possibly be able to present his proposal at the next meeting.

Newport Chamber of Commerce Update

Rowie Dillon updated the meeting on the Chamber's current plans. In conjunction with the Timber Boat Festival on 4th November, Newport will host a 'Spring into Summer' festival.

Robertson Road will be closed off from 7am & there will be roving performers, activations & stalls.

Two old Vintage boats will be located at the Surf Club & in Bert Payne park, there will be 24 stalls and roving entertainment.

The Chamber is working on the Identity of Newport & is encouraging everyone to use #Newport2106 on instagram & elsewhere.

Vaping Shops in Newport

Rowie Dillon & Carman Meehan from Dr Sophie Scamps office advised that Dr Scamps through asking a question of the Health Minister; by the end of the year, he intends to put in place an import control regulation that will make illegal the import of these vapes.

We all look forward to the introduction of this regulation and further regulations to address the rising rates of vaping, particularly amongst school children & young Australians.

Shared Pathway to Bilgola

Council is preparing a report which is due later this year.

General Newport Maintenance

Peter Middleton raised the issue of maintenance on the Community Notice Board on Barrenjoey Rd Also recently someone put a notice on the outside and stuck it in place. Hopefully it will be removed without any damage to the noticeboard. Allison Cooper noted new signage to be installed in side the Board. PM has a key and is quite happy to put a notice up for people in the community.

The Post office wall has been cleaned by Australia Post and we would like to send them a letter of thanks. Currently it still needs a coat of paint to help hide the graffiti. Allison suggested the wall may be used to install a 'History of Newport' similar to what has been done in Mona Vale. To be discussed further.

John Harston raised the issue of overnight campers parking in both Newport & Mona Vale carpark. Suggest the Rangers take action.

The lighting at the Surf Club is still a problem. There was another break-in recently. Andrew Johnston explained the problem is quite difficult to fix. Hopefully Council & Ausgrid can fix it quickly. WD noted street lights not working in Ross St.

Other NBC matters and General Business

Andrew Johnston acknowledged and congratulated Gavin Butler's contribution to Council and his dealings with the CEO.

Meeting Closed at 8.34 pm

Next Meeting: will be 21st November 2023 at the Newport Community Centre at 7.00pm
NRA annual membership renewal falls due end June: \$20 per person or \$25 per family