

## GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

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### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2007 AT THE GREENWICH COMMUNITY CENTRE 46 GREENWICH ROAD

#### **Opening**

After determining that a quorum was present the meeting commenced at 8.05pm with Pam Palmer presiding.

#### **Apologies**

Bill Oliver, Liz Gill, Sally Dowling, Jack McMahon

#### **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

The Minutes of the previous General Meeting of the Association held on 17 October 2007 were tabled and accepted.

*Alison Bird/ Helen Jones*

#### **Matters Arising from Minutes**

Work has commenced on the bush track – “demolition” phase has been completed.

#### **Correspondence In**

- Lane Cove Council advice of Citizenship Awards nomination procedure. Pam called for nominations.
- Multiple DAs including DA for 28 George Street and 32 Victoria Street
- Bushcare Newsletter

#### **Financial report**

As per report tabled.

Current balance \$13160 including funds transferred from Neighbourhood Watch and Greenwich Preservation Trust (being the Glenview St protest group).

Denis Smith clarified that Neighbourhood Watch funds were not a donation but a funds transfer.

It was suggested that the GCA could publish crime figures etc in the newsletters and that the Association could be used as a vehicle to promote neighbourhood security.

Pam Palmer thanked Denis for his involvement in resolving Neighbourhood Watch position.

#### **Current Developments**

##### **Billy Blue/ Tesrol**

Expressions of interest being sought for individual blocks.

##### **Waterbrook**

Stage II development is proceeding, but it appears that the application has gone to NSW Planning after being withdrawn from Council. Helen Jones highlighted the fact that housing

density will increase rapidly over the next 20 years. This increase in density raises issues of sustainability in Lane Cove area.

## **Committee Reports**

### **GMCCA**

Landscaping of the pre-school will go ahead over next year. Work will probably start in Term 1 holidays.

### **Lane Cove Tunnel Action Group**

Discussion re allegedly poor financial position of joint venture parties – Councillor Tudge felt the tunnel would continue to operate.

### **Traffic Committee**

There is a need for a Greenwich representative on the committee including representative from the Greenwich Peninsula.

Discussion re possible nominee.

Discussion re possibility of securing 3 lane exit in easterly direction out of Greenwich Road.

It was noted that there are no pedestrian crossings over Greenwich Road/River Road intersection on the southern side.

Councillor Tudge urged residents of the Greenwich peninsula area to become more involved with Traffic Committee.

## **Councillors' Reports**

### **Councillor Tudge**

Councillor Tudge raised the following issues:

An appeal to the Land and Environment Court in relation to the subdivision of 7 Holden Street was refused on the grounds of community sentiment.

Negotiations are taking place in relation to a proposal to allow building in a Bushland Protection Area in Upper Cliff Road. He expressed concern about the implications of such a proposal.

Council has been asked to relinquish rights over some of its land in Stringy Bark Creek. The draft LEP for Lane Cove may go on display – Councillor Tudge urged vigilance and encouraged the Community Alliance to seek a briefing.

### **Councillor Lawson**

Councillor Lawson raised the following issues:

Shell has convened a study of the cancer risk to adjacent properties of its Gore Bay facility.

A community consultation meeting was held and was attended by an epidemiologist.

Nearby

residents have been advised of the study.

The bushtrack between Shell Park and Greenwich Wharf has been closed to allow remediation work – cost is approximately \$60,000. There is investigation as to the cause of the rockfall.

Councillor Lawson urged support for the preservation of lower Greenwich area's Heritage Conservation status.

Lane Cove Council is currently allocating funds to Lane Cove West shops – Greenwich is earmarked for 2008-2009.

Discussion took place about the reason for rear to kerb parking near Clancy Terrace- Councillor Lawson also urged representation on the Traffic Committee.

**General Business**

Discussion re newsletter items.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm