

Greenwich Community Association Annual General Meeting

Greenwich Memorial Community Hall, Greenwich Road
22 February 2017

Minutes of Meeting

The meeting opened at 7:30pm

Present: As per the attendance book

1) Welcome

President Merri Southwood chaired the meeting. She welcomed Councillor Pam Palmer and all members of the Greenwich community attending. A reminder as to the voting rules was provided.

2) Apologies

Apologies were received from Rod Tudge, Tom and Meg Gervay.

3) Confirmation of Minutes of 2016 AGM and the previous meeting

The minutes of the GCA Annual General Meeting held 17 February 2016 were tabled.

The minutes of the December GCA Community Meeting were tabled, for information.

Motion: The GCA's 2016 AGM minutes are accepted.

Moved by Rob Hunter, seconded by Liz Walton and passed unanimously.

4) Matters arising from the Minutes

Any matters arising from the minutes were discussed during the meeting.

5) Correspondence

Since the General Meeting of 14 December 2016 the following correspondence was received:

Date	From	Subject
19 December 2016	MP Trent Zimmerman	Confirmation to meet 10am 31 January 2017 @ Shell Park re: Viva's Gore Bay Terminal
21 December 2016	NSW EPA	Update of EPA Licence 661 conditions and amendments
30 December 2016	NSW EPA	(phone) advice re: heavy fuel oil leak at Viva's GBT
30 December 2016	Resident	Complaint to EPA re: emissions from leak at GBT
31 December 2016	Resident	Complaint to EPA re: emissions from leak at GBT
3 January 2017	Premier's Office	Notice that GCA letter had been forwarded to Hon Mark Speakman, MP Minister for Environment
3 January 2017	Cllr. Pam Palmer	Councillor's report -

		December 2016
3 January 2017	Resident	Copy of Viva letter – Community Information – re: 30/12 spill at GBT
4 January 2017	NSW EPA – Jane Burgett	Response re: removal of Condition U2 from EPA Licence 661
4 January 2017	Lane Cove Council – Michael Mason	Notification acknowledging first/late awareness of oil spill at GBT
4 January 2017	Peter Hannam – SMH (Fairfax Media)	Invitation to attend GBT Site Visit @ 10am on 6/1
4 January 2017	Peter Hannam – SMH (Fairfax Media)	Preliminary review of HHRA by Dr. J Whelan, Environment Justice Australia
6 January 2017	Peter Hannam – SMH (Fairfax Media)	Viva's responses to Q's raised during site visit
17 January 2017	Maritime Union of Australia Joe Deakin – Asst Branch Secretary	Oil spill at Gore Bay & Sydney Harbour emergency response concerns
19 January 2017	SafeWork NSW	Receipt of GIPA – Petroleum Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
19 January 2017	Department of Industry	Receipt of GIPA – Petroleum Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
19 January 2017	Lane Cove Council	Receipt of GIPA – Petroleum Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
19 January 2017	EPA – Jane Burgett	Phone: Oil Spill at Gore Bay Terminal
20 January 2017	Hunter's Hill Council	Receipt of GIPA – Petroleum Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
20 January 2017	Ryde City Council	Receipt of GIPA – Petroleum Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
23 January 2017	City of Parramatta Council	Receipt of GIPA – Petroleum Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
24 January 2017	Department of Industry – Tim Jap	GIPA application – Acknowledgement
25 January 2017	Ryde City Council – Tim Herridge	Confirmation of valid GIPA, concern re: DA's over/around pipeline
30 January 2017	Ryde City Council – Tim Herridge	Phone: Item 4 of GIPA, DA's over/around pipeline
30 January 2017	City of Parramatta – Lisa Gill	Confirmation of valid GIPA
2 February 2017	SafeWork NSW – Ruth Jackson	Phone & email; GIPA request Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
2 February 2017	Lane Cove Council – Kirsty Beram	GIPA acknowledgement letter and suggest action(s)

6 February 2017	Ryde City Council – Tim Herridge	Refusal to deal with DA's over/around pipeline
7 February 2017	Northern Sydney Local District Health – Lee Gregory Acting CE	Response to letter following Gore Bay Terminal oil spill
10 February 2017	Hon Anthony Roberts MP	Response to letter: oil spill at Gore Bay
14 February 2017	Ryde City Council – Tim Herridge	GIPA cost estimate
14 February 2017	SafeWork NSW – Ruth Jackson	Phone & email; follow-up on GIPA request Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
15 February 2017	Jonathan O'Dea MP, Parliamentary Secretary to Premier	Response to letter of 3 January re: Oil Spill at Gore Bay
15 February 2017	Department of Industry – Tim Jap	GIPA application – Decision & Package
20 February 2017	Dr. Michael Staff – NSWHealth	Gore Bay Terminal Oil Spill, Emissions Monitoring & Other Public Health Issues

The following correspondence has been sent:

Date	To	Subject
3 January 2017	MP Anthony Roberts	Marine fuel spill at GBT – request to meet
3 January 2017	MP Trent Zimmerman	Marine fuel spill at GBT – offer to meet at short notice
3 January 2017	LCC GM Craig Wrightson	Copy of letter re: Marine fuel spill at GBT
3 January 2017	Hon Mike Baird, MP and NSW Premier	Marine fuel spill at GBT – request for intervention
3 January 2017	Hon Julian Skinner, MP Minister for Health	Copy of letter re: Marine fuel spill at GBT
3 January 2017	North Sydney Council GM	Copy of letter re: Marine fuel spill at GBT
3 January 2017	NSW EPA – Jane Burgett	Dec 2016 omission of Condition U2 from Viva's EPA Licence 661 – Boundary Monitoring Program Feasibility Study
4 January 2017	Peter Hannam, SMH (Fairfax Media)	various re: GCA corro on GBT
4 January 2017	NSW EPA – Jane Burgett	Further re: U2 omission from

		Licence 661
4 January 2017	Lane Cove Council – Michael Mason	Response and timeline re: oil spill at GBT
4 January 2017	NSW EPA – Jane Burgett	Clarification re: whether DA required for petrol to be stored in existing GBT tanks
4 January 2017	Peter Hannam	(phone) accepting invitation to attend GBT site visit
5 January 2017	NSW EPA – Jane Burgett	Advice that Viva’s – Community Information – letter re; spill at GBT went to very few
5 January 2017	James Whelan	Gore Bay Human Health Risk Assessment
10 January 2017	Dr. Michael Staff – NSWHealth cc. Health Minister’s Office	Media Statement: Gore Bay Terminal Oil Spill
11 January 2017	Lane Cove Council – Craig Wrightson	Gore Bay Terminal Incident Response
11 January 2017	Lane Cove Council – Craig Wrightson	Review of DISPLAN
13 January 2017	FM99.3 Northside Community Radio – Penny Pederson	Radio interview – S Warden re Oil Spill at Gore Bay Terminal
17 January 2017	Lane Cove Council – Michael Mason	Query re: GCA attendance at Viva Energy’s community info. session following oil spill 30/12/16
19 January 2017	SafeWork NSW	GIPA – Petroleum Products Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
19 January 2017	Department of Industry	GIPA – Petroleum Products Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
19 January 2017	Lane Cove Council	GIPA – Petroleum Products Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
19 January 2017	Hunter’s Hill Council	GIPA – Petroleum Products Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
19 January 2017	Ryde City Council	GIPA – Petroleum Products Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
19 January 2017	City of Parramatta Council	GIPA – Petroleum Products Pipeline Gore Bay to Clyde
23 January 2017	EDO – Nina Lucas	Query re: EDO newsletter remit
30 January 2017	Dr. Michael Staff – NSWHealth cc. Health Minister’s Office	Gore Bay Terminal Oil Spill, Emissions Monitoring &

		Other Public Health Issues
30 January 2017	Maritime Union of Aust. – Joe Deakin	Meeting w. Stuart Warden. Concerns re: emergency response capabilities in Sydney Harbour
2 February 2017	MP Trent Zimmerman	Submission on various supporting review of Viva Energy's Gore Bay Terminal operation
7 February 2017	Lane Cove Council – Rubi Monge	Phone & email: Discussion re: GIPA and amended request(s)
20 February 2017	Dr. Michael Staff – NSWHealth	Gore Bay Terminal Oil Spill, Emissions Monitoring & Other Public Health Issues
20 February 2017	Dr. Michael Staff – NSWHealth	Gore Bay Terminal Oil Spill, Emissions Monitoring & Other Public Health Issues

6) Treasurer's Report

To date there are 69 registered individuals or families of the GCA for the 2017 annual term. To meet budget, it is estimated that 230 subscriptions are required. Cash on hand is just over \$17,000. A small loss for the 2016 year has been recorded, noting the one off expense for the GCA History publication.

7) Full Year Reports - activities of the Association

a) President's Report

The President thanked all the outgoing office bearers and Executive Committee members for their outstanding contributions during the year. She also thanked the Greenwich community members who attended the General Meetings during the year, for their interest and contribution to the discussion and the many issues that GCA addressed during the year. Special mentions were made to Liz Walton for her continued work on the Newsletter. And also to Stuart Warden for taking up the secretarial reins.

b) Secretary's Report

The Secretary thanked Merri Southwood for her outstanding and tireless work as President this past year. In Merri, the community has much to be grateful for, as she is a true leader. Her vision, passion, consistency and grace in accepting the responsibility and challenges of the role are to her and the community's credit. Much has been achieved during her presidency and it has been a personal pleasure to support those efforts.

The Secretary also acknowledged the work of the Committee. Alternative committee and general meetings were held each month of the past year, covering plenty more than the aforementioned highlights. An additional Committee meeting was held in March re: Council Amalgamations, at which the petition resolution was passed. The quality of the various submissions and the GCA history launch also deserve special mention. The quantity of Correspondence over the past year surpassed 100 individual items both sent and received. Well done all.

c) Treasurer's Report

The Hon. Treasurer, John Southwood proposed a vote of thanks to the Honorary Auditor, Brian Bird for his work in auditing the Balance Sheet of the GCA for 2016. The full Financial Statement will be uploaded on GCA website and a copy is appended to these minutes – Appendix A.

Subscriptions 2016

183 individuals or families registered at 31 December 2016. In 2015, 276 registered by 31 December 2015.

Trading 1st January to 31st December 2016

Gross Income: \$3,904.48

Total Expenses: \$4,700.42

Net Income (\$795.94)

Funds on Hand:

Ordinary Account / Cash in bank	\$4,623.26
Term deposit	\$12,484.16

Comments

- No membership drive in 2016
- Greenwich Village Games provided a good start to 2017 subscriptions
- One off expenses in 2016 - \$500 for History of GCA
- Budget for year will require \$4,600 or approx. 230 memberships.

Motion: that the Treasurer's Annual Report for 2016 be accepted.

Moved by M Ryland, seconded by P Quealey and passed unanimously.

d) Gore Bay Terminal Subcommittee – Stuart Warden

Stuart thanked the members of the Subcommittee for their enormous effort during the year. The year was marked by;

- improved relations with various regulatory stakeholders and Federal Member Trent Zimmerman,
- amendments to Viva Energy's EPA license
- the heavy fuel oil spill.

A full report is attached - Appendix B.

e) Social Media – Michael Ryland

Currently this consists of a small working group that is seeking to establish a fully functioning committee and its mechanics. It is envisaged that to be effective, 4 people are required to source, post, maintain, review and report on the Associations social media front. Further endeavours to obtain the right skill sets and demographics in this group are underway.

f) Planning – Michael Ryland

The GCA plans to make a submission to the Greater Sydney Commission by 30 March, to comment on its interpretation of the draft Northern District Plan and provide recommendations on aspects that may be improved or otherwise are not appropriately addressed. The President also encouraged individuals to make their own submissions, noting that suggestions be made as to what you/we want as opposed to critiquing the draft Plan.

g) Active Transport – Don Murchison

- Despite there being several high level meetings with the RMS recently, with good relationships established, there is frustration as to the delay in achieving results.
- Assuming amalgamation don't go ahead, progress on several items is anticipated.
- River Road footpath; grants have been secured from RMS and Council but spending by Council to widen the footpath (to requested SUP status) and shave back the rock cliff have been delayed.

- River Road bus shelter; relocation is scheduled for next year but a competing interest is the recent letting of digital advertising contracts. There are some in the community that see such advertising as a safety risk.
- Greenwich Road, from River Road to shops is to become a Shared User Pathway. This is scheduled for completion by June, noting path may be completed prior to associated lineage and/or signage.
- This committee intends to make comments in the GCA's GSC District Plan submission.
- A meeting in late March with N Sydney and Willoughby councils will focus on active transport around St Leonards. This may address connection(s) to the proposed Crows Nest metro station.

8) Election of Office Bearers and Executive Committee Members

Pam Palmer took the chair to conduct the election. All positions were declared vacant.

Nominations for Office Bearers were called. All were elected unopposed. The following people were elected.

<i>Position</i>	<i>Nominated</i>	<i>Nominator(s)</i>
President	Merri Southwood	Tom Lawson, Liz Walton
Vice President	Alan Winney	Merri Southwood, Albert Jubian
Vice President	Peter Deane	Tom Lawson, Patricia Quealey
Secretary	Stuart Warden	Liz Walton, Alan Winney
Treasurer	John Southwood	Patricia Quealey, Karen Coleman

Nominations for seven Executive Committee members were called and six were duly nominated. All were elected unopposed. Tom Gervay will be approached to fill the vacant position, on his return. The following people were elected.

<i>Nominated</i>	<i>Nominator(s)</i>
Liz Walton	John Southwood, Rob Hunter
Penny Mabbutt	John Southwood, Rob Hunter
Lizz Gill	John Southwood, Rob Hunter
Michael Ryland	John Southwood, Rob Hunter
Rod Tudge	John Southwood, Rob Hunter
Susan Robinson	John Southwood, Rob Hunter
vacant	

Following her (re-)election Merri Southwood took the chair and thanked Pam Palmer. She also congratulated the successful candidates. A proposal for the minute secretary responsibilities to rotate across the Committee members, subject to a template being provided, would be discussed at the next Committee meeting.

9) General Business

a) Council Amalgamations – report

This will be addressed by Cllr Palmer.

b) Motion to approve Greenwich Baths Sub-committee rules and objectives

Motion:

- that the GCA affirms its support of Greenwich Baths as a significant enhancement to the amenity of Lane Cove.
- In the light of recent amendments to Crown Lands legislation in NSW, the potential amalgamation of Lane Cove Council with Ryde and Hunters Hill and the expiration of the sub-lease for Greenwich Baths on 30 June 2017, the GCA affirms its support for the preservation of Greenwich Baths as a public recreation area.
- The GCA hereby establishes a sub-committee to be known as the Greenwich Baths Sub-committee.
- The principal objective of the Greenwich Baths Sub-committee is to take all steps required to ensure the preservation of Greenwich Baths as a public recreation area.
- The Greenwich Baths Sub-committee will be convened by a current member of the GCA committee.
- The convenor shall invite members of the community to nominate for membership of the sub-committee.
- The convenor will present to the GCA Committee for approval at its January 2017 meeting draft objectives and rules and proposed sub-committee members.

Proposed by S Robinson, seconded by P Quealey and passed unanimously.

c) Business arising from Greenwich Baths sub-committee meetings – Alan Winney

Subcommittee meetings have commenced and the following observations and comments were made.

- On review of the 2009 Greenwich Baths lease renewing 30/6, no provision for renewal by either party but may be extended month-by-month, as opposed to public tender
- community views this as a community asset, not a commercial premise
- there's a strong desire for there to be no alcohol on premises
- the venue should open & close on time
- the Nippers program should be restricted due parking and safety concerns
- leasing of grassed area should be discontinued
- access up & down the embankment should be improved for the elderly and those with prams.

Action: write to Council seeking any lease condition amendments and to establish a dialogue regarding the points above.

d) GBTSC/ Planning/ Social media/Active transport – update and action

Planning: a comment was made that the consultation process was not broad enough as those both in and out of the re-zoned South St Leonards were unhappy, that the District Dialogue session were poor and the JRPP is experiencing hiccups

Action: request Urban Renewal, or other Planning representative(s), to attend a GCA meeting to provide guidance on who has what authority over the existing projects, LEPs and the various proposed amendments.

Other updates and actions were otherwise discussed in the above Annual Reports.

e) Bay St ferry wharf

There have been reports of the fisherman defecating around the wharf and its associated steps. There is a public toilet (open 24/7?) within the grounds around the Wharf but it is suspected that there is poor signage. This will be addressed further at the next Committee meeting.

f) Parking changes along Greenwich Road

Since the recent changes to limit trailers (with boats) parking along lower Greenwich Road, by introducing time limits, trailers have been observed moving to new areas, causing residents concern. Such concerns should be advise to Abdula at Council and the RMS.

Action: the Committee will address this item at its next meeting.

10) Councillor's Report

Councillor Pam Palmer reported as follows:

- Council voted 5:4 in support of continuing its appeal in the Land & Environment Court over the forced amalgamation proposal. Woollahra will continue with its appeal through the High Court, if allowed.
- Council is otherwise pursuing the \$80M Rosenthal Car Park redevelopment project
- The Little St Car Park has been officially opened. Community Aid groups have been supported in taking various tenancy.
- Council noted the EPA's Prevention Orders placed on Viva Energy following the heavy oil spill in late December. Despite the GCA's newsletter comments otherwise, Council claimed it responds to all GCA correspondence in a timely fashion. It was commented from the floor that this had clearly not been the case.

Action: that at least one (1) GCA Committee Member attend each Council Meeting.

Action: that Cllr. Palmer be copied on all correspondence with Council.

10) Close

The meeting closed at 10.10pm. Next General Meeting t.b.a.

Attachments

Appendix A: GCA Audited Accounts 31 December 2016

Appendix B: Gore Bay Terminal Sub Committee Report

GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

TREASURER'S REPORT

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February 2017

183 individuals or families registered at 31 December 2016.

276 at 31 December 2015

Trading - 1st January to 31st December 2016

(Audited Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet attached)

Gross Income: \$3,904.48

Total Expenses \$4,700.42

Net Income \$(795.94)

Creditor outstanding - not accrued \$341

Funds on Hand

Ordinary Account \$4,623.26

(Copy of statements attached)

Term Deposit \$12,484.16

(Copy of statement attached)

Comments

- No membership drive in 2016
- Greenwich Village Games - good start
- One off expenses in 2016 - \$500 for History of GCA
- Audit - Brian Bird has signed off on the accounts. Thanks
- Budget for year will require \$4,600 approx. = 230memberships
- John May - \$10 booklet

John Southwood

Hon Treasurer

7:39 AM

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As of December 31, 2016

Greenwich Community Association Inc Balance Sheet

Dec 31, 2016

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Current/Savings	
Operating Account	4,613.11
Term Deposit	<u>12,484.16</u>
Total Current/Savings	<u>17,097.27</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>17,097.27</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	17,097.27

LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities Accounts	
Payable	
Accounts Payable	<u>341.00</u>
Total Accounts Payable	341.00
Other Current Liabilities	
Subs in Advance 2017	<u>600.00</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>600.00</u>
Total Current Liabilities	941.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>941.00</u>
NET ASSETS	16,156.27
EQUITY	
Opening Bal Equity	16,952.21
Net Income	<u>-795.94</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>16,156.27</u>

7:11 AM

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Greenwich Community Association Inc Profit & Loss

January through December 2016

Jan - Dec 2016

Income	
Donations GCA	
Book	100.00
Interest Received	20.00
Subscriptions	249.48
	3,535.00
Total Income	
Expense	3,904.48
Audit Out of Pockets	
Dept Fair Trading Filing	
Fees	89.95
History GCA Project	78.00
Photocopying	54.00
Post Box Fee	500.00
Printing	55.00
Refreshments	121.00
Secretarial Out of Pockets	3,293.44
Stationary	10.15
Web Hosting	248.86
	48.00
Total Expense	202.02
Net Income	
	4,700.42
	-795.94

GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED AUDIT REPORT

I have examined the Balance Sheet and supporting financial records of the Greenwich Community Association Incorporated in respect of the year ended 31 December 2016.

In my opinion, the Balance Sheet as set out above is in accordance with the supporting records as submitted
tion as at 31 December 2016.

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THE TREASURER
GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
PO BOX 5057
GREENWICH NSW 2065

Date printed	11 November 2016
Term Deposit number	06 2173 50130988
Investment balance	\$12,484.16
Reinvested on	11 November 2016
At an interest rate of	2.10% p.a.
To mature on	11 February 2017
Interest option	Compound Annually

**Term Deposit Reinvestment Notice**

This Notice advises the details of your account as at the date printed. If you have requested changes to your account after this date, they will be confirmed in a further Reinvestment Notice sent at the end of the grace period. Details of your grace period are provided below. If no changes are made after the date printed, this Notice serves as the confirmation of your account details and you will not receive a further Reinvestment Notice.

Your Term Deposit was reinvested on 11 November 2016 for 3 months at 2.10%p.a. Reinvestment details are provided above. This Notice replaces any previous details for this Term Deposit.

If you would like to consider other savings or investment products that may be more suitable for you, because they have a higher interest rate or don't require notice to withdraw, please contact us before 17 November 2016 to discuss the options.

Account name	GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Interest payment instructions	Interest will be added to your Term Deposit every 12 months or at maturity.
Total interest paid since 1 July 2016	\$152.88

Grace period

You have a 7 day grace period commencing 11 November 2016 and ending 17 November 2016 during which you may withdraw your Term Deposit funds or make changes to your Term Deposit without any penalty.

After the grace period, if you need to withdraw funds before your Term Deposit matures, you will need to provide us 31 days' notice. A prepayment interest adjustment and an administration fee of \$30 will apply to early withdrawal. Please refer to your Terms and Conditions for more information about the fee and interest adjustment.

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Your Statement

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Account Number 06 2247 10104085

Statement Period 1 Dec 2016 - 31 Dec 2016

Closing Balance \$4,623.26 CR

Enquiries 13 1998
 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week)

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 THE SECRETARY
 GREENWICH PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC
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Society Cheque Account

If this account has an attached overdraft limit or facility which is secured over your primary place of residence or over a residential investment property you should ensure that the property is insured in accordance with the terms and conditions of the mortgage. If you have any queries about your insurance cover you should contact your insurer. Information on property insurance can also be found on www.moneysmart.gov.au

Name: GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
 INCORPORATED

Note: Please check that the entries listed on this statement are correct. For further information on your account including; details of features, fees, any errors or complaints, please contact us on the details above. Proceeds of cheques are not available until cleared.

Date	Transaction	Debit	Credit	Balance
01 Dec 2016	OPENING BALANCE			\$3,863.26 CR
05 Dec	Direct Credit 141000 MR DRAFFIN		20.00	\$3,883.26 CR
07 Dec	Direct Credit 421520 BRIONY BLACK Briony Black sub		20.00	\$3,903.26 CR
13 Dec	Direct Credit 128594 WJ AND BM OLIVER GCA DONATION		100.00	\$4,003.26 CR
14 Dec	Cash Dep Branch St Leonards		620.00	\$4,623.26 CR
31 Dec 2016	CLOSING BALANCE			\$4,623.26 CR

Opening balance	-	Total debits	+	Total credits	=	Closing balance
\$3,863.26 CR		Nil		\$760.00		\$4,623.26 CR

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**GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION GORE BAY TERMINAL SUB-COMMITTEE (GBTSC)
REPORT TO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
22 February 2017**

Background

The rules of the Greenwich Community Association Gore Bay Terminal Sub-committee (GBTSC) were approved at a general meeting of the GCA on 7 May 2014.

The sub-committee was originally called the Greenwich Community Association Shell Gore Bay Terminal Sub-committee but its name was changed to the current name following objection by Shell to the use of the name "Shell" in a letter dated 16 July 2014.

Objectives of the GBTSC

The original approved objectives of the GBTSC were:

1. ensure that the operation of the Shell Gore Bay Terminal (which includes activities conducted on waterways adjacent to the terminal and infrastructure outside the boundaries of the terminal) is conducted and regulated by relevant authorities consistent with world's best practice to ensure health and safety of the community and the environment of Greenwich and adjacent areas
2. ensure that regulatory controls are implemented to prohibit the storage of petrol at the terminal
3. engage with the owners of the real estate on which the terminal is located ('terminal site') and with relevant authorities to ensure that future development of the terminal site is compatible with the infrastructure limitations, character and amenity of the suburb of Greenwich
4. seek advice from experts and other persons or authorities in order to implement its objectives
5. consult with members of the Greenwich community and other communities adjacent to or impacted by the operation of the Gore Bay Terminal in order to implement its objectives
6. health and safety of the community and environment pending exhibition of Gore Bay Terminal SSD.

Sub-Committee Membership

The sub-committee members were:--

- Karen Coleman
- Garry Draffin
- Penny Mabbutt
- Ian Meller
- Stuart Warden (Chairperson / Convenor)
- Han Xiao
- Merri Southwood

Meetings of the Sub-committee

The sub-committee met on the following dates:-

- 11 April 2016
- 13 June 2016

- 29 August 2016
- 23 November 2016
- 17 January 2017
- 19 February 2017

Reports to GCA General Meetings

Reports of the GBTSC were tabled at general meetings of the GCA held on:-

- 20 April 2016
- 15 June 2016
- 19 October 2016
- 14 December 2016

GBTSC Meetings with external parties were held with;

- EPA - 31 May 2016
- EPA & SafeWork NSW - 19 October 2016
- Maritime Union of Australia - 31 January 2017
- Hon Trent Zimmerman, MP - 2 February 2017

Media reports were filed with

- FM99.3 – Northside Radio
- SMH – January 2017
- North Shore Times – January 2017

We started the year;

- having lost access to technical data following the cancellation of the SSD for GBT
- a continued inability to secure copy of the (draft) HHRA due staunch interference by Viva
- a forthcoming renewal of the Terminal's EPL conditions by the EPA
- Viva having acted on its strategy to significantly reduce its engagement with the community
- the GCA needed to improve its relations with the EPA, in particular, and other stakeholders for transparency on public health and safety outcomes.

It is a fair assessment to state that with the support of the sub-committee members we have delivered good substance to the community this past year. The reports that have been tabled by the sub-committee at the general meetings of the GCA provide a significant amount of detail about the focus and activities of the sub-committee during the past year. It is not my intention to repeat this detail in this report.

Issues, success and remaining challenges are highlighted below;

- Relations with the EPA have improved substantially despite having to express our disappointment on their unwillingness to adopt various EPL conditions improvements we had sought early in the year. Jane Burgett who attended our August meeting, with David Gathercole, is in regular contact and has since been supportive in making some minor licence amendments.
- Relations with other stakeholders have improved, such as SafeWork NSW, the MUA and our Federal Member. During the recent meeting with Trent Zimmerman he was genuinely surprised by the scale, hazards and other site and operational specifics. We can only hope that in his federal arena he can be persuasive in improving the fitness of Viva as the site operator, as a minimum.

- We have obtained copy of the HHRA but have been temporarily thwarted in having this appropriately understood. It is a highly technical document that requires vetting before release.
- The oil spill at the Terminal on / around 30 December ironically has been of benefit, in that it has been a wake-up call to the regulators, and Council, as to how Viva is operating. Glaring gaps in their incident response and emergency management processes were evidenced. This event provided us with media coverage and opportunities to continue a dialogue with such. We await the formal incident report(s). And we anticipate revisions to the EPL, particularly on boundary emission monitoring. Oddly, NSWHealth now appears reluctant to clarify its position on any cumulative or prospective human health effects of the site's operations in proximity to residences.

The sub-committee is to be congratulated on its commitment to the objectives of the sub-committee. We thank the Committee for their support in the past and future endeavours, noting the lack of engagement with Viva.

Stuart Warden
Secretary and Convenor
22/02/2017

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