Greenwich Community Association

General Meeting

Held at Greenwich Memorial Community Hall, 46 Greenwich Road, Greenwich

21 June 2017

Minutes of Meeting

The meeting opened at 7:35pm

Present: As per the attendance sheet

1) Welcome

President Merri Southwood chaired the meeting and began by welcoming community members, noting the clash with State of Origin II. A member of a Wollstonecraft resident group is in attendance.

2) Apologies

Apologies were received from Tom & Meg Gervay, Alan Winney, Peter Walton and Cllr Brooks-Horn.

3) Confirmation of Minutes of previous general meeting

The draft minutes of the GCA's General Meeting held April 2017 were tabled.

Motion: that the Minutes of April meeting be accepted.

Moved by: John Southwood, seconded by Peter Deane and accepted unanimously.

4) Matters arising from the Minutes

Matters arising from previous meeting minutes were discussed during the meeting.

5) Correspondence (Secretary's Report)

Since the General Meeting of 19 April 2017 the following correspondence was received:

Date	From	Subject
20 April 2017	Chris Pelcz, Lane Cove Council	(email) Offer to liaise with Planning NSW re: St Leonards
27 April 2017	Kevin Wilde, Office of NSW Minister for Environment	(email) Meeting proposal re: Gore Bay Terminal
1 May 2017	Tracy Smith, Hunters Hill Council	(email) Shell Pipeline route through H-Hill LGA.
3 May 2017	Kevin Wilde, Office of NSW Minister for Environment	(email) Meeting proposal re: Gore Bay Terminal – reschedule for 12 May
5 May 2017	EPA, Mgr Dangerous Goods Andrew Battye	(email) Acceptance of meeting request
15 May 2017	Pam Palmer, LCC	(email) Notice of DISPLAN update
17 May 2017	Ben Ewald, Uni of Newcastle	(email) Response to request for assistance on HHRA.

17 May 2017	Craig Dali, LCC	(email) Decision re: GIPA of Gore Bay to Clyde pipeline
23 May 2017	Pam Palmer, LCC	(email) Notice of Living Shoreline project
23 May 2017	Pam Palmer, LCC	(email) Notice of proposal to install Bike & Scooter Racks at Greenwich Baths
24 May 2017	Pam Palmer, LCC	(email) Notice that representations made re: GCA GIPA of Gore Bay pipeline
25 May 2017	Michael Mason, LCC	Council response to enquiries on Gore Bay Terminal and DISPLAN
30 May 2017	LCC, Martin Tereschenko	Emergency Management Gore Bay Terminal
31 May 2017	LCC	(email) Acknowledgement of request for late submission on SU4145 Boat Trailer legislation
15 June 2017	LCC EM, Peter Paterson	(email) Update re: Emergency Management Gore Bay Terminal
16 June 2017	LCC EM, Peter Paterson	(email) Clarification re: Emergency Management Gore Bay Terminal
18 June 2017	Resident	(email) Offer by Bryony Cooper, Transport NSW to comment on proposed motorway impact
19 June 2017	LCC, EM Human Services Jane Gornall	(email) Greenwich Bath Lease renewal – Council commitments
20 June 2017	Hon. G Berejiklian MP, NSW Premier	(email) Acknowledgement of Biodiversity submission – forwarded to Min. for Env.
20 June 2017	Pacific Environment, Jane Barnett (NSW Practice Lead)	(email) High level fee estimate for boundary emission monitoring at Gore Bay

The following correspondence has been sent:

Date	То	Subject
20 April 2017	Ann-Maree Carruthers, Urban Renewal (Planning NSW)	(email) Note of thanks for attending 18 April General Meeting

20 April 2017	Pam Palmer, Lane Cove Councillor	(email) Greenwich Baths lease renewal
20 April 2017	Pam Palmer, Lane Cove Councillor	(email) Gore Bay Terminal spill & DISPLAN follow-up
23 April 2017	Chris Pelcz, Lane Cove Council	(email) Note of thanks for attending 18 April General Meeting & liaison offer re: Planning NSW
1 May 2017	LCC Governance Officer, Rubi Monge	Follow up on Viva Energy Gore Bay – Clyde pipeline information request
1 May 2017	Hunters Hill Council	Payment for GIPA (prev. overlooked)
2 May 2017	NSW Min. for Environment Gabrielle Upton	Confirmation of meeting with her Chief of Staff 5 May
2 May 2017	MP Trent Zimmerman	Viva Energy Gore Bay Terminal – update
2 May 2017	SafeWork NSW, Manager Hazardous Materials Andrew Battye	Email: Meeting Request following review of GIPA package
3 May 2017	Kevin Wilde, Office of NSW Minister for Environment	(email) Agreement to reschedule meeting to 12 May
9 May 2017	Ben Ewald, Uni of Newcastle	(email) Request for assistance interpreting Gore Bay Terminal HHRA
12 May 2017	NSW Min. for Environment, Christian Dunk	GCA Submission re: EPL 661 – Monitoring of Emissions
15 May 2017	Pam Palmer, LCC	Gore Bay Emergency Response – council follow-up
16 May 2017	Ben Ewald, Uni of Newcastle	(email) Follow-up request for assistance interpreting Gore Bay Terminal HHRA
16 May 2017	Peter Patterson, LCC	(email) Query re: DISPLAN update
19 May 2017	Office of Hon Trent Zimmerman, MP	(email) Letter from Hon Josh Frydenberg MP re: No anticipated change to sulfur regs for non-cruise ship in Harbour
24 May 2017	Pam Palmer, LCC	(email) Follow-up on GCA Gore Bay to Clyde Pipeline GIPA
24 May 2017	Dept of Fair Trading	Annual Financial Statement submission

31 May 2017	LCC	Request to make late submission to SU4145 – Management of Boat Trailer Parking
1 June 2017	Corinne, Better Planning Network	Intention to discuss BPN membership at 21/6 meeting
6 June 2017	LCC EM, Peter Paterson	(email) Requesting Update re: Emergency Management for Gore Bay Terminal
14 June 2017	LCC EM, Peter Paterson	(email) Follow-up re: Emergency Management for Gore Bay
14 June 2017	LCC EM Corporate Services, Craig Dali	Request for Internal Review of Gore Bay Terminal to Clyde Pipeline GIPA
15 June 2017	LCC EM, Peter Paterson	(email) Clarification re: Emergency Management Gore Bay
15 June 2017	Pacific Environment, Jane Barnett	(email) Request for Air Emissions Monitoring station costs proposal
16 June 2017	RMS Chief Executive, Ken Kanofski	(email) Greenwich Baths Sublease
16 June 2017	Dept. Land and Natural Resources, Deputy Director General, Ms Alison Stone	(email) Greenwich Baths Sublease
20 June 2017	Pacific Environment, Jane Barnett	(email) Note of thanks for high level Emissions Monitoring Station at Gore Bay

6) Report on the Activities of the Association

a) President's Report

Merri noted the recent effort that the community had put into the Planning motion, support for which would be formally sought. Again, there had been further advancement of dialogue pertaining to Gore Bay Terminal with the commencement of a new Community Forum, chaired by SafeWork NSW and recent connection with the appropriate representatives overseeing the Emergency Management of that site. Council elections are coming up in September and the proposed Council mergers are in abeyance during continued legal activity.

b) Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer addressed the meeting and in addition to tabling his report, commented;

 Recent success in obtaining new membership, now at 217 individuals or families, up from 158 early May. He thanked the community for signing up and fellow Committee members Penny Mabbutt, Peter Deane, Alan Winney and Liz Walton for their efforts manning the table outside the Greenwich shops. A profit of circa \$250 is now forecast for the year end account.

Motion: that the Treasurer's Report as of 21 June be accepted.

Moved by: Peter Deane, seconded by Liz Walton and accepted unanimously.

7) Notified Business

a) Approval of April meeting's St Leonards planning motion

The drafted planning resolution, below, was tabled for support.

Motion: The GCA write to Planning NSW expressing the community's concerns and priorities concerning proposed residential and commercial growth in Greenwich as follows:

- 1. The community's experience has been that necessary community infrastructure significantly lags population growth, creating transport congestion, overcrowded schools, degraded environment, overburdened facilities and a poorer living standard.
- 2. The existing as-built transport, school, social and open space infrastructure was not designed for the level of current community needs and is unable to satisfactorily meet any future population growth.
- 3. If the expected population growth in Greenwich and its surrounds is not managed in a way that is timely, comprehensive and community-focussed, this will result in an outcome that will be significantly detrimental to the amenity of the local and broader community (including employment and other productivity targets).
- 4. The GCA is strongly of the view that no zoning or other planning changes should be made or progressed, and no planning approvals should be given, to meet any projected population growth until the related infrastructure needs have been identified, analysed and fully planned with committed funding, including widespread community consultation on relevant options.
- 5. The GCA submits that:
 - a. Planning NSW and other relevant planning agencies should not adopt any future population growth target for Greenwich and its surrounds until (and then only to the extent that) the relevant infrastructure upgrades have been fully planned with publicly committed funding; and
 - b. Lane Cove Council and other planning authorities should not make or progress any zoning or other planning changes, or grant any planning approval, to meet any future population growth target until (and then only to the extent that) the development and construction of the relevant infrastructure upgrades is fully funded and has commenced.

Moved by Merri Southwood, seconded by Rod Tudge and passed unanimously.

Action: agreement was made to circulate copy of the resolution to the Greater Sydney Commission, Lane Cove Council, Planning NSW and the Weekly Times.

b) Bicycle and Active Transport – various resolution proposals

Michael Ryland provided the meeting with some brief context for several proposed resolutions. Appendix A which contains photo and other commentary was passed around. Don Murchison provided further background and other recent commentary on various of the proposals.

1. Shared User Pathway down Greenwich Road from River Road to Wardrop Street

Motion: "The GCA is disappointed to see the Shared User Path along Greenwich Road is not full width, as per the grant approval and planning. This has compromised the path so it is not capable of working effectively as a Shared User Path. The GCA requests the Lane Cove Council to

widen the section of pathway from River Road to Greendale Street to 2.5m meters along its full length as originally planned with bushes and trees removed as necessary and appropriate revegetation after construction"

Moved by Merri Southwood, seconded by Michael Ryland and passed unanimously.

Motion: "The GCA is disappointed to see the Shared User Path along Greenwich Road is not full width, as per the grant approval and planning. This has compromised the path so it is not capable of working effectively as a Shared User Path. The GCA requests the Lane Cove Council to confirm or develop further the plans for the section of the pathway from Greendale Street to Chisholm Street in consultation with the Council's Bicycle Advisory Committee and the GCA, to develop an effective Shared User Path through to the Infants School"

Moved by Michael Ryland, seconded by Don Murchison and passed on a 3:1 majority.

2. Bike Racks

Motion: that the GCA write to Council offering thanks for the bike and scooter rack outside Greenwich Public School and opposite Greenwich shops. It notes that since the racks have been installed they have been occupied on a daily basis and are more popular than the U-shaped racks.

Moved by Merri Southwood, seconded by Peter Deane and passed unanimously.

Motion: that the GCA write to Council and welcome its initiative to install (standard, not ushaped) bike and scooter racks by the swings above the Greenwich Baths and other suitable locations.

Moved by Don Murchison, seconded by Sue Robinson and passed unanimously.

3. SUP and/or separated cycleway access to proposed Metro Station, North Sydney

Background: there was discussion around the need to progress the points the GCA has made in its submissions to the LCC and the GSC on links to St Leonards. These have been a consistent message in all of the GCA letters on active transport to the LCC. With all the redevelopment around St Leonards Station, it is vital for SUP or separated (ie off-the-road) cycling infrastructure to link Lane Cove with the proposed Metro Station. Greenwich is in the middle, so the link is obvious. Planning is well under way for a shopping Plaza over the railway line at St Leonards Station. Part of the off-road cycling link must be included in this development to link with Christie Street, St Leonards Station and on to Oxley St. [Metro Station site.] This also provides a link from Lane Cove, & of course Greenwich, to North Sydney & the city.

Motion: "The GCA, as matter of urgency, requests the Lane Cove Council to develop with the Council's Bicycle Advisory Committee and the GCA plans for separated [off-the-road] cycling infrastructure and Shared User Path infrastructure, to provide safe passage for cyclists and families from Greenwich and Lane Cove to the new Crows Nest Metro Station and St Leonards Station. The GCA requests this planning is made available for public consultation as soon as possible and is incorporated into new developments and receives S.94 funding."

Moved by Michael Ryland, seconded by Liz Gill and passed unanimously.

4. Cliff section of proposed River Road SUP up to Lane Cove Golf Course entrance

It was noted that this project has stalled, awaiting funding approval from the Minister of Roads, and that further information was needed to clarify government intentions and planning.

Action: the Bicycle and Active Transport Committee to investigate further.

c) SU4145 - Boat Trailer Legislation

Per Correspondence, it had been requested that the GCA be able to make a late submission to Council on this item, following any outcomes of this meeting. It has been discussed at earlier meetings that there are multiple safety issues associated with boat trailer parking in Greenwich streets. This has, along with other (resident) complaints, resulted in parking restrictions, in most cases. Council has held an inquiry.

Motion: that the GCA write to Council supporting its proposed implementation of the powers under the legislation; Impounding Amendment - Unattended Boat Trailers Act 2015. It is to be noted that this legislation will not address the problem of both trailers and vehicles that are parked in a manner that poses dangers to both motorists and cyclists. It is requested Council officers enforce the regulations to address this ongoing problem.

Moved by Rod Tudge, seconded by John Southwood and passed unanimously.

d) Council Elections in September

Independent candidates are encouraged to nominate for the upcoming Council elections. The Nominations Closing Date is 31 July. Information to assist those with interest can be obtained from Cllr. Palmer.

It has been proposed at Council that a poll may be taken co-incident with the elections re: merger with Ryde and Hunters Hill Councils.

Action: the GCA to invite those nominated to a 'Meet the Candidates' session at the August General Meeting.

e) GCA Membership of BPN (Better Planning Network)

It has been noted that this voluntary, a-political group has achieved success over its short history. The GCA has previously donated to this group (in the order of \$1,500) over recent years.

Action: that the GCA Committee explore the structure, leadership, mandate and current directions of the BPN. Subject to the Committee assuring itself of the group's governance, it may then give further consideration on becoming a BPN member, at a cost of \$70 / year.

f) Wollstonecraft Child Care Centre proposal

Michael Cashell of a resident group in Wollstonecraft addressed the meeting. He expressed the group's dismay at the proposal to convert a portion of the State's Fisheries compound on Berry Road into a large child care center. In addition to the foreseen traffic and other access issues, he was interested in obtaining the thermal and explosion wave gradients of the Gore Bay Terminal. The Gore Bay Terminal's subcommittee efforts to obtain same were discussed and that a new Greenwich Community Forum, hosted by SafeWork NSW was an opportunity through which these were being requested.

8) Report of Subcommittees

a) Greenwich Baths

Cllr Palmer addressed the meeting and advised that there had been a land-slip which would mean that the change rooms would be smaller than originally planned. A section 96 approval is now on exhibition, modifying the DA. It is likely that the (summer) season may commence under the same temporary arrangements as last season.

b) Gore Bay Terminal

Stuart Warden, subcommittee convener addressed the meeting. The last subcommittee meeting was 10/5 and the next is to be 22/6, the following night.

Gore Bay to Clyde Pipeline - GIPA update

An internal review has been requested of Council, after they reviewed our (revised GIPA) information request under formal GIPA terms. Financial records and inspection reports of the pipeline in Council LGA were omitted from the document schedule and/or review comments. The application of a fee (\$420 reduced to \$200) has also been challenged.

New Members

We have recently welcomed David Moorehead and Lisa Perry to the subcommittee. Both are current GCA members and nearby residents.

SafeWork NSW's Greenwich Community Forum

Draft Terms of Reference for this forum have been circulated. We have in turn advised that any final terms will need approval of the GCA Committee. The first meeting, planning and introductory in nature, is scheduled for next week.

Minister for Environment – report

Policy Director Christian Dunk called recently, advising that he had made an approach to the EPA on our behalf. Appreciating that the EPA is independent of legislative powers, he advised awareness of the SafeWork NSW forum and the Pollution Reduction Program study and report (EPL condition) that is due to the EPA by June 30.

Boundary Emission Monitoring – high level cost estimate

A recent approach has been made to Pacific Environment, the group involved in setting up the emission monitoring station at White Bay, as part of meeting the DA conditions for redevelopment to accept cruise ships. We are in receipt of a proposal including options for particulates, VOCs, SO2, NOX and met data. For a single installation, allowing for an annual rental of the equipment, the costs are in the order of \$165,000. Further review will be made.

draft Human Health Risk Assessment

It has been ascertained that this report considered the current operations at the terminal, i.e. the importation and transfer of refined products. This reinforces our interest in having it better understood. An approach to Dr. Mark Taylor at Uni. of Newcastle has been made, noting his recent work on assessing the EPA's management of contaminated sites in NSW.

DISPLAN / Emergency Management

We have been recently advised of submission of an updated DISPLAN for the area, including for Gore Bay Terminal. Emergency Services representatives including C/I Nutall are willing to provide an update to the SubCommittee, subject to adequate forward notice (6 weeks+).

Next General Meeting: 16 August 2017

9) Councillor's Report

to be confirmed

10) Close

The meeting closed at 10:20pm.

Appendix A: Greenwich Road Shared User Path – June 2017

Refer separate attached

