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Dear Community Member

This Newsletter contains information for Greenwich residents as follows:

- **Resolutions of Council's April Meeting - Major Project Updates**
- **Current Council Consultations to "Have your Say"**
- **St Leonards South Update**
- **Councillor Merri Southwood's Quarterly Update**
- **Details of new, ongoing, timing of Council's Monthly Meeting**

#### **Lane Cove Council April Meeting - Major Project Updates**

Resolutions passed at the last Council meeting are [here](#)

#### **Major Projects**

##### **1. Bob Campbell Oval**

The "working group" of user groups met on 28th April with Council representatives, East Ward Councillors and Taylor Brammer Landscape Architects to make submissions on the revised Bob Campbell Master Plan. A report from the consultant is due within a fortnight for further consideration. The revised plan will, after further consideration by the working group be subject to a full community consultation process.

##### **2. Sport and Recreation Centre**

Council held a community consultation meeting on 3rd May to outline what it saw as the key business drivers for a sport and recreation centre. As previously advised, serious concerns as to financial and operational feasibility were raised by the community resulting in Councillors withdrawing the existing Master Plan from the approval process.

However, there is a clear need for this type of sports facility in the LGA and all options are being pursued. The GCA will monitor and report on all developments.

##### **3. St Leonards Over Rail Plaza**

Works are clearly evident with this structure. Councillor Southwood provides further detail

space" for St Leonards and St Leonards South precinct it is evident the space will be of more use to the commercial tenants and unit owners of the three JQZ buildings (under construction), adjacent to it.

However, of key interest to rate payers is the likely final financial cost as the project has been impacted by weather and industrial action. Originally planned for completion in 2022 it is now not likely to be delivered well into 2023. The funding for the project is from developers who obtained increased Floor Space Ratios in return for Voluntary Planning Payments. The original cost estimates of the project were circa \$50m. The GCA will continue to monitor these matters.

#### 4. 266 Longueville Rd, Northwood

There is a dispute with Australian unity over their 99 year lease of the site. No further update is available since Council's closed meeting resolution of 24th March which referenced a dispute over lease terms.

#### Current Council Consultations to "Have your Say"

To obtain regular emails from Council on upcoming council consultations and general news it is possible to subscribe to their email list. The link to join up is [here](#)

Presently the following consultation processes are active:

- **Community Engagement workshop** - click [here](#)

Council resolved to hold a workshop to discuss community consultation and collaboration. As community members are well aware from recent experiences with St Leonards South and Bob Campbell Oval greater and more in depth consultation and collaboration is sought before projects "get a life of their own"

#### **Register to attend the Workshop**

Monday 16 May, 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Terrace Function Room, Lane Cove Community Hub, 1 Pottery Lane, Lane Cove

RSVP is essential – Click [here](#)

***This is a very good opportunity for community members to shape the processes by which plans and projects are developed, consulted upon, evaluated and implemented.***

- **Draft Strategic Community Plan supported by 2023 Budget and related items** - click [here](#). Consultation open until **7th June**

### **St Leonards South Update**

On a motion by Councillors Southwood and Roenfeldt Council agreed that no construction traffic will access the precinct via Duntroon Avenue and the proposed closure of Canberra South will not occur until the impact of all developments in the precinct on traffic flow can be assessed.

On a further motion by Councillors Southwood and Roenfeldt a St Leonards South Working Group is to be established. Members will comprise residents from adjacent dwellings and unit blocks, and Council staff.

Council also agreed to establish a specific purpose web page to deal with all St Leonards South related matters so the community could clearly monitor progress. The GCA will advise once this web page is launched.

To date 3 DAs have been lodged for St Leonards South. The links to all development documents and community submissions is provided.

**Top Spring** - 21 - Canberra Ave and 16-32 Holdsworth Ave - **329** units. Approved by the North Sydney Planning Panel despite numerous objections on a range of issues. Click [here](#)

**The Audrey** - Hyecorp. 13 - 19 Canberra Ave - **84** units. Subject to Sydney North Planning Panel consideration on 22nd June (Deferred from May) Click [here](#)

**3 Holdsworth Ave** 10- 12 Marshall Ave - **104** units. Subject to Sydney North Planning Panel consideration also on 22nd June. Click [here](#)

### **Councillor Merri Southwood's Quarterly Update**

Please click [here](#) to read Councillor Southwood's Update. Many of the items referenced in this Newsletter are more comprehensively dealt with in her report.

### **Details of new, ongoing, timing of Council's Monthly Meeting - 3rd Thursday of Month**

Following a Council vote and public consultation the monthly Council meeting has been moved to the third Thursday in the month.

The purpose of this is to allow a full week for consideration of issues and submissions to Councillors after the release of Council's Agenda the prior Thursday at 5pm.

The link to the Business Pages section of Council's website is [here](#)

Please do not hesitate to contact the GCA Committee at the above email address if you have any questions.

Kind regards

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