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Dear Community Member

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE THIS SATURDAY 25TH AND SUNDAY 26TH AT GREENWICH SHOPS

The GCA will be at the shops this weekend to invite locals who have not done so to consider joining up or re-newing their membership.

Cashless (EFT) payment will be available and we will have a current list of members if you wish to check your membership status.

Funds from membership are used to defray the Association's operating expenses as well support a reserve for special projects that may require out of the ordinary expenditure.

Since we went "digital" in 2020 we are keen to reach as many residents as possible!

In recent times your committee has been very active.

- Former GCA President Merri Southwood is now a Councilor and is a strong Greenwich voice on Lane Cove Council.
- GCA was fundamental in overturning Council's decision to install synthetic turf at Bob Campbell Oval
- The GCA lobbied strongly and successfully to retain a direct ferry service from Greenwich (via Balmain) to Circular Quay - not Barangaroo
- On an ongoing basis the GCA has acted to ensure noise and air pollution at the Viva (Shell) terminal was abated and managed
- For over 7 years the GCA has been contesting and opposing the over development of the St Leonards South precinct

- GCA lobbied for and obtained withdrawal of the Sport and Recreation Facility Development Application at the Golf Club based on a Business case whose assumptions would have created a cash drain on Council through debt service.

BREAKING NEWS

This week Councilors present at last Monday's Extraordinary Meeting, under a motion proposed by Councilor Southwood, **voted unanimously** to oppose Council's support of a non complying Development Application at St Leonards South. ("The Audrey" - 13 -19 Canberra Ave). The key issue at stake was the building's set back to the East West link. Details of the Extraordinary Meeting were emailed to residents on Saturday 18th June.

The DA was considered yesterday by the Sydney North Planning Panel, which was the consent authority for the DA

The determination of the Sydney North Planning Panel is expected shortly - but the Developer is relying on a legal opinion to not comply with a clear control in Council's Development Control Plan, (DCP), a plan that residents were assured was strong and would be assiduously applied to developments in the precinct.

The GCA opposed this contravention of Council's DCP and together with approximately 10 others addressed Panel members yesterday.

It has now transpired that Council staff were aware of the legal opinion prior to last Monday's EGM but did not inform the Councillors or public of it.

In their report to the SNPP in respect of The Audrey development Council supported non compliance with the DCP but **made no mention of the legal opinion provided by the developer some four weeks earlier to Council.**

And to compound matters, yesterday the SNPP loaded to their web site correspondence **direct from the developer to the Chair of the Panel that included the legal advice** they were relying on to justify their deviation from the required set backs. Deviations that the GCA calculated generates in excess of \$20m additional sales revenue from the units that can now be built through non-compliance - let alone what may flow from the precedent set if the SNPP approves the DA for this and other buildings abutting the East West Link.

We will keep you informed - this is the work the GCA committee does!

Your ongoing support is deeply appreciated.

Peter Deane

President

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