



Greenwich Community Association Inc

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MINUTES GCA PUBLIC MEETING
Wednesday 19 October 2022 at 7.30 pm
Greenwich Sailing Club, O'Connell Street, Greenwich

ITEM NO	DISCUSSION TOPICS	
1.	WELCOME	PD welcomed new and existing members. LCCs were welcomed: Cr Merri Southwood, Cr David Roenfeldt and later Mayor Andrew Zbik
2.	APOLOGIES	Patricia Quealey, Sue Yelland, John Southwood, David Brookes-Horne
3.	GUEST SPEAKER - Callum Thomson, Principal Greenwich Public School	PD welcomed Callum Thomson to talk about the school and education at GPS. And the impacts and opportunities as a result of the building developments happening within the area. He started at GPS this year and has children at Boronia Park School. Points discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum reform from now to 2025 • New position approved = Assistant Principal Curriculum – 3 days week • Dept announcement of 2 staff development days for 2023; plus, extra release time x 5 hours per term – this has to be funded by the school. • Struggling to get staff • P&C do a wonderful job for the school. Extended an invitation to support the school as a parent volunteer • New changes to be introduced in 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Personalised learning for students ○ Wellbeing week Questions from the floor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How many students – 450 K-6 (new buildings have capacity for 800) - Composite classes? This was scrapped at the beginning of 2022 – Callum's decision. - School grounds are open to the public on a weekend – 'Share Our Space'. Feedback overall to the Department has not been favourable. - K-2 site historically has allowed kids to learn to ride bikes on the site – visible on all 3 sides. Currently it is closed. - Safety in Kingslangley Road – there is a traffic jam every day. A Crossing Supervisor has been implemented. - Grammar is in the curriculum. - Discussed what 'normality' looks like for teaching. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Therapy dog

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Technology and skills (ipads, laptops, smart board are already in place). <p>PD thanked Callum on behalf of the GCA noting how his enthusiasm and expertise shone through during his presentation.</p>	
4.	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS	<p>Draft Minutes of Meeting 17 August 2022</p> <p>Proposed: Gary Lane</p> <p>Seconded: Alan Winney</p>	
5.	CORRESPONDENCE	Covered later in the meeting	
6.	REPORTS ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION	Covered later in the meeting	
7.	COUNCILORS' REPORTS	<p>Cr David Roenfeldt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NSROC – Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils <p>LCC is working on various issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NSW Local Govt Conference. LCC's first motion is to do with noncompliance on building sites. This isn't right for developers to collect infringement notices (fines) and then ignore them. (See Note 1 attached to Minutes) - The second proposal is to do with the SEP. For LCC to adopt the SEP. (See Note 2 attached to Minutes) - Incentivising property owners to open their houses up for rental. - Transparency for decision makers - DAs for Heritage listed properties to install solar panels should be reviewed. This will go to the Community for comment. <p>Cr Merri Southwood, Deputy Mayor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greenwich Wharf – installation of the new wharf. Transport NSW project and they are trying to address the points raised by our community. Council wanting to be involved. - Manns Point – work will be in the budget for 2023. This would include a safer walkway beside the road. - Greenwich Baths – lease is being re-negotiated. Transport NSW + Crown Land will require two leases for different area of the site. - Stop Council accepting donations from developers for Community events. Maintain transparency. - Motion put by Cr Flood re the screening of the Melbourne Cup in public space. - Traffic study for consultation – may lead to the management of traffic around SLS and Longueville Road. - SLS DA's – East-West links planned to be 6m setback. Council attempting to get this implemented with new DAs - Park Road residents are always front and centre of LCC Councillors minds. <p>Comments from (Dubiens) about promises made to the community for which LCC should now be held accountable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bob Campbell Oval Master Plan – will be launched tomorrow night for community consultation. There is 	

		<p>sufficient room for all sporting groups to utilize the space, although no Netball courts. Carparking in the existing area closer to the cliff, up the hill beside the road and at the top of the hill. Amenities block will be moved to the south end of the oval – single storey building.</p> <p>A path along the face of the cliff. Everyone is urged to provide feedback during this next period of community consultation.</p> <p>Quotes will be from 3 agronomists re the turf.</p> <p>Merri thanked the community and Council officers for these wonderful results.</p> <p>Mayor Andrew Zbik</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OverRail Plaza – suspended slab is laid over the railway line. The underpass will be refurbished with a lift. - Sport & Rec – LCC has plans to submit to NSPP before Christmas. Not sure of public consultation dates. CA asked how the school will benefit from this site and how students will transfer safely between the two sites? AZ mentioned a SUP will be developed and busses could be utilized to pick up school kids to transport to the site. - PD reinforced the discussion on the danger of the walkway from the school to the Sport & Rec facility particularly past the rock face. - MB made comment about the conditions surrounding the Greenwich Library. AZ took this on notice to get this cleaned up. - Discussion continued about ‘private certifiers’ and issues they are creating within the community. - AZ emphasised how LCC is finding it hard to fill vacancies within their workplace. 	
8.	TREASURER’S REPORT	<p>Total Income 2022 to date: 5,153.40</p> <p>Total expenses 2022 to date: <u>1,253.04</u></p> <p>Net income 2022 to date: 3,900.36</p> <p>Plus Term Deposit: 13,247.65</p>	
9.	NOTIFIED BUSINESS		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Leonard’s South – Green Spines 	Councillors attempting to fix Green Spine setbacks for all future SLS DAs	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Leonard’s Over Rail Plaza 	See earlier comments by Mayor Andrew Zbik	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sport & Rec Facility Plan 	<p>GCA Committee met with LC Councillors (Mayor and 2 Ward Councillors)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AZ offered to ensure that the drawings and specs become clear that they are accessible on the LCC website. - The Council has agreed on a line of process and GCA understand the reasons for the Sport & Rec site. There is still a lot of work required on operating costs and the revenue side. - GCA representing the Community has done their best at this time to make the communities thoughts known to Council. - A question was asked about the underwriting of the project – AZ commented that the project won’t cover its 	

		<p>own costs and that's what Governments are for; only its operational costs. LCC has been budgeting for this project for 15 years. Office of Local Government has looked at the plan and approved it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A discussion continued about the Tennis Courts and what they look like. Line marking, etc discussed. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greenwich Wharf Plans 	See Cr Merri Southwood's comments above.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greenwich Hospital amended DA 	<p>PD spoke to this point. The project is at its formal DA stage with an increase in area of 9% Hospital and 11% Seniors living. GCA has looked at these adjusted plans. Two points GCA recommended for action are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Foot path through the site that can be safely utilized by school children. - Extend the existing SUP (which currently runs along River Road from Greenwich Road) along the front of the site to the traffic lights - These points will be considered by Hammond Care. <p>GCA won't take any further action. Hammond Care are proposing that they be exempt from Section 7/11 contributions as they are a charity.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Footpath – Cliff at River Road 	Still being discussed. This will be critical for safe access by school children from GPS to the Sports & Rec facility.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCO Master Plan Update 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manns Point 		
10.	GENERAL BUSINESS:		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCA Website and Facebook 	PD commented on how the website looks – positive feedback from the floor. Facebook is growing	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other Business 		
CLOSE	Meeting closed at 10.00pm	NEXT MEETING 14 December 2022 @ 7.30pm	