

GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

held at Greenwich Community Hall, 46 Greenwich Road, Greenwich
on Wednesday 20th June 2018

The meeting opened at 7.30 pm.

Present: As per the attendance sheet

1. WELCOME by Merri Southwood, President

2. APOLOGIES

Peter Sweeney, John and Gill Rabong, Annette Keon, Anthony Roberts, David Brooks-Horn, Garry Draffin, Libby Hunter, Lizz Gill, Andrew Zbik.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 18 APRIL 2018

Moved that the Minutes of the General Meeting on 18 April 2018 be confirmed.

Moved: Tom Gervay. Seconded: Peter Deane. Passed.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING OF 18 APRIL 2018

To be dealt with in other items.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Refer attached report marked ATTACHMENT A

(a) Correspondence Out

Refer Attachment A.

(b) Correspondence In

Refer Attachment A. Noted that a letter had been received just before the meeting from NSW Health relating to Gore Bay Terminal which would be addressed in the Gore Bay Terminal Subcommittee report.

6. REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

(a) President's Report

Dealt with below in Notified Business

(b) Treasurer's Report

Refer attached report marked ATTACHMENT B.

Noted that the April membership drive had generated \$800 subscriptions. There had also been a generous family donation of \$2,000 to support the GCA's work which was most gratefully received.

A further membership drive would be planned shortly to help cover the costs of the double-size newsletter this month and to increase membership numbers which are a bit short of the total number reached last year.

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Moved that the Treasurer's Report be adopted.

Moved: Patricia Quealey Seconded: Peter Walton. Passed.

(c) Secretary's Report

Refer to Correspondence

7. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

(a) Councillor Palmer

Councillor Palmer's report is attached as ATTACHMENT C.

In relation to the Council's Housing Strategy Councillor Palmer noted that the Council had deferred a decision on its St Leonards South Planning Proposal (SLS Plan) until the Department of Planning released the St Leonards/Crows Nest Precinct Draft Land Use Infrastructure and Implementation Plan (LUIIP). The Draft LUIIP had been due for release for public comment in March but has been delayed. It is not known when it will be released.

The Council has sought and obtained an extension to the deadline for completion of the SLS Plan until June 2019. If the Draft LUIIP was not released until after the State election in March 2019, Council would seek a further extension.

Councillor Palmer clarified that the Greater Sydney Commission has set a housing supply target of 1900 for Lane Cove Council for 2016-2021 but has not set a housing supply target for 2026. Council will be required to deliver a 6 to 10 year housing supply target when it is agreed.

Council had sought and received confirmation from the Greater Sydney Commission that additional housing in St Leonards East (ie east of the railway line at St Leonards to the Pacific Highway) and in St Leonards South would both be counted towards agreed targets.

There was discussion about whether the housing proposed in the SLS Plan would be needed for any target. It was commented that the Greater Sydney Commission has confirmed that based on developments that have already been built or approved Lane Cove will exceed its 1900 housing target for 2016-2021 and that Lane Cove is already tracking to deliver about 2700 dwellings above its 2021 target without taking into account the SLS Plan.

In relation to the extra Stormwater Management Charge that will be levied in light of the recent flood study of Council's network, it was commented that the flood risk seemed to be in part due to the construction of detention tanks where development resulted in more hard surfaces (eg larger unit developments), and that governments seemed to be more conservative about (and communities less tolerant of) flood risk.

(b) Councillor Vissel

Councillor Vissel's report is attached as ATTACHMENT D. At the meeting she highlighted the following points:

- Council is investigating whether to extend the residential parking permits around Balfour Street.

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- In relation to the Neighbour Day citizenship awards, which this year went to Amanda Harrison and Frank Hammersley as noted in Councillor Palmer's report, nominations next year will be earlier so that the awards can be aligned with the 26 March celebrations.
- The Rosenthal Project has bottomed out (at 5 storeys below the surface park area) and progress can be seen on the screen in the Lane Cove Plaza.
- Two new street libraries have been set up, one in York Street Riverview and the other in the Helen Street Reserve. Books can be borrowed and swapped for free. The street libraries are a way of celebrating a sense of community. They have been decorated by local artists and their work can be seen on the library website: <https://streetlibrary.org.au/library/helen-street-reserve-cottage/>. Anyone who would like to set up a street library in their area should contact Council.
- From 2 July Lane Cove library will have extended hours – see the website: <http://www.lanecove.nsw.gov.au/Community/Library/Pages/LocationsandHours.aspx>.
- Entries are invited for Lane Cove Literary Awards with a range of categories and prizes. The deadline is 22 August. Council will run writing workshops to assist emerging writers.
- National Tree Day is on 29 July and there will be an opportunity to have a photo with the Golden Whistler Bird.
- The Gai-mariagal festival celebrating Aboriginal Culture & Heritage continues until the second week of July and there are a range of events in Lane Cove, including a Bush Tucker Cook Up on Monday 9 July and Walking Saltwater Country on 23 June, a guided walk along Gore Creek with Karen Smith from the Aboriginal Heritage Office.

(c) Councillor David Brooks-Horn

Councillor David Brooks-Horn did not attend the meeting.

(d) Councillor discussion

In response to questions from the floor there was discussion about the development of commercial space in St Leonards, particularly in St Leonards East and along the Pacific Highway from St Leonards to Greenwich Road.

It was queried whether the residential zoning in the SLS Plan would compromise the extent of commercial development and limit, for example, jobs growth?

Councillor Palmer noted that the Council had tried to encourage commercial development in the 2009 LEP but this had not eventuated. To incentivise commercial development Council had adopted a strategy of allowing developers to put residential on top of the commercial space in return for a voluntary payment to Council. This had generated proposals for 4 sites in the relevant area, 2 were being built, one was with the Planning Panel and the fourth at some other stage. The developer of 88 Christie Street had been given a separate DA authorising it to demolish the site as the vacant site had fallen into disrepair.

The discussion indicated a number of unresolved aspects and concerns:

- The DA for the development of 88 Christie Street had not yet been approved but media reports indicated that units were already being sold off the plan pre-DA.

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- One speaker understood that the 88 Christie Street development would include a hotel rather than commercial space.
- The TRIM report on 88 Christie Street included criticism of the Council by RMS noting that Council had been proceeding without taking into account RMS issues.
- The small run down shops along the Pacific Highway had multiple owners and while those sites have been rezoned for 18 storeys no plans have yet been submitted as a single owner had not yet been able to acquire all the sites.
- The DA on 2 Canberra Avenue appeared likely to be refused but units were still being sold off the plan pre-DA approval
- Another speaker understood that the plans for development of one site in the relevant area included less commercial space than the existing commercial building.

8. REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES

(a) Greenwich Baths

Alan Winney reported that the GCA had received shortly before the meeting a response from Council to questions raised by the Greenwich Baths subcommittee about the proposed new lease of the Baths to Bluefit.

Alan explained the background (as reported in earlier minutes) and noted that Council had advised:

- Bluefit would be granted a new lease with effect from 1 July.
- The lease would not include a prohibition on alcohol as in the RMS head lease but would instead make the supply of alcohol in the discretion of the lessee (ie Bluefit) subject to seeking prior consent of the Office of Liquor and Gaming and 30 days' notice.
- GCA's request to be able to see a copy of the lease was not agreed and GCA would have to lodge an application under GIPA if it wished to see a copy.

There was no explanation of the reasoning behind these responses in the letter.

There was discussion about the Baths' opening hours, the risks of swimming outside the netted area out of hours, parking issues, and the pros and cons of alternative methods of operation as at Northbridge or at Nielsen Park.

Noted that GCA will write to RMS, Crown Lands and Office of Liquor and Gaming to advise them of the mismatch between the Council lease and the RMS Head Lease on alcohol, and to register our concerns.

(b) Gore Bay Terminal

Refer attached report marked ATTACHMENT E.

In relation to emissions monitoring, it was commented:

- there was currently no data to ground an adequate environmental response – in response to health concerns EPA said speak to NSW Health and NSW Health said get the data from EPA;

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- emissions monitoring is complex – multiple monitors are needed because it is necessary to look at a spectrum of emissions and these are affected by the direction of the wind – from a technical perspective there is an argument that monitoring is neither effective nor useful;
- monitoring at White Bay is different because passenger liners use a heavy marine fuel which has a higher sulphur content.

Moved that:

- the community notes that NSW Health has received from the EPA minimal data in respect of the emissions from the Gore Bay Terminal;
- the GCA registers its concern that the EPA has in place in its licence for Gore Bay Terminal no mechanism for collecting, on an ongoing basis, data in respect of the emissions from the Gore Bay Terminal; and
- the GCA calls upon the EPA to implement measures to allow NSW Health to provide to the community its unequivocal assurance that the operations at Gore Bay Terminal pose no risk to human health, including in relation to both short term and long term exposure.

Moved: Patricia Quigley. Seconded: Christine Lucas. Passed

There was discussion on the risk of fire at the Gore Bay Terminal. Globally there had been more than 100 fires at facilities of the same kind, started primarily by lightning strikes. It raises queries as to whether the tanks at the Terminal complied with AS1940 Code which outlines where tanks should be located to minimise risk.

Noted that GCA would write to the relevant regulatory authorities on that issue.

(c) Active Transport

There were no new items to report from the Active Transport subcommittee.

9. NOTIFIED BUSINESS

(a) Lane Cove Community Groups Alliance

Penny Mabbutt reported that she and Liz Walton had attended a planning meeting of a new alliance of local residents community associations with the view to collaborating on topical planning issues ahead of the next State election. The associations include:

- Osborne Park Progress Association
- Lane Cove Bushland Society
- Lane Cove North Residents Association
- GSL Action Group
- Stringy Bark Creek Association
- Longueville Residents Association

and a resident from Crows Nest who will work with the alliance and attempt to replicate the alliance in her area.

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The alliance had originally been suggested in light of the medium density proposal but it was evident from the planning meeting that there were other specific areas of common interest.

The steering committee had formed two subcommittees: one to draft the objectives and charter; and the other to plan a community forum in October. The GCA can nominate two people to the October community forum subcommittee. It is a confined task to determine format, timing and location. Penny asked anyone interested in helping to contact the GCA.

It was noted that this alliance has a specific focus and is quite separate from the earlier Lane Cove Associations Community Alliance (which it is understood is no longer operating).

Moved that:

- the GCA supports the formation of an alliance of community organisations in the Lane Cove Council LGA to coordinate actions in advance of the forthcoming NSW elections to address unacceptable levels of development and inadequate infrastructure to support this development; and
- the GCA appoints Liz Walton and Penny Mabbutt as its representatives in this alliance.

Moved: Stuart Warden. Seconded: John Southwood. Passed

(b) Lane Cove Strategic Plan

Council recently sought feedback on its Strategic Plan. The GCA lodged a submission noting its concern over poor implementation of community engagement strategies. It also seems that Council's website is not being updated in a timely and adequate manner.

The strategic plan has been adopted by Council. It generated 8 individual submissions and 2 from organisations (one of which was the GCA).

(c) The Rosenthal Project

Rob Hunter reported on the Rosenthal Project as a member of the community liaison group. The project is due to be completed in 2020. It has a good website: <http://www.rosenthalproject.com.au/>

If anyone has any questions or matters they wish to raise, Rob is happy to take the issue to the community liaison group.

(d) Greenwich School – Upgrade

Merri Southwood reported that the Department of Education has announced plans for upgrades at the Infants School site and the Kingslangley Road site. It engaged in limited consultation outside of the school community. The GCA sought without success to extend the consultation period outside the Easter school holidays and lodged a short submission on the Infants site DA reflecting community issues on compatibility of the design with the existing heritage building, loss of onsite car parking and loss of trees.

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Merri noted that it was recently announced in the press that there would be a new high school in the St Leonards precinct but the Department of Planning has not been able to advise where the new school would be located.

(e) Northwood Shops – Residential Care Facility

There was discussion on the proposal to build a residential care facility at the Northwood shops. It was noted that:

- The developer had submitted an upzoning proposal which required a change to the LEP.
- Council had rejected the upzoning proposal. On appeal by the developer, the Planning Panel had said they saw merit in the proposal and it should be put to the community. The community response was negative.
- Council is now in discussions with the developer to suggest alternatives that could fit within the planning rules (eg with different setbacks etc).
- If the developer puts a new proposal to Council which is rejected, the developer can appeal to the Minister.

(ea) Greenwich Hospital

It was noted that the Hammond Care proposal for Greenwich Hospital is being considered by the Department of Planning (as a State Significant Development) and is expected to be put out for public consultation soon.

It was originally proposed as seniors housing up to 3 storeys with large structures on the north east side of the site. However the Gore Street Group understands that the proposal is now quite different with buildings up to 7 storeys located closer to Gore Street and St Vincents Road and a number of new drives.

It was suggested that the GCA invite Hammond Care to attend the next GCA meeting to make a follow up presentation on what is now proposed.

(f) St Leonards South Master Plan

(g) St Leonards Crows Nest Planned Precinct Update

(Both items discussed together)

Michael Ryland reported on the GCA review of the submissions lodged during the Christmas/New Year period on the SLS Plan, noting as follows:

- Lane Cove Council provided the submissions to the GCA in an anonymised and redacted package in response to the GCA's GIPA request. The package of 955 pages contained 339 submissions, including 10 from government agencies. 120 pages were blank and appeared to have been redacted. It was understood from Council that these primarily comprised 3 large submissions.
- The submissions showed overwhelming community opposition to the St Leonards South Master Plan. 96% of the submissions were opposed to the Plan.

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- GCA tested opposition at two levels. First, submissions that used the word “object”. 47% of the submissions formally expressed their opposition as an “objection”. Then, looking at the substance of the submission with responses such as “I oppose”, “I am against” etc. 96% were opposed under that test.
- The 4% who supported were primarily from residents in the Park Road West & Portview Road Action Group. Their response was that if there is to be a rezoning, it should extend across the whole St Leonards South precinct. GCA counted that as support even though it was conditional.
- The submissions identified a wide range of concerns, relating both to (a) the quality of the precinct if developed as contemplated by the Master Plan, and (b) the adverse impact on the broader Greenwich and Lane Cove community.
- The top 5 concerns were:
 - traffic and parking congestion (72%)
 - lack of infrastructure and adverse impact on amenities (64%)
 - lack of, and severe adverse impact on, open space (59%)
 - lack of schools and childcare, including playgrounds (53%)
 - overcrowding and unsustainable density (51%).
- Other concerns included:
 - destruction of the character of the area (27%)
 - lack of community facilities (27%)
 - the levels and heights of the proposed rezoning, and the streets covered (and not covered) by the rezoning (23%)
 - adverse impact on the natural environment (including birds and trees) and lack of sustainability (21%)
 - overshadowing and privacy issues (19%)
 - public safety issues (18%)
 - lack of retail and commercial facilities within the precinct (18%).
- GCA did not receive any infrastructure reports in the package. The Government Agency submissions were generally compliance reports; ie advice as to whether the proposal complied with regulatory requirements such as Sydney Airport height restrictions, or water pipe sizes.
- There were 3 government agency reports that commented on issues of community concern:
 - (1) the Department of Health recommended that the plan incorporate health promotion by way of:
 - active transport and connectivity (including specific bicycle pathways and facilities identified in their submission),
 - public open space and amenity,
 - smoke-free spaces, and
 - car parking
 - (2) the Department of Education advised that the upgrades announced in June 2017 for Greenwich Public School’s Kingslangley Road and Infants School campuses were based on enrolment projections incorporating the additional dwelling estimates for recent and proposed rezonings for St Leonards, including the St Leonards South precinct, but did not include any supporting data or analysis, and
 - (3) the Heritage Council of New South Wales advised that there are 3 heritage items of local significance across the road from the proposed rezoned part of the precinct, and that the proposed density of development has the potential to impact on the character of

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the streetscape and the setting of local heritage items. It recommended that Council review the location, height and massing of proposed development along the western boundary of the study area.

- Many submissions asked for the plan to be cancelled or rejected.
- A number of submissions expressed concerns about the Council's consultation process.
- A number of submissions referred to the need to develop instead an integrated plan for the whole St Leonards area as contemplated by the Greater Sydney Commission reports.

There was discussion on the SLS Plan.

Councillor Palmer noted that the Councillors had received all of the infrastructure reports (including the RMS reports) but on a confidential basis and so were not able to disclose them to the GCA.

It was commented that:

- in general the submissions were not opposed to all development; they were against the SLS Plan because it was seen as gross overdevelopment and not balanced with appropriate infrastructure and amenities;
- it is Council's plan and Council has the power to cancel the plan at any time;
- the SLS plan will need to be amended to fit with the LUIIP when the LUIIP is adopted;
- if Council makes any material amendment to the plan, the Department of Planning will consider that to be a new plan which will need to go back to the Gateway for approval;
- it would make sense for Council to start work on a new plan now and to engage with the GCA to understand and incorporate community feedback so that Council is then able to push for more balanced development if the Department of Planning's LUIIP does not reflect community concerns
- there are other examples in Sydney where, with good design and planning, an area can be developed in a difficult and intense environment and still work well as a community eg Trumper Park.

Councillor Palmer noted that Council believes it is better to receive the LUIIP and housing targets before deciding what to do with the SLS Plan. Council does not see it as necessary to cancel the SLS Plan now. Council considers that if it can satisfy a future target with only one more development proposal, that would be good.

She suggested that it would be necessary for Council to pass a resolution to enable Council staff to engage with the GCA on the planning issues, and noted that she would look into how the GCA might be given access to the RMS reports.

Merri Southwood noted that the consensus of the meeting was:

- It is clear from the submissions that there is overwhelming community opposition to the SLS Plan and it should be cancelled.
- Council has not had in front of it during the process for developing the SLS Plan the kind of detailed and focussed community feedback that has been generated in the submissions.
- GCA asks the East Ward councillors to cancel the plan and to ask Council staff to work with the GCA on developing a new plan with the community.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

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11. CLOSE

The meeting closed at 11.15 PM

Next General Meeting is Wednesday 15 August 2018

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ATTACHMENT A

CORRESPONDENCE 20/06/2018

SENT

Date	To	Subject
19/04/18	LCC mailbox	Objection Northwood Residential Care
20/04/18	M Mason LCC	Greenwich School DAs request for info session and acceptance of late submissions
20/04/18	C Wrightson LCC	Request for review of refusal to extend time for comment Greenwich School DAs
20/04/18	Jane Gornall LCC	Summary meeting Baths 11/4
28/04/18	Hon Brad Hazzard as Min for Health	Request for action emissions monitoring Gore Bay
30/04/18	Dr K Chant Chief Health Officer NSW Health	Copy letter to Brad Hazzard as above
30/04/18	Dr E Koff Secretary NSW Ministry of Health	Copy letter to Brad Hazzard as above
01/05/18	General Manager LCC	Submission DA Greenwich Infants' School
07/05/18	M Stromquist SafeWork NSW	Items for discussion SafeWork forum 4/6
29/05/18	Hon Brad Hazzard as Min for Health	Requesting emissions monitoring data and explanation of White Bay monitoring
29/05/18	Hon A Roberts MP Lane Cove	Copy letter above
29/05/18	A Shrestha for D Wilcox NSW Health	Copy letter above
05/06/18	K Beram Manager Governance LCC	GCA submission LCC Strategic Plan
06/06/18	General Manager LCC	GCA Report St Leonards South Submissions
07/06/18		Revised GCA Report St Leonards South Submissions
06/06/18	Councillors LCC	GCA Report St Leonards South Submissions
07/06/18		Revised GCA Report St Leonards South Submissions
06/06/18	A Harvey Director Sydney Region East NSW Planning	GCA Report St Leonards South Submissions
07/06/18		Revised GCA Report St Leonards South Submissions
07/06/18	E Klaic Manager Urban Renewal NSW Planning	Revised GCA Report St Leonards South Submissions
08/06/18	D Stevens Manager Commercial Ops LCC	Greenwich Baths request for agreement inclusions
16/06/18	K Beram Manager Governance LCC	Request addendum to Council Report Strategic Plan
18/06/18	K Beram and C Dalli LCC	Noting omission of workshop data from Strategic Plan Report
18.06/18	C Dalli LCC	Response Strategic Plan

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RECEIVED

Date	From	Subject
19/04/18	LCC	Acknowledge receipt submission Northwood submission
20/04/18	M Mason LCC	Refusal Extension comment period Greenwich School DAs
24/04/18	K Beram Manager Governance LCC	Decision and Response Submission GIPA and invoice
25/04/18	LC Bushcare	Golden Whistler
27/04/18	D Stevens Manager Commercial Ops LCC	Response to GCA letter re Baths 20/4
28/04/18	Office B Hazzard	Acknowledgement GCA letter 28/04/18
30/04/18	Dr K Chant Chief Health Officer NSW Health	Acknowledgement copy GCA letter 28/04/18 to Brad Hazzard
01/05/18	LCC Corp Records	Receipt Submission DA Greenwich Infants' School
16/05/18	A Shrestha for D Willcox Chief Exec NSW Health Northern Sydney	Response on behalf of Brad Hazzard re emissions monitoring
29/05/18	D Stevens Manager Commercial Ops LCC	Out of season swimming Baths
29/05/18	Office B Hazzard	Acknowledgement GCA letter 29/05/18
04/06/18	M Stromquist Safe Work NSW	Draft Minutes Feb SW forum
04/06/18	M Stromquist Safe Work NSW	Agenda SW forum 4/6
05/06/18	K Beram Manager Governance LCC	Acknowledging GCA submission Strategic Plan
06/06/18	Cllr Palmer	Receipt GCA Submission report
06/06/18	Cllr Zbik	Receipt GCA Submission report
07/06/18	M Mason LCC	Receipt GCA Submission report
08/06/18		Receipt revised GCA report
07/06/18	E Klaić Manager Urban Renewal	Receipt GCA revised submission
18/06/18	C Dallı LCC	Response Strategic Plan
	LCC	Multiple DAs 4 Eastview,6 Greenwich, 12 Carlotta, 1 Ulonga,9 Gore, 62 Cliff
20/06/18	D Stevens LCC	Greenwich Baths Lease

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ATTACHMENT B

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Meeting – 20 June 2018

Accounts as at 20 June 2018

Membership 166 individuals or families

233 at 31st December 2017

Trading for Financial Year

1 January 2018 to 20 June 2018

(Profit and loss attached)

Gross Income: \$5,426.85

Total Expenses \$3,019.08

Net Income (Loss) **\$2,407.77**

Cash Book balance 20th June \$5,749.61

Bank Statement balance \$6,756.61

ADD Deposits not banked \$60.00

Sub Total \$6,816.61

Cheques not yet presented

- \$40.00 LCC
- \$890.00 Printforce Pty Ltd
- \$137.00 M Southwood

Sub Total \$1,067.00

Balance **\$5,749.61**

(Copy a/c statement to be provided)

Term Deposit \$12,656.63

(Copy of statement to be provided)

Comments

Donation \$2,000 received from a Greenwich Family most gratefully achieved.

The Membership Drive at the shops raised \$800 including \$80 in donations

A further membership morning at the shops is likely depending on membership response to current Newsletter

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Known expenses – 3 Newsletters - \$1,500, web operations, suppers, stationary, compliance etc
estimate \$1000

John Southwood

Hon Treasurer

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ATTACHMENT C

COUNCILLOR PALMER'S REPORT

GCA Councillor Report June 2018

Safety in School zones

Parking fines issued in school zones across Sydney based on data from the Office of State Revenue shows the number of fines issued to people parking in school zones in Lane cove is about 40 per school in the area, which is the highest in Sydney.

It is our observation however that there is still a need to be vigilant with enforcement as we continue to see people putting others at risk and while that continues to be the case we will be helping to reinforce the message that school zones should be safe zones for our youngest members of the community.

Housing Strategy

Council has been granted a 12 month extension to complete the St Leonards South Planning Proposal to allow for the public release and consideration of the State Government's St Leonards/Crows Nest Precinct Draft Land Use Infrastructure and Implementation Plan. This will assist Council and the community in understanding the State Government infrastructure planned across this precinct and in the context of the existing St Leonards South proposal.

Council also recently sought clarity and commitment from the State Government that Council's housing supply targets to 2026 would be met if the St Leonards South Planning Proposal proceeds and given the recent rezonings in St Leonards east of the railway line. The Greater Sydney Commission has confirmed that the additional capacity created through these local planning initiatives will count towards our achievement of a 10 year target. To bring this into effect Council can develop a 10 year Housing Strategy (as all councils are required to do once the target is known), based on the St Leonards East and South precincts only.

Council also recently submitted a planning proposal to provide a permanent solution to prohibit the operation of 'Multi-Housing' from within the R2 zone of the Medium Density Housing (Complying Development) Code. An in-principle deferral commitment of the commencement of the Code until our Planning Proposal comes into force has been received removing any window of time when Complying Medium Density Development would have been permitted in the R2 zone.

Council facility upgrades

Lane Cove Child and Family Health Centre: Local residents accessing the valuable services of the Lane Cove Child and Family Health Centre will benefit from the recently refurbished space at 164 Longueville Road. The refurbishment took place alongside the Council works in the rest of the building.

Lane Cove Creative Studios: Over the past six months Council has been refurbishing the space at 164-172 Longueville Road to create new premises for Centrehouse, now known as Lane Cove Creative Studios. The completed facility provides space for pottery, printmaking, photography, textiles and other arts activities supported by teaching rooms and artist in residence spaces.

Celebrations to mark the opening include an exhibition featuring well-known Greenwich artist Guy Warren.

Rosenthal Project: The deepest point of the Rosenthal Project development has now been reached some 18 metres down from the former car park height. 95% of the bulk excavation is now complete which has involved removing 200,000 tonnes of material.

A tower crane will this month mark the next stage of construction.

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In addition to the on-site work a number of other preparations have been underway including the purchasing of over two hundred trees which are already planted to give them two growing seasons to mature before they are in place.

Council is currently reviewing the proposed names for the completed project and will soon release a shortlist of names for further community consultation.

Good neighbours

Lane Cove's Annual Citizenship Awards were presented during National Volunteer Week to recognise the outstanding contribution of individuals and organisations within the Lane Cove community.

19 recipients were awarded a Citizenship Award which culminated in the announcement of Citizens of the Year in the form of Greenwich husband and wife team Amanda Harrison and Frank Hamersley. Amanda convenes the annual Greenwich Village Arts Trail. Frank is President of Greenwich Sports Club and has been heavily involved in the local Scouts. Together with Amanda, they are long-time volunteers with Lane Cove Swim Club.

The first ever Lane Cove Neighbour Day Awards were presented as part of its 2018 Neighbour Day celebrations. Council asked the community to nominate neighbours who deserve recognition for their support in the local community. From street parties, helping out with chores, being the reliable port of call, establishing contact lists, hosting a welcome gathering and connecting people to their new neighbours, every one of the recipients had played a role in their apartment block, street or community.

Council's Delivery Plan and Budget

Each year Council reviews and prepares an Annual Budget. The budget makes plans for how and where Lane Cove Council spends its money each year. It also identifies where the money comes from to pay for the services and infrastructure that Council provides.

Employee costs at \$19mill are our major expense while our major income is from Rates income at around \$30mill per annum.

➤ Major Projects in the Budget

Rosenthal Project

\$30,000,000 has been provided for the continuation of redevelopment of Rosenthal Project. Development has been staged over four years with additional funding of \$30,000,000 provided for 2018/19 and \$15,000,000 for 2019/20.

Mowbray Precinct – Mindarie Park

\$3,000,000 has been provided for the construction of new open space and active recreation facilities in the Mowbray Precinct to cater for additional population growth in the area

Recreation Precinct

\$200,000 to commence preparations for Indoor Sports facilities at Lane Cove Golf Course

St Leonards Plaza

\$500,000 to continue planning and project design for the over rail plaza.

Aquatic Centre Grandstand and Outdoor Pool

\$500,000 to commence planning for the replacement of the Grandstand and Olympic Pool. The Olympic Pool was built in 1961 and concern has been raised about its remaining lifespan. The grandstand has also reached the end of its economic life. Over the next year

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Council will progress planning for the replacement of both structures including public consultation.

➤ **Customer Service as a focus**

Over the next 12 months Council will be investing in a number of initiatives to help improve the way we work, in particular by improving customer experience for our community.

The 2018/19 budget provides for:-

- A new Customer Request Management System to better handle the information;
- A Customer Concierge service to improve communications to customers and adherence to Council's service standards;
- A Rapid Response Team of outdoor staff who can attend to emerging issues with our assets and in our parks without disrupting resources required for programmed maintenance activities; and
- A new Communications team member to improve Council's digital marketing and overall communication with the community.

➤ **Additional Projects**

Kingsford Smith Oval: \$400,000 for grandstand and amenities upgrades

Tantallon Oval: \$500,000 matching funding for the proposed grandstand upgrade works

Amenities Building Upgrades: \$50,000 for amenities in Helen Street Reserve

Playground Upgrades: \$150,000 is provided for priority playground equipment upgrades

Traffic Signals: Funds have been allocated to install traffic signals at Tambourine Bay/ Burns Bay Road intersection

Cultural Services: A total of \$310,000 has been provided for cultural services programs including Sunset in the Village, Plaza decorations, Art Exhibition, Lane Cove Festival, Autumn Harmony Festival and Festival by the River.

Financial Assistance for Community Groups: Council will continue to provide one of the most generous levels of financial assistance to groups servicing our local community with close to \$500,000 available via Financial Assistance Grants, Cultural Venue Hire Subsidies, Sustainability Small Grants and Love Where You Live Event Sponsorship.

Strategic Planning: Streetscape review of Birdwood Lane and Pottery Lane

➤ **Stormwater Management Charge 2018-19**

A flood study of Council's network has recently determined that 543,000m² of land is subject to flooding during a 1 in 20 year storm.

To address the flooding, 16km of larger capacity pipes are required. Preliminary costs estimates indicate \$20 million is required to complete these upgrades.

A Stormwater Management Charge for a fixed amount of \$25 for Residential and Business properties and \$12.50 for Residential Strata units has been levied.

Based on these charges the Stormwater Management Charge would raise \$297,700 in 2018-19, an additional 25% over the existing Capital budget of \$1.1million, reducing implementation of the solution from 24 years to 18 years.

Clr Pam Palmer

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COUNCILLOR REPORT TO GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION 20 JUNE 2018 – FRANCES VISSEL

Parking around Balfour and surrounding streets

I received emails from residents regarding commuter parking around Balfour and surrounding streets and following discussion with Council staff, I advise as follows:

Council is currently receiving requests to extend existing Resident Parking Permit Schemes (RPPS) not only in Balfour Street but also in surrounding streets in Greenwich and other areas in the Lane Cove LGA. As such, Council will undertake an area wide study to investigate the potential for extending existing RPPS.

During the process of the investigation, Council will undertake on street and off street parking surveys to determine the extent of the commuter parking issue and to determine if majority of residents meet the eligibility criteria for a resident parking permit.

Following the investigation, Council will consult residents with the appropriate proposal for parking changes if necessary.

Lane Cove Citizenship Awards

This year's Citizen of the Year was awarded to Amanda Harrison and Frank Hamersley. Amanda convenes the annual Greenwich Village Arts Trail which last year involved a record 26 artists participating in the open studio weekend. Frank is President of Greenwich Sports Club, is heavily involved in the local Scouts and together with Amanda, they are long-time volunteers with Lane Cove Swim Club.

Neighbour Day Awards

As part of Council's Neighbour Day celebrations, for the first time Lane Cove Council sought nominations for neighbours who deserve recognition for their support in the local community. The 2018 Neighbour Day Awards were presented at this year's Citizenship Awards on Wednesday 23 May.

The recipients of the Award who each represented different ways Lane Cove residents help their neighbours - from street parties, helping out with chores, being the reliable port of call, establishing contact lists, hosting a welcome gathering and connecting people to their new neighbours, everyone had played a role in their apartment block, street or community.

Nominations for next year's Awards will align with the 2019 Neighbour Day activities at the end of March.

Rosenthal Ave

We were invited to see the extent of the excavations when the construction company had reached the base on which the development will stand. It is an amazing feat. This project will deliver a great outcome for the residents of Lane Cove. Please refer to the website, where you can see regular updates of progress and the changes to traffic movements while the development progresses.

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Council has also installed a large screen where you can see reports on progress and a viewing area is situated along Birdwood Lane behind the shops so you can see what is happening on the site.

Official Launch of Creative studios

The Official Launch will be taking place this coming Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm, with official opening ceremony at 11am to 12 noon.

The Gallery Lane Cove + Creative Studios (previously known as the Centre House) has been moved to the newly refurbished Community Centre below the Gallery.

It will give you an opportunity to visit the new facilities, engage with different forms of art making through demonstrations and drop-in activities, meet the new artist-in-residence, and ask artists/teachers on site any questions about their practice.

For information on all activities and events visit at this facility visit: www.gallerylanecove.com.au
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The updated premises still houses the Early Childhood Health Centre service and that was officially opened by our local member, The Hon. Anthony Roberts on 8 June.

Two New Street Libraries

Two new Street Libraries have now popped up in Lane Cove! You can find these Council-initiated libraries at Yorks Corner, Riverview and Helen Street Reserve, Lane Cove North.



These mini wooden houses hold books that you are able to donate, borrow and/or swap. And it's free! There are no associated fees or memberships to use Street Libraries. The Libraries aim to celebrate a sense of community, create opportunities for neighbourly connection and encourage literacy skills.

Local young artists Maya Cheeseman and Isabelle Shepherd, both of whom attend Synergy Youth Centre, were commissioned to paint the bright artworks adorning the new libraries. To view details of their work, visit the [Streetside Gallery page](#).

Each Street Library has a local Custodian who will be the local hero and caretaker of a designated Library. They are responsible for promoting the Library to the local community, keeping the Library clean and tidy, and communicating any issues to the Council representative.

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Council provides and maintains all functional equipment, initial book stocking and ongoing management of their initiated libraries which are part of a wider Street Library network - visit www.streetlibrary.org.au for details.

To suggest a future location or become a local supporter who helps to monitor the libraries, email cultural@lanecove.nsw.gov.au.

Drop by your local Library and see what's on offer!

Community Event Funding

At its meeting of March 2018 Council agreed to continue the Love Where You Live Event Sponsorship program which provides community group's with the chance to request funding for the events they run. Applications will be considered at each Council meeting - for further details please review the Application Form and Guidelines on the Council website.

New Lane Cove Library Hours

In response to the recent library survey Council will be adjusting the Library hours so that from 2 July Lane Cove Library will be open to the public at the following times:

Monday – Thursday 9:30am – 9:00pm

Friday – Saturday 9:30am – 5:00pm

Sunday - 9:30am – 2:00pm

These hours reflect the popularity of the Library as a facility enjoyed by the whole community.

Lane Cove Library Literary Awards

The Lane Cove Literary Awards are now open and entries will be accepted until 22 August 2018. Prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

- Short Story Prize- \$2,000
- Theatre Script Prize - \$1,500
- Poetry Prize- \$1,500

The following additional prizes may be awarded:

- Lane Cove Resident Prize - \$500
- Youth Prize (16-24 years) - \$500
- Senior Prize (Age 65+) - \$500

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Visit the [Literary Awards webpage](#) for the Entry Form and Terms and Conditions.

Lane Cove Library will also be hosting a number of writing workshops to assist emerging writers:

- [Short Story Writing](#) (Presented by Keith Whelan) Wednesday 13 June, 6.00pm - 8.00pm
- Script Writing Workshop (Presented by Pete Malicki) Thursday 12 July, 6.00pm - 8.00pm
- Poetry Writing Workshop (Presented by Julie Chevalier) Thursday 19 July, 6.00pm - 8.00pm

To book a place at a free workshop, please call Lane Cove Library on 9911 3634

Tree Time

National Tree Day -Sunday 29 July, 9.00am – 11.00am
Burns Bay Reserve, Kooyong Road, Lane Cove

Support local wildlife by helping plant hundreds of native shrubs and groundcovers at this community tree planting day. Bring the family and enjoy the outdoors, with a free sausage sizzle and take-home seedling for all tree planters. And grab a photo with Sunny, our Golden Whistler!

This location is important because it is adjacent to Tennyson Park, a bushland reserve. Council is aiming to revegetate the area, increase biodiversity, provide habitat for wildlife and beautify the local park. This is a chance to take part in a conservation project, chance to learn about native flora and fauna and meet your local community.

Council will provide Gloves, Tools and equipment for planting, Watering cans / buckets, Drinking water, BBQ.
Please RSVP to: Council's Bushcare Co-ordinator, 9911 3579.

Festivals in Lane Cove

[Gai-mariagal Festival: Saturday 26 May - Sunday 15 July 2018](#)

The Gai-mariagal Festival (formerly the Guringai Festival) raises awareness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the Northern Sydney region. The Festival involves numerous community groups and Councils including Lane Cove Council. The program includes workshops, art exhibitions, performances, films and talks, as well as Children's Voices for Reconciliation.

You can [download the 2018 Gai-mariagal Festival Program](#) or [visit the Gai-mariagal Festival website today!](#)

[The list of events taking place in Lane Cove is listed below:](#)

Lane Cove Events: Bush Tucker Cook Up

Jess Sinnott, a Yuin and Wailwan woman, will share her wealth of knowledge on all things native and edible as we cook up a delicious bush tucker feed at Synergy. Suitable for participants aged 10 – 17 years. Registrations by Wednesday 4 July are essential.

Monday 9 July, 1:00pm - 3:00pm, Synergy Youth Centre, free event

Bookings essential: Council's Youth Team at youth@lanecove.nsw.gov.au or 9911 3597

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Animals of the Dreaming: Taronga Zoomobile Visit

To celebrate NAIDOC Week, the Taronga Zoomobile will be visiting Lane Cove Plaza. Hear stories and songs about Mother Nature and her animals as told by Col Hardy, a highly respected Aboriginal elder. Plus meet a number of amazing native animals, each with their own very special character!

Saturday 14 July, 10:00am - 11:00am, Lane Cove Plaza, free event

Enquiries: Council's Cultural Team at cultural@lanecove.nsw.gov.au or 9911 3596

Walking Saltwater Country

Enjoy a guided walk along Gore Creek with Karen Smith from the Aboriginal Heritage Office. Karen will share local knowledge, stories and experience of Aboriginal women and Indigenous culture. After the walk, join in conversation over a delicious BBQ bush tucker lunch.

Saturday 23 June, 10:00am - 1:00pm, Gore Creek Reserve, free event

[Online bookings essential](#)

Interpreting the Ancient: Indigenous Symbolism and Contemporary Art

Led by Gallery Lane Cove + Creative Studios' Artist in Residence and Create NSW Aboriginal Arts Fellow Travis de Vries.

Utilising a rich source material of Australian Indigenous lore and drawing from the tropes and techniques of comic book, video game and pop culture creators this workshop will provide a unique insight into the methods Travis has used to create his work. This workshop is suitable for both Indigenous and non-indigenous visual artists or even storytellers and writers. For more information visit the [Gallery Lane Cove website](#).

Saturday 30 June, 10:00am -1:00pm, Gallery Lane Cove, Upper Level, free event

Bookings essential: info@gallerylanecove.com.au or 9428 4898

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Sacred Lore to Short Fiction

Led by Gallery Lane Cove + Creative Studios' Artist in Residence and Create NSW Aboriginal Arts Fellow Travis de Vries.

Many of us find the stories of Australia's Indigenous cultures fascinating. From gods of creation, demons of powerful evil to the sacred rites of death each old story magically represents an important part of everyday human life. How do we use these respectfully to create something new? For more information visit the [Gallery Lane Cove website](#).

Saturday 14 July, 1:00pm – 4:00pm, Gallery Lane Cove, free event

Bookings essential: info@gallerylanecove.com.au or 9428 4898

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ATTACHMENT E

GORE BAY TERMINAL SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

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REPORT TO GENERAL MEETING 20 June 2018

GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION GORE BAY TERMINAL SUB-COMMITTEE

Sub-Committee Membership

The sub-committee membership is

- Garry Draffin (Convenor)
- Karen Coleman
- Penny Mabbutt
- Lisa Perry
- Merri Southwood
- Stuart Warden

Meetings of the Sub-committee

There have been no meetings of the sub-committee since the last GCA general meeting.

EPA Prosecution of Viva Energy Oil Spill 30/12/2016

The EPA advised Garry Draffin and Merri Southwood at a meeting on 25/5/2018 and confirmed subsequently to Merri Southwood at a meeting on 4/6/2018 that Viva Energy has pleaded guilty to 2 of 3 charges arising from the oil spill at Gore Bay in late 2016.

The charges were that on or about 30 December 2016, a spill of marine fuel oil occurred from a pipe at the company's fuel import and storage terminal at Gore Bay, polluting Sydney Harbour, that the company failed to immediately notify relevant authorities, including the EPA, of the incident and that the company breached its environment protection licence by failing to maintain plant and equipment at the premises in a proper and efficient condition.

We have been unable to ascertain exactly the charges to which Viva has pleaded guilty and the EPA officers will not provide this information on legal advice.

Viva is awaiting determination of a fine by the Land and Environment Court.

Revised version Willoughby/Lane Cove Local Emergency Management Plan November 2017

This plan has been a long time coming but it is now on the Council website

http://ecouncil.lanecove.nsw.gov.au/TRIM/documents_TE/772331951/TRIM_LEMP%202017%20Public%20Document_1246746.PDF .

The GCA has been attempting to secure more detail around emergency management procedures in the event of an incident at or likely to impact the terminal in Gore Bay.

Our questions will not be answered by the plan. It is very light on detail in this respect.

However, emergency services personnel provided a comprehensive outline of response procedures at a Safework forum held on 5/2/2018. Minutes of this forum have yet to be uploaded to the Council's website at

<http://www.lanecove.nsw.gov.au/YourCouncil/RelatedAgencies/Pages/GoreBayTerminal.aspx>

but should be soon.

If a community member is interested to view these minutes in the short term please email Merri Southwood southwood@bigpond.com .

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Reported proposal for public float

It has been reported that Vitol (parent company of Viva Energy) is planning a public offering of some of the Viva Energy Australian assets <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-viva-energy-ipo/vitol-to-float-viva-energy-stake-in-2-3-billion-ipo-sources-idUSKCN1IU0IK>

When asked about specifics of this proposal on 4/6/2018, the Viva Communications Manager, Poppy Papadopoulos, advised that she could provide no comment on this report.

NSW Health and Emissions Monitoring

This is an ongoing concern for the sub-committee.

NSW Health has no data from the EPA to form a clear view as to the health impacts of emissions from the terminal.

On 28/4/2018 the GCA wrote to Brad Hazzard Min for Health advising that the EPA had failed to follow NSW Health's advice as to installation of ongoing emissions monitoring at the boundary. The GCA called on the Minister to take a charge of the monitoring process to ensure monitoring at the boundary.

The NSW Health response came from Deborah Willcox Northern Sydney Local Health District 16/5/2018 *"I have been advised that there are currently no significant emissions from the site that is (sic) of risk to the community.*

The GCA has since responded to this letter 29/5/2018 asking on what basis an assessment can be made in the absence of data and asking why there is boundary monitoring of emissions at White Bay but not in Gore Bay.

NSW Health officers advised at a meeting 4/6/2018 that they will be responding to the GCA's latest letter.

EPA and Emissions Monitoring

As outlined above this has been an ongoing issue.

On 25/5/2018 Garry Draffin and Merri Southwood met with James Goodwin, EPA Director Sydney Industry and Christine Mitchell, EPA Senior Operations Officer Sydney Industry.

The meeting covered the following:

1. Status of various EPA orders following the oil spill
Officers could not advise on this aspect as not their area of responsibility but agreed to report back
2. Absence of boundary monitoring
The officers acknowledged that the EPA had handled communication with the community poorly especially in respect of the removal of the licence condition U2 re boundary monitoring after two months with no notice to the community.
3. Update on the plan to establish a Vapour Emission Control system and feasibility study to install a Thermal oxidiser, both of these were due in September 2017.
Officers could not advise on this aspect as not their area of responsibility but agreed to report back
4. Confirmed that to the best of their knowledge no emission measurement or other information on emissions at Gore Bay had been either measured or passed to NSW Health.
5. The officers had no knowledge of the emissions monitoring at White Bay.

SafeWork forum

The most recent SafeWork forum was held on 4 June 2018. The GCA was represented by Stuart Warden and Merri Southwood.

The topic of the meeting was health impacts of the terminal operation. Dr Michael Staff (Director, Northern Sydney Public Health Unit) and Geoffrey Prendergast (Northern Sydney Public Health Unit) were at the meeting. The EPA reps were James Goodwin and Christine Mitchell.

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Topics discussed as follows:

- **Oil spill prosecution** – discussed above
- **Proposed float of Viva assets** – discussed above
- **Fuel to Badgery's Creek** – not able to discuss this
- **Fuel security** – no plans to use GB capacity as capacity at Clyde more than adequate.
- **Emissions Monitoring**

Dr Staff confirmed that NSW Health has not been in receipt of any data on which to base an assessment of the health impacts of the emissions from the terminal (with the exception of 6 readings from a period of monitoring March to June 2017) which was conducted by Viva's consultant AECOM in response to a licence requirement by the EPA. NSW Health has relied on information supplied to it by the EPA and this does not include data (except the 6 readings referred to). It does not have the capacity to collect its own data.

When Michael Staff was asked why NSW Health had recommended monitoring of data at the boundary as part of the Viva EPA Licence review, he said that was just a suggestion but it was up to the EPA to decide what was to go into the revised licence.

Michael Staff is agreeable to the GCA including in our next newsletter the statement from the recent reply from Deb Willcox Chief Exec of Northern Sydney Local Health District as follows "I have been advised that there are no current emissions from the site that is (sic) of risk to the community". The "advice" comes from the EPA and is based mainly on the EPA's view (per James Goodwin, Director, Sydney Industry, EPA) that its best method of ensuring community safety is to work with Viva on the VECS system to reduce odour. There is no requirement in the EPA licence re monitoring of emissions or odour – the absence of a requirement to monitor means there is no requirement to report.

The EPA receives emissions data from time to time from Viva (not as part of licence conditions) and refers data to the Clean Air Unit of the EPA where it assesses the data against public health standards. Note the data is collected by Viva or its consultants, it is not EPA data and cannot be released without Viva permission.

The EPA is firmly of the view that boundary monitoring is not an accurate method of collecting data/ assessing risk. It acknowledges that it has managed its communication with the community poorly, especially in relation to the feasibility study condition re boundary monitoring that was added, then removed very quickly. It is exploring internally how best to provide the assurance the community requires.

The EPA is quite clear that the emissions monitoring at White Bay was not initiated by the EPA and is therefore not relevant to the GB situation. James Goodwin is not aware of any use of boundary monitoring to measure emissions under licences in NSW but agrees that there may be monitoring requirements closer to source as is the case with chlorine.

- **Contamination**

Contamination of the site was raised. Viva said that the tank structure and ongoing checks of tank integrity make it unlikely that contamination would occur. Groundwater is monitored and reported but no requirement to test soil. Possible contamination was not a factor in cancelling tank removal.

Garry Draffin, the sub-committee convenor, is unable to attend the meeting and this report has been presented by Stuart Warden in Garry's absence.