

# GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Greenwich Memorial Community Centre, 46 Greenwich Road, Greenwich  
Wednesday 20 February at 7.30pm 2019

The meeting opened at 7.40pm

**Present:** As per the attendance sheet

### 1. WELCOME by Merri Southwood President

Merri welcomed the Mayor Pam Palmer, and Councillors Frances Vissel, Andrew Zbik and all the members of the Greenwich community attending the meeting and former Mayor of Hunters Hill, Richard Quinn.

### 2. APOLOGIES

Tom Gervay, Meg Gervay, Lisa Perry, Greg Perry, John de Fraia, Peter Walton.

### 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 21 FEBRUARY 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Minutes of the 2018 AGM were tabled

**Motion:** The GCA's 2018 AGM minutes be accepted

Moved by Gary Draffin, seconded by Michael Carr and passed unanimously.

The Minutes of the General Meeting held on 5 December 2018 were also tabled.

### 4. CORRESPONDENCE

It was noted that there has been a significant amount of correspondence due to the heightened development activity.

ATTACHMENT A – to be included in business papers for April 2019 meeting.

### 5. REPORTS ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

#### a) Presidents Report – Merri Southwood:

- Merri reported that there had been in excess of 650 submissions and 7 comments made against the Crows Nest Metro development
- GCA now working with adjacent communities towards better planning for the area
- The St Leonards South Master Plan has been in the making since 2012 and Council has the power to review its proposal. SLS Plan to be reviewed by the Independent Planning Commission
- Several committee members not standing for re – election: Tom Gervay, Michael Ryland, Robert Hunter and Suzanne Carr
- Merri thanked the committee for their enthusiasm and hard work during a very busy year. Tom Gervay was thanked for his longstanding service to the community and Liz Walton for her contribution to the Newsletter. Special mention to those keeping the

community up to date was extended to MaryEd Hartnell for organizing the distribution of the Newsletter for many years and Dion Weston for managing the frequent updates of the website and to Brian Bird, our auditor.

Refer attached report marked ATTACHMENT B

**b) Treasurer's Report – John Southwood**

- Registered GCA membership is approximately 200 families which is down on previous years.
- The Association gratefully received a donation of \$2,000 from a Greenwich family
- Annual costs about \$5.000 per year
- Auditor has delivered a clean bill of health.

Refer attached report ATTACHMENT C

Moved: Patricia Quealey, seconded

**6. REPORT OF SUB COMMITTEES**

**a) Active Transport – Michael Ryland:**

- Michael reported that there has been no action with regard to the cliff section on River Road. This section of the road remains unsafe for prams and bikes and funding for this section of the road remains unforthcoming
- St Leonards South Pathways need to be integrated with account taken of the topography of the area
- Need for a safe crossing of River Road between Greenwich and Shirley Road
- Recognition of Active Transport as a key part of the solution to traffic congestion
- The sub-committee would like another member with a keen interest in active transport to join the committee.

**b) Gore Bay Terminal – Gary Draffin:**

- Viva were prosecuted for an oil spill and found guilty but at the time of the meeting the penalties had not been handed down
- End of Community Forums
- Emergency Management Plan notified
- Boundary emissions monitoring remains an ongoing issue.
- The Viva terminal is now under the authority of the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA)

Refer attached report marked ATTACHMENT D

**c) Greenwich Baths – Alan Winney**

- Despite several requests the GCA has received scant information from LCC with regard to the new lease conditions entered into with the Lessee of the Baths. GCA's request to see a copy of the lease was refused.
- Changes to the lease with regard to the service of alcohol from July 1 permitted the service of alcohol for private functions at the discretion of the Lessee and LCC,

subject to seeking prior consent from the Office of Liquor and Gaming. One such license was sought and granted during the year. The function was abandoned due to bad weather.

- Other issues were with the contraction of opening and closing times.
- Alan thanked Merri for the huge time commitment she has made during the year for the GCA.

**d) Newsletter - Liz Walton**

Liz announced that 2019 would be her last year in producing the Newsletter and she is seeking a volunteer/ understudy who can learn and assist with the role. An ideal candidate would be a media student with an interest in social media.

**7. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**

The President called on Robert Hunter to take the Chair and conduct the election. All positions were declared vacant. Nominations for office bearers were called, all were elected unopposed.

The following people were elected:

Position	Nominated	Nominators
President	Merri Southwood	Liz Walton, Gary Draffin
Vice President	Alan Winney	Liz Walton, John Southwood
Vice President	Peter Deane	Liz Walton, Merri Southwood
Secretary	Liz Gill	Liz Walton, Merri Southwood
Treasurer	John Southwood	Patricia Quealey, Peter Deane

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Penny Mabbutt	Liz Gill	Liz Walton
Lisa Perry	Merri Southwood	Gary Draffin
Liz Walton	Penny Mabbutt	Merri Southwood
Don Murchison	Liz Walton	Merri

**8. COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

**a) Mayor Palmer**

- Pam expressed her disappointment that the report from the facilitated workshop had not been well received following from community sentiment that the findings had been misrepresented in the LCC report to the Department of Planning. The meeting was informed that delegated council staff wrote the submission to the DoP, which Pam had not read. The consultation was organized by DoP with LCC facilitating.
- Andrew Zbik moved that an additional statement be included to express community dissatisfaction with the report findings. Frances Vissell agreed that the document

submitted by LCC misrepresents and is offensive to those who attended the facilitated workshop and called for it to be reviewed.

- The meeting was informed that two Planning Proposals have been submitted for St Leonards South and that zoning review is up to the State Government. There has been no change to the LEP and that staff and Councillors will probably object.
- There was a comment that all Planning Proposals should be posted online, as is the case with other Councils.

Refer attached report marked ATTACHMENT E

#### **b) Councillor Vissell**

- Frances reported on the Development Application for Greenwich Hospital which includes a residential component that is not permissible on the site designated as a medical/health facility. Plans can be viewed at the library, council chambers and online.
- Check Council website for details of citizenship awards.

### **9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### **a) Meet the Candidates .**

Nominations for the upcoming state election closed on 6 March and some residents had requested the opportunity to hear from the candidates.

**Motion:** Organise a “meet the candidate” meeting. Proposed by Rod Tudge, seconded, Patricia Quealey

Merri Southwood provided opportunity for Andrew Zbic and Richard Quinn ,both standing for State election, to address those attending the meeting.

#### **b) Greenwich Hospital**

The proposed application to enlarge the hospital and also provide residential apartments for seniors is a State Significant Development and the community needs to formulate its response. The application is for a complex development on a sensitive site and it was therefore proposed that a sub committee be formed to seek an extension of time for the community to make submissions.

**Motion:** GCA to write to DoP seeking an additional three month period for submissions. Proposed Hilma Else, seconded Michael Ryland.

#### **c) Bicycle petition - Don Murchison**

- Due to a lack of action with regard to ongoing safety issues on River Road a suggestion of an on-line petition was raised to highlight community concerns

- Cycling infrastructure needs to be better financed with the installation of shared pathways around all schools, train and Metro stations.
- Don also reported that nothing had been done to provide shelter at the school bus stop following the removal of trees.

#### **d) Medium Density Code Planning Proposal**

LCC's plan for SLS is being locked in and appears to be traded off for medium density housing for the rest of Lane Cove, where there is little R3 zoning

The GCA has written to DoP with regard to SLS and the response from DoP is that SLS remains a Planning Proposal and will go to the Independent Planning Commission for determination.

#### **e) St Leonards and Crows Nest 2036 Plan - update**

- The GCA worked hard making submissions on the 2036 plan. There has been co-ordination with other community groups who share the same concerns about density, infrastructure and overshadowing.
- A rally is to be held on Saturday 23 February at Crows Nest focused on development issues and organised by local groups for concerned local residents. Candidates for the forthcoming election will have the opportunity to speak. Sitting members have declined the opportunity to speak.

#### **f) St Leonards South Master Plan – update**

The GCA is waiting on the IPC to be convened. Following our concerns about the narrowness of the terms of reference a review of the terms has been announced. The IPC will now be looking at all submissions. The GCA has written to the IPC with the suggestion that they look at the Urban Review Workshop and design reviews.

John Southwood commented that other factors have emerged since the conception of the SLS Master Plan.

- Unit prices have fallen across Sydney
- Overseas investor demand is significantly down as Chinese Govt wants to stem capital outflow. Foreign investment Review Board statistics support this.
- There is an oversupply of units in Sydney and anecdotally sales are well down
- RBA Governor confirmed oversupply 2 weeks ago in National Press Club address.
- Opal incident will impact pre sales
- Bank lending tightening up as loan to valuations tighten up
- My overall view is that developers in SLS will now be struggling with feasibility
- Combined with the above factors - particularly over supply it could be some time before anything happens in SLS if it were rezoned high density.

#### **10. CLOSE.**

The meeting closed at 10.55pm

**The next General Meeting is to be held on Wednesday 17 April 2019**

**ATTACHMENT B**  
**President's Report**

**Greenwich Community Association Inc**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**President's Report**  
**20 February 2019**

Last year much of my report outlined the enormous amount of work required on the part of GCA committee members and the community generally to secure a balance in the development frenzy in and around East Ward.

Things have not changed. So, are our efforts starting to have an impact? I think they are. With the release of the draft 2036 plan for the St Leonards and Crows Nest area, we have started to work with adjacent communities towards better planning for this whole area. With this coordination, our message to government is amplified and, in an election year, this will be effective. Just one example. Last night, at a meeting of the North Sydney Combined Precinct Committee a speaker from the Department of Planning said that the Department normally gets a single figure number of submissions on a proposal (for example 9 on the Martín Place Station and 50-60 submissions, many of high quality, on the Victoria Cross OSD). But the Department has been astonished to receive around 500+ for the Crows Nest Over Station Development (we know now the current count is actually 655 and this includes many from Greenwich) - the highest number ever. This level of response must be resonating in Macquarie Street. So many people have done their bit to get to this point and we will keep the pressure up. Our message is that we are not against development but it must be planned well, with liveability and amenity at its core.

And this is the very issue we come back to with Council's St Leonards South Master Plan. This plan has been in the making since 2012 and Council has the power to review its proposal. We now see the massive buildings encroaching on the highway in Lane Cove's territory over the rail-line, buildings that will bring an additional 2000 apartments to an area under infrastructure stress. People, and not just Lane Cove people, are asking if this part of Lane Cove has not done enough already towards meeting housing targets, especially in an area that is earmarked for employment growth, not residential growth.

We welcome the recognition by the Department of Planning that there are very mixed views about the proposed re-zoning of St Leonards South. The GCA will participate fully in the review of SLS by the Independent Planning Commission and will encourage community members to do the same.

The GCA has been fortunate to have been supported by a great committee. Every single member has worked harder than they signed up for, bringing a range of skills and expertise to some fairly complex issues. Sadly, five members of the committee will not offer themselves for re-election this year – Tom Gervay, Rob Hunter, Garry Draffin, Suzanne Carr and Michael Ryland. Each one of these people has played a significant role in the GCA and in community life generally and I thank them for their amazing commitment.

And a few people deserve special mention for ensuring that the community is kept up to date with the many aspects of life in this changing environment:

- Liz Walton, our wonderful newsletter editor who makes our newsletter a great read
- Dion Weston who stepped in to the role of Webmaster last year and has been responsive to many requests to upload material, often at short notice
- MaryEd Hartnell and the team of newsletter deliverers – and we need some more volunteers please

Thank you also to Brian Bird, our auditor.

And special thanks to Peter Deane and Alan Winney who have been such supportive Vice Presidents, even attending meetings with Anthony Roberts on a day's notice the week before Christmas.

Best wishes to the incoming committee for a great year – life will be busy but we hope for some significant outcomes this year. We all look forward to a time when we will not have to fight so hard to preserve the amenity of this area for the current and future community.

Merri Southwood  
20 February 2019

## ATTACHMENT C

### Treasurer's Report

Awaiting Word version from John

## GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC TREASURER'S REPORT

Annual General Meeting 20 February 2019

### Accounts as at 31 December 2018

Membership 200 individuals or families registered

234 at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017

183 at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016

276 at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015

### Trading for Financial Year to Date

1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018

<b>(Profit and loss attached)</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>
Gross Income:	\$6,419.36	\$4,501.60
Total Expense	\$5,182.73	\$5,044.42
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$1,236.63</b>	<b>(\$542.82)</b>
<b>Cash Book balance 26th July</b>	<b>\$4,471.96</b>	
<b>Bank Statement balance</b>	<b>\$4,511.96</b>	

### Less Cheques not yet presented

Lane Cove Council \$40.00

**Revised Bank Balance \$4,471.96**

**Term Deposit \$12,779.12**

### Comments

- Return to profit
- Beneficiaries of a generous \$2,000 donation in 2018
- A review of distribution of Newsletter – costs \$3,878 in FY 2018
- SLS Costs \$638 – mainly printing
- On-going Membership Push. Costs of \$5,000 indicate 250 family memberships
- Social media strategy
- Substantial goodwill to GCA evidenced by hidden costs not brought to account – printing stationary delivery suppers snacks etc

John Southwood

**Hon Treasurer**

## **ATTACHMENT D**

### **Gore Bay Terminal Sub-committee Report**

# **Greenwich Community Association Annual General Meeting Wednesday, 20 February 2019**

## **Report of The Gore Bay Sub-Committee**

The sub-committee has met or communicated electronically as required throughout the year. My thanks to members - Karen Coleman, Penny Mabbut, Lisa Perry

### Viva Oil Spill

In December 2016 there was a significant oil spill at Gore Bay and a prosecution was subsequently launched in the Land and Environment Court by the EPA. The matter went to sentencing on 23 October 2018 after Viva plead guilty to two of the three charges. The third charge was dropped. The Court is yet to announce penalties although this is expected very soon.

### Community Forums

The final community forum in a series organised by Safework was held in September 2018. There have been a number of these forums involving the Greenwich Community Association (Merri Southwood and Stuart Warden) which were organised and chaired by Safework and involved regulators and other organisations interested in Gore Bay.

The EPA, Lane Cove Council and Viva, have attended all meetings with other organisations including Emergency Services and Sydney Ports attending as required. They have been a valuable forum and have improved the dialogue and understanding between all interested parties in Gore Bay. Thanks have been sent to Safework for their role. All minutes of the forum are now on the GCA website.

### Emergency Management Plan

The LEMC for Willoughby and Lane Cove has been updated and a copy is available on the Council website. The Council have previously committed to distributing information on the LEMC via rate notices but this has not occurred to date.

### Boundary Emission Monitoring

This remains a substantive issue for the sub-committee and the GCA. Over the year there has been correspondence between the GCA and the CEO of the EPA in which the EPA has indicated they will not accept responsibility for any emissions that are marine based.

They have satisfied themselves (and communicated this satisfaction to NSW Health) that land based emissions are not a danger to public health. This reassurance has been based on a limited number of source measurements verified to them by Viva Energy.

Given that it is impossible to identify a source for emissions and odours at the boundary of the site, there has been a chain of communication to the CEO of the NSW Port Authority and the relevant Minister, Ms Melinda Pavey.

Eventually, after numerous emails and telephone follow up, the Port Authority of NSW confirmed that all marine pollution Australia wide is now the responsibility of the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA).

The GCA has yet to engage with AMSA but will do so in the immediate future. Anecdotally, White Bay residents, who despite published air-borne pollution monitoring, have achieved little to date in their discussions with AMSA. However, it appears to be a last and best opportunity of obtaining the independent and public monitoring to reassure **the** community.

Copies of all correspondence with Ministers and Regulators is available on the GCA website.

Garry Draffin  
Wednesday February 2019

**ATTACHMENT E**  
**Report from Pam Palmer**

**Planning Matters**

• **IHAP – Dec 2018**

- **10 Bellevue Avenue, Greenwich** - Multi Dwelling Housing Development comprising 4 Dwellings, Basement Parking and Community Title Subdivision within the R2 Low Density Residential zone.

The proposal does not comply with respect to the building height or floor space ratio development standards for multi dwelling housing in the R2 Low Density Residential zone. A building height of 8.8m is proposed where a maximum of 5m is prescribed under the LEP. A floor space ratio of 0.453:1 is proposed where a maximum of 0.4:1 is prescribed.

The proposal results in a number of departures from the DCP relating to the maximum number of storeys, building design and separation, extent of cut and fill, fence/wall heights and parking provision. The variations result in an unsatisfactory relationship with the streetscape and topography of the site, unreasonable amenity impacts on the public domain and adjoining properties, inadequate privacy for future occupants and an unsatisfactory parking provision. It is recommended that the Lane Cove Local Planning Panel refuse subject Development Application for reasons outlined within this report.

*Result:* Refused

- **33 Greenwich Road, Greenwich** - residential care facility pursuant to SEPP (Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability) 2004, comprising 92 residential suites and at-grade car parking for 25 vehicles.

The proposal is for the demolition of part of an existing structure and construction of a part four/five storey facility.

The applicant has sought that the application be considered as additional works to accompany the previously approved alterations and additions under Development Application DA130/2017. This approach is not supported.

The proposal does not comply with the Floor Space Ratio (FSR) provision under SEPP (Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability) 2004. The SEPP permits a FSR of 1:1 where a FSR of 1:2 is proposed.

The proposal does not comply with the maximum (building) height permitted under SEPP (Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability) 2004 or Lane Cove Local Environmental Plan 2009. The SEPP permits a maximum height of 8m where 15.345m is proposed being a variation of 7.345m or 91.8%. The LEP permits a maximum building height of 9.5m where 16.75m is proposed being a variation of 7.25m or 76.32%. The applicant has submitted a Clause 4.6 request to both the SEPP and LEP height development standard. A variation to building height is not considered warranted in this instance having regard to the characterisation of the proposal as a new building, the design requirements/principles contained within the SEPP, and the objectives of building height and the R2 Low Density Residential zone, as outlined within this report.

The proposal is unsatisfactory and it is recommended that the Lane Cove Local Planning Panel refuse the application for reasons outlined in this report.

*Result:* The Applicant withdrew this DA prior to the Local Planning Panel Meeting

- **Draft St Leonards/Crows Nest 2036 Plan**

Council considered its submission at an Extraordinary Meeting in early February.

***Positive Aspects***

The Plan & associated studies are generally considered to be consistent with the approach, strategic direction and Actions for the St Leonards Planned Precinct as set by the *Greater Sydney Region Plan* and the *North District Plan* as it:

- Retains a focus for existing commercial land for employment, including land along Pacific Highway east (and west) of the existing railway line as these are the most accessible and desirable sites that could potentially attract new commercial tenants to the area (Action 34 b. of *North District Plan*);
- Supports Council's Over-rail plaza development (Action 34 e. of *North District Plan*); and
- Retains the Artarmon industrial area for employment land (Action 34 g. of *North District Plan*).
- Retains the draft St Leonards South residential growth precinct plans under Council control
- Recommends a review of the draft St Leonards South plans by the Independent Planning Commission; and
- Support key aspects of Council's commercial revitalisation program by the considered and strategic 'pilot' project (mixed use) approach (Actions 36 a, b, c, and f. and Action 37 of *North District Plan*)

***Changes Required***

1. Significant Sites

- The proposed Significant Sites do not meet the criteria of delivering a public benefit to contribute to revitalisation of the precinct, the primary purpose of additional mixed use rezonings.
- Analysis indicates that both Significant Sites 1 and 2 should not be considered as significant or rezoned to mixed use due to site constraints that prevent them from achieving good urban design and planning outcomes.

2. Lack of Jobs Focus

3. Timing of additional Mixed Use Development

- A new statement be made in the Plan requiring a review of the Plan in 2026, after delivery of the Sydney Metro project in 2024, to consider the impacts of the Metro Station on commercial land and the effectiveness of Council's 'pilot' project approach in the medium term. Should any further mixed use development be recommended by the Draft 2036 Plan it must have regard to the Greater Sydney Commission's comments and only be considered by Council after delivery of the Sydney Metro project in 2024.

4. Lack of Connectivity

- Given the likely large pedestrian volumes that will be generated by the Metro Station, it is considered critically important that provision for an underground connection from Oxley Street to the underground Metro Station be integrated into Metro Station planning.
- Likewise, a pedestrian crossing of River Road is supported.

5. Council does not support the imposition of the Special Infrastructure Contributions (SIC) for the St Leonards South Precinct
6. (a) Solar height planes and solar access controls be amended in order to be consistent with the Apartment Design Guide and Land and Environment Court principles.  
(b) Only Planning Proposals supported or initiated by councils be considered during the life of this plan" to achieve better consistency with the related objective.
7. Social Infrastructure and Open Space
  - Social Infrastructure and Open Space Study to be amended to better acknowledge and incorporate Lane Cove Council's new Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program (and findings) – particularly in relation to families.
  - Other studies also need to be amended to acknowledge that, in precinct terms, that the Lane Cove portion contributes 73% of all new public open space within the Planned Precinct.
  - Overall, while the Draft 2036 Plan expresses support for Council's plans for new open space in St Leonards, it should consider the expansion of other quality and different types of Open Space and social infrastructure across the remainder of the precinct to support population growth.
  - Proposed expansion of the existing pocket park along Lithgow Street to the new Plaza as a linear park (Draft Green Plan) on Pacific Highway is not possible; this should be a shared user path only.
8. Specify the location and type of schools in the Precinct.
9. Transport Connectivity - an Interchange location and funding be identified
10. Tree Planting - more comprehensive Green Plan required.
11. Sustainability Measures – prioritise green roofs over solar panels.
12. Mix of Housing Types- undertake follow up planning to deliver medium density in other areas around the strategic centre to ensure housing diversity.
13. Retaining Commercial Land on Pacific Highway (West of Railway Line) - Mixed Use along Pacific Highway (west of railway line) would result in unacceptable built form outcomes and would take away valuable commercial land that primarily related to the Royal North Shore Hospital.
14. Health Services - the impact of increased demand for inpatient and outpatient services at RNSH be considered before the plan is finalised.
15. Community Sentiment

#### ***Actions Prior to Finalisation***

That the Department, Greater Sydney Commission and the three (3) affected Councils work together to refine what has been exhibited in the context of the matters raised above and other issues raised by our neighbouring Councils (Willoughby and North Sydney), prior to finalisation of the Plan.

- **Multi-Dwelling Housing Planning Proposal**

The NSW Government adopted State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) Amendment (Low Rise Medium Density Housing) 2017, the Medium Density Housing Code and associated Design Guide in March 2018.

The Code makes changes to the Exempt and Complying Development codes. While the guide provides planning and design standards, most of these override Council's existing planning controls. Council's planning controls would be superseded by permitting terraces/townhouses in the R2 zone and allowing multi-dwelling housing to a height of 8.5 metres, overriding Council's villa house height control of 5 metres. This SEPP is not consistent with Council's long standing planning approach to only permit low-scale single storey villas in the R2 Low Density Residential Zone.

As a result, Council resolved to seek a deferral from the operation of this Code at the Ordinary April 2018 meeting. The request was submitted to NSW Planning and Environment following the meeting and a deferral was granted in July 2018 which is valid until 1 July 2019.

Following further consideration of the unintended planning consequences of this new Code, Council resolved at its Extraordinary May 2018 Council meeting to submit a Planning Proposal to remove the land use 'multi-dwelling housing' and supporting controls from the R2 Low Density Residential Zone. The proposed LEP amendments sought to:-

1. Permanently prohibit the land use 'multi-dwelling housing' in the R2 Low Density Residential Zone;
2. Remove the height control for multi-dwelling housing in the R2 Low Density Residential zone; and
3. Remove the floor space ratio control for multi-dwelling housing in the R2 Low Density Residential zone.

The overall intent was to prohibit 'multi-dwelling housing' in the R2 Low Density Residential Zone. All other planning controls would remain in place.

A public exhibition of the planning proposal was held for 11 weeks from 29 November 2018 to 13 February 2019. A total of two hundred and fifty-six (256) submissions were received.

Having regard to comments, concerns and issues raised in the public submissions, the exhibited Planning Proposal had overwhelming support. Accordingly, Council submitted the Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning & Environment (DPE) requesting finalisation.

- **SSD - Greenwich Hospital**

Council has requested an extension of the exhibition period and that the applicant conduct a public consultation session (Council to provide the venue).

### **Environment**

- Clean-Up Australia Day at Mann's Point for the 30th Anniversary of Clean Up Australia day. Australia has one of the best natural landscapes in the world. From our pristine beaches, ancient forests and flourishing sealife, we have some of the most unique flora and fauna. But the rubbish we create through mass consumption is choking our streets, beaches, parks, bushland and waterways. Gloves and bags supplied. Free refreshments provided at Greenwich Baths
- On-line book "Creating Backyard Habitat" can be downloaded from Council's website.

### **Strategic Projects**

- **Rosenthal Project**

Is on track and around 40 new parking spaces will be provided at the site next month.

- **50m Pool**

DA was submitted on Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> February.

### **Social**

- Lane Cove Seniors Festival continues to the end of the month. Lane Cove Food Tour is booked out.
- You can now follow Council on Facebook! Latest post goes inside Carisbrook House.

- Saturday 30 March 10:00am – 1:00pm Greenwich Library Open Day. During March the Library will also be conducting a small community survey about the Greenwich Library opening hours.

### **Special Projects**

Are there any improvements you would like to see around Greenwich? Funding is available for small to medium capital projects. Feedback appreciated.