



# Greenwich Community Association Inc

PO Box 5057, Greenwich, NSW 2065

**MINUTES FOR GENERAL MEETING**  
**Wednesday 21 April 2021 at 7.30 pm**  
**Greenwich Sailing Club, O'Connell Street, Greenwich**

ITEM NO	DISCUSSION TOPICS		ACTION
1.	<b>Welcome</b>	Merri Southwood (MS) welcomed everyone and pointed out the new procedures for questions from the floor: 3-minute presentations and timed. Audience member to introduce themselves to address the meeting.	
2.	<b>Apologies</b>	Suzanne Carr, Valerie Reynolds, Liz Gill, John Southwood, Gill Rabong, John Rabong, Peter Deane, Peter Walton, David Brooks-Horn	
3.	<b>Confirmation of previous minutes</b>	- Draft Minutes of 9 December 2020 Meeting  The draft minutes of the GCA's General Meeting held 9 December 2020 were tabled. <b>Motion:</b> that the Minutes of 9 December 2020 meeting be accepted. <b>Moved by:</b> John Fegan, seconded by Don Murchison (DM)	
	<b>Matters arising from the Minutes</b>	None	
4.	<b>Correspondence</b>	Liz Gill has a correspondence file saved online for all GCA correspondence. Please advise MS if you would like to view any correspondence.	
5.	<b>Reports on the activities of the Association</b>	As per notified business.	
6.	<b>Councillors' Reports</b>	Mayor Pam Palmer and Councillor David Brooks-Horn were not present at the meeting.  Councillor Frances Vissel addressed the Section 7.11 plan for St Leonards South and the Golf Course community panel process.  Councillor Vissel Report: - area behind Greenwich Swimming Pool to be reviewed – steps replaced by ramp and re-grassed – This project was originally proposed by Pam Palmer - Visited St Leonards Park on Saturday – positive results. - Lane Cove Swimming Pool – booking system for lanes – these are no longer required in the 50m outdoor pool. - Composting Report – Dr Mick Battam provided a report in 2016.	

		<p>- Pathway development at Blaxland Corner – setback from bushland. Council is proposing to have a weight limit within the area.</p> <p>- St Leonards Traffic Report – available online - March Agenda of the LCC recommendations.</p> <p>- 2020 New Year Eve traffic regulations – FV will follow up for a review in 2021.</p> <p>- Council have made a policy for Councillors who can't attend Council meetings to zoom in.</p>	
7.	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<p>In absence of the Treasurer, MS tabled the report (attached)</p> <p>Balance: \$6,283.29</p> <p>Term Deposit: \$13,180.31</p> <p>MS offered to email any enquiries that may arise from this report.</p> <p>Moved by Candy Anstee, Seconded by Don M.</p>	
8.	<b>Notified Business</b>		
	<b>• St Leonards South</b>		
	<b>- Section 7.11 Plan</b>	<p>MS outlined the details of Section 7.11 Plan/Contributions</p> <p>The revised version of this Plan is now available and has been approved by Council.</p> <p>It will now go to IPART for approval.</p> <p>Section 7.11 funds will not be available to Council until the Certificates of Occupancy have issued for developments.</p> <p>Consequently, 10 properties in Park Road that will be acquired for the park have been in limbo since 2012 and will continue to be so until enough developments have been completed to pay for their sites.</p> <p>Albert Jubian made strong comments against this discussion.</p>	
	<b>- Clause 4.6 proposed changes</b>	<p>MS outlined the government's proposed changes to Clause 4.6 in Local Environment Plans. If the change goes ahead, the controls built into the St Leonards South Clause 4.6 gazetted last year that limited heights and FSR may be removed and developers will be able to push for additional height increases.</p> <p>Anita Jubian made strong comments against this discussion.</p> <p>Sue Yelland queried what would be the effect of changes?</p> <p>MS outlined the consequences would be that the focus will include economic test.</p>	
	<b>• Sport and Recreation Facility Plan/Building</b>	<p>MS asked Councillor Vissel to comment on the Sport &amp; Rec Precinct at the Lane Cove Golf Club.</p> <p>Initially MS outlined the plans that Council are proposing – a golf driving range and a mini golf course. There is strong protest against this project. Council decided to deal with the building first and have introduced a Citizens Panel.</p> <p>MS asked the floor if anyone has been asked to sit on this Panel – no-one had.</p>	

		<p>Councillor Vissel indicated that Panel members will be randomly invited. She tabled a manual for the Sport &amp; Rec Building concept plan. The building will not encroach on the Golf Course, but it will cause increased traffic issues.</p> <p>A roundabout will be installed at the Northwood intersection that flows into Stevenson Street to manage traffic driving down to the complex. The Recreation Centre will house netball, basketball and tennis facilities.</p> <p>Liz Walton asked Councillor Vissel whether Council has considered a dedicated right-hand turning lane into the Golf Course – Councillor Vissel will take the question on notice.</p> <p>Anita Jubian questioned - was there any assessments done for parking and traffic generally. Is LCC proposing something that will impact on the environment within the precinct.</p> <p>MS confirmed with Councillor Vissel that LCC has negotiated a loan of \$20M from TCorp at a low rate of interest. Council is hoping to get a grant under the Greater Sydney Sports Facility Scheme. The balance is to be funded by pre-paid lease payments from Australian Unity that has an option over 266 Longueville Road. Balance from Section 7-11 funding</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Greenwich Wharf Plans</b></li> </ul>	<p>MS tabled a printed flyer supplied by Mark Wilson. Mark Wilson is a resident near the ferry wharf and spoke to the flyer that had been delivered to houses on the peninsula. This is Transport NSW's attempt to inform the Community and seek feedback.</p> <p>Mark presented options for ramp access where the angle of the ramp would be more appropriate.</p> <p>Mark suggested that it may be possible to reduce the height of the lift so that it is level with the bus shelter. He encouraged everyone to submit their opposition to this project before 05 May:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- do the survey online</li> <li>- attend an onsite meeting Thurs 22/04 between 2-5pm.</li> <li>- lodge a submission</li> </ul> <p>LW queried the look of the wharf and that they all look the same around the harbour. LW objected to this due to the differing terrain, location and historical community.</p> <p>Candy Anstee queried what happens when the lift breaks. Transport NSW would need to be queried on health and safety issues.</p>	

		<p>Tom Lawson queried whether Mark Wilson had any other extensive consultations. Mark said he has met with Council and met with Transport NSW onsite. He feels they give the impression they are listening. Tom Lawson requested a summary of what Mark has developed should be placed on the GCA website.</p> <p>Don Murchison commented on a similar steep shared pathway at Morven Gardens where there is a switchback ramp for wheelchairs, to complement the straight path. It is there for those who need it, but in reality it is rarely used. The existing path to the ferry is adequate for cyclists. A lift to replace the current path is unrealistic. There must be consideration for cyclists.</p> <p>MS had a call from Anthony Roberts office to seek GCA views on the wharf upgrade – this was before this meeting and MS could not provide feedback. At this stage the GCA cannot make a formal submission due to lack of feedback from the Community. MS requested that Mark Wilson send through his suggested designs...</p> <p>It was agreed that the GCA approach Transport for NSW for an extension of a month for submissions.</p> <p>All queries and comments can be directed to Mark Wilson at <a href="mailto:mwilson@bkriver.com">mwilson@bkriver.com</a> or mobile 0414 745 113</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bob Campbell Oval Master Plan update</b></li> </ul>		<p>MS updated the meeting on BCO upgrade progress.</p> <p>Because there are other communities who have similar issues of grants for synthetic ovals – GCA should progress with the fight.</p> <p>10 Feb 2021 MS, Alan Winney &amp; Peter Deane met with Craig Wrightson to understand why the community petition was ignored. Mr Wrightson advised that synthetic was never part of the consultation.</p> <p>Mr Wrightson advised that the synthetic surface was never part of the consultation process – it had already been approved at Council.</p> <p>The GCA received a letter today from the Dept of Planning that states that it has been advised that synthetic was resolved by LCC in April 2018 so it seems that this is the Council position.</p> <p>14 March the Minister for Planning announced that he will hold a review into synthetic turf.</p> <p>15 March a motion to rescind BCO synthetic and explore grass was defeated 4-4 despite the Minister’s announcement.</p> <p>Council’s 19 March meeting the Mayoral minute made it clear that the Minister’s review would not impact the Council’s project and that Council had not been asked by the Minister to delay its project.</p>	

		<p>Alan Winney stated that LCC will conduct its own investigative environment study and take no notice of the review.</p> <p>The deadline for tender acceptance for the project is 31 May 2021 and this has not been extended.</p> <p>Tom Lawson stated that LCC elections are 04 Sept – working backwards 4 weeks before this means that if Council does not make any decisions in this time, then possibly, Council will not be able to approve the project in time. Consequently, the project will become a political point at the next council elections in Sept 2021.</p> <p>John Fegan informed the meeting that he had been advised by the consultant doing the geotechnical report for BCO that Council had told it that the report was to remain s draft, giving Council the excuse to not publish it on its website. Peter Stavely? PS also spoke to Sydney Water who are doing works for another 4 months – this will further delay LCC until August.</p> <p>MS is meeting with Anthony Roberts Thurs 22/04 accompanied by one other Committee member and an independent member of the community. Also, a webinar on synthetic turf will be held on Thurs 22/04 – register via the QR Code in our Newsletter.</p> <p>MS hopes that the outcome of the meeting with Anthony Roberts is that he will intercede on our behalf and request that LCC hold off on any decisions till after the review.</p> <p>The following motion was supported unanimously: - GCA expressed disappointed in the Council’s refusal to delay progress of the BCO project until after the findings of the Minister’s review have been released.</p> <p>Moved by MS and seconded by John Fegan.</p>	
<b>9.</b>	<b>General Business</b>	No general business	
<b>10.</b>	<b>Close</b>	9.45 pm meeting closed	

GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC  
 GENERAL MEETING 21 APRIL 2021  
 TREASURER'S REPORT  
 As at 8 April 2021

Membership - Individuals or families registered

142 as at 8 April 2021  
 257 as at 31 December 2020

Accounts as at 8 April 2021

Trading for Financial Year to Date  
 1 January 2021 to 8 April 2021

Profit and loss (Refer attached )	FY 2021
Gross Income	\$3,320.91
Total Expense	\$1,226.11
<u>Net Income (Loss)</u>	<u>\$2094.80</u>
<u>Cash Book balance</u>	<u>\$6,283.29</u>

Bank Balance \$6,989.84

(Statement attached)

Less Cheques to be presented	\$93.24	P Deane
	\$480.00	Printforce
	\$100.00	Hall hire (April, June)
	\$20.00	PO Box key
	\$203.31	DPIE GIPA Info
	<u>\$30.00</u>	GPIA – LCC J
	<u>\$926.55</u>	<u>Total</u>
	\$6,063.29	
Add Deposits to be banked	\$220.00	
<u>Balance</u>	<u>\$6,283.29</u>	
Term Deposit	<u>\$13,180.31</u>	

(Statement attached)

Comments

Term Deposit has been rolled for 6 months – 0.45% pa

John Southwood  
 Hon Treasurer