

# Minutes of Meeting

## Greenwich Community Association

### 19 October 2011

Meeting opened at 7.40pm

**Apologies:** Helen and Terry Jones, Tom Lawson, Councillor Rod Tudge, Councillor David Brooks-Horn

**Present:** As per the attendance book

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Minutes of meeting held on 17 August 2011, were read and approved subject to the following amendments:

- Councillor Brooks-Horn's name should not contain an "e".
- Councillor Palmer's report regarding the Shell site on Epping Road was lodged under Part 3A, not 5A.

*Moved by Peter Walton and seconded by John May.*

#### **Business arising from the previous minutes:**

- **Greenwich Baths:** Claire to hold regular meetings with Council. Councillor Palmer requested that any ideas for the baths should be directed to her. Suggestion received for hot shower at the baths. Bath's website to be reviewed next January.
- **Email Contact List:** No report on numbers, currently approximately 60. *Suggestion was made to email residents who have provided GCA with web addresses to opt in or opt out to become subscribers.*
- **Greenwich Library:** No report

#### **Councillor Report:**

##### **Councillor Palmer raised the following matters:**

- Foreshore land at the end of Richard Street: Confirmed that Council voted 'no sale'.
- Shell site on Epping Road: Draft submission to Department of Planning, more than 24 submissions received.
- Top floor of the Community Aid building has been approved to be an Art Gallery, expected to be completed by February 2012.
- Council undertaking a report on NBN.
- Proposal for a 2 hour parking zone on Greenwich Road to Hancock Lane has been submitted to Council.

#### **General Business:**

- Report to Council re the Solar Expo held in April, submitted to Council 21 August 2011.
- Proposal for Recycling Bag Share for Greenwich shops under the Lane Cove Council Sustainability Small Grants program, submitted 4 September 2011.

### Correspondence in:

- Multiple DA notifications as follows:  
12 Balfour St, 21 George St, 132 Greenwich Rd, 27 Manns Ave, 67 River Rd, 19 Glenview St, 37 Carlotta St, 3 Standish St, 12 St Lawrence St, 1 Stella Vista St, 23 Bent St, 23 Glenview St, 8 St Giles Ave, 16 Ford St, 7 Stella Vista St.
- 24 August, invitation to attend workshop on Volunteering.
- Letter from resident re problem with visibility of children crossing at Greenwich shops because of the barrier. *Suggestion that crossing be repainted*
- Letter from resident with suggestion/concerns re community noticeboard. *Suggestion by Councillor Palmer to look at the possibility of having a noticeboard in the upgraded bus stop.*
- Email re new format of North Shore Times and new community initiative, Project Local, a \$2000 financial grant for the best ideas.
- Flyer Walk Talks and Bushwalk Training.
- Letter 9 Sept offering to the community 42 redundant chairs from Lane Cove Concert Band.
- Lane Cove Community Information Database requires update from Greenwich Community Association.

### Treasurer's Report:

- Treasurer's report was tabled and explained. Report accepted. *Moved by John May*

### Special Business:

- **Shell Terminal:** Questions were raised by the community seeking clarity as to what are and will be, the Shell emergency management plans.

It was proposed that following on from the meeting of the Emergency Management Team in early November, a presentation be made by Shell at the December GCA meeting.

Questions raised during the meeting that need to be addressed:

1. What is the current emergency management plan?
2. How are Greenwich residents to be kept informed of any proposed changes to the emergency management plan?
3. Public health issues pertaining to noise and smell.
4. Are there any potential safety issues that may arise from the change of use from oil to petrol?
5. Potential environment issues?
6. Is the refinery on the State's dangerous site list?

It was determined that suitable questions needed to be provided for the Reference Group to raise at the 14 December GCA meeting. In view of the proposed change in use at the Shell Gore Bay Terminal, it was also suggested there is a need to have an independent expert who would be able to provide a list of suitable questions that could be raised at the meeting.

In order to obtain a suitable expert in this particular field, it was agreed to set aside a budget of \$2000. *Proposed Liz Gill, seconded John May*

Letter to Shell and Council regarding the 14 December meeting

Shell going ahead with the implementation of a new VCC system

- **Greenwich Shopping Centre Precinct Upgrade:** Phase 1 has now been completed.

Phase 2 incorporating the proposed additional angle parking on the east side of Wardrop Street is being considered.

John May and Peter Walton met with Peter Brown, Council's General Manager, and Wayne Ryland re this proposal and indicated that the proposal had the support of the Greenwich Infant School.

Council indicated during the meeting that they had a number of procedures they needed to go through.

Parking Sub-committee has subsequently followed up with Council and was still waiting for a response.

**The meeting closed at 9.30 pm**