

**Minutes of
Greenwich Community Association
Annual General Meeting
15th February 2012**

Meeting opened at 7.45pm

Apologies: John May, Jill Pain, Debbie Nye, Helen and Terry Jones, Councillor David Brooks-Horn, Councillor Rod Tudge, Tom Pinzone, Patricia Quealey.

Present: As per attendance book

Minutes of Previous meeting:

President Merri Southwood tabled the meeting held on 15 December re Emergency Management plans for the Shell Site, available on www.greenwich.org.au

Gore Bay Reference Group:

Peter Walton as chair of the group, gave a report on the Group's meeting, held 24 January 2012, minutes are on www.greenwich.org.au/Shell_Reference_Group.htm

Correspondence in:

- Clean-up Australia Day 04 March 2012. – Councillor Pam Palmer and resident Tom Lawson, propose to co-ordinate a site for Australia Day Clean-up.
- 23 Jan 2012, Draft Signage Concept to be used in parks and reserves, on exhibition on Lane Cove Council website, GCA website and Lane Cove library, deadline for comments 02 March 2012.
- Sustainability Small Grants for up to \$2000, round 4 now open to submissions, deadline 05 March 2010.
- Invitation for \$1950 Pilot program, GCA to sign up to conduct a pilot Greenwich Bag Share scheme.
- Proposal for 4 hour parking restriction in O'Connell Street, southern side.
- DA notification as attached:
- Copy of Minutes of Lane Cove Community Alliance meeting 27 November, 2012. Next meeting 21 February 2012.
- Email re Manns Point being an Alcohol Free Zone for 2013 New Year's Eve.

President's Report:

Merri Southwood delivered her report as attached, available on GCA website.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Peter Walton tabled and explained the financial report for 2011. Peter Walton also advised subscriptions were up and membership stood at approximately 220. Audit report by Bryan Bird was also tabled.

Peter thanked Bryan Bird for conducting the audit.

Motion for Report to be accepted was moved by Liz Gill, seconded by Garry Draffin.

Reports of Sub-Committees

• **Environment Sub-Committee Report:**

Liz Gill provided a report to GCA for activities undertaken by ESS during 2011, copy attached. Will also respond to the request from Lane Cove Council, to accept grant for Bag Share Program for Greenwich Village Shops. Liz Gill moved to accept funding, Peter Walton seconded.

Liz Gill was in discussions with Shops re Bag Share program. Also indicated a request from Hookes regarding a structure on footpath for protection in the eating area against weather, for patrons.

- **Shopping Precinct Sub-Committee Report:**

Councillor Pam Palmer updated GCA re Shopping Precinct in John May's absence.

Stage 1 - more or less completed with decision still to be made re notice board.

Stage 2 – To complete paving on both sides of Greenwich Road.

Stage 3 – Wardrop Street parking, still to be determined. Peter Walton updated GCA re submission for increased parking in Wardrop Street. School does not require Bus Stop and are in support of the proposal.

Reports from Representatives on Community Groups:

- **Lane Cove Alliance**

GCA representative Tom Lawson provided background history of Lane Cove Alliance and also updated on having attended their latest meeting, copy minutes attached

On-going issues between Lane Cove Alliance and Lane Cove Alive. GCA to review our ongoing participation in Lane Cove Alliance.

- **Greenwich Library:**

Patronage has decreased and question as to holding meetings being warranted.

- **GMCCA:**

Councillor Pam Palmer advised income from Kindergarten has improved, enabling purchase of new equipment and Hall being repainted.

Lane Cove Council to assess fire requirements and looking for any other community suggestions.

Preschool lease to be signed shortly

- **Gore Bay Reference Group:**

Peter Walton provided an explanation re the Reference Group. A more detailed explanation is comprehensively covered in the minutes of the 14 December meeting, can now be viewed on the GCA website.

The group has already had 2 meetings in December 2011 and in January 2012.

Gore Bay Reference Group website has a spread sheet with questions raised by the community. It also provides access for any further questions from the community.

Tom Lawson updated re storage issue – current unloading from ships more than can be handled by the pipe. Proposal to modify the pipe at the discharge end and at the ships end.

- **Shell Gore Bay Community Liaison Group:**

Meets 4 times a year to address community questions with the next meeting scheduled to be 7 March 2012.

Election of Office Bearers & Appointment of Auditor:

All office bearers stepped down and Councillor Pam Palmer took the chair to conduct elections for new office bearers. After expressing appreciation of the excellent work by Merri Southwood as President and of the Committee, the following were appointed after due process.

Position	Nominator	Secunder	Successful Candidate
President	Garry Draffin	Tom Lawson	Merri Southwood
Vice President	Merri Southwood	Alison Bird	Helen Jones
Vice President	Peter Walton	Tom Lawson	Garry Draffin
Secretary	Tom Lawson	Michael Coombs	Alan Winney
Treasurer	Merri Southwood	Garry Draffin	Peter Walton

Auditor	Pam Palmer	Garry Draffin	Bryan Bird
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Committee Members

Patricia Quealey
Michael Coombs
Liz Gill
Alison Bird
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Nominator

Merri Southwood

Seconders

Peter Walton

Following completion of the elections, Councillor Pam Palmer stepped down from the Chair, which was then occupied by the incoming President Merri Southwood, and the meeting resumed.

President Merri Southwood expressed GCA appreciation and thanks for the work undertaken by John Taylor as the webmaster for the GCA website.

Councillors Report:

Lane Cove Council looking at the issue of dinghies on the shore line
Councillor Pam Palmer indicated that Lane Cove Council is looking at holding one meeting per month.
Announced the retirement of the General Manager for Lane Cove Council, Peter Brown.
Lane Cove Council addressing the issue of trailer parking in O'Connell Street.
Corporate planning weekend for Councils
Lane Cove Council high rise changes, with an increase of 10% in dwellings.
Urgently requires nominations for Citizens Rewards.

Greenwich Village Games: Garry Draffin advised the Games will be on in December 2012 and there are Committee vacancies.

Meeting closed 9.50pm