

GREENWICH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2006 AT THE GREENWICH COMMUNITY CENTRE 46 GREENWICH ROAD

Opening

After determining that a quorum was present the meeting commenced at 8.05pm with Pam Palmer presiding.

Apologies

John May, Sally Lancaster, Brian Cole, Jill Geddes, Liz Gill, Jack McMahon, Bronte Gebler, Nicola Khoury

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting of the Association held on 16 February 2005 were tabled and accepted.

John Gebler/Richard Muller

The Minutes of the previous General Meeting of the Association held on 14 December 2005 were tabled and accepted.

Richard Muller/ Denis Smith

Matters Arising from Minutes

Annual General Meeting - Pam summarized key issues from the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting. It was noted that Council had not replied re the wharf lighting issue until November 2005.

General Meeting - Denis Smith confirmed that FOGS is to help organize Centenary celebrations for Greenwich Public School with the P&C. Sally Crossing's talk about undergrounding wires had been well received.

Correspondence In

Bushcare 2006 notice to be placed on noticeboard

13 DA notifications from Council

Letter re conduct of newsagency DA Committee meeting

Reply re Mercure extensions

Reply re Waterbrook concerns

Invitation to St Leonards Development Strategy meeting.

President's Report

Pam delivered her report as attached.

Treasurer's Report

Peter Walton presented the report to the meeting and tabled the Balance Sheet as attached.

He noted that the website is to be funded by the Association in future.

Pam Palmer advised that use of Council's (free) community copier for printing the newsletter had not been a huge success.

Councillor Lawson thanked Peter Walton for an excellent report.

Receipt of report accepted

Judy McMahon/Councillor Lawson

Auditor's Report

Pam outlined the need for auditor's report.

The meeting noted receipt of the report.

Election of Office Bearers

Pam Palmer vacated the chair and Councillor Tudge presided over the election of office bearers.

Councillor Tudge thanked Pam for her outstanding job as President and then declared all positions vacant.

The following office bearers and Committee members were elected:-

President	Pam Palmer	<i>Judy McMahon/Councillor Lawson</i>
Vice President	Rob Starling	<i>Pam Palmer/John Gebler</i>
	Richard Muller	<i>Pam Palmer/John Gebler</i>
	Merri Southwood	<i>Councillor Lawson/Richard Muller</i>
Secretary	Peter Walton	<i>Pam Palmer/Councillor Lawson</i>
Committee Members	Sally Dowling	
	John Dowey	
	Alan Winney	
	Brian Cole	
	Nicola Khoury	<i>Denis Smith/Judy McMahon</i>
	Alison Bird	
	John Gebler	

Appointment of Honorary Auditor

Bryan Bird

Rob Starling/John Dowey

Pam Palmer resumed the chair and thanked Councillor Tudge for presiding.

Councillors' Reports

Councillor Lawson reported that he had missed the one Council meeting since December as he was overseas.

Nominations for the Lane Cove Alive Committee have been received and 8 appointees are on the Committee. The committee is to explore improvements to the business centre precinct. Committee consists of 4 resident and 4 business members who will have to report to Council.

Councillor Tudge

Council has rejected Federal government phone box advertising request.
No success in seeking alternative location for newsagency and pharmacy during building work.

Waterbrook is buying up Nield Avenue properties.

DA for 1 Mitchell Street close to being approved.

Australand development getting close to original proposal.

Nominations for Citizenship awards due.

Requested suggestions for spending of ward allocation.

St Leonards Strategy study proceeding with a meeting coming up.

Matilda Cruises is warning that it may stop the Bay St run

Pressure at Councillors' weekend retreat to scale back committees- Councillor Tudge is concerned.

John Gebler asked about Waterbrook purchase of Nield Ave properties and whether consolidated site could become access point to current and later developments.

General discussion re access – matter still not resolved with Ridgview apartments.

Alan Winney asked if Nield Ave properties are part of new DA. Councillor Tudge advised that there is no DA yet, only discussion.

Pam asked about status of Development Control Plan over Nield Avenue.

General discussion re benefits or otherwise of reduced meetings/delegation of decision making.

Rob Starling voiced concern at prevalence of non complying proposals.

General Business

Waterbrook

Alan Winney will be meeting with Waterbrook the following day. Councillors are going to the meeting. Rob Starling asked about status of restaurant approval.

Billy Blue

John Dowey advised that there is nothing new to report.

Pam Palmer advised of robberies in O'Connell Street.

Year 2 at Greenwich School have moved to the Primary site. Pam asked if a zigzag could be placed on road as warning – Councillor Tudge is to follow up.

Newsletter

Looking for new deliverer in Nield Ave area.

GMCCA Hall

Bill Clarke reported on latest proposals and discussions.

Council is to draft agreements for GMCCA and KU to formalize use of Hall.

Hall to be available for community use. Draft to be available for public comment.

Need to fence grounds for DOCS but to keep open for community use as well.

Will need DA for fencing.

Mr Patterson, adjoining resident, addressed meeting about need to monitor use of Hall by inconsiderate users.

Greenwich Oldest Resident

Still to be determined.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10 pm.