



GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, 15th August 2007 commencing at 8pm
Greenwich Community Centre, 46 Greenwich Road

AGENDA SUMMARY

Apologies, Minutes, Matters arising
Special Guest Speaker

Updates and discussions on current major Development Applications
Councillors' Reports, Committee and Office Bearers' Reports

Note: Meetings start at 8.00pm and conclude at 10.00pm for supper.

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

John Lee

Special Projects Manager at Lane Cove Council

Council is looking to develop many of its properties with an eye to generating more capital. For example, residential units might be included, or commercial and retail premises constructed, as part of the development then sold off. Controversially, some plans include development on land currently zoned as Open Space.

John Lee is the manager of Special Projects at Lane Cove Council. He has just completed Council's draft Major Projects' strategy for the next 10 years.

How it will affect you and how you can influence the outcomes? Come and find out what it is all about, next Wednesday at 8pm. Comments made at the meeting will form the basis of a community submission to Council.

One of the major projects planned is to build a cultural centre for Lane Cove. It may contain a 250-seat theatre, music practice rooms, art space and more. It is estimated to cost \$18

million, equivalent to one entire year's worth of rate revenues.

Other major projects are the Woolworths/library (\$11m), redevelopment of the Meeting House (\$4.2m) and CBD carpark reconstruction in Rosenthal Ave (\$4m).

In total there are over \$56 million of capital projects on the agenda. How will these projects be funded? Indeed, should they all go ahead?

Our rates have been pegged by the State Government for the past 30 years. For a small municipality like Lane Cove, this severely limits the services and facilities that Council can provide. (The 6% rise just approved by the government is earmarked for specific purposes as a Sustainability Levy.)

John will present Council's draft plan and answer questions.

All residents are welcome to come to the meeting.

DOG OWNERS' UPDATE

New leash-free areas have been declared for Manns Point and Shell Park.



However, Greendale Park (near Wollstonecraft Station) has been removed from the list and

is now a leashed area. This acknowledges the great progress made to regenerate bushland in this locale.

HERITAGE CONSERVATION AREA

The delay in the heritage conservation undertaking for Greenwich Point has apparently been due to lack of funds. Council now has a budget in place to start the next phase.

NEW COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

We are starting a free community noticeboard on our website at www.greenwich.org.au.

Please send us the details: of births/deaths/marriages, community events, garage sales, lost & found, etc.

Meanwhile, we are hoping the more familiar display board by the pharmacy will be reinstated soon. We know it is missed by many people.

YOUTH NEWS

There is a new multimedia room at the Synergy Youth Centre with computers, cameras and printers. You might like to use these facilities for the Lane Cove photo competition which has a \$100 prize for the best student entry.

Lane Cove Superstar is a solo-singing competition for young people aged 12 to 20 years offering a free professional workshop, prizes and a performance opportunity.

Details at www.lanecoveyouth.com.au

LIBRARY NEWS

There will be a creative writing workshop at Greenwich Library on 29th August.

Did you know?...Every year since 2001/2002, Lane Cove Library has been the busiest library per capita in NSW.



In the last 12 months, the library achieved the highest number of loans in its 52 year history.

THANKYOU

A big thank you to all our members who recently renewed their subscriptions. The letterbox in the pharmacy was overflowing!

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