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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 13 APRIL 2017

Meeting commenced at 7.35 pm at Naremburn Community Centre, 7 Central Street, Naremburn.
The President took the Chair and opened the meeting.

1. WELCOME

The President, Viviane Leveaux, welcomed those present and opened the Annual General Meeting.
The Acknowledgement of Country was then provided by the President.

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

That the Minutes of the 2016 AGM as previously circulated be taken as read and accepted as a true record and account of that meeting.

Proposed: Frances O'Brien Seconded: Roger Promnitz

3. ACCEPTANCE OF NEW MEMBERS

Heidi Key; Stuart Rees; Louise Kenyon; Anya Webbe; Kylie Field; Michael Field; Patricia Gemmell.
Confirmations: Yvonne Ashfield & Les Louisson

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2017

Reflecting as we come to the end of another year in the life of the Naremburn Progress Association (NPA), it has been a busy year with the next one potentially busier. Some of the issues we have had to look at and respond to include the Sydney Metro, the Greater Sydney Commission Draft North District Plan and the 4-stream Willoughby Council Strategic Plan. The details of the recently announced Northern Beaches Link Tunnel are yet to be clarified, but concerns are already being raised by members of our community and those of our neighbours.

Council Amalgamations remain an area of significant concern for residents with both Mosman and North Sydney adamant that they are not prepared to amalgamate. They remain prepared to continue the fight, especially after the successful appeal of Ku-Ring-Gai in relation to their proposed amalgamation with Hornsby, otherwise, it's business as usual for Willoughby.

There have been several contentious Development Applications (DAs) where the NPA has supported its members in ensuring satisfactory outcomes where they are affected by those DAs.

The development of the Channel 9 site has not progressed as we await a decision from the Department Of Planning (DoP) following comments last year in relation to the latest Modified Concept Plan. It is our understanding that another Planning Assessment

Commission(PAC) has to be established. Our colleague, Bob Taffel, President of Willoughby South Progress Association is monitoring this on behalf of the surrounding communities.

Equally the proposal to upgrade/redevelop the area around St Leonards Station is with the DoP and being monitored by the Naremburn Action Group (NAG).

During the year we welcomed, to our meetings, a number of interesting guest speakers, notably, Willoughby Council's Mayor Gail Giles-Gidney providing Council updates; Myra Tustian and Eddie Chan from Willoughby-Lane Cove SES; social commentator and writer Jane Caro discussing issues around community engagement and Kevin Fitzpatrick who took us on a captivating journey of his experience through Antarctica and of Shackleton's explorations. We plan to have more guest speakers during the year and welcome any requests from our members.

Naremburn Matters continues to be one of our two main channels of communication with the wider Naremburn Community. This year we welcomed Les Louisson who came on board and brought in new advertisers and the NPA have enlisted the talents of Kylie Field as the new editor. Kylie has extensive experience in journalism and has fresh ideas to make this a more interesting and vibrant newsletter relevant to the needs of the community. We wish her every success.

I would like to recognise our current and new advertisers without whom we would not have a newsletter and the wonderful band of walkers who ensure that they are delivered to all Naremburn letterboxes. Thank you to all volunteers who have contributed to the past editions that have been without an editor ensuring that Naremburn Matters continued.

Our other channel of communication is the NPA website <http://www.naremburnprogress.org.au/>. I wish to acknowledge and thank Peter Witcombe from Imagineers and Helene Kemp in volunteering their time to keep it updated and thank you to Helene who, as Vice-President, has supported and at times relieved me throughout the year.

Representing the Federation of Willoughby Progress Association(FWPA) has been Roger Promnitz, Frances O'Brien and me. It is important that the Federation remains the community voice of Willoughby and that we, in Naremburn, have a say in that voice. I thank Roger for his contribution and efforts as it is a mammoth task to keep on top of all that is happening not only at council level but state level. His knowledge on these matters has been and remains invaluable to our Naremburn Community and without it we would not be so well informed or have the quality of input into the aforementioned projects.

Thank you to Carmen Loecherer, our treasurer, who ensures we conform to all the statutory requirements and that our finances are kept on track. With the income that Les has brought in with advertising from Naremburn Matters and the income from the NPA membership, we would like to give back to our community. As a thank you for all your support we will be inviting the Naremburn community for a family outdoor film night in Naremburn Park in September, the details of which will, hopefully, be outlined in the June edition of Naremburn Matters. Anyone wishing to volunteer their time and support, please contact Helene Kemp or Carmen Loecherer.

A big thank you to Malcolm Gemmell and Barry Shaw, who have been attentive in monitoring developments around Bicentennial Reserve and the Netball Courts.

Thank you to our ward councillors Michelle Sloane, Stuart Coppock and Nic Wright, who have provided advice and support to the NPA during the year and especially in these uncertain times with decisions around proposed council amalgamations.

It remains for me to thank the other members of the Executive Committee who have guided and supported me through this past year: Frances O'Brien, Joann Morand and

Ralph Youie; and you, our current NPA members, as without your support we would not exist, nor would we have a voice on matters of significance, both great and small.

In conclusion, it has been a privilege to represent our community this past year and I wish the incoming Executive every success.

Viviane Leveaux
President

Motion: That the President's report for the year ended 31 December 2016 be adopted.
Proposed: Viviane Leveaux **Seconded:** Barry Shaw
Motion Carried.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT		
<u>Income</u>		
Advertising Nareburn Matters	6,820	4,119
Interest Received	7	7
Membership fees	1,230	1,170
Donations	-	110
Total Income	8,057	5,406
<u>Expenses</u>		
Filing Fees	54	99
Insurance	193	185
Monthly meeting expenses	170	164
Nareburn Matters production	5,146	3,598
Postage and Stationery	16	112
Website expenses	193	193
Renewal of Post Office address	196	181
Fees	-	1
Total Expenses	5,968	4,533
Profit/(Loss)	2,089	872
BALANCE SHEET		
<u>Assets</u>		
Bank Balance	6,554	5,585
Debtors - outstanding advertising income	1,285	1,444
Cash - membership fees not deposited	55	-
Total Assets	7,894	7,029
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Creditors - Nareburn Matters Production costs (Dec 15 edition)	-	1,224
Total Liabilities	-	1,224
Net Assets	7,894	5,805
<u>Equity</u>		
Balance 1 January	5,805	4,933
Profit/(Loss) for current year	2,089	872
Total Equity	7,894	5,805

Motion: That the Treasurer's report for the year ended 31 December 2016 be adopted
Proposed : Carmen Loecherer Seconded: Frances O'Brien
Motion Carried.

6. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

“That the annual membership subscription of \$15.00 per person per annum and \$10.00 concession per person per annum, remain unchanged.”

Proposed: Carmen Loecherer. Seconded: Roger Promnitz
Motion Carried

7. ELECTION OF RETURNING OFFICER

Councillor Michelle Sloane was appointed Returning Officer for the 2017 elections

8. ELECTION OF OFFICER BEARERS.

All positions were declared vacant, and Cr Sloan took the chair.

Nominations

President: Roger Promnitz
Vice President: Helene Kemp
Secretary: Ralph Youie
Treasurer: Carmen Loecherer

There being no further nominations, the nominees were declared elected

9. ELECTION OF UP TO THREE (3) COMMITTEE MEMBERS

All positions were declared vacant. Nominations received were:

Viviane Leveaux, Barry Shaw and Kylie Field

There being no further nominations, the nominees were declared elected.

10. ELECTION OF DELEGATES

Federation of Willoughby Progress Association

Nominations:
Roger Promnitz – The President is automatically a delegate
Ralph Youie
Helene Kemp

There being no further nominations, the nominees were declared elected

Bicentennial Reserve and Flat Rock Gully Advisory Group

Nominations: Barry Shaw, Malcolm Gemmell

There being no further nominations, the nominees were declared elected

11. CLOSURE

The incoming President, Roger Promnitz, took the chair and closed the meeting at 8.03 pm.

