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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 11 APRIL 2019

Meeting commenced at 7.35 pm at Naremburn Community Centre, 7 Central Street, Naremburn.

1. WELCOME

The President, Roger Promnitz took the chair, welcomed those present and, with a quorum present, opened the Annual General Meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country.

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

That the Minutes of the 2018 AGM as previously circulated be taken as read and accepted as a true record and account of that meeting.

Proposed: Ralph Youie

Seconded: Julie Waddington

Motion Carried.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2018

The President's report had been previously circulated and taken as read.

Motion: That the President's report for the year ended 31 December 2018 be adopted.

Proposed: Roger Promnitz

Seconded: Barry Shaw

Motion Carried.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

The Treasurer's report had been previously circulated and taken as read. There being no questions,

Motion: That the Treasurer's report for the year ended 31 December 2018 be adopted.

Proposed: Carmen Loecherer

Seconded: Roger Promnitz

Motion Carried.

5. ELECTION OF RETURNING OFFICER

Councillor Stuart Coppock was appointed Returning Officer for the 2019 elections and took the chair.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICER BEARERS.

Nominations were received for the following officer bearers:

President:

Roger Promnitz

Vice President:

Helene Kemp

Secretary:

Ralph Youie

Treasurer:

Carmen Loecherer

Since only one nomination was received for each of the positions President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, the persons nominated are taken to be elected

7. ELECTION OF THREE (3) ORDINARY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Nominations were received for ordinary committee member:

Barry Shaw

There being insufficient nominations received to fill the three positions of ordinary committee member, the candidate nominated are taken to be elected.

Further nominations were called from the floor and Barry Shaw nominated Viviane Leveaux. With the nomination accepted, and there being no further nominations, the Viviane Leveaux was taken to be elected as an Ordinary Committee member.

8. ELECTION OF DELEGATES

Federation of Willoughby Progress Associations

Up to three delegates to the Federation of Willoughby Progress Associations are required.

Nominations:

Roger Promnitz and Ralph Youie

There being no further nominations, the nominees were declared elected

9. WARD COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cr Coppock briefed the meeting on a number of matters in the Willoughby Council Area, noting that the works are being undertaken under the freeway at Naremburn to install a drain and works at the Incinerator. He expressed concern at the potential development along Willoughby Road at Willoughby South and Naremburn, and at Artarmon and at the height of proposed developments in the Chatswood CBD, particularly around Johnson Street

10. CLOSE

The President resumed the chair and closed the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Chairperson



Date



President's Report – 2019 AGM

The last year through to April 2019 has been another challenging period as we have been involved in representing the community on a number of issues.

Probably one of the most significant issues has been the proposal arising from Roads and Maritime Services to construct the Western Harbour Tunnel and Beaches Link, with the preferred dive sites for the Beaches Link tunnelling to be either the Flat Rock baseball diamond or the revegetated area immediately on the other side of Flat Rock Drive. With an anticipated construction time of six years, this project could have huge detrimental impacts on traffic, health, real estate values and the environment, so the NPA has opposed the options offered so far and requested information as to why these options are regarded as the only ones viable. It is anticipated that further information will become available once the EIS is released, expected late 2019.

The developments being approved in the St Leonards/Crows Nest area are of concern as there are a number of buildings being constructed which most residents would regard as too high, with excessive bulk and scale and insufficient green space. Both directly as NPA and also through representations by the Naremburn Action Group, a series of submissions have been made seeking downscaling of these proposals as they will degrade the amenity of the adjacent Naremburn Conservation Area. Whilst we will continue to push for reduced heights etc, these developments are generally in neighbouring LGAs so our ability to influence is lessened.

A move by Willoughby City Council (WCC) to disband virtually all of the long-standing Advisory Committees during 2018 aroused much uncertainty amongst the community, as residents saw this as an attempt by Council to distance itself from the community, a claim rejected by Council Officers. Councillors themselves were also unclear as to the objectives of this initiative, but after much debate it was resolved to leave this matter in abeyance until after the 2020 Council elections.

WCC have been active in developing a series of Concept Plans to address future strategies for both Housing and Local Centres across the LGA over the past 18 months. Several Drop-In sessions and Design Roundtable sessions have been held for identified Local Centres within the Willoughby LGA, Naremburn being one of those Local Centres. It is important that the community engages on these matters in order to provide proper feedback during the consultations, and Naremburn residents have been very vocal in identifying any concerns with the concepts presented thus far. A strong desire to preserve the village atmosphere and fine-grained character of the shops area has been very prevalent, but further feedback and discussion is encouraged.

There are numerous other issues that could be noted within this report, but limited space precludes such description. What I did want to do is, on behalf of all the members of the NPA, express our sincere thanks to the other members of the Committee for their continued and generous support over an extended period. A number have expressed a desire to step back from Committee duties but have continued on rather than leave the group further short-handed. We would still welcome any offers of assistance, as 2019 shapes as yet another challenging year for the Naremburn community.

Roger Promnitz
President, Naremburn Progress Association.
April 2019

NAREMBURN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

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	2018	2017
	\$	\$
PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT		
<u>Income</u>		
Advertising Naremburn Matters	7,590	8,340
Interest Received	6	7
Membership fees	1,370	1,275
Events - Outdoor Movie (WCC Grant)	-	2,250
Total Income	8,966	11,872
<u>Expenses</u>		
Filing Fees	-	44
Insurance	365	170
Monthly meeting expenses	95	301
Naremburn Matters production	6,573	7,077
Postage and Stationery	5	49
Website expenses	193	226
Renewal of Post Office address	201	196
Events - Outdoor Movie	-	4,888
Other	-	62
Total Expenses	7,431	13,013
Profit/(Loss)	1,535	(1,140)
BALANCE SHEET		
<u>Assets</u>		
Bank Balance	5,659	6,412
Debtors - outstanding advertising income	3,025	2,775
Cash - membership fees not deposited	-	-
Total Assets	8,684	9,187
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Creditors - Naremburn Matters Production costs (Dec 17 edition)	-	2,393
Creditors - Prepaid membership fees (2019&20)	245	40
Creditors - Prepaid advertising	150	-
Total Liabilities	395	2,433
Net Assets	8,289	6,754
<u>Equity</u>		
Balance 1 January	6,754	7,894
Profit/(Loss) for current year	1,535	(1,140)
Total Equity	8,289	6,754