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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING THURSDAY August 8, 2019

Naremburn Community Centre, 7 Central Street, Naremburn.

The President took the Chair and opened the meeting at 7:33pm with a welcome to country.

1. GUEST SPEAKER

Cr. Nic Wright spoke about the changing role of council and councillors. Cr Wright noted that the Local Government Act legislates specific roles for councillors and council and that:

- Councillors are involved in policy making (representing residents views) and council administers policy.
- Councillors can no longer call up and direct staff to fix things up for residents.
- Day to day operations are off limits to councillors.
- Councillors no longer involved with DA's
 - The Planning panel consists of one council nominee and two state government nominees.

Cr. Wright recommends that where residents have concerns or issues, in first instance, residents should call council directly, and then if necessary, speak to councillor who can assist in facilitating discussion with the relevant council staff. He noted that it is still possible to speak directly with the responsible council staff.

In response to questions:

- Naremburn Local Centre – council consultation suggests "Majority of survey respondents are happy four or five storeys" however Cr Wright intends to seek additional feedback as this appears inconsistent with his understanding of residents' feedback
- The source of funding for the Concourse recladding (\$7.9M), is coming from funds received from tenants
- Merrenburn Ave boat parking: new parking signs can be expected to be installed around one month after approval for a six month trial

The meeting adjourned for supper at 8:25 and reconvened at 8:37pm

2. OPEN FORUM

St Leonard South Precinct – It was noted that the IPC advice against the development and that no rezoning is required for Lane Cove to meet housing targets probably just buys time given further representations by the developer and Lane Cove council can be expected.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

That the minutes of the General Meeting of June 13, 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Proposed: Roger Promnitz

Seconded: Julie Waddington

Motion Carried

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

President met with Ward Councillors Wright and Coppock (Cr Tuon not available) to discuss concerns expressed at the last NPA general meeting and it was agreed to rebuild communications and endeavour to have a councillor present at each NPA meeting.

Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan study – no feedback to date

Committee Casual Vacancy Filled by John Melville; Still have a vacancy to be filled

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Key Correspondence

In

18-Jun-19	WCC	Naremburn Parking
28-Jun-19	WCC	Decision on DA2018/420 34-36 Chandos
1-Jul-19	WCC	Advise grant application for website upgrade unsuccessful
25-Jul-19	IPC - Matthew Todd	Advice the IPC has provided advice to Minister on St Leonard South precinct
30-Jul-19	Lousie McDonald	request to put advertisement on notice board
31-Jul-19	WCC	Registration of Interest for Concessional Hire of council facilities
04-Aug-19	Lower Nth Shore Climate Action	Request to advise NPA members of event on August 18 re climate change
06-Aug-19	Don Wilson	request to present to NPA about "Adopt a Street and Keep Neat"

Out

03-Jun-19	Design by Mouse	Website quote information
11-Jun-19	Peter Bower	Response to query on Naremburn Parking
20-Jun-19	WCC	DA-2018/420 34 Chandos Street ST LEONARDS NSW 2065.
27-Jun-19	State Library/WCC	Naremburn Matters
07-Jul-19	FWPA	confirmation to Public Liability insurance coverage not required by NPA, but Volunteer Coverage is required.
16-Jul-19	IPC	request update on St Leonard South Precinct recommendation

6. ACCOUNTS

NPA Meeting 8th August 2019			
Financial Report - 30/05/19 to 08/08/19			
Opening Balance as at 30th May 2019			\$ 8,703.65
Add: Income			
Membership	\$	15.00	
Joining Fees	\$	10.00	
Advertising - N.Matters	\$	1,445.00	
Interest	\$	2.00	
Other/Special Event	\$	-	
		<u> </u>	\$ 1,472.00
Less: Expenditure			
Stationery/Postage	\$	-	
Meeting amenities	\$	-	
N. Matters Publication	\$	1,385.00	
Other	\$	-	
Special Event	\$	-	
		<u> </u>	\$ 1,385.00
Closing Balance as at 8th August 2019			\$ 8,790.65
		<i>Variance</i>	\$ -

Bank reconciliation			
Balance per bank statement		08-Aug-18	\$ 8,155.65
Less Unpresented chqs & pre payments			
Prepaid Advertising (Forsyths)	\$	-	
Prepaid membership	\$	65.00	
Other	\$	<u> </u>	
			\$ 65.00
Add Receipts not deposited			
Membership	\$	-	
Donations	\$	-	
Advertising (invoices outstanding)	\$	<u>700.00</u>	
			\$ 700.00
Balance as per cash Summary		08-Aug-18	\$ 8,790.65
		<i>Variance</i>	\$ -

That the finance report be accepted:

Proposed: Carmen Loecherer **Seconded** Kevin Fitzpatrick **Motion Carried.**

7. FEDERATION OF WILLOUGHBY PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS (FWPA)

The FWPA AGM has been postponed by three weeks to August 24, 2019 to allow the Mayor to be present as returning officer and stay to answer any questions. The President reports that it has been a challenge to find persons interested to take on a committee role with the FWPA.

The president reported that Advisory Committees will continue to operate until the next council elections, and it is expected that the role of advisory committees will change to committees that can provide 'professional advice' that council does not otherwise have

8. WARD COUNCILLORS REPORT

Further to Cr Wright comments as guest speaker he advised:

- Progress Associations can expect to be advised on plans for the Local Centres
- No news on beaches link tunnel.
- WCC is preparing a long term financial plan, and significant spending in and around Naremburn is expected covering street works, signage and other items
- Council plans to redevelop the Willoughby Leisure centre into an aquatic centre with 25m pool, and not 50m, given the availability of 50m pools nearby. Firm plans have not yet been made
- In response to a question, Cr Wright noted that the Gore Hill Oval is being well used post resurfacing, and believes pressure has been taken off other sporting grounds in the area

9. SUB-COMMITTEES REPORTS

a) DAs received since last meeting

DA-2019/148	13 Central	Alterations and additions to dwelling garage, fencing, landscaping, external works and associated works
DA-2019/165	40 Northcote	Demolition and construction of concrete slab for two carparking spaces, pedestrian bridge and associated works
DA-2019/192	289 Willoughby Rd	First floor habitable studio above existing carport facing Claire St and associated works
DA-2018/54/A	22 Slade St	Modify original proposal to include changes to stormwater, internal bathroom layout, front fence, rear doors, shed orientation and associated works
DA-2019/58	16 Dargan St	Demolish existing garage and reconstruct a new double garage with a new secondary dwelling above and associated works

b) Events

The Lower North Shore Climate Action group is running the following event:

"How To Talk About Climate Change (and not lose your friends)"

Sunday, 18 August 2019 from 2pm - 5pm

Crows Nest Hotel,
1 Willoughby Road,
Crows Nest

Speakers:

Student from School Strike 4 Climate (TBA)

Josh Creaser (Tipping Point)

All ages welcome (including parents with kids!)

Free entry - but we encourage people to purchase something from the bar to help us cover venue hire costs.

Please Register on Eventbrite

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/how-to-talk-about-climate-change-and-not-lose-your-friends-tickets-67749258857>

<https://www.facebook.com/events/480718595815716>

c) **Membership**– as at July 26, 2019

New and Rejoining members admitted since June: John Melville, Fran O'Brien.

One member admitted subject to payment of joining fees.

	Members	Associate	Life	Pending	Total	Resigned	Additions
At Jul 26, 2019	75	3	2	1	81	2	1
At May 31, 2019	76	3	2	2	83		5
At Mar 31, 2019	73	3	2	0	78		

d) **Naremburn Matters**

More walkers are required and advertised in 'Nextdoor'.

e) **Open Spaces** –

Artarmon Bowling Club – council resolved to go ahead to remove existing building and replace with pavilion approach and some indoor space.

f) **Naremburn Action Group** -

Julie Waddington summarised discussions of a meeting by a NAG representative with acting Secretary of Infrastructure and Place and Director of Urban Renewal from the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE). Topics discussed included:

ST LEONARDS/CROWS NEST MASTERPLAN – the Masterplan will still proceed and the large number of precincts are being prioritised for review. The DPE indicated that planning power still remain with councils

ST LEONARDS SOUTH RESIDENTIAL PRECINCT – following the Independent Planning Commission's findings, including that the site would be overdeveloped and that the heights were too great, ongoing discussions with Lane Cove Council/Developers and the DPE are anticipated to address IPC concerns.

CROWS NEST METRO SITE - North Sydney Council say that they can no longer fund the redevelopment of Hume Street Park and are turning to larger development in St. Leonards to obtain the money. Discussions are ongoing between DPE, Metro and North Sydney Council.

ST. LEONARDS as a strategic centre, the main aim is to retain it as an employment centre and the target for jobs is 16,500 (by 2036?) "Significant sites" (not State Significant Sites) were put in place by North Sydney Council - possibly to help fund Hume Street Park.

Cycleways are being encouraged through levies. These cycleways will possibly be on the footpaths and shared with pedestrians which is concerning.

There appear to be no plans for upgrading roads, traffic lights, pedestrian crossings, widening of pavements and larger building setbacks but DPE want to plan for a better experience for pedestrians and cyclists.

NAREMBURN SHOPS - DPE have evidently been in discussions with Willoughby Council. It is understood that the DPE are aware that the developers want more area, height and FSR that it is not part of the Masterplan.

NORTHERN BEACHES LINK - There are evidently a lot of issues for Dept. of Transport to address before they can issue an EIS.

100 CHRISTIE STREET - ongoing talks between DPE, NSC and developer with issues regarding setbacks, entry to building, traffic in the lane etc to be addressed at DA stage.

g) Bicentennial Reserve and Flat Rock Gully

The Advisory committee only meets two times per year, with the last meeting on June 25 and attended by the President (Barry Shaw was the prior representative)

A new NPA representative need to be appointed, and it is expected that the committee's role may increase given the potential WHTBL dive site in the area.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

none

11. CIRCULATION OF ATTENDANCE BOOK –

a. Members: 11; Visitors:4; Apologies: 4

12. MOTION OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

None for this meeting.

13. NEXT GENERAL MEETING

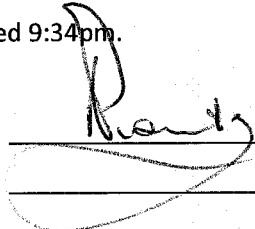
The next meeting will be on **Thursday, October 10, 2019**, at the Naremburn Community Centre, 7 Central St, Naremburn, commencing at 7.30pm.

14. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed 9:34pm.

Chairperson

Date



10/10/19

