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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF 8 MARCH 2012

Meeting commenced at 8.30 pm following the conclusion of the AGM at the Naremburn Community Centre, 7 Central Street, Naremburn

1. OPEN FORUM

- (a) **Geoffrey Gemmell (Glenmore Street)** – Geoffrey reported on the update of the Bells for the St Leonard's Catholic Church in Naremburn. The Naremburn church has lodged an application with Willoughby Council to install six bronze bells and a sound control into the existing bell tower. Donated anonymously by a north Wales church, the bells have a combined mass of 2.05 tonnes and chime at around 110 decibels. Community objection to the proposal late last year spawned a Willoughby Council decision to establish a working group for further discussion. The group consists of Naremburn residents, council members and representatives of St Leonard's church. A motion was proposed that "the Naremburn Progress Association send a representative to the Council Meeting to be held on Monday 12 March 2012." Proposed: Kevin FitzPatrick; Seconded: Trisha FitzPatrick. It was agreed that **Kevin FitzPatrick (Central Street)** will officially represent the Naremburn Progress Association at the WCC Council meeting on Monday 12 March 2012. Kevin to email his statement document to Executive Committee Members. A vote of financial members present at the time was taken by show of hands – For 11, Against 1, Abstentions 7.
- (b) **Kevin FitzPatrick (Central Street)** – Kevin said that resident of Central Street have not received a letter from Julie Whitfield, WCC's Open Space Manager and that he has now sent a follow-up letter to Julie Whitfield. **Kevin FitzPatrick (Central Street)** – The Slip Road is again ponding. Letter to the appropriate authority needs to be sent. (See previous correspondence).
- (c) **Peter Woodfield (Olympia Road)** – Peter reported on the new bus link for children travelling to and from Artarmon School. State Transit has altered and extended Route 661 to better serve Artarmon Public School students. Commencing 12 March 2012. Morning Service – Departs Crows Nest at 8.19am. Naremburn shops at 8.22am, Willoughby Girls HS at 8.28am, Mowbray and Sydney Roads at 8.30am and arrive at Artarmon PS at 8.43am. Afternoon Service – departs Artarmon PS at 3.00pm, Smith and Artarmon Roads at 3.12pm, Willoughby Girls HS at 3.25pm, Naremburn shops at 3.34pm and Crows Nest at 3.37pm. It is important that children getting off in Naremburn or Crows Nest catch the 661 bus.
- (d) **Sue Howard (Olympia Road)** – Kevin FitzPatrick said that Sue sent an email in relation to the parking issues in Olympia Road. In our files there is a detailed letter response from Willoughby City Council to our earlier letter on this issue.

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

That the minutes of the General Meeting of 9 February 2012, as circulated, be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Proposed: Viviane Leveaux; Seconded: Beryl Batterham

3. NOMINATION OF NEW MEMBERS

None for this meeting.

4. CONFIRMATION OF NEW MEMBERS

None for this meeting

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- (a) **Western area of Naremburn – Traffic and Parking Safety issues** – These issues were dealt with in Steven Head's address and the subsequent Q&A session.
- (b) **Oral History Program** – NPA Member Julianne Blunck has given Kevin FitzPatrick a well-prepared presentation folder on the 1906 timber cottage at 16 Talus Street, by Lynne Eames of 12 Talus Street. Lynne has asked Willoughby District Historical Society to look at it as a Heritage Item Nomination; with a cc to Gladys Berejiklian MP and the NSW Heritage Society. Cr Lamb commented that Lynne should contact WCC on this issue.
- (c) **Willoughby Local Environment Plan 2009** – pending legislation - nothing to report.
- (d) **Traffic Committee Report (RTA, Police, State Member, WCC)** – nothing to report.
- (e) **School for Naremburn** – See Open Forum item (c) Bus for Naremburn children at Artarmon Public School
- (f) **Bells for St Leonard's Catholic Church** – See Open Forum item (a) and Item 10 (a) DAs report

- (g) **7 & 9 Donnelly Road** – Roger Promnitz attended the Land and Environment Court on-site Conciliation of 21 February 2012 on behalf of the NPA as agreed at our February 2012 General Meeting. He was one of 6 speakers and presented our view on traffic congestion, danger to children. See also Item 10 (a) DAs report

6. CORRESPONDENCE

In

- (a) 09/02/2012 – document – WCC – Steven Head – Map of proposed work by Ausgrid
- (b) 06/02/2012 – letter – WCC Director Infrastructure Services, Steven Head – Naremburn Hill Maintenance and Lighting
- (c) 10/02/2012 – email – WCC, Knud Heldt, Centre Director – Notice to remove NPA records from Over50s room.
- (d) 16/02/2012 – letter - WCC Lyn Smith Community Development Manager– brochures for Senior Week
- (e) 16/02/2012 – flyer received – WCC Important Naremburn Community Info –sound test bells St Leonard's Church.
- (f) 26/02/2012 – email – Helen Meader, Garland Rd resident – noise from personal trainers, Bicentennial Reserve
- (g) 04/03/2012 – email –Diana Jones Castlecrag PA/FWPA Treasurer – Information FWPA insurance/Coverforce
- (h) 08/03/2012 - email – WCC Children's Services Manager – notification regarding spare key for Storage Room
- (i) 08/03/2012 – email2-WCC Children's Services Manager - key ordered/storage room unavailable for meetings.

Out

- (a) 15/02/2012 – letter – WCC – NPA's Earth Hour Event 2012 - car park mud map enclosed
- (b) 21/02/2012 - report – Roger Promnitz – delivered at the 7&9 Donnelly on site conciliation
- (c) 26/02/2012 – email – WCC -.Updating GM on storage room, community centre
- (d) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – Willoughby Fire & Rescue- thank you 110th
- (e) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – Lane Cove Fire & Rescue – thank you 110th
- (f) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate - SES Willoughby-Lane Cove – thank you 110th
- (g) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – Hong, Vina Bakehouse – thank you 110th
- (h) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – Wes Shaw, Design Suite – thank you 110th
- (i) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – Rob Forsyth/Forsyth Coffee House – thank you 110th
- (j) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – Adrian Turley/Cream Gourmetdeli – thank you 110th
- (k) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – Ahmed/Franklins Supermarket – thank you 110th
- (l) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate/invoice – Bahige Sayed/Oriental & Continental Foods – thank you 110th
- (m) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – Jason Ince/Adpost Printing – thank you 110th
- (n) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – WCC Events/Bernard Lau – thank you 110th
- (o) 27/02/2012 – letter/certificate – Chatswood Police/Constable Hurley – thank you 110th
- (p) 27/02/2012 – letter – Carmen Loecherer/ Children's Calendar – thank you 110th
- (q) 08/03/ 2012 - letter – WCC Manager Open Space, Julie Whitfield – follow up on tree planting for Central Street.

7. ACCOUNTS

The outgoing Treasurer Barry Shaw presented the financial report for the period 8 February 2012 to 8 March 2012

Opening Balance as at 7 February 2012	\$8,816.17
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Add: Income:

Naremburn Matters advertising – March issue	2,350.00	
Members' Subscriptions	100.00	
Earth Hour '12 Sponsorship	1,500.00	<u>3,950.00</u>
		12,766.17

Less: Expenditure

Earth Hour 2012:		
M.Shaw –Portaloo rental	555.50	
N. Suburbs Party Hire-rental tables, chairs etc	645.60	
K. FitzPatrick-toner, stamps, printing	80.98	
Bank-deposit book	7.00	
H.Kemp-meeting supper	25.01	<u>1,314.09</u>
Closing Bank Balance as at 8 March 2012		*\$11,452.08

*Includes 2012 Earth Hour Grant of \$3,000

Expenditure Approvals Requested:

R. Phelan – N.M production-March '12	2,023.89	
M.Shaw- E.H. '12- 20 x lanterns	81.79	
- envelopes for subs.	<u>11.68</u>	93.47
Aust. Post-annual rental POB 393	149.50	
Kevin FitzPatrick – stationery	25.41	
Helene Kemp – supper expenses	19.97	

That this expenditure be approved.

Proposed: Martha Follent: Seconded: Beryl Batterham

8. FEDERATION OF WILLOUGHBY PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS (FWPA)

Next meeting to be held on Saturday 10 March 2012: NPA Delegates are Frances O'Brien and Helene Kemp.

9. WARD COUNCILLORS

Cr Kate Lamb attended and commented throughout the meeting on various issues; apology from Cr Barry Thompson.

10. SUB-COMMITTEES REPORTS

(a) Development Applications received since the January meeting –2 tabled

DA-2011/543	53 Dalleys Road	Alterations, additions to existing dwelling
DA-202/30	20 Mitchell Street	Timber screen on North boundary

Section 96 applications – 1 tabled

DA-2004/1132/B	18 Mitchell St	Amend RL's (minor) to reflect as-built
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Other active items

DA-2011/261 7&9 Donnelly Road 72 place Childcare centre
A site meeting was held on 21st February, convened by the Land & Environment Court Commissioner. Several submissions were made, including one by the NPA representative. No resolution was achieved, such that this matter is still being considered.

DA-2011/493 43 Donnelly Road Installation of 6 bells in St Leonard's Church tower.
Following the establishment of a Working Group and some test ringing of equivalent intensity, this matter will be discussed at the next Council meeting on 12 March,

(b) Bicentennial Reserve and Flat Rock Gully Advisory Group

Frances O'Brien reported on the meeting of 23 February 2012; work that had begun on the playground, should be completed by the beginning of the Netball season; an audit was conducted on the number of water filling stations – this was found to be satisfactory, but will be better signposted to increase usage. There has been some discussion on the installation of lights on the bike path; waiting on an update from Ausgrid. Steven Head (WCC) gave an update on the Masterplan for the Leisure Centre. The Plan is to go to WCC first, and then it will be sent out to the Community for comment and to all Progress Associations in the Willoughby LGA for comment. The Masterplan is looking at increased parking and management, exercise rooms, more indoor courts and increased water space, Currently 770 are enrolled in the Swim school. The Gym has 1,600 members and there are over 500,000 visits to the Leisure Centre yearly.

(c) Events - Earth Hour 2012 at the Shops - 31 March:

Frances O'Brien reported that final preparations were well underway with regular meetings of the Events Sub-Committee. The Budget is set at \$4,500 - \$3,000 grant from WCC and \$1,500 sponsorship from Peter Chauncy (McGraths).and this is being adhered to. There are currently issues with the insurance, but this is being worked through. Invitations have been sent out to official guests.

(d) Membership – Helene Kemp reported there are 146 financial members; 13 un-financial members to be followed up. Former Treasurer Barry Shaw and Public Officer Trisha FitzPatrick have ensured that Register of Members is up to date.

(e) Naremburn Community Centre – Kevin FitzPatrick, as retiring Secretary, pointed out that there is correspondence of 8 March regarding the NPA's permitted use of the Storage Room and the Children's Library. (Not read to the meeting).

(f) Naremburn Matters – NM Editor Trisha FitzPatrick, reported that the March issue should be delivered over the next few days. There are seven (7) advertisers in this issue and there is slight excess over the cost of production. Trisha said that she had been involved with NM since the first issue in April 2005 although initially only in a limited way. She has been responsible for each issue for the past 5 years. Trisha wishes to step back from the role, but will stay on until someone has stepped in to take over as the Editor. Robin Phelan (publisher of NM) prefers to work with one person, an Editor – although the Editor can work with a small NPA team.

One of the NPA's former Treasurers, Carolyn New, had elicited a promise that NM would not go to print without costs being covered by advertising sales. Treasurer now ensures that we hold back \$2,200 so that in an emergency we can bring out an issue of NM without seeking advertising. Contact naremburn.matters@naremburnprogress.org.au

(g) Naremburn Park – Nil to report

(h) Open Space – Nil to report

(i) Website – NPA Public Officer, Trisha FitzPatrick, reported that our Webmaster, Peter Witcombe, has done some work on the home page and we are looking at all website pages to 'freshen' them. Minutes and Agendas and all issues of NM are there plus Latest News. Peter has asked 'what is happening in Naremburn?' as other items of news can be included. A report of the 110th Anniversary is to be uploaded to the website...

11 CIRCULATION OF THE ATTENDANCE BOOK – 19 Members, 10 Apologies from Members, 1 Visitor

12. MOTION OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN – none for this meeting

13. NEXT GENERAL MEETING: - The next **General Meeting** of the NPA will be held on **Thursday 12 April** at the Naremburn Community Centre 7 Central Street at 7.30pm.

14. CLOSURE: The meeting closed at 9:30 pm.