

# NAREMBURN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

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## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THURSDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2016

Meeting commenced 7.34 pm at the  
Naremburn Community Centre, 7 Central Street, Naremburn

### 1. GUEST SPEAKER

Two representatives from the Sydney Metro team, Sue Haertsch and Robyn Baird, presented an interesting address to the 40 people attending the evening. One of the news items for the night was the confirmation of Waterloo as one of the new station sites, rather than the more fancied Sydney University site. The concept of driverless trains running without any timetables intrigued the audience, with a number of questions coming from the floor during the presentation. Following the conclusion of the presentation, a short supper was taken.

### 2. OPEN FORUM

Julianne Blunck (Waters Road) asked for clarification of the Council's powers re boats and trailers parked long term in residential streets. Cr Coppock indicated that currently there was very little that could be done to enforce removal.

Lesley Graham (Mitchell Street) noted that two houses at 30-32 Northcote Street had been demolished and was seeking details of the proposed redevelopment – advised to send an email to Cr Stuart Coppock.

Geoff Gemmell (Glenmore Street) advised that the new Station Street Community Garden was to officially open the following Saturday February 13. Additionally, both he and his wife Trish had attended a local Total Environment Centre meeting in Crows Nest recently. They were presented with much disturbing information regarding the numbers of native flora that had become extinct as a result of encroaching development. Finally, Geoff thanked the NPA for its assistance in advertising the bell tower tours provided over the last Australia Day.

### 3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

That the minutes of the General Meeting of 10 December 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Proposed: Helene Kemp    Seconded: Margaret Stewart

### 4. NOMINATION OF NEW MEMBERS

The following new members were nominated:

Malcolm Gemmell

Ann Turner

Peter Eastham

Karl Riseborough

**5. CONFIRMATION OF NEW MEMBERS**

David Perabo  
Elena Jeregui

**6. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Nil to report

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

**In**

- a) 17/12/15 – letter – Melanie Smith, WCC – Use of NCC approved for 2016.
- b) 23/12/15 – letter – Lawrence Bentley, WCC – acknowledgement of submission re 78 Northcote St.
- c) 24/12/15 – letter – Chi Wai Kong, WCC – acknowledgement of submission re 12 Plunkett St.
- d) ??/12/15 – card – Mayor Gail Giles-Gidney, WCC – Christmas wishes to NPA Executive and members.
- e) 14/01/16 – email – Rose-Anne Manns, NAG – advice from State Govt that St Leonards Central UP will not be progressed.
- f) 01/02/16 – letter – State Library – Non-receipt of December 2015 Naremburn Matters.
- g) ??/02/16 – letter – Vladimir Grepl, WCC – Distribution of hardcopies of Council Meeting Agendas to cease February 2016.
- h) 11/02/16 – email – Julie Whitfield, WCC – Notes on residents meeting 2/2/16 re Netball Courts lighting upgrade – issues to be followed up.

**Out**

- a) 21/12/15 – form – Fair Trading re: variation of NPA Constitution.

**8. ACCOUNTS**

Treasurer Carmen Loecherer presented the financial report for the period 10 December 2015 – 11 February 2016. Barry Shaw proposed the report be accepted, seconded by Geoff Gemmell.

NPA General Meeting 11th February 2016		
Financial Report - 10/12/15 to 11/02/16		
<b>Opening Balance as at 10th December 2015</b>		<b>\$ 5,591.40</b>
<u>Add: Income</u>		
Membership	\$ 80.00	
Donations	\$ -	
Advertising - N.Matters	\$ -	
Interest	\$ 1.39	
Other	\$ -	
	\$ 81.39	
<u>Less: Expenditure</u>		
Stationery/Postage	\$ -	
Meeting amenities	\$ 111.42	
N. Matters Publication	\$ 1,224.00	
Other (insurance, transaction fee)	\$ 46.00	
	\$ 1,381.42	
<b>Closing Balance as at 11th February 2016</b>		<b>\$ 4,291.37</b>
		<b>\$</b>
	<i>Variance</i>	<b>-</b>

**Expenditure Approvals Requested**

\$ 0.00

**That this expenditure be approved;**

- Proposed
- Seconded

Bank reconciliation		
<b>Balance per bank statement</b>	<b>11-Feb-16</b>	<b>\$ 4,291.37</b>
Less Unpresented chqs		
Chq #		
Chq #		\$ -
Add Receipts not deposited		
Membership		
Donations		
Advertising		\$ -
Balance as per cash Summary	<b>11-Feb-16</b>	<b>\$ 4,291.37</b>
		<b>\$ -</b>
	<i>Variance</i>	<b>-</b>

**9. FEDERATION OF WILLOUGHBY PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS (FWPA)**

A brief verbal report regarding the FWPA meeting held on February 6 was provided, with the major agenda item being the likelihood of Council amalgamations and FWPA’s position on such an outcome. The meeting confirmed that FWPA does not support the amalgamation of WCC and NSC, but also acknowledged that this position was not unanimous, with the debate deeply dividing the community.

Terry Fogarty announced he would be stepping down as the FWPA representative on the Traffic Committee. Peter Egan from Artarmon PA kindly volunteered to take his place, and this was approved by the meeting.

**10. WARD COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Cr Stuart Coppock presented a verbal update on several items:

1. The vote by Councillors at the WCC meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> February to reduce Council meetings from two to one per month was a very disappointing result.
2. A more pleasing aspect of the February 8 meeting was the decision to reconvene the Bicentennial Reserve and Flat Rock Gully Advisory Committee, following a Notice of Motion being put by Cr Coppock.
3. Cr Coppock was “disgusted” by the behaviour of some speakers during the Willoughby/North Sydney Council Public Inquiry meetings into the potential amalgamation of the two Councils.
4. The difficult parking issues surrounding the Nareburn shops was also raised, with a trial of some shorter-term parking spots soon to be commenced.

## 11. SUB-COMMITTEES REPORTS

### a) DAs received since the 10 December 2015 meeting – 6 tabled

DA-2006/1043/A	21A Garland Road	S96- Modify original proposal to include lower floor level, internal and rear alterations and additions and associated works.
DA-2015/528	78 Northcote Street	Demolition of existing dwelling, construction of new dwelling, landscaping and ancillary and associated works.
DA-2015/537	34 Mitchell Street	Alterations and additions to dwelling, first floor addition and associated works.
DA-2015/549	47 Waters Road	Alterations and additions to dwelling, carport and associated works.
Da-2015/556	16 Waters Road	Alterations and additions to dwelling and associated works.
DA-2015/190	36A Park Road	Re-notification – Amended plans – Land & Environment Court Proceedings 10864 of 2015 – Demolition of existing structures, construction of two storey plus attic residential flat building, basement car parking and Strata Subdivision.

b) **Events** – Bush Poetry & Music to held at Henry Lawson Cave from 5pm on Sunday February 14.

c) **Membership**– As at 11 February 2016, 105 members. 2016 membership subs can now be paid.

d) **Naremburn Matters** – The next edition of Naremburn Matters will be out soon.

(e) **Open Spaces** – As reported above, the Bicentennial Reserve and Flat Rock Gully Advisory Committee will be reconvened.

(f) **Naremburn Action Group (NAG)**

The NSW Department of Planning recently announced the decision not to progress the Unsolicited Proposal for St Leonards Central. This is a great win for NAG and other local groups involved in opposing the Proposal, but it is expected that future similar Proposals will be tabled. An article on this success was featured in the North Shore Times.

## 12. OTHER BUSINESS

Nil.

**13. CIRCULATION OF ATTENDANCE BOOK** – 29 Members, 2 Councillors, 5 Apologies, 10 Visitors.

## 14. NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting of the NPA will immediately follow the Annual General Meeting to be held on Thursday, 14 April 2016 commencing 7.30pm, at the Naremburn Community Centre, 7 Central Street, Naremburn.

## 15. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 9.43pm.