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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING Thursday August 13, 2020 via Zoom

The President took the Chair and noting that a quorum was present opened the meeting at 7:30 pm with an acknowledgment of country.

1. **GUEST SPEAKER** – none
2. **Open Forum** – item deferred to “Other Business”
3. **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

That the minutes of the General Meeting of June 11, 2020 circulated with the notice of this meeting be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting on June 11, 2020

Proposed: Helene Kemp

Seconded: Viviane Leveaux

Motion Carried

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The President reported that a number of questions were taken on notice by the Mayor Gail Giles-Gidney’s at our last general meeting. Council have responded to those questions and the response was email to members via mailout in July.

The questions were on the following topics, and the response received from council can be read at [https://mcusercontent.com/f9de48d145d384a6e12b30a4f/files/56a43f4a-4547-4c21-a9a9-bd8f168ba815/Questions to Council 202006.pdf](https://mcusercontent.com/f9de48d145d384a6e12b30a4f/files/56a43f4a-4547-4c21-a9a9-bd8f168ba815/Questions_to_Council_202006.pdf)

- Graffiti
- Herbert Street Precinct
- Bike Connectivity
- Western Harbour Tunnel Community Campaign
- Bi-centennial Reserve and Flat Rock Gully
- Air Quality Monitoring
- Beaches Link Route Change?

Council have approved DA-2019-343 (37, 39, 41, 41A, 43, and 43A Garland Rd), being a seventeen townhouse complex.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

The key correspondence list circulated with the meeting notice was noted.

6. ACCOUNTS

NPA Meeting 13th August 2020			
Financial Report - 11/06/20 to 14/08/20			
Opening Balance as at 11th June 2020			\$ 9,927.85
<u>Add: Income</u>			
Membership	\$ 15.00		
Joining Fees	\$ 5.00		
Advertising - N.Matters	\$ -		
Interest	\$ 1.61		
Other/Special Event	\$ -		
		\$ 21.61	
<u>Less: Expenditure</u>			
Stationery/Postage	\$ -		
Meeting amenities	\$ -		
N. Matters Publication	\$ -		
Other	\$ 70.26		
Special Event	\$ -		
		\$ 70.26	
Closing Balance as at 13th August 2020			\$ 9,879.20
		<i>Variance</i>	\$ -

Bank reconciliation			
Balance per bank statement	13-Aug-20		\$ 9,479.20
Less Unpresented chqs & pre payments			
Prepaid Advertising	\$ -		
Prepaid membership	\$ -		
Other	\$ -		
		\$ -	
Add Receipts not deposited			
Membership	\$ -		
Donations	\$ -		
Advertising (invoices outstanding)	\$ 400.00		
		\$ 400.00	
Balance as per cash Summary	13-Aug-20		\$ 9,879.20
		<i>Variance</i>	-\$ 0.00

Expenditure of \$70.26 includes Form 12A for Fair Trading lodgement + Zoom subscription,

Advertising revenue to be received - \$400 from two advertisers Podiatry (Dec 19) Forsyth (Mar \$150)

Upcoming expenditures include this month's Zoom Subscription (\$23) and insurance (\$147)

7. FEDERATION OF WILLOUGHBY PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS (FWPA)

As reported at the last meeting, the FWPA passed a number of motions including that the FWPA write to council querying the efficacy of the *Have Your Say* process, and seek council support and assistance to disseminate material along similar lines to that provided by North Sydney Council (NSC) following release of the Western Harbour Tunnel/ Warringah Freeway Upgrade. Council has responded to the FWPA motions and FWPA is considering the response.

FWPA plan to raise the need for upgrades to the Chatswood Interchange with Council and local members.

8. WARD COUNCILLORS REPORT

No ward councillors attended the meeting.

The President noted our ward councillors Coppock and Wright were forthright moving to reject planning amendments to the LEP to, inter alia, increase the maximum building height from 20m to 243m (thereby allow a 72 storey development at the College of Law site). This motion was passed

Clr Mustaca + Clr Eriksson moved to defer decision but failed were unsuccessful.

The community needs to keep pressure on councillors, council, MP's etc, to ensure any developments are reasonable.

9. SUB-COMMITTEES REPORTS

a) DAs received since last meeting

The list of received DA since the last meeting and circulated with the meeting notice was noted.

The Secretary declared an interest in DA-2020/134, 25 Station St as a member of the SES.

b) Events

none to report

c) Membership— as at August 13, 2020

	Members	Associate	Life	Pending	Total	
Dec 31, 2019	81	3	2	0	86	
July 30, 2020	75	2	2	0	79	

One additional re-joining member since last meeting

d) **Naremburn Matters**

- Articles deadline: Friday 7 August (last week)
- Layout and copy deadline: Saturday 15 August
- Production deadline: Saturday 22 August
- Proof reading and changes/corrections deadline: Sunday 23 August
- Approval deadline: Tuesday 25 August
- Printing deadline: Thursday 27 August
- Delivery deadline: Wednesday 2 September

e) **Open Spaces –**

Larissa Penn reported on the following two items:

i. **Bicentennial Reserve and Flat Rock Gully Advisory Committee**

The advisory committee has not met in June as required due to COVID

Council has released a draft Bicentennial Reserve Plan of Management for review, however, the scope does not include Flat Rock Gully (east of Flat Rock Drive).

ii. **Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade**

The petition containing over 11,000 signatures was tabled and debated in Parliament on 30 July. Members can read transcript of the debate in [Hansard](#)¹. Of note was the absence of the Premier during the debate given that over 60% of signatures were from her electorate.

The petition included making the business case public; and to reassess project

The following week, the Legislative Council pursued its request of the Leader of the Government to table the business case. A heavily redacted copy was provided, however, the not being satisfied, the Legislative Council censured the Leader of the Government for non-compliance with an order for the production of the request documents

Reasons included the extensive and unnecessary redactions of critical information relating to:

- (a) the Beaches Link component of the project;
- (b) traffic modelling information, including travel time benefits by region;
- (c) the benefit-cost ratio for the project as a whole and each of its component parts;
- (d) the tolling regime; and
- (e) preferred designs and alignments.

If the government does not provide the full information to the Upper House, the Leader of the Government would be suspended.²

f) **Naremburn Action Group -**

The report from NAG and The *OVERdevelopment – we're OVER it!* group circulated with the meeting notice was noted

¹ <https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/Hansard/Pages/HansardResult.aspx#/docid/HANSARD-1323879322-111704/HANSARD-1323879322-111718>

² <https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/Hansard/Pages/HansardFull.aspx#/DateDisplay/HANSARD-1820781676-82467/HANSARD-1820781676-82462>

10. OTHER BUSINESS

Open Forum item was deferred to this point

Concern was raised at the lack of maintenance conducted by Willoughby Council, compared to North Sydney Council at around Brook Street /Donnelly St, noting damaged footpaths and rubbish in Willoughby Council areas. The lack of clout of individuals was mentioned as a possible reason for lack of satisfactory progress.

It was suggested that photographs of the issues be sent to council (email@willoughby.nsw.gov.au) with copies to the Mayor and the NPA. The President offered to assist where possible

11. CIRCULATION OF ATTENDANCE BOOK –

Members: 12; Visitors: 1; Apologies: 1

12. MOTION OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

None for this meeting.

13. NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting will be held the General Meeting on **Thursday, October 8, 2020**, at the Naremburn Community Centre, 7 Central St, Naremburn, commencing at 7.30pm, unless COVID-19 restrictions still apply, otherwise, via video conference.

The Premier was to be our guest speaker at that meeting, and this is to be confirmed with her electoral office. Questions for the Premier will be sought from our membership prior to the meeting

14. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed 8:45pm.

Chairperson	<u>Roger Promnitz</u> <i>Roger Promnitz</i>
Date	<u>8 October 2020</u>

Alan Gray

Roger Promnitz

Viviane Leveaux

Carmen Loecherer

Helene Kemp

Edward Jansson (from 8:10)

John Melville

Jane Monks

Richard Monks

Christina Pender

Larissa Penn

Ralph Youie

Cecilia Gray

Apologies

Matthew Smythe