

# NAREMBURN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

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## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2 APRIL 2020

Due to COVID-19 and restrictions on public gathering, the AGM was held via video conferencing.  
Meeting commenced at 7.30 pm.

### 1. WELCOME

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

### 2. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

That the Minutes of the 2019 AGM as previously circulated be taken as read and accepted as a true record and account of that meeting.

Proposed: Ralph Youie

Seconded: Helene Kemp

**Motion Carried.**

### 3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2019

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

**Motion:** That the President's report for the year ended 31 December 2019 be adopted.

Proposed: Roger Promnitz

Seconded: Jane Monk

**Motion Carried.**

### 4. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

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 2019 be adopted.

Proposed: Carmen Loecherer

Seconded: Viviane Leveaux

**Motion Carried.**

### 5. ELECTION OF OFFICER BEARERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Nominations were received for the following officer bearers:

President:

Roger Promnitz

Vice President:

Helene Kemp

Secretary:

Ralph Youie

Treasurer:

Carmen Loecherer

Since the number of nominations received is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, the persons nominated are taken to be elected.

Nominations were received for ordinary committee member:

Viviane Leveaux  
John Melville  
Matthew Smythe

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## 6. ELECTION OF DELEGATES

### Federation of Willoughby Progress Associations

Up to three delegates to the Federation of Willoughby Progress Associations are required. The president is a delegate, so two additional delegates positions are available. Nominations from the meeting were called, and Ralph Youie was nominated by Roger Promnitz, seconded by Viviane Leveaux.

There being no further nominations, the nominees were declared elected

## 7. CLOSE

Prior to closing the meeting, the President took questions from the floor. The President then closed the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **President's Report to 2020 AGM – Naremburn Progress Association**

The actual period that this report covers is 2019, which at the time seemed to be a very turbulent and stressful year, but when compared to our current situation now seems relatively straight forward.

We began the year with a carryover activity from 2018, being the review of Willoughby Council's (WCC) draft Housing and Local Centres strategy. There has been a lot of ongoing input into these documents and as a result of the strong level of interest and feedback from the community the early concept plans were modified from shop-top residential developments potentially up to 6 storeys high and across extensive areas to a maximum of 3 storeys, with more intensive development over the shopping area north of Rohan St.

We have also had ongoing involvement and input where possible into developments proposed in the St Leonards/Crows Nest area. One particular plan we awaited was the St Leonards/Crows Nest 2036 Plan, which would inform future development in those areas, but frustratingly the Plan was not tabled, even 12 months later than the original timing. However we did have input to the Crows Nest Metro Over Station Development (OSD) discussion, where the community was strongly against the originally proposed high rise developments – frustratingly again this plan remains unclear. Other submissions were made in response to development proposals for 88 Christie St and 100 Christie St requesting a reduction in height and scale. One of our subcommittees, the Naremburn Action Group (NAG), regularly lodges submissions which attempt to soften and preserve scaling from high density development south of Chandos St to the low level residential buildings of the Naremburn Conservation Area.

At the Federation of Willoughby Progress Associations (FWPA), your Naremburn Progress Association (NPA) President suddenly found himself acting FWPA President in March 2019 when both the then-President and vice President resigned simultaneously, a position I was to hold until February 2020. During this time, one of the most important but divisive issues to be discussed was WCC's intention to dissolve the various Advisory Committees that had been in operation for a number of years. After much discussion, WCC decided to defer any action until after the 2020 Council elections, to be held September 2020.

There were plenty of issues at a more localised basis as well, with one of the early items being the potential amalgamation of the Naremburn and Willoughby South Progress Associations. The latter group was suffering because of ongoing poor membership and Executive Committee support, but the amalgamation did not proceed owing to a surge in support in that local PA area, meaning such amalgamation was not required.

NPA also continued in its support of the Willoughby Area Action Group (WAAG) in ensuring Concept Plans for redevelopment of the Channel Nine site remained within limits approved by the Dept of Planning. This has been a scenario that has played out over several years and is still not complete, although recent site acquisition by a new major player appears very encouraging, at this stage.

Parking has always been a significant issue in the Naremburn area but recent work has allowed some real improvements. WCC has conducted parking surveys on a street-by-street basis, with the residents response then informing any changes made to street parking. This work has been conducted in conjunction with NPA, as has the recent Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP) survey, which studied pedestrian issues between the M1 and Chandos St. Another significant improvement has been the successful trialling of improved signage to remove the boat trailers, box trailers and caravans from several suburban streets.

One of our biggest (and ongoing) issues is the development proposal for the Western Harbour Tunnel and Beaches Link. This massive infrastructure project will have profound impacts on the lower North Shore area so needs careful examination of all aspects of the EIS, should the program proceed. May I thank the many people who have contributed to this analysis, and also thank my Executive Committee for their support across the year, which is truly appreciated.

**Roger Promnitz, President, Naremburn Progress Association**

# NAREMBURN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

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	2019	2018
	\$	\$
<b>PROFIT &amp; LOSS STATEMENT</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
Advertising Naremburn Matters	5,980	7,590
Interest Received	8	6
Membership fees	1,180	1,370
Joining fees	70	-
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>7,238</b>	<b>8,966</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Filing Fees	129	-
Insurance	170	365
Monthly meeting expenses	93	95
Naremburn Matters production	5,745	6,573
Postage and Stationery	72	5
Website expenses	208	193
Renewal of Post Office address	210	201
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>6,626</b>	<b>7,432</b>
<b>Profit/(Loss)</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>1,534</b>
<b>BALANCE SHEET</b>		
<b>Assets</b>		
Bank Balance	7,270	5,659
Debtors - outstanding advertising income	1,745	3,025
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>9,015</b>	<b>8,684</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors - Prepaid membership fees (2020&21)	115	245
Creditors - Prepaid advertising	-	150
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>395</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>8,900</b>	<b>8,289</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Balance 1 January	8,289	6,754
Profit/(Loss) for current year	611	1,535
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>8,900</b>	<b>8,289</b>

## **Naremburn Progress Association 2020 AGM**

### **ATTENDEES**

Roger Promnitz (Chair)

Helene Kemp

Ralph Youie

Viviane Leveaux

John Melville

Jane Monks

Richard Monks

Rob Armstrong

Meredith Shimmin

Mathew Smythe (from 7:35pm)

Carmen Loecherer (from 7:40pm)

Fran O'Brien (from 7:40pm)

Larissa Penn (from 7:48pm)

Mark Penn (from 7:48pm)

Alan Gray

Cecilia Gray

Cr Nic Wright

### **Apologies**

George Farrell

Geoff and Trish Gemmell