

West Ward Bytes

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Membership Renewal

Your membership fee for 2018 may now be well overdue. To save the \$10 rejoining fee, please pay your subscription. Payment can either be by cash at a meeting or by direct bank transfer to 032 090 548083 with your name in the reference field. In addition, you must complete an application for membership. These are available at a meeting or on our website cwwpa.org.

Next Meeting

20 September 2018
7:30 PM Dougherty Centre
7 Victor Street, Chatswood

Newsletter & WWBytes

We need some help

The CWWPA has regularly distributed 6,000 newsletters to the majority of the residents of West Ward for the past 30 years. This requires a fair bit of coordination and we need people to assist in various ways. Currently we need:

- * An advertising coordinator.
- * A assistant distribution coordinator.
- * A proof reader and a graphic designer

Due to a variety of reasons, CWWPA will no longer issue 'Election' editions of the newsletter. This means production and delivery can proceed at a much more leisurely pace. If you can assist with one of the positions above please either call the Editor on 0477 299 763 or email Secretarycwwpa@gmail.com.

Not so high school

A decision has been made to dramatically change the way education is delivered within the Chatswood Education Precinct (CEP). The CEP comprises Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School. The students from Chatswood Public will fully relocate to the high school site in Centennial Avenue to join Years 7-9. Years 10,11 and 12 from the High School will relocate to the primary school site on the Pacific Highway.

New hotel coming?

A Development Application has been lodged to redevelop 475 – 501 Victoria Avenue. The property is located between the Pacific Highway and the railway, diagonally opposite Chatswood RSL. The proposal is to demolish the buildings on the site and erect two new buildings - One a four storey commercial building, the other a fifteen storey hotel.

Metro Dive Site

We have been advised that Willoughby Council has started a process to rezone the site as open space after the Metro is open. There is no guarantee that the Government will agree. The Willoughby District Historical Society is promoting the use of the historic Mowbray House school building on the site for community use.

Temporary Exemption

Willoughby Council has been granted a 12 month exemption from recently introduced legislation that allows a single storey residence to be built as a Complying Development. This would mean there would be no neighbour consultation or right to object.

More stories online at cwwp.org

'Gumnut' is back

'The Gumnut Cellers and Grocers' has returned to Millwood Avenue under new management. The store returns to the previously successful format of general groceries, liquor sales and traditional style take-away food.

Heritage Listing

After many years of advocacy, the stately 2 storey residence at 9 Centennial Avenue has been Heritage listed. The house was designed by renowned architect Frederick Casteldon and had been lived in by many prominent West Ward identities.

SAGE Building

There is a proposal to build a new high rise building behind the Sage building in Albert Avenue right next to the Garden of Remembrance. There is strong opposition to this proposal.

Bridge over the Highway

After Council declined to take action, the CWWPA has petitioned the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) to install passenger lifts to service the pedestrian bridge.

Who to call

We recently published information on who to contact in the event of an emergency or loss of utility services. This can be found at 'Report Problems' under the 'Your Neighbourhood' menu at cwwpa.org (<https://cwwpa.org/what-to-do-when-you-have-a-problem-in-your-street>)