

# **Minutes**

## **General Meeting**

### **Chatswood West Ward Progress Association**

At the Dougherty Centre, Victor Street Chatswood  
**7:30 PM, Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

**Meeting commenced at:**

**Welcome:** The President to welcome members to the meeting.

**Acknowledgement to country:** The Chairperson: *"I wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and show our respect to their elders past and present".*

**Declarations of interest:** Nil

**Visitors present:** Nil

**Members Present:** 11 members attended

**Apologies:** Clr.Craig Campbell, Ruth Hardy, Peter Hayes, Terry Fogarty, Kathy Vern-Barnett, Alistair Bennett, Andrea Austin

*"I write on behalf of **Anthony Roberts MP, Member for Lane Cove**, who wishes to pass on his sincere apologies that he will not be able to attend the The Chatswood West Ward Progress Association's meeting to be held this Thursday 16 August 2018 due to Parliamentary Sitting and as he is the Leader of the House, leave would not be granted."*

**Any matters for General Business?** OH Reid / Greville Street – in regard to Lighting and impact of Sporting facilities, Parking of boats within Willoughby

**Minutes:** The Secretary distributed Minutes of the last meeting including a second Version 2 Minutes of the monthly meeting for July 2018. The following report that had been received from our Vice President (Chee) regarding her attendance at the meeting with the Mayor and General Manager was omitted from the Minutes.

*Mayor and GM called meeting to have a roundtable discussion re issues and how we can work better together. There were about 10 or 11 of us, so most, if not all PAs were represented. The issues mentioned were communication, traffic and open space and generally the PAs not really knowing how to engage Council, and that this might be issue dependent. Outcome of the meeting was that the PAs would be on the distribution list for the agendas and minutes of the traffic committee, local planning committee and Council meetings. Also, likely that this meeting will be a regular one, probably at six monthly intervals. There was some discussion about the review into advisory committees, the GM advised that there was no agenda to get rid of the committees but to potentially extend involvement to people with subject matter expertise but didn't want to get involved via a committee. I left during the discussion as it was already 8.40am so not sure what the final outcome was.*

The following comments on the Minutes were received from Clr. Saville.

*"my report was tabled at the meeting by one of the residents and this has not been recorded in your minutes. That my report was tabled at the meeting has been confirmed to me by several attendees at the meeting who were witnesses. In my opinion the meeting minutes should reflect a true record of what occurred. Whether or not you saw it or heard that my report was being tabled is another matter." and "Some people in our community expect that the progress associations demonstrate that they can reflect an*

*accurate record of their meetings. Rather than further obfuscation, I request that an accurate record in the minutes that my report and apologies were emailed to, and tabled at the meeting. Is not that responsibility of the secretary and president of the organisation? Or, is it too difficult for you? If the executive is not able to record accurate meeting minutes, I think the the members should be informed that regretfully, this is the current situation. I am wondering why do you not wish to record an accurate record?"*

The Secretary advised Clr. Saville that he was not aware that Clr. Saville's report was being circulated to some members at the meeting and was available for tabling. Further, when he received Clr. Saville's apology and report which had been held up by an email hiccup he promptly re-issued the Minutes.

**RESOLVED:** The President proposed that the Minutes of the monthly meeting for July 2018 including Chee's report and noting Clr. Saville's comments be accepted. Seconded and accepted

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**Insurance:** The Treasurer is in the process of renewing Public Liability and Volunteers insurance via the Federation. The Treasurer provided an overview of the insurance inclusions and noted the Association has Volunteers Workers insurance.

**RESOLVED Treasurers report:** The Treasurer tabled his report and moved it, it was seconded and accepted – attached

### **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

**Clr. Campbell reported (regarding council meeting on 13 August 2018):**

- Re the **sport report**, we noted the Officer's report. (***The amendment regarding notifying neighbours when sports change not put***). Thus, I will need to raise a NOM separately on the notification of change of sport; I am happy to defend my logic on it. I would be surprised if there were no support for this.
- The RSL plaque for **Garden of Remembrance** was passed (no debate).
- **Street naming:** We amended the naming motion to allow for community input, as well as historical society input. Tony Mustaca moved it. Lynne included consulting with the Aboriginal Heritage Office as well. Anyway, there's a chance for community input; however, any suggestions will still have to pass the geographical naming board. Given the lead time, suggestions should probably be made relatively quickly. (*Refer later agenda item*)

**In addition Clr. Campbell reported:**

- There's a little progress with lane cove on the **Beaconsfield lights** - I had a meeting with them last week and we have sketched out a couple of ways forward. I can't elaborate more just yet (need to see if a couple of things are feasible first- things we don't control). But if they are, we will have a path forward though the lane cove / RMS blockade. I should have more info soon and will let everyone know when it gets more concrete.

### **GOVERNANCE**

**Recent rules adopted by the Committee**

Under clause 13: Power of the Committee: d) (the Committee) has power from time to time to adopt rules for the running of the association. The following rules have been adopted

- Agenda Items & Motions
- Apologies
- Councillor Reports

**At Meeting:** Brief discussion and general agreement. Full details of the new rules are attached.

**Council senior officers:** The General Manager sought Council's approval to continue with the existing senior officer's organisational structure being

- General Manager,
  - Community, Culture and Leisure Director,
  - Customer and Corporate Director, and
  - Planning and Infrastructure Director

## **FEDERATION OF WILLOUGHBY PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS**

**Community Advisory Committees** - We received the following response from the General Manager:

During the Progress Association breakfast hosted by the Mayor in June, a discussion regarding the review of Council's Advisory Committees was raised. I made a commitment to provide clarity regarding the intent of the consultation that is currently underway. My apologies for the delay in responding to you.

At its meeting held on 23 October 2017, Council resolved to engage advisory committee members in reviewing the mechanisms for accessing specialist knowledge and expertise from the community on important issues or topics, such as those considered by the committees. This is quite different from the general engagement of the whole community on matters of interest like the recent Community Strategic Plan.

The review seeks to establish ways in which more people with relevant knowledge can be engaged, and the ways that make it easy for them to participate. To this end, the resolutions from the meeting indicate other options for consideration as part of the review process.

To date, nine of the twelve Advisory Committees have participated in the review workshops and we have received 120 responses to the online survey. Intercept surveys are being conducted with randomly selected community members at locations like childcare centres, schools and libraries to ensure that we are capturing a broad cross section of views. It is also important for us to understand why people do not currently contribute their knowledge through the existing committees and any barriers they may have to participation.

The way our community chooses to be engaged is changing. During the recent consultation for the Community Strategic Plan, *Our Future Willoughby 2028*, our community expressed a strong desire to have accessible communication methods for those with busy lives.

It was recognised by Council that current members provided valued service to their community but that not everyone who wished to contribute could, or would, join a committee. Our lives have many demands and the effective use of time and resources, are further considerations. Meaningful, accessible and convenient communication methods are being sought.

I understand that there have been concerns that Council is attempting to divest the current Advisory Committees. This is not the case. Council currently relies on its Advisory Committee's to access expertise to inform decision making. This review aims to ensure our Advisory Committee's capture the broad cross section of community members' knowledge and technical expertise, via contemporary and accessible communication methods.

I encourage you to participate in the review. You can do this by participating in the survey at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/WilloughbyAdvisory](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WilloughbyAdvisory) or, I would be happy to arrange for a workshop with a representative from each of the progress associations with Straight Talk, the consultants engaged to undertake the review.

**Community advisory committees meeting with PAs:** The Secretary represented the Association at a meeting convened by Council to listen to Progress Association's view on how Council can best consult with 'stakeholders'. The meeting was minuted and a copy will be available in due course. Five out of the nine PAs were in attendance. The meeting was convened on short notice and held immediately after the meeting with Mayor and GM. The Secretary requested and was promised a copy of the sound recording made of the meeting. Some of the things that emerged were: PAs have been around a long while and have a lot of historical knowledge; they are involved in both local issues but also longer term strategic issues; their reach via newsletter, letterbox drops website, Facebook and other social media extend well beyond their paid membership.

## Federation Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> August

- The August meeting of the FWPA was also the FWPA AGM, the current executive stayed in place except the secretary. No one volunteered to be Secretary so the position is vacant. Steph (FWPA president) will be emailing out to all PA's to see if a volunteer can be found. The mayor was the returning officer and at the conclusion of the AGM provided a brief update. Major points covered:
- Amalgamations issue has been determined and WCC can now get on being the best council it can be
- CBD Plan has been adopted by council and is a line in the sand. It protects the CBD for commercial use. Since the adoption of the CBD plan, Mayor reported less developers have been approaching council regarding residential development within the CBD
- Across the LGA the Mayor and Councillors are aware of issues residents have regarding boarding house DA approvals.
- Mayor talked about the distinction between Social Housing (for people who have limited means to obtain a place to live) and Affordable Housing (for people who provide important services to the local community and it is advantageous for them to live locally for example, nurses and police)
- David Stickland from Willoughby Neighbourhood Watch - Facebook is there main form of communication. There will be "events" later this year. He has an engraving kit and UV markers for each Progress Association to borrow. It was a short sharp and targeted presentation, he stated he would present at Progress Association meetings if arranged and if he was available. Should we consider for the September / October meeting and if he is happy we can advise our August meeting attendees that the presentation will be on at a future date, encourage participation. <https://www.willoughbyneighbourhoodwatch.com>

### Other matters:

- 1-5 Railway Street - The Federation will write further letters to ask for investigations into the sale for the freehold of 1-5 Railway Avenue
- Northern Beaches Tunnel Sub committee was established
- Charles Gowing is the FWPA rep on the Traffic Committee
- Council Advisory Committees - a number of PA's spoke regarding the community consultation that has been conducted by council on Council Advisory Committees, this included concerns around the process, and feedback of the consultation nights and content covered at the meetings. In response to some concerns raised by some PA's, Debra Just has offered to organise a workshop with a representative from each of the PA's with Straight Talk (the organisation conducting the consultation and review into the Council Advisory Committees). The Federation passed a motion to accept the offer from the General Manager. The Federation will accept the invitation, however, it will be up to each PA to determine if they want to attend and advise the president of FWPA if they would like to attend.
- The next meeting between the Mayor and GM and the Presidents of all the PA's will be held on 14 August 2018.

**Community Advisory Committees:** Meeting being arranged with Mayor and General Manager

## MAJOR LEGISLATION CHANGES

**Complying development exemption.** The Mayor responded that Council had been granted the exemption (which it understood is for at least twelve month). It should be noted that Cllr. Saville successfully moved this matter at Council.

## OPEN SPACE

**Sports facilities action plan:** The Sports Facilities Forum hosted by Council in February 2018, was attended by representatives from sporting associations and schools who hire Council's sports

grounds. Their views and recommendations are expressed in the Action Plan. The plan contains the following points:

10. Council to continue conversion of natural turf grounds to synthetic turf on sites where high use levels compromise natural grass growth, and where floodlights and parking are available for users.	23. Council to undertake investigation with the 3 golf courses to plan complementary recreation uses that could be incorporated into each golf course.
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The proposed Action Plan does not acknowledge the potential impact of sports on neighbours. In particular it does not acknowledge the likely impact on neighbours when a change of sport is planned for a particular field.

We petitioned our Ward Councillors to move an amendment to the Action Plan calling for neighbours to be consulted when a change of sports is being considered for a sporting field. Unfortunately, our Ward Councillors did not move on this matter. However, **Clr. Campbell has advised he may raise a Notice of Motion covering the point we raised.**

#### TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

**Beaconsfield lights:** *Dealt with above* - Clr. Campbell reported that there's a little progress with lane cove on the Beaconsfield lights - I had a meeting with them last week and we have sketched out a couple of ways forward. I can't elaborate more just yet (need to see if a couple of things are feasible first- things we don't control). But if they are, we will have a path forward though the lane cove / RMS blockade. I should have more info soon and will let everyone know when it gets more concrete.

**Nelson St proposed road name change:** Council is proposing 'community consultation, on seven proposed new road names for Nelson Street Chatswood between Orchard Road and T1 Northshore Railway after the bridge is removed. The proposed names are:

- Anson Court; Berkeley Court; Borig Court; Horatio Court Macfield Court; Moorsland Court; Norris Court

It is unclear in the report as to what opportunity exists for other names to be proposed.

**Accordingly, we petitioned our Ward Councillors to amend the Officer's recommendation to allow for additional names to be proposed by the community. Council adopted an amended motion supporting our request that the community be invited to propose names.** Names would have to be vetted to see that they are acceptable to the Geographical Names Board.

*NOTE: The original Officer's recommended resolution and the adopted resolution are attached to the Minutes.*

Some details of the proposed names are attached to this agenda. Four of the proposed names relate to apparently English naval officers (there are similar names in the area). Three of the names related to nearby house/estate names.

Note: There seems to be an increasing trend with regard to community consultation that the community is only consulted on options Council Officers have chosen rather than community preferences.

*In absentia, Peter Hayes as suggested "I would like to move that none of the options presented for the renaming of Nelson Ave are suitable and instead suggest for discussion nominating in their place "Cammeraygal" in acknowledgment of the area being the home of the native Cammeraygal peoples. WCC acknowledges this fact in [a dedicated page on the WCC website](#) but there is scant acknowledgment in the naming of WCC streets and park areas."*

**At Meeting:** Peter Hayes comment noted and Clr. Campbell report was also noted "We amended the naming motion to allow for community input, as well as historical society input." Community is now encouraged to put forward their suggestions to council.

**Highway traffic signals between Fullers & Albert:** Safety issue considered by Traffic Committee and referred to RMS. **Awaiting response.**

**Loss of parking in the CBD.** Clr Saville has proposed That Willoughby Council website provides clear information regarding: 1. loss of parking spaces in Railway, Brown, Help streets and Victoria Ave Chatswood (west side of the line) over the next three years, and 2. where alternative parking may be found, particularly for those with mobility needs. The General Manager has outlined that this would be a major project and that a needed budget has not been determined.

#### **Update from the Traffic Committee Agenda on 15 August 2018**

##### **Item 4.1 NELSON STREET, CHATSWOOD - PERMANENT ROAD CLOSURE**

The closure of Nelson Street will allow the demolition of the bridge structure to facilitate the track realignment works within the existing rail corridor. The closure of the Nelson Street will result in a redistribution of motorised traffic on the surrounding road network. The closure of the Nelson Street will impact pedestrians and cyclists that currently use Frank Channon Walk and use Nelson Street as a east-west route between Pacific Highway and Orchard Road. The management of bicyclists and pedestrians in the long term is addressed by a number of infrastructure improvements. However in the interim pedestrians and bicyclist are impacted with longer travel routes and, in the case of bicyclists, no facilities.

The promotion of the alternate route comprising local roads in the Preferred Infrastructure Report including Albert Avenue, Orchard Road, Hampden Road and Bland Street for regional traffic that currently travels southbound along the Pacific Highway thence Nelson Street, Orchard Road, Mowbray Road and Mowbray Road West (westbound) is not favoured by council.

The council officer recommends to approve the permanent closure of Nelson Street, Chatswood between Pacific Highway and Orchard Road to support the delivery of the Sydney Metro City and Southwest project. Further recommends Council also request that they implement the Council proposed improvements to the road and pathway networks which includes promoting Pacific Highway as the preferred route to 'Gladesville' for southbound road users travelling in Pacific Highway which will minimise the use of Albert Avenue and Orchard Road.

Additional points in response to a question raised regarding when right hand turn at Mowbray Road/Pacific Highway will be installed and new shared pedestrian/bicyclist path over the railway line near Mowbray Road:

- The right hand turn lanes are not expected to be installed till the completion of the dive site, probably will not be in place till after 2021. Council Officer mentions this in his report. "Over the longer term there is expected to be a solution at Mowbray Road for vehicles, the solution will not be in place before the closure of Nelson Street."
- Agreed, people always find the easiest way, however as an interim measure before the right hand turn lanes, council is proposing no directions signage directing regional traffic onto local streets (as per the Metro EIS) and work with navigation (i.e. google maps and other in car navigation services) to automatically direct people down the highway instead of through Willoughby LGA local streets in CWWPA and APA (around Artarmon station).
- As you said, people who know the Albert Ave/Orchard Rd/Mowbray Rd alternative will still use the route. Traffic studies have reported 1,709 vehicles use Nelson Street daily between 6am and 7pm, so there are quite a few vehicles that need to find a new way.



- "The management of bicyclists and pedestrians in the long term is addressed by the extension of Frank Channon Walk and the new shared path across the railway at Mowbray Road." Is this new shared path across the railway at Mowbray Road going to be a new bridge? Answer from recent traffic committee a pedestrian/bicyclist separate structure is planned just north of the current road bridge for pedestrian/bicyclist around 2020.

**At Meeting:** Item noted at the CWWPA 16 August 2018 Meeting, also members were concerned traffic might use (as an alternative to Albert Ave/Orchard Road) Oliver Road and Dalymple Ave/Beaconsfield Road to get to Mowbray Road West.

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**Item 4.3 MOWBRAY ROAD AND HAMPDEN ROAD, CHATSWOOD - NEW TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AND REGULATORY SIGNPOSTING ASSOCIATED WITH THE NEW TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS**

Traffic control signals were identified to be installed at the intersection of Mowbray Road and Hampden Road, Chatswood as part of the Sydney Metro City and South West Chatswood in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Council is proposing to endorse the installation of traffic control signals at the intersection of Mowbray Road and Hampden Road, Chatswood. The council officers recommendation is to also write to Transport for NSW and request the traffic signals are left at the intersection permanently after the completion of the Metro and not removed as per the EIS.

**At Meeting:** Item noted at the CWWPA 16 August 2018 Meeting

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**Item 4.4 CHATSWOOD CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT - WILLOUGHBY STREET FAIR TEMPORARY TRAFFIC, TRANSPORT AND PARKING MANAGEMENT**

The annual Willoughby Street Fair is on Saturday 1 September 2018. To address the necessary road closures a Temporary Traffic, Transport and Parking Management Plan and Traffic Control Plans have been developed.

**At Meeting:** Item noted at the CWWPA 16 August 2018 Meeting

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**Item 4.5 ORCHARD ROAD AND JOHNSON STREET, CHATSWOOD - PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE MANAGEMENT** Proposes a new pedestrian and bicycle refuge island, shared paths, street lighting, regulatory signs and pavement marking at the intersection of Orchard Road and Johnson Street, Chatswood. Per the Willoughby Council Bike plan 2012&2017 this proposal improves a "missing link."

**At Meeting:** Item noted at the CWWPA 16 August 2018 Meeting

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**Item 6.1 Pedestrian walkway over the Pacific Highway at Victoria Avenue** - It was resolved that the Secretary write to the Willoughby Traffic Committee requesting that Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) be requested to install passenger lifts for the bridge. **The Chairman of the Traffic Committee has advised that he has listed the matter for consideration at the next meeting of the Committee on Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> August,**

Council has received a submission from Mr T Fogarty, Secretary Chatswood West Ward Progress Association advising that at its meeting on 19 July 2018 the Association discussed the issue of pedestrian safety at the intersection of Victoria Avenue and Pacific Highway, Chatswood. The Association resolved that it request Willoughby Local Traffic Committee to consider this issue and that the Roads and Maritime Services be requested to install pedestrian lifts as part of the existing pedestrian bridge located just south of the intersection. Pedestrian safety and traffic signal operation at this intersection has been raised and discussed at previous Local Traffic Committee meetings (5/ 2017 items 6.3, 2/ 2018 item 6.1, 3/ 2018 item 6.2) and documented in the relevant minutes. The pedestrian

bridge across Pacific Highway was implemented as part of the consent conditions for the development on the eastern side of the Pacific Highway. The pedestrian bridge has stairs and escalators on both sides of Pacific Highway. Council maintains the pedestrian bridge and the provision of lifts was considered prior to the most recent bridge refurbishment but not progressed as RMS has a road widening scheme along the Pacific Highway and the advice provided was that there was potential for road widening in the short – medium term. **Road widening would lead to the need for a new bridge therefore lifts were not implemented at that time due to cost benefit considerations.**

Traffic Committee 15 August 2018: WCC is awaiting a response from RMS regarding if there is a proposal regarding widening the Pacific Highway.

**At Meeting:** Item noted at the CWWPA 16 August 2018 Meeting  
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### **DEVELOPMENTS**

**Monkey Bar:** DA 2018/238 for extension of trading hours from 3 AM to 4 AM Monday to Saturday.

**DAs determined under Officer delegation:** Cllr Coppock moved that applications with 10 or more objections be provided with a copy of the Officer's planned determination report then have fourteen days to lodge further objections.

**465 Victoria Avenue (opposite RSL) – no further update from the discussion at the July 2018 CWWPA Meeting**

**475 to 501 Victoria Avenue (opposite RSL) – no further update from the discussion at the July 2018 CWWPA Meeting**

**Wind tunnel effect of development along Victoria Avenue:** This matter was raised at the July meeting. It is open for the meeting to consider what action could be taken. Perhaps along the lines *“that the Association write to Willoughby Council requesting advise on how the effect of incremental development along Victoria Avenue between the railway and the Pacific Highway is assessed and what produces are put in place to mitigate such effects?”*

**At Meeting:** *It was Seconded and approved the Progress Association would send a letter to Willoughby Council. The letter is to include recognition that numerous members of the Progress Association have experienced the effects of the wind tunnel in the CBD including streets like Thomas & Katherine St and Victoria Avenue. Ask what wind studies have been done in the area, before current buildings approvals were processed. Asserting the wind analysis for previous developments were not accurate and ask how future development approval is being improved through accurate wind speed estimates and asking if a Temporary Chatswood Wind Measurement Station is necessary to provide accurate wind movement information (a member advised current wind measurements are from Sydney Airport area). Jim McCredie will provide the Secretary with a few paragraphs to add to the letter.*

*Letter subsequently sent to Council.*

**Planning Proposal for 1-13 Spring Street, 56-70 Archer Street and 35 Albert – no further update from the discussion at the July 2018 CWWPA Meeting**

**Pre Gateway Review of Planning Proposal for 65 Albert Avenue, (Mandarin Centre) – no further update from the discussion at the July 2018 CWWPA Meeting**

**Planning Proposal 54-56 Anderson Street, Chatswood (near O'Brien St)** 90m residential development? **It has been reported** the Planning Proposal was endorsed by Council “for the forwarding of the Planning Proposal for to the Department of Planning and Environment for a



Gateway Determination under Section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and proceed to public exhibition “ at the June 25 Council meeting. Councillor Saville voted against. The mover and seconder were not West Ward Councillors. – *no further update from the discussion at the July 2018 CWWPA Meeting*

**Planning Proposal for 58 Anderson Street** – *no further update from the discussion at the July 2018 CWWPA Meeting*

**Planning Proposal for 5-9 Gordon Avenue (Next to Chatswood bowling club on Gordon Street)** – *no further update from the discussion at the July 2018 CWWPA Meeting*

**67 Albert Avenue Chatswood (SAGE building)** The matter returns to the Panel/Public Meeting at 10AM on the 22<sup>nd</sup> August at the Christie Centre, Walker St, North Sydney. David Grover (and Peter Hayes) plan to attend the meeting. – *no further update from the discussion at the July 2018 CWWPA Meeting*

**629 - 639 Pacific Highway, Chatswood** – *no further update from the discussion at the July 2018 CWWPA Meeting*

**688-692 Pacific Highway, Chatswood** – a recent motion moved by Cllr Saville to rezone this property exclusively or educational purposes was not passed by Council The Mayor pointed out at the meeting that currently educational uses are allowable on the site under its residential zoning.

**Dangerous building cladding:** The Concourse and dozens of other building in Chatswood are being investigated in the relation to dangerous cladding. **At Meeting:** It was recognised this is an important issue and there was general discussion held including recognition that Australia has extensive fire control systems whereas Grenfell Towers did not.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

**Breakfast with the Mayor:** The president reported attending the Breakfast with the Mayor on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August. GM discussed draft Communication Strategy and the key approach, general discussion in regard to cladding assessment on all buildings in Willoughby including Council properties. All 9 Federations were represented.

**Website and Facebook:** Our website has now been operational for 5 years and contains hundreds of news items. Due to changes in Facebook policy, the location of new posts on pages has changed to <https://www.facebook.com/WestWardPA/>. Older posts can still be accessed at <https://www.facebook.com/cwwpa.org> or <http://cwwpa.org>. There is an updated Facebook button on the website to make a new connection to Facebook.

**Passing of John McEachern:** John was a stalwart of the Association for many years. He undertook to personally deliver up to around 25% of our newsletters to high rise apartments along the Pacific Highway, Mowbray Rd and the CBD. *Note: additional comments from Jim McCredie included on website.*

**Garden of Remembrance:** The Chatswood RSL Sub-Branch and the RSL Club have requested permission to place a plaque commemorating the Centenary of Armistice Day in the Garden of Remembrance. The plaque is proposed to be located on the grassed cenotaph, adjacent to 2 other existing plaques. **Based on previous determinations of the Association the Committee advised our Ward Councilors of the Associations support for the proposal. Council subsequently adopted the RSL’s recommendation.** In addition to supporting the RSL proposal, the Committee felt that in light of the proposed development on the “Sage Building” site it was important that Council understand the depth of community support for the protection of the garden.

**Neighbourhood Watch:** David Strickland will present about the revitalised Willoughby Neighbourhood Watch initiative at our September meeting. **At Meeting:** Brief overview of

the Federation presentation and the attendees agreed and supported David Strickland be invited to attend, present at our September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. Moved and approved

**Pedestrian walkway over the Pacific Highway at Victoria Avenue** - It was resolved that the Secretary write to the Willoughby Traffic Committee requesting that Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) be requested to install passenger lifts for the bridge. **The Chairman of the Traffic Committee has advised that he has listed the matter for consideration at the next meeting of the Committee on Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> August,**

**Sydney Water** –It was resolved that the CWWPA website be updated with additional information regarding how residents should interact with Sydney Water. This has been done expanded to cover other infrastructure agencies.

**Chatswood Education Precinct:** Update – Advice received confirming the Dept of Education will probably have a Public Information Booth before end of term (September 29)

**Newsletter and WWBytes:** We require an Advertising manager and Co-distribution Manager to work with Bob Lawrence. We would also like a Proof reader and a Graphic Artist to revamp the 'look & feel" of the two publications. **At Meeting:** Dianna Pryde will contact Terry direct in regard to proof reader – Jim suggested Robert Wilson

**9 Centennial Ave:** – Council voted to Heritage list the building. Permanent Heritage Listing has been approved and confirmed. Meeting attendees agreed for the Progress Association to write a letter – **At Meeting:** Proposed/moved - to issue clear letter to Council determining next steps - attendees seconded and agreed **The Secretary would write to council requesting from the Council as to what are the next steps, the urgent actions to reinstate and restore the roofing and building.** *Letter sent.*

**OH Reid & Greville Street** - Refer to Open Space discussion – **At Meeting:** Discussion in regard to impact of sports on neighbours, but also a discussion on lighting 'light spillage' - subsequent impact of lighting on birdlife and other animals. Powerful owls & Tawny frogmouth. General discussion also held in regard to synthetic turf and some of the consequences such as drainage

**Plastic bags and marine wildlife:** Cllr Saville moved a motion concerning single-use plastic bags and other matters.

**Emerge (Spring) Festival:** All through September. **September 1** Street Parade from 10.30am. Street Fair 10am-4pm. **At Meeting:** Some comments from attendees that the stall costs are higher than other markets.

**Gumnut Cellars and Grocers in Millwood Avenue** Have reopened with new operators and former successful format. More grocery lines, traditional take-away food.

**Les Murray:** It has been reported that poet Les Murray who now lives on the mid-north coast is now housebound and in poor health. For many years, Les and his wife Valerie Morelli (who previously lived in McLean Avenue), lived in Edgar St where they cared for their son who is on the Autism Spectrum. Les and Valerie still care for their son. While in Edgar St the Murrays hosted many famous poets evening with lavish amounts of Italian food and red wine. Les was also one of the Patrons of The Concourse. It has long been the Progress Associations ambition to have Les recognized locally. Previous attempts to recognise Les have not been supported by Willoughby Council on the basis that he was still alive (although he has been awarded an AO).

**Parking of boats within Willoughby – At Meeting:**

Discussed that at a recent council meeting the council adopted a traffic committee recommendation to:

"1) Approve the development of that a Boat-On-Trailer Management Plan (Plan) that identifies, scopes, costs and prioritises community acceptable measures for the management of boat-on-trailer parking should Council wish to implement measures independently of a region-wide

solution. Community feedback will be sort on the draft Plan prior to consideration by the Local Traffic Committee and Council and

2) Approve community consultation of a proposal to install 8P parking restrictions targeted at identified boat-on-trailer 'hot spots' on a 6 month trial, should Council wish to implement a measure in the short term that utilises regulatory parking restrictions only.

General discussion of the above recommendation and suggested attendees take note of any boats parked for any period of time and report to council "if hot spots exist within West Ward."

**Correspondence OUT/IN** – handled in agenda and minutes.

**Next meeting: Thursday 20th September 2018.**

**Meeting closed at: 9:30pm**

## **Appendix – Adopted Rules**

### **AGENDA ITEMS & MOTIONS**

It is open to any member of the Association to propose an Agenda Item or a Motion seeking the Association's support on a matter consistent with the Association's Objects.

A proposed Agenda Item or Motion must be accompanied by a short supporting background statement (no longer than one page) outlining the reason for requesting consideration by members.

Such Agenda Items or Motion must be received by email by the Secretary by 6 PM on the Sunday before a meeting to allow listing in the Agenda for the meeting.

A member, preferably at the opening of a meeting, can request that a matter be considered under General Business.

A simple, non-contentious Motion can be proposed at a meeting as a late item but must be written and handed to the Secretary, preferably before the start of the meeting, for reading to members present prior to any debate and determination. It is at the sole discretion of the Chairperson as to when to deal with any such late item. It may be considered, deferred to the next meeting or ruled out of order. If a motion is deferred the background to the late motion must reach the Secretary by 6 PM on the Sunday before the next meeting, else the motion lapses.

#### **APOLOGIES**

An apology by a member for a meeting, to be recorded in the Minutes, must be received by the Secretary by email by midday on the Wednesday before the meeting.

At a meeting, any apology reported on behalf of another member must be verbal to allow both the name of the person reporting and the name of the absent member to be recorded in the Minutes.

#### **COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

The community highly values the work a West Ward Councillor undertakes on their behalf. To ensure a Councillor's efforts reaches the widest possible audience, Councillors are encouraged to lodge a written report prior to a meeting for listing, in full, in the Agenda. To be listed in the Agenda, a Councillor's Report must be received by email by the Secretary by midday on the Tuesday before an Association meeting.

Any additional information or matter reported verbally by a Councillor at a meeting will be minuted in the normal format of the Association's Minutes. Subsequently, any addition, clarification or correction to the Minutes can be advised to the Secretary before 6 PM on the Sunday before the next meeting for consideration by members

### Proposed names for Nelson St.

Category	Proposal	History
Naval Officer name as used in surrounds	Horatio Court	Other half of Nelson
Estate or House Name from vicinity	Borig Court	The closest properties to Orchard Road were owned by George Borig in 1890s
Naval Officer name as used in surrounds	Berkeley Court	James Berkeley, 3rd Earl of Berkeley 21 March 1719 N.S. – 17 August 1736
Naval Officer name as used in surrounds	Norris Court	Sir John Norris April 1739 – 14 June 1749[1]
Naval Officer name as used in surrounds	Anson Court	George Anson, 1st Baron Anson 4 July 1749 – 6 June 1762[2]
Estate or House Name from vicinity	Macfield Court	Early 1900s in Ingram Estate W.A. Howard named his house Macfield
Estate or House Name from vicinity	Moorsland Court	Early 1900s in Ingram Estate Joseph Woodvine named his house Moorsland

### Officer's recommendation:

That Council approves community consultation to inform and seek community feedback on its intention to rename Nelson Street between Orchard Road and T1 Northshore Railway following the closure of Nelson Street, and seek community feedback on the following names:

### Adopted resolution:

That Council approves community consultation to inform and seek community feedback and confer with the Willoughby District Historical Society and the Aboriginal Heritage Office on its intention to rename Nelson Street between Orchard Road and T1 Northshore Railway following the closure of Nelson Street, and seek community feedback on suggested names.