

North & West Melbourne Association Inc.



**Monthly General Meeting
Tuesday 18th May 2010
To follow the completion of
the Special General Meeting,
which commences at 7.30
Meeting Room, first floor,
North Melbourne Library,
66 Errol Street**

Meeting Chairperson: Kevin Chamberlin

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

Chair Kevin Chamberlin opened the meeting.

Attendees: Kevin Chamberlin, Alan Ashley, Virginia Nairn, Roger Nairn, Graham Harper, Heather Harper, Verena Augusti, Janet Graham, Nancy Nankervis, Ray Cowling, Lorraine Siska, Alba Gatto, Bill Cook and Mary Kelleher.

Apologies: Denys Harraway, Madeleine Scully Michael Horscroft, JA Bell, Richard Gould and Lydia Macmichael, Mary Kehoe.

2. Confirmation of minutes

- Meeting held 20 April 2010
 - That the minutes be accepted
 - Moved Nan Nankervis
 - Seconded Janet Graham
 - Carried

3. Matters arising from the minutes of meeting (Not covered elsewhere in the agenda)

4. Correspondence (Not covered elsewhere)

Various planning documents in relation to 39 Lothian St.
City of Melbourne – Decision to Grant a Permit – Errol St Reserve
Friends of Moonee Ponds Creek, Notice of Meeting and Minutes, and Ponderings
Application for kerbside café – Sabrina's in Queensberry St – now reported to have closed.

5. Committee Report

- 'Public officer for the Association' Kevin and Bill to follow up. The matter is in progress.
- NM Football Club meeting – the letter/email endorsed by the last meeting was sent to Cr Shanahan and Prof Rob Adams and a reply received from Cr Shanahan that he supported no parking on the Reserve.
- Treasurer's Report - The treasurer reported on the current state of membership subscriptions and the major outgoings so far for the year. The bank balance as at the 18th May was \$11,554.

6. Workgroup Reports

- Planning
 - Municipal Strategic Statement In the absence of Geoff Leach the report was deferred.
 - La Trobe Close redevelopment-update
 - New Tram superstops-Abbotsford Street - TP 2010-201 (Stop 17-intersections with Canning and Molesworth) In the absence of Michael Horscroft the matter was deferred.
 - VCAT hearing 19th and 20th April for -87-101 Roden St The decision has now been finalised and resolved in favour of the developers.
- Business Report deferred
- Social Events- The success of the night for the presentation of the Excellence Award to Angela Williams was noted as was the outstanding attendance – 42 – at
- Environment Report deferred

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- Transport
 - Westlink The traffic flows that will affect many streets in our local area were noted as were the connections of West Link to the east – west tunnel promoted by Garnaut,
- CoRBA - Bill reported on the last meeting of CoRBA. He noted the increase in attendance this year, and a couple of new members at this last meeting. The member survey is about to be circulated and is aimed to consult member groups as to their priorities and issues.

Other issues that arose were

- the observation from a number of groups that the planning lists from the City of Melbourne may not always be accurate
- problems with unregulated serviced apartments were emerging in a couple of areas,
- the issue of boundary changes along St Kilda Road were creating problems.

Bill suggested some of the issues that he saw could be included under both city-wide and local concern to our Association and these were added to.

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| City-wide | Reform of Council Planning | Local | NMRR structure to guarantee community input NM Station footbridge |
| | MSS | | |
| | State assumption of control | | Use of mandatory /discretionary |
| | Height controls | | Arden Lodge |
| | VCAT | | Trams – planning and noise |
| | Consultation esp on parks | | No process to consult with local communities |
| | Transport plans | | |
| | Use of in-confidence in Committee Meetings – lack of transparency | | |
| | Shorter management reports | | |
| | On street bin and garbage management | | |
| | Noise controls on petrol blowers – should be equated to motor mowers | | |

7. General Business

8. Time and date of next meeting/Meeting close

Tuesday 15 June 2010 at 7.30