

North & West Melbourne Association Inc.



**Monthly General Meeting
Tuesday 15th February 2011
at 7.30pm
Meeting Room, first floor,
North Melbourne Library,
66 Errol Street**

Meeting Chairperson: Kevin Chamberlin

MINUTES

1. Welcome and apologies

Attendance: Bill Cook, Alba Gatto, Nancy Nankervis, Paul McLeod, Mary Kehoe, Kevin Chamberlin, Stephen Farrugia, Ray Cowling, Michael Horscroft, Martin Mowbray, Rob Kilpatrick, Clare Quinn, Mary Kelleher, Virginia Nairn, Roger Nairn, Janine Danks, Lorraine Siska, Heather Harper, Carina Korper, Geoff Leach and Janet Graham.

2. Confirmation of minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2010 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Clare Quinn

Seconded: Ray Cowling.

Carried

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

Action on Kate Greer's presentation to meeting of 21 September 2010: this is in the hands of the environment sub-committee and Sustainability Street.

4. Correspondence (Not covered elsewhere)

Correspondence was circulated to attendees.

Moved that the correspondence be noted: Mary Kehoe.

Seconded: Mary Kelleher - Carried

Correspondence from:

1. North Melbourne Football Club regarding Aussie Rock to be held in March 2011
2. National Storage regarding need for insurance of contents of storage unit, as well as a price increase.
3. Notice of decision to grant a permit: 49-53 Batman Street, West Melbourne, with covering letter that permit has not been issued.
4. VCAT training exercises
5. Our Community regarding Board Builder Conference 2011 - letter dated 13 December 2010
6. City of Melbourne, dated 16 December 2010, noting that NWMA is an objector regarding Chapman Street
7. Youth Projects, regarding Council grant
8. Newsflash from Carlton Residents' Association
9. Documentation from Alzheimer's Association Australia
10. Friends of Moonee Ponds Creek: notice and minutes of general meeting
11. Westlink News
12. COM acknowledging receipt of objection to planning permit application regarding 6 Curzon Street, North Melbourne
13. Email from Geoff Leach requesting NWMA endorsement of residents' position objecting to applications at:
 - a. 453 Dryburgh Street
 - b. 26 Erskine Streetand requesting that NWMA register as objector to the applications.
14. Correspondence regarding Citipower's handling of street lighting.
 - a. **Proposal: that the Association broach this matter with the Melbourne City Council.**

5. Committee report

- a. Meeting plans during library renovation: meeting room is once again available.
- b. Deadline for North and West Melbourne News was missed so some issues are being addressed.
- c. Deputy Chairperson reported on state election Meet the Candidates session in November 2010.

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- d. Progress on NWMA's Twitter and Facebook accounts was noted.

6. Workgroup Reports

• Planning

- Municipal Strategic Statement (See submission on the website)

Geoff Leach reported on recent meeting with Councillor Committee.

A brief summary of the MSS was provided.

- La Trobe Close redevelopment-update

Stephen Farrugia spoke about progress of development.

Sub-group consisting of Kevin Chamberlin and Stephen Farrugia is to be established, to liaise with the Ministers for Housing and Planning.

- 46 Villiers Street – still with Council
- St Joseph's CBC – School closed, nothing further to report.
- Zagame- King Roden & Stanley Sts – 259 units and one retail premises:
 - Bill Cook gave update; still under consideration by minister.
- C122/C174
- 130-140 Errol St – considered at Future Melbourne Committee on February 1, where applicants were given the opportunity to address a wide range of issues by the February Council Meeting. The objectors were disappointed that Council was not more decisive in regard to the heritage report and to reject the application outright.
- 141-149 Roden Street – this application also went to the FMC on Feb 1 and the Committee was decisive in implementing the DDO height limit and limiting the building to 4 storeys. Already been referred to VCAT.
 - Ray Cowling to draft letter for sending on NWMA letterhead
- 453 Dryburgh Street and 26 Erskine street (see 'Correspondence' item)
 - Geoff Leach to draft letter for sending on NWMA letterhead.
 - Association to send letter of support.
- 108 Ireland Street – also considered by the above FMC. It was pleasing to see the council limit the development to the DDO limit of 5 storeys.
- 420 Spencer Street: Bill Cook provided update: objection to be lodged.
- Preliminary discussions re Baptist Church, (Service Station, King Street).
 - Minister unable to attend present meeting so this item was deferred to next meeting.

- Business – deferred, as business representative not present.
- Social events: Christmas Party: it was agreed that about four functions should be planned per year.
- Environment - Eades Place: Michael Horscroft provided overview. Ray Cowling moved to liaise with Council. Michael Horscroft seconded.
- Errol, Courtney, Harcourt Sts open space: Nancy Nankervis gave update: meeting with VCAT on Thursday 3 February 2011.
- Transport
 - Westlink: fed government has said won't finance link between Clifton Hill and Kensington.
 - Haymarket Roundabout: membership to be notified; with view to arranging briefing from Vicroads about the development.

7. General Business

AGM plans, Saturday 16 April 2011. The meeting endorsed this date.

8. Time and date of next meeting

Tuesday 15 March 2011

Meeting close: 9.30 pm.