

Protecting, promoting and enhancing the economic, cultural, social and environmental well being of the residents of North Canberra

The North Canberra Community Council receives funding and support from the ACT Government



General meeting

Date: 17 April 2019

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: Downer Community Centre

MINUTES

Accepted 15 May 2019

1) Guest presentation topic/s and presenter/s. No guest presentation today.

An expected short presentation by an election candidate was called off due to other commitments.

2) Attendance and apologies

Attendance: Leon Arundell (Chair), Committee members Geoff Davidson, Jochen Zeil, Mike Hettinger; Members Marg Dudley, Sue Dyer, Waltraud Pix, Wendy Dodd, Peter Wishart, Cecilia Skene, Wendy Millington, Denis O'Brien, Neil Parsons, Beth Slatyer, Paul Costigan, Marianne Albury-Colless, Jane Goffman

Apologies: John Lieber, Bruce Smith

Observers: None

3) Declaration of conflicts of interests

None

Additional Item: Agenda for the meeting

Mike Hettinger moved that the meeting follow an alternative agenda that did not include *Deed of Grant or Compliance with the Associations Incorporation Act*.

The motion failed.

4) Acceptance of minutes of previous meeting of 20/3/2019.

Deferred to May meeting

5) nominations for vacant committee positions

Nomination from Bruce Smith.

The meeting decided to defer all committee nominations to the May general meeting.

The meeting agree that somebody was to provide the Secretary with a message to send to all members, inviting committee nominations.

6) Financial report.

In the absence of a report from the Treasurer, the Chair reported that:

- Our bank balance at 13 April was \$1,370
- Our financial commitments exceed our bank balance
- Income from 1 Feb to 13 April was 26 cents of interest
- Expenditures from 1 Feb to 13 April included
 - Purchase Post O'Connor LPO O' O Connor: \$190
 - Food and drinks at committee meetings: \$257
 - Debit Card Purchase JB Hi Fi Canberra: \$40

7) Deed of grant. Update on status of requirements under the Deed of Grant in **Appendix D**.

The Chair reported that the Deed had been signed, and that he expected the grant money to be transferred into our bank account within a few weeks.

8) Compliance with the Associations Incorporation Act.

The meeting voted 11 to 4, to suspend John Lieber from the committee until he provides a satisfactory explanation of why he should be reinstated as treasurer.

9) Dickson Library 50th Anniversary

The meeting agreed that the Chair would send a letter of support, to be drafted by Jane Goffman

10) Development Application No. 201733114-01 Dickson Towers

a) Update by Geoff Davidson

Geoff gave an update on submission of a NCCC objection to this Development Application for the corner Morphet St and Northbourne Ave in Dickson.

b) Public meeting on Planning in the ACT at the Albert Hall on 10 September 2018. Update on endorsement of the resolutions.

The committee has asked Margaret Dudley to seek advice on this,

11) Items carried over from previous meetings

a) Update on Dickson Section 72 "Parklands"

The Chair read an update from the Minister for Urban Renewal:
the community needs assessment is almost finalised and will be released shortly. I recognise this is a delay compared with the original timetable and this reflects time taken to ensure the report is as accurate and up-to-date as possible. Work is also ongoing in regard to Common Ground.

I will be back in touch as soon as I have more information. In the meantime I will ask my office to get in touch to organise another meeting with the NCCC working group to discuss options for the community reference group, if that suits you.

b) Development application for the Pavilion on Northbourne

Geoff reported that both Dickson towers 201733114-01 and Pavilion DA objections had issues such as building height, solar access, wind flow, patio at front to be less obtrusive (setback)

c) 201733114-01 Dickson Towers.

Geoff reported – see above.

12) Specific items for this meeting to consider:

a) **NCCC Website**

[Did the meeting agree that the Secretary would invite members to submit suggestions for consideration at the May meeting, or did it agree to refer this to the committee?]

b) Communication Strategy

The meeting agreed either that the Secretary would invite members to submit suggestions for consideration at the May meeting, or to refer this to the committee.

13) Other Business

14) Reports and updates

a) Committee decisions since the previous meeting. See committee reports in **Attachment A**.

b) Environment and Planning Forum.

Chair to circulate a report including Director-General's report and meeting minutes.

c) Proposed Dickson Supermarket,

Jane gave an update.

d) Residents Associations,

Reports from Dickson, Reid and Campbell

e) Combined Community Councils.

A report was circulated prior to the meeting

f) Community Aviation Consultative Group.

The Chair explained that the NCCC is represented on this group by Bob Ross of the Pialligo Residents' Association.

Concerns were expressed about the possible impacts of an extension to the runway (to accommodate larger aircraft), and about the possible impacts of commercial deliveries by drone.

Other business

Marianne to provide link to a survey on quality of life

NCCC to circulate to members:

- link to a survey on Pre-DA consultation
- link to survey on quality of life.

Presentations for May General Meeting

The following ten minute presentations were agreed:

- Conservation issues in north Canberra – Jochen Zeil
- Cat containment – Heather Tomlinson (EPD)

15) Close of meeting

16) Future general meetings (7.30 pm, Downer Community Centre): May 15, June 19, July 17, August 21, September 18, October 16, November 20

17) Future committee meetings (7pm, upstairs room, Polish Club): Wednesday 24 April, Thursdays 30 May, 27 June, 1 August, 29 August, 26 September, 31 October.