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*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



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# NCCC e-newsletter

## Dear North Canberra Community

Following the outcome of the 2020 ACT election, which saw the incumbent Labor-Greens Government returned and a new MLA, Rebecca Vassarotti, elected to Kurrajong, the NCCC looks forward to working with the new Government on the priority issues for North Canberra residents, including planning, compliance management and improved community consultation.

We will also soon be sending out the agenda for the NCCC's 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM), where the new NCCC Committee will be elected and the upcoming priorities, such as the ACT Planning Review, will be canvassed, as we prepare for what promises to be an interesting 2021 for ACT politics.

## NCCC updates

- **Upcoming AGM:** The NCCC's AGM will be held on Wednesday 18 November. The login details for the meeting, which will be held online via Zoom, will be sent to NCCC members this week. As part of the nomination of the new NCCC committee, each Residents Associations will nominate no more than two representatives from their suburb and NCCC members will elect the new officers bearers.

Nominations for election as an officer of the Council must be made in writing to the Secretary at least 7 days prior to the AGM. Further details on the nomination process can be found in the [NCCC Constitution](#).

- **NCCC write to the incoming ACT Government:** Following the ACT election result, the NCCC wrote to the leaders of the re-elected parties, Andrew Barr and Shane Rattenbury, to outline some of the key areas where the NCCC would be interested in working constructively with the Government over the next parliamentary term.

This includes establishing a renewed focus on building and development compliance, improving the biodiversity management of the nature reserves and urban parks (including a robust and sustained weed management strategy) and a planning system with a stronger focus on local precinct plans and integrating new developments with appropriate supporting infrastructure.

- **Ainslie Football Club proceedings reach settlement:** The ACAT proceedings between the Ainslie Football Club and local Ainslie residents has now been settled. The dispute, which had centred on the Club's plans to create an additional driveway on to Angas street, had raised concerns among local residents about the likelihood of significantly increased traffic flows in the area (in what is already a congested area of Ainslie around Wakefield Avenue and Limestone Avenue). As part of the settlement, a set of rules has been established regarding Ainslie Football Club's use of the driveways and access points for the Football Club to mitigate any traffic impacts.

### Local News and Updates

- **New light rail stop in Mitchell:** A Development Application has been lodged for a new Light Rail stop on the corner of Flemington Road and Sandford Street in Mitchell. The period of consultation on the new station, which would address the lack of light rail access for many Mitchell businesses and patrons in the existing design, closes on 4 November. More details on the Application can be found [here](#).
- **Lyneham heritage trail:** The Lyneham Residents Association recently received a grant through to develop a Lyneham to O'Connor heritage trail. The trail, which will be funded through the ACT Heritage Grants Program, will provide a historical narrative on the development of the suburb and feature artistic works, including a sign at Lyneham shops, linking the different heritage sties.

You can find out about new Development Applications in your area, including information on how to lodge a submission, by accessing [this](#) ACT Government website.

### Treasurer's Update

The NCCC has now received its grant from the ACT Government for 2020-21. In October the NCCC Committee agreed to a number of funding proposals for this financial year, most of which are from Residents Associations for local initiatives related to communication. Audited financial statements for 2019-20 will be presented to the AGM in November.

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