### COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS' COMMITTEE

**MINUTES**

**Meeting 4**

Monday 19 November at 4.30 pm

Council Chambers, Civic Centre, 1a Marlborough Street, Drummoyne

**IN ATTENDANCE**

*City of Canada Bay:*  
- Mayor Angelo Tsirekas  
- Gary Sawyer, General Manager  
- Kent Walton, Acting Director Corporate Services  
- Tony McNamara, Director Planning & Environment  
- John Osland, Director Technical Services & Operations  
- Nigel Bertus, Manager Environmental Health & Building  
- Ann Cameron  
- Heather Crichton, Executive Services Officer.

*Community Associations' Committee representatives:*  
- Philip Enger  
- Kate Foot  
- Barry Mealing  
- John Small  
- Patricia Wright  
- John Wurth.

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<td><strong>Apologies</strong></td>
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<td>Apologies were received from Deputy Mayor Pauline Tyrrell, Cr Helen McCaffrey, Cr Mirjana Cestar and Peter Marshall.</td>
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<td><strong>Confirmation of Previous Minutes</strong></td>
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<td>Minutes from meeting 3 of 20 August 2012 were noted and adopted with no amendments.</td>
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<td><em>Local Traffic Management Plan:</em></td>
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<td>John Osland is talking to Kate Foot about her position statement. Mayor Angelo Tsirekas said revision of our local traffic management plan will be necessary due to the announcement of the State Government’s WestConnex initiative.</td>
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Bayview Park – annual changeover of keys and padlocks:
Gary Sawyer advised that the 2012 annual changeover is scheduled for late November. Key holders are granted 12 months access and about 200 keys are issued. A formal application must be made. Previous key holders must update their details annually.

Friends of Bayview Park:
Kate Foot will email Lisa Miscamble to discuss the feasibility of getting a “Friends” group established for Bayview Park.

Concord RSL Car Park:
A letter has been sent to Concord RSL from Manager Building, Compliance, Law Enforcement and Parking, Tony Pavlovic, with advice that Law Enforcement staff will monitor the car park periodically on Saturday afternoons in an effort to eradicate noise nuisances by operators of remote controlled cars.

The issue of vehicles doing “burnouts” is a matter for Burwood Police.
Barry Mealing said that since our last meeting a new group of users have moved into the car park space on Saturday afternoons, being young people on motorised scooters.
Tony McNamara suggested that Barry Mealing contact Council's after hours service on telephone 9911-6555 and report any concerns.

Seawall Maintenance:
John Osland has asked his team to remove graffiti from the seawall at Edgewood.

Action:
John Osland to confirm that graffiti has been removed from the seawall at Edgewood.
resident contact, Peter Sailer,

Pelican Point – build up of leaf litter and rubbish:
John Osland’s team has removed the build up of leaf litter and rubbish in the gutters along Burwood Road outside Pelican Point. The cleansing supervisor will look at including "hard to access" areas, like parts of Burwood Road on a regular run.
Cleansing staff have adopted a method for cleaning high traffic/parking areas by using a blower to reach hard to access areas ie gutters around parked cars, and working in tandem with our street sweeper for immediate collection of litter.

Status of Community Associations’ Manuals
Ann Cameron gave an update on the status of the Community Associations’ Manuals. Ann is waiting on information from Breakfast Point in order to complete the project.
John Wurth will forward photos to Ann for inclusion in the Liberty Grove manual and advised that his AGM is on 11 December when new committee membership will be finalised.
All Community Association Manuals will be saved on CDs and lodged at our libraries, completion is anticipated around Christmas 2012. Updates will go out in June / July of each year.
Kate Foot recorded Member’s appreciation and gratitude to Ann Cameron for her tremendous efforts in compiling the Community Association manuals. Kate noted that the manuals are an important resource and this information is now captured for people to access now and in future years. Kate also thanked Council for their initiative in putting this resource together.

5 **Prince Edward Park, Cabarita – condition of play area**

Barry Mealing raised the condition of the timber playground equipment (timber pirate boat with slide) and soft fall in Prince Edward Park and asked of Council’s plan to upgrade this space. He is concerned that the present playground condition is unsafe.

John Osland advised that our playgrounds are inspected every three months, that this playground is included on our renewal program and that he would see where it sits on the program list. Gary Sawyer advised that we would take a closer look at the “wear and tear” factors and the timeframe for updating this play space, and report back to next meeting.

**Actions:**

John Osland to check the condition of the playground equipment and soft fall in Prince Edward Park.

Lisa Miscamble to advise next meeting when the Prince Edward Park playground equipment is due for replacement.

6 **Prince Edward Park, Cabarita – cleaning of car park area**

Barry Mealing also raised the cleaning of the car park and garden area in Prince Edward Park. Gary Sawyer advised that Marie Puccin, Angelo’s on the Bay, had recently raised this matter with him. Gary informed the meeting that the large build up of leaf litter – mainly pine needles and gum leaves – will be removed over the next month and this space would be included on a regular cleaning schedule. Gary believes more frequent cleaning is needed for carparks near our restaurants, like Angelo’s, as this is their “front door”.

Barry also advised that the car park chain needs attention as it can be pulled up to allow cars to exit.

**Actions:**

John Osland to include Prince Edward Park car park and garden area leading up to Angelo’s on the Bay on TS&O’s regular cleaning rooster.

John Osland to check condition of car park chain at Prince Edward Park.

7 **General Business**  

a Barry Mealing noted that the containment cells at Cape Cabarita were inspected in November 2012 and he would like to be informed of the results. Nigel Bertus to table findings at next meeting.

**Action:**

Nigel Bertus to provide next meeting with the report of the containment cells inspection at Cape Cabarita in November 2012.
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<td>John Wurth is still waiting on legal advice, and has sought feedback from the State Member, with regards to public access to various parts of community land and conditions of consent.</td>
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| c | Mayor Angelo Tsirekas raised the mooted closure of the tunnel that links Liberty Grove with the northern train line. Railcorp may be looking at closing this access point as part of the freight line project. The Mayor advised he was putting a Mayoral Minute to Council on 20 November. John Wurth would be lobbying in the strongest possible terms to the appropriate bodies to keep the tunnel open as its closure would be a major loss for Liberty Grove residents.  
Tony McNamara has investigated all titles in the immediate area and cannot find any record of an easement. It appears that the tunnel was originally created as a culvit for drainage and never intended for pedestrian access. |
| d | Mayor Angelo Tsirekas advised that the developer behind Mortlake Redevelopment submitted amended plans to the Department of Planning in mid November. Council is still assessing the plans but a quick appraisal shows the development is still massive – with 391 apartments (down from 402). The project will not go back on public exhibition. The Planning Assessment Commission (PAC) will hold a public meeting, date to be advised and the Mayor undertook to keep the community informed about this issue and publicise the hearing date.  
The Mayor will table a Mayoral Minute at the next Council meeting. |
| e | The remediation of Kendall Bay was discussed. Breakfast Point residents had asked if consideration could be given to leaving the contamination in place and not disturbing it by proceeding with its removal. Mayor Angelo Tsirekas advised this is an unlikely result with Jemena and the Department of Environment committed to proceeding with the cleanup.  
The Mayor advised that two removal options were being considered: the use of Cabarita Park as a work site from where the waste would be trucked out – estimated to be a 12 month process; or to transport the waste via barge and then truck to another location – estimated to take approximately 24 months and a much more costly option. Unpleasant smells/odours are anticipated when removal works begin with discomfort expected for residents.  
The Mayor’s preference is to barge out the waste, to ensure minimal disruption for residents, but he advised that the State Government may legislate to take over part of Cabarita Park to see the removal of the waste by truck.  
The Mayor talked also about the rezoning of Kendall Bay and advised Committee Members that the response from the Minister for Planning had been very disappointing. |
| f | The condition of the timber walkways at Massey Park Golf Course, along the foreshore at Cape Cabarita and along to Bayview Park was discussed. Areas for urgent attention include:  
- Massey Park - timber bridge across the canal is rotting  
- where Prince Edward Park meets southern foreshore of Cape Cabarita – rotting timber  
- Pelican Point – railing along the top of the high seawall is rotting. Council used to maintain this railing; can we attend to it? |
- Bayview Park, foreshore pathway – timber railing green painted fence – needs attention
- Massey Park Golf Course - foreshore lights – out again.

**Action:**
John Osland to review timber walkways, as outlined above, and advise next meeting on action to be taken by Council.

| g | Kate Foot again raised the issue of cyclists using the pathways and told the meeting that Pelican Point and Pelican Quays residents are very concerned about speeding cyclists and motorised scooters are increasing too. Kate is preparing drawings and signage to alert cyclists to their responsibility when using the pathways and assured the meeting she will consult with Council before erecting signage. Pelican Point Community Association has asked Council to delete a line from a map, indicating cycle access, from our website. Legal advice in pending. |
| h | Kate Foot is joining discussions with the owners of the Bushell’s site about public access to the foreshore. |
| i | The Mayor advised that he wants to progress the original issues presented to this forum being:
  1. Public access to property of community associations
  2. Public contribution to the cost of maintaining public access
  3. Roads and traffic management
  4. Rights and obligations of communities in considering development applications
  5. Ongoing maintenance of community consent conditions.
Once these issues are resolved, the Mayor in consultation with Committee Members, will assess the need for the Community Associations’ Committee to continue to meet. Discussion amongst members ensued. |

**8 Confirmation of Next Meeting**

Mayor Angelo Tsirekas advised Committee Members that the next meeting of the Community Associations’ Committee is scheduled for **Monday 18 February 2013 at 4.30pm.**

**9 Close**

Mayor Angelo Tsirekas thanked Committee Members for their attendance at today’s meeting and throughout the year The meeting closed at 5.37 pm.