

Wilson Residents and Ratepayers Association (WRRRA)

Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 14th July, 2021- (7.00pm)

Wilson Hall, Braibrise Street

	Agenda Item	Responsibility
1.	<p>Welcome: Rob Marshall (Pres), Introduction of committee members present Rob Marshall (Pres), Deanne Dymock (Sec), Max Zeller, Ben Indrisie, Peter Morcombe, Joanne Morris (Treasurer), Geoff Rees, Graham Follington, Other attendees: Jess Marigano, Kaye Barr, Steven Winch, Graeme Hudson, Ron Dymock Guests: Cr Mark Bain, Cr Sara Saberi, Mayor Patrick Hall, Bill Johnston MLA, Hannah Beazley MLA Apologies: David Clark</p>	R Marshall
2.	<p>AGM Notice (WRRRA Newsletter, WRRRA website) Invitations sent to Mayor Patrick Hall, Bill Johnston MLA, Hannah Beazley MLA</p>	R Marshall
3.	<p>Meeting procedures</p>	R Marshall
4.	<p>Minutes from previous AGM meeting held on 15th July 2020 (distributed at meeting and available on WRRRA website) Moved: Max Zeller Seconded: Graham Follington Carried No business arising</p>	R Marshall
5.	<p>Actions arising from AGM meeting (standing)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - City of Canning Local Laws review. - ongoing - Kent Street Weir Precinct - ongoing 	R Marshall
6.	<p>Presentation to meeting by City of Canning Mayor, Patrick Hall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Canning budget has been adopted with a focus of placing the City of a sound financial footing with a long term aim of returning to a positive budget position while protecting jobs and stimulating the local business economy. • The major project to impact the City will be the elevated rail project which will mean new stations at Cannington and Queens Park, and associated benefits. <p>Questions from the floor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M Zeller asked about the City's position on the dual use pathway. Mayor Hall agreed this has been a long term issue and supports the use of boardwalks and pathways to connect people to the environment. <i>With a federal election looming this may be a good time for WRRRA to actively canvas for progress.</i> • G Follington asked about the City's position on Bentley 360. Mayor Hall deferred this question to Hannah Beazley as she is heavily involved in this. 	
7.	<p>Presentation to meeting by Bill Johnson MLA With changes to electoral boundaries, Bill now represents Wilson East. The Castledare project is ongoing and is waiting for the surrender of land to the Crown to progress. Planning,</p>	

	<p>environmental impact and departmental approvals are in place or being developed. Bill is confident the project will proceed in the next few years.</p> <p><u>Questions from the floor</u></p> <p>G Rees asked about the public access from Wilson to Kent Street Weir. Bill acknowledged that this is an issue but was unable to give a firm answer as this access forms part of the bigger picture of the Castledare project.</p> <p>M Zeller asked about the timelines for the above project (his initial correspondence was from 2005). Bill agreed that this has been a long process mainly due to the issue of tenure of the land.</p> <p>R Marshall asked about congestion, access and safety on Albany Highway (particularly from Wharf Street to Manning Road). It was agreed that this is a problem that is probably going to get worse. Bill has been advocating for change but Main Roads have no plans for change at this point. A solution is to include additional public transport (the train line enhancements).</p>	
8.	<p>Presentation to meeting by Hannah Beazley MLA</p> <p>Hannah introduced herself as the new state labor member for Victoria Park. With electoral changes Wilson now sits in the Federal Electorate of Tagney.</p> <p>Hannah is heavily focused on local projects and has secured funding for the Wilson Primary School basketball court replacement.</p> <p>Bentley 360 is a major focus as it impacts on so many facets of the community – transport, accessibility, antisocial behaviour, ambience and housing. Hannah is very keen for this project to get moving again.</p> <p>The Metronet will have a massive positive impact on the communities and individuals who live along the existing rail line. Reduction of noise and improved traffic flow being the most obvious.</p> <p>The Welshpool Road/Albany highway upgrade has commenced. Hannah has offered to support WRRRA by paying for some of the printing of the newsletters. <i>J Morris to meet with Hannah to arrange this.</i></p> <p>Hannah encouraged everyone to subscribe to her Facebook page to get updates on current projects.</p>	
9.	<p>Report from City of Canning Tabled – see below</p>	Mark Bain
10.	<p>Presidents Report – tabled and attached Moved – Max Zeller Seconded – Geoff Rees</p>	Rob
8.	<p>Secretary – tabled and attached Moved – Max Zeller Seconded – Geoff Rees</p>	Deanne

9.	Treasurers Report – tabled and attached Moved – Max Zeller Seconded – Geoff Rees	Joanne
10.	<p>Election of office bearers (R Marshall declared that he was standing down from the position)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President – Ben Indrisie, nominated by D Dymock seconded K Barr. Accepted and voted unanimously • Vice President – Max Zeller, nominated by D Dymock seconded Graeme Hudson. Accepted and voted unanimously • Secretary – Deanne Dymock, nominated by Max Zeller seconded Kay Barr. Accepted and voted unanimously • Treasurer - Joanne Morris, nominated by D Dymock seconded Max Zeller. Accepted and voted unanimously • Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graham Follington • Steve Winch • Peter Morcombe • Geoff Rees 	
11.	<p>General Business</p> <p>A member had asked for the following questions to be put to the committee in his absence. As these questions related to City of Canning processes, Mayor Patrick Hall addressed them.</p> <p>-What constitutes Conflict of interest in Council deliberations and decisions on planning applications?</p> <p>-If Conflict of interest is identified, what process is undertaken to determine eligibility of Councillor input or vote?</p> <p>-Does this process also apply when a determination is made by council to waver fees (rates) by entities within Council boundaries?</p> <p>Mayor Hall explained that all councillors are clearly bound by the Local Government Act in relation to conflict of interest whether interest is declared, financial, proximal or others. Councillors must remain impartial and transparent.</p> <p>Unfortunately the interpretation is not always obvious or clear cut and councillors are encouraged to err on the side of caution and to aim to meet community expectations.</p>	
12.	Meeting Closed – 8.35pm Next Committee Meeting – Monday 2 August	

Attachment 1; City of Canning Report

Cr Mark Bain

Playground Renewals in Wilson

As part of its Play Provision Strategy, the City is renewing four playgrounds in Wilson this financial year.

- 1) Judy Pannell Park- completed (nature-based)
- 2) Hares Park- completed (nature-based)
- 3) Thomas Moore Park- near complete (conventional)
- 4) Andrews Park- to be completed

Bywater Way Drain

City officers inspected the site recently and will liaise with the DBCA regarding the most appropriate bank protection methods to protect the area around the drain from further erosion. Depending on the type of intervention required, the City may apply for funding assistance from the DBCA through the Riverbank grants program.

Wilson Main Drain

Tranen continued their work through June to rehabilitate and revegetate this site. Manual weed removal and herbicide spraying was conducted.

Climate Clever Neighbourhood Info Sessions

Residents in Wilson and Ferndale will be the first to have the opportunity to take part in 'Climate Clever Neighbourhoods', a new initiative aimed at increasing sustainability at a community level. Residents are encouraged to attend one of the free upcoming information nights (20 July and 3 Aug) at the CREEC building at 6pm. Amongst the topics that will be discussed are: sustainability, waste reduction, lowering utility bills and growing your own food.

'Be Safe and Save' Security Incentive Scheme

Residents of the City of Canning are eligible to apply for a rebate on installed security items in their homes. Rebates are available on CCTV systems, alarm systems, security screens, sensor lights and door/ window locks. Application forms are available on the City of Canning website.

Centenary West Proposed Path

The City expects that the proposed shared path adjacent to the river will be constructed next financial year. The elevated walkway joining the Centenary West and South Perth paths will likely be a joint project between the two councils and potentially completed in 2022/2023.

Kent St Weir Precinct Plan

The City anticipates that the new, single dog exercise area, sewerage upgrade and wetland buffer projects will be delivered this calendar year.

Nido Child Care Centre at 70 & 72 Armstrong Rd

Construction continues at this site with work on the second storey progressing.

Centenary Avenue Road Upgrade

With line marking now installed, this project has been completed.

Centenary Park Sports Lighting Upgrade

This project is budgeted for completion next financial year 2021/2022.

Bulk Verge Collection

A junk waste collection will be conducted in parts of Wilson beginning the 19th of July. Check the City of Canning website for further details.

Tree Pruning- Palm Place

The City completed tree management works in Palm Place. Work included deadwood removal and minor weight reduction of the City managed trees at the end of the cul-de-sac.

Attachment 2 – President Report

Robert Marshall

I am pleased to present an overview of the activities for the Wilson Residents and Ratepayers Association (WRRRA) for 2020 – 2021.

Membership Program

WRRRA has members from 114 households in Wilson. This is average for recent years and an increase of 10 from 2020-21.

Support from City of Canning

During 2019/2020 WRRRA has been well supported by the City of Canning Councillors Cr Mark Bain and Cr Sara Sabini regularly attended meetings and providing reports. The City of Canning has provided a small grant that has assisted with Newsletter costs.

Local Primary School Book Awards

WRRRA has continued to support Wilson Primary School and Rehoboth Christian Primary School, Wilson Campus, with Ted Foreman Book Awards, each worth \$200. These prizes help students and their families with the purchase of textbooks and other school requirements.

For the 2020 awards the Rehoboth Christian Primary School, requested the WRRRA contribution be divided to the recipients of their four main awards: The Principal's Award, Most Improved, Christian Growth and Christian Character.

The Wilson Primary School will allocated the prize to a Community Award and an Environmental Award.

Local Issues

Local matters that have been items for business for the WRRRA committee in the last year include:

- Castledare proposed development.
- The impact of Cats on wildlife.
- Centenary Park development.
- Kent Street Weir Precinct.
- Loss of Vegetation from Wilson Drain.
- Motorboats upstream for the Riverton Bridge and damage to the riverbanks.
- Surrey Road Parking.
- Riverton Bridge to Castledare Boardwalk/walkway.
- Public Transport Issues.

WRRRA Website and Newsletter

Our Webmaster Ben Indrisie, with the support of Max Zellar have continued to improve the WRRRA Website accessibility for members and update the information. Ben is establishing a WRRRA Facebook Page.

The WRRRA Newsletter, through the work of Deanne Dymock, has new graphical layout and been printed in colour. We value the support of our sponsors to cover the costs of production.

Thank You

I extend heartfelt thanks to our WRRRA committee members for their excellent contribution during what has been a challenging year with the imposition of Covid-19.

- Ben Indrisie – Vice President, Webmaster and Newsletter Distribution
- Deanne Dymock– Secretary and Newsletter editor.
- Joanne Morris - Treasurer.
- Ben Indrisie – Newsletter and Webmaster.
- Peter Morecombe – Committee Member and representative on the Canning River Regional Park Advisory Committee.
- David Clark – Committee Member.
- Graham Follington – Committee Member.
- Geoff Rees – Regular committee meeting attendee and former WRRRA President.

Attachment 3 - Secretary report

Deanne Dymock

The past twelve months of the secretary's role have, like everyone else, been somewhat impacted by the Covid pandemic. Online WRRRA meetings were defiantly new to me, but once we got into the swing of it, they went well.

We successfully applied for a City of Canning Resilience grant to increase Community Engagement through use of technology (in response to and in anticipation of changed operating environment due to Covid 19 pandemic).

In addition we received additional funds through the City's Small Grants scheme to assist with the production of the newsletter.

WRRRA made a conscious effort to increase the quality and relevance of the community newsletter which meant shifting from relying on the donation of time and paper from two supporters to paying a commercial printer to produce a colour product. This shift also reduced the time our volunteers had to give to fold the newsletter prior to putting into residents individual letterboxes. So far, feedback suggests that we are on the right track.

WRRRA is also endeavouring to reach out to reward and encourage members by intruding gold membership to those who pay for a three year subscription. Our thanks to the Canning River Café for being our inaugural gold member supporter offering 10% off purchases to WRRRA members.

Our invoicing and communication outreach, through our website is also working well and receiving complements. Whilst such platforms take a bit of effort to get going and maintain, the results are worth it.

Whilst my role within WRRRA is secretary, like most committee members we are happy to pick up the baton when required. I look forward to hearing what burning issues our committee identify as things that we can get involved in, make a difference and hopefully succeed in representing for the people of Wilson.

Attachment 4 – Treasurers report

Joanne Morris

2020–21 FINANCIAL YEAR

INCOME for the 2020/21 financial year is \$1,652.66 , made up of the following amounts :								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership fees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 62 members paid their three-year memberships during the 2020/21 financial year (18 of whom were new members; 1 member paid a one year membership) ○ Of those, 31 paid through the new payment facility <i>Stripe</i>. NB: \$0.56 is charged for each payment. ○ one member paid by cheque and two paid cash 		\$902.64						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsorship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Dombrose Riverton Bridge Pharmacy *\$120.00 • LMR Accountants *\$58.80 • Canning River Café (ai.fusion) *\$ 60.00 <p>*For December 2020 summer newsletter and/or 2021 winter newsletter</p>		\$238.80						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Grant of \$500.00 was put toward the cost of the June 2021 newsletter 		\$500.00						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest from the Bendigo Bank for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Statement Account (paid monthly) \$ 0.66 ○ Term Deposit (paid quarterly) (1.60%) \$10.56 12/8; 12/11/20 and 12/2; 12/5/21 		\$11.22						
TOTAL INCOME 2020/21		\$1,652.66						
EXPENSES for the year included:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Printing of Summer & Winter Newsletters (Gateway Printing) \$1,127.78 ○ The Ted Foreman Book Award (Wilson Primary School \$200 and Rehoboth Christian College \$200) \$400.00 ○ Wild Apricot member database + foreign fee \$750.69 								
TOTAL		\$2,278.47						
TOTAL EXPENSES 2020/21		\$2,278.47						
2020/21 Financial year loss		\$625.81						
As at 30/6/21 WRRRA had 121 paid up households								
The current cash balance for WRRRA as at 14/7/21:								
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