Neighbourly Committee No 4

Incorporating Neighbourhood Forum No 4

Executive Committee

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NC4 Tuesday, 2nd July 2019

AGENDA

Open Meeting - 07.05pm.

Apologies – Valerie Hussein, Roy Hurkett, Enid Cochrane

Welcome.

Space for Special Guests –

Minutes of Previous Monthly Meeting – 07 June 2019

Distributed by email.

Limited copies available at meeting.

Business Arising from Minutes –

.CCAG- wording of report did not fully explain the issues identified. New amended wording should now read:

Cokeworks Site Redevelopment

Legacy Property gained a *Certificate to Demolish* from a private certifier while a heritage assessment was underway. WCC placed an Interim Heritage Order to halt demolition for a period of 6 months. A new Planning Proposal has been submitted to Council. CCAG has not been given access to the new application yet.

CCAG continues to request and encourage interested residents to continue making submissions to WCC.

Minutes moved and seconded. accepted with amendments. [June meeting Minutes have been so amended] – B. Chapman

Correspondence In - Nil Correspondence Out - Nil

Reports:

Treasurer's Report: \$567.89

Recent WLPP Matters: None listed.

Community Campaigns:

- WCC Flood Plain meeting discussed the major catchments for which Council has endorsed Flood Management Studies. Towradgi Creek and the Fairy/Cabbage Tree Creek Catchments are the principal ones impacting NC4.
- A new Review of the Cabbage Tree / Fairy Creek study to be undertaken. The William Street Group have been advised that the previously unrecognised arm under William Street Balgownie is to be included for this review.

Corrimal Community Action Group

Revised proposal is with Council. WCC is holding data and not sharing at this stage with CCAG.

Issues gaining wider attention: Grey-faced Flying Fox colony needs 200m buffer zone. State level consultation involved.

National Trust has shared concerns and support over heritage issues, both Natural and Built heritage.

Worries: As yet no hint of special zoning of vegetation communities. Draft heritage plans for Illawarra region are up on WCC's website for community input under *Have your Say* link until August.

• East Corrimal Open Space Committee

This recently formed group of local residents have joined NC4 to gain additional support in their dealings with Wollongong Council concerning the proposal to develop and change the use of <u>Happy Valley Park</u>, Dobbie Ave East Corrimal.

Community concerns include:

- Lack of consultation and engagement with residents prior to making development changes
- Changing the nature of the park from casual-activity space for local residents, in walking distance, that is safe for young children.
- Attracting visitors from further afield to use the park for more active pursuits, dog-exercising, commercial fitness enterprises and other groups setting up marquees and shade sails.
- Increased noise and traffic reducing the ambience and safety for young families.
- East Corrimal beach not patrolled and is now attracting families instead of the traditional board riders.
- Dog exercisers are impacting badly with beach and park users and there are readily established authorised dog beaches in nearby locations. This activity is totally inappropriate in Happy Valley Park.

The committee wishes to remind Council that residents have, in the past, acted to save the park from residential development for existing local use; and that a Management Plan was previously established.

Moved and Seconded:

NC4 write to Council to support the East Corrimal Open Space Committee in re-enabling the Happy Valley Management Plan previously established for this local park and endorsing the matters of concern outlined by the Committee.

General Business:

*Flood data for unnamed creeks such as Bellambi Lagoon.

Residents commented that while Towradgi Creek has been mapped and its flood characteristics identified, the as yet unnamed creek that flows into Bellambi Lagoon has not been considered for its flood impacts. This intermittent creek traverses the suburbs of Corrimal and East Corrimal, visible in private yards and parks, all the way from Midgely Street west of the Old Princes Highway through Mountbatten Park and Corrimal High School to its junction with Bellambi Lagoon near Sellers Crescent.

- *Notify Council that the palm trees illegally dumped on the bank of Cabbage tree creek near William and Lang Streets have not been attended to.
- * For the information of members, Council has published its register of Significant Heritage Buildings on the WCC website for community access.

Close Meeting: 8:30 pm.

Neighbourly Forum 4 meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at Towradgi Community Hall, Corner of Moray Road and Towradgi Road Towradgi at 7pm

****All Welcome- No cost****