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Minutes of KPCT Progress Association Inc. including West Gosford south of the Central Coast Highway

7.30 PM Thursday 13th March, 2014

Point Clare Community Hall . 49 Brisbane Water Drive Point Clare. NSW 2250

Meeting Started at 7.35pm

ATTENDEES: Members 28. Visitors 3.

APOLOGIES: Karys Fearon, Gai Winter, Barry Horne & Lyn Hicks, Dixie Brown.

**Guest Speaker - General Manager Gosford City Council
Mr. Paul Anderson.**

Paul spoke about his aim that as General Manager was to free up operational expenditure and maintenance works, which were 3 reasons for the mid late December, Community Survey, using micromex survey: **What does Council Do Well? What Does Council Do Poorly? And What Does Council Do Really Poorly?** Reply from the survey was

1. No Maintenance of Infrastructure
2. Do not listen to the Community.
3. Nobody knows what you are doing.

Best at WASTE COLLECTION and Tips – and that's an outside contract.

What this means and tells by analysis that this Local Government Structure is not very good.

He has spent the last 12 months talking to and taking comments from community groups such as yourselves – which reinforce comments of sea change, better services, displace people by redundancies and productivity dip; His goal is to push through the absolute ability of dissection.

Example, road works – 2 trucks, backhoe and workmen sitting in them waiting for supervisor to turn up for decision-making. If the Boss says what do you think you should do?

Zipper off head, empowering these guys to make decisions, I believe it will take 6 months to full implementation stage by innovation for a better outcome.

Council has advertised 13 Management positions and has had over 290 applications in 10 days.

Trade off in the last Federal Elections was the pledges for different things of over 38 million in pledges and promises – some of these being 7 mil for Kibbleplex, 3.5 mil won for Infrastructure

Triples in redevelopments, New Gosford Primary School opens 28th April, have now got CCROSS Layer and CCROSS Zone in place. Council now has to adopt the Management Structure and can recommend zoning changes but these have to be made by the State and gazetted as a piece of law as the LEP can not be changed. As of last year this Council is Open For Business with a changing of culture from within, changing the way things are done, change ability by e planning program – making it easier to obtain a certificate and track where D A's are in the process.

The use of smart phones, computers to revamp and overhaul the website, with questionnaire asking what is your impression of Council by using council website.

The current 10 Councillors that Gosford has want to make an improvement; Councillors know they need to change things. If I get support from Councillors I get things done pretty quickly – its working Major changes are happening.

Grahame Orchard: question- Why are S94 development funds all going to Terrigal, Avoca?

Reply- Development funds have to be spent in the area of Income

Paul said that Council has stopped works going out to contract and were using Council Plant and Machinery and Workshop guys.

Vera Moffat: Congratulated Paul on his handling of Council Employees.

Deirdre Howard- Wagner: question- Requested and explanation for reducing the opportunities for positions that are lost to women. How will you address this position? **Reply-No gender equity**

Positions open to all.

He aims to create a structure that is workable to serve the community, Gosford Council has 35 Managers, 1700 Staff – ratio highest in the state 47% .15% State / 20% National.

Deirdre Howard-Wagner: comment-You are cutting 2 female Directors out of 6 Directors.

Reply-Managers will be 50/50

He said with cost cuttings deficit will be 15million this year with a balanced budget 2015-2016

Garry Slack: question-Why are there 4 floor levels in flood plain mapping when the AHD is.2.45

Reply-Statement of floor level will have to be paid for by Insurance Companies for 100 year flood.

Paul finished at 8.20 and was thanked by members.

Minutes from Previous AGM – Moved Rendall Wagner , 2nd Grahame Orchard

AGM Positions

President - Rendall Wagner

Vice President -Jon Fearon

Treasurer – John Rossi

Assistant Treasurer – Jill Greenwood

Secretary – Helen Orchard

Assistant Secretary – Lisa Hagarty

Committee Members – Zaga Palalic-Turner, Deirdre Howard-Wagner, Grahame Orchard, Fred Beringer.

Treasurers Report - Copy of Audit Report sent to Auditor was tabled.

CHAIR: Peter Pauling. – Meeting ended 8.38.

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES: Meeting started 8.40

1. **Attendees: 28, Visitors 3, Apologies**
2. **Apologies: Gai Winter, Barry Horne & Lyn Hicks, Dixie Brown, Karys Fearon Len and Lola Murray.**
3. **Acceptance of Minutes from previous General Meeting Minutes November 2013.** Moved by Helen Orchard, 2nd Val Moffat.
4. **Treasurers Report:** Acceptance moved by Deirdre Howard-Wagner, 2nd Gary Slack.
5. **CORRESPONDANCE OUT:**
 - a. Bunnings Submission re Amended Opening Hours
 - b. Letter to The Traffic Management Committee Gosford City Council re Glenrock Parade
 - c. Submission to Draft Gosford City Council Waste Strategy 2013

- d. Email to Wayne Deane if attending Senate Meeting at Terrigal re NBN Rollout
- e. Submission to Survey for Point Clare Community Hall Renovation requirements
- f. Invitation to Lucy Wicks to be Guest Speaker for July 2014 Meeting to discuss NBN rollout for the area.
- g. Sympathy Card to Bob Puffet and Family re their loss
- h. Telephone Contact with Gosford City Council re CBD Gardens at Point Clare
- i. Congratulations email to Member Sonnie Hopkins for the release of her book **MAKING IT ON THE CENTRAL COAST: How Community Members are Applying Their Post-School Learning In the Region-** by Sondra Hopkins for **CENTRAL COAST CAMPUS FRIENDS Inc.** Copies available via Sonnie
- j. Reply to Mr. Neville Pickering Member about mistake on plaque at Bungaree Reserve.
- k. NSW Department of Fair Trading – New Constitution has been approved

6. CORRESPONDANCE IN:

- a. Gosford City Council reply to recent Bunnings Submission re Opening Hours
- b. Post Office Box Renewal
- c. Gosford City Council Reply to request for road calming devises on Glenrock Parade
- d. NSW EPA response to letter sent regarding Environment Protection License issued to Sydney Trains the use of TORFMA units installed at Tascott and Koolewong.
- e. NSW Health reply to letter sent to Jillian Skinner MP re Freight Rail Noise
- f. Letter regarding Freight Rail Noise from Dr. John Goldberg, Former Honorary Associate The University of Sydney.
- g. Email from Crime Prevention Officer Corina Hassett Brisbane Water Local Area Command with an invitation for the association to attend a Neighbourhood Watch Meetings.
- h. 2nd Letter from Dr. John Goldberg, re The Northern Line Freight Track.
- i. Email from Member Mr. Wayne Deane of Koolewong with offer of help in the effort to be included in the NBN Rollout.
- j. Request for PC Hall Committee to email out Hall Survey to members and residents.
- k. Email from Lucy Wicks MP department re Tascott Morning Tea:
- l. Request from Local Resident for participation in Clean Up Australia Day
- m. Request by member Robert Findley re restoring gardens at CBD Point Clare
- n. Emails from Resident Trish Rad re flooding in recent rains in Kulara Ave West Gosford
- o. Copy of letter sent to Communications Department, and MP's re the lack of NBN in our area. By Steve Creedy Glenrock Parade Koolewong.
- p. Fred Beringer email: <http://www.smh.com.au/environment/minister-robyn-parker-and-epa-accused-of-coverup-20140208-328kx.html>
- q. Gosford City Council Nathan Harland rang 11/03/2014. Council will have the Garden Area of Point Clare rejuvenated and looking nice by Easter. I thanked him and said we will give him an Easter Egg.
- r. Sharon Moore -2014 Gosford City Council Workshops Email Link to: <http://www.abc.net.au/centralcoast/newsletter/>
- s. Gosford Council Gosford Connect Weekly Newsletter

7. GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Survey for the Point Clare Community Hall redevelopment. Deirdre Howard-Wagner needs people to fill that out and to get peoples feedback and their ideas on the hall.
2. Anzac Day Ceremony – the Anzac Day Ceremony will be held on the Wednesday before Anzac Day at 11.AM Point Clare Community Hall – John Rossi will conduct the service.
3. Glenrock Parade – Member Graham Bamforth had a accident near Tascott on his Disability Scooter. He was tossed off the scooter and had some injuries. He has sent a letter to Council regarding the incident. He has tabled the letter to council and would like the support of the Progress Association.
4. FREIGHT TRAIN NOISE – Rendall Wagner has acquired a decibel meter and will be working with Fred Beringer to get measurements on the noise levels. Alexis

Roberts would like to help out in this project as well. It was also suggested that we should take measurements in Point Clare. Fred Beringer has found out that it takes about 7 months for a complaint made through the hotline to reach the Freight Train Operator. Fred Beringer also has a petition for people to sign regarding getting covers on the Coal trains, as the dust can be harmful to your health.

5. The flooding around the new Bunnings at West Gosford/Fagans Bay is causing to Residents of Kulara Avenue West Gosford. Joan Johnstone has asked that the Progress Association send photos received from resident at 16 Kulara to Council expressing our concern.
6. Noonan Reserve – Nick Locke suggested that we have a BBQ or a chair at the end of the road leading into Brisbane Water. Though we have some members against this due to the rubbish that is already there?
7. New Bunning West Gosford Service Raid – can we write a letter to council expressing our concerns about the dangers of this road and what can be done about it.

Meeting Closed: 9:17

**Next Guest Speaker: General Meeting 8th May 2014
Police Person Corina Hassett
Brisbane Water Area Command**

CLOSE OF MEETING: Followed by a light Super.

**Minutes Secretary
Lisa Hagarty**

**Chairperson
Rendall Wagner**

**President
Rendall Wagner**