

Carramar and Tapping Residents Assoc Inc

December 2017

Minutes of General Meeting - 4th December 2017

- 1. Meeting opened at 1931
- 2. Attendees: Sabine Winton MLA, Councillor Samanth Fenn, Ian Hammond, Paul Humphries, Michael Downing, Norman Hewer, John Shattock, Julie Shattock, Shaun Hearn, Mark Carruthers, Shelley Griddle, Laura Williams, Lisa Skepper, Marianne Thoroughgood, Fiona Yakich. Apologies were given on behalf of Councillors Dot Newton and Frank Cvitan.
- 3. The minutes from the previous meeting were read out. Ian Hammond proposed them as an accurate record of what had taken and this was seconded by Samantha Fenn. The meeting then agreed the proposal.
- 4. <u>Treasurer's Report:</u> The treasurer confirmed that the accounts had been audited and the balance of the accounts stood at a total of \$4405. The Secretary confirmed that the old accounts held by the Westpac Bank had been closed with all monies transferred to the P & N Bank.

5. Matters Arising:

- a.) Wanneroo Road Widening This was due to be finished by the end of 2018. A sound wall would be constructed in the vicinity of the junction with Golf Links Drive to reduce noise levels for the local community. The works would need the temporary closures of Golf Links Drive and Carramar Road for a limited time.
- b.) Proposed Overpass at Wanneroo road/Joondalup Drive. There was an extensive discussion by the meeting about this proposed road project. Sabine Winton gave on overview of the project and its history and answered questions raised by members. (A list of the main points raised on both sides of the argument are shown below)

- Election Commitment from the then opposition Labour Party
- Commitment from the State Government following the cancellation of the Roe Highway project.
- Funding for the scheme was from both State and Federal Governments which couldn't be used for other projects
- Future problem of congestion solved by building now.
- Many of the local community were in favour of the project.
- Traffic volumes in the area have dropped since the Mitchell Freeway Extension had been completed but within 3 5 years they were expected to have risen again.
- The "Overpass" must be linked into a wider solution for problems at Cheriton Road/Joondalup Drive and other local traffic hotspots.
- The project is not needed and will cause increased traffic problems for those people trying to reach local schools with a knock on effect for local traffic.
- Main Roads haven't planned for the impact of the project on the local area
- What were the proposals for the exits into Wanneroo Road from Golf Links Drive and Carramar Road?
- There were problems caused by different shires being responsible for roads effected by the proposed scheme
- Liaison Group that had been set up had been notified too late and was not totally representative of the local community
- Main Roads had not consulted well with the local community as many of them were not aware of the proposal. There had not been good consultation between Wanneroo Council and Main Roads and also local shops and schools affected by the scheme.
- The "Overpass" would be in an Easterly/Westerly direction as that was the direction where there was more traffic flow.
- It was due to commence in middle of 2018
- Modelling for the decision for it to go ahead was too historic and did not include current traffic levels.
- Entry / Exit to the area around Drovers and Leapfrogs would cause problems.
- It would be difficult to stop the scheme at this stage and local residents would need to highlight local problems as they arose.

c) Problems had arisen for some local residents over the installation of equipment under the NBN scheme on their property without prior consultation or notice having been given. It was not known at this stage how many people were affected by this and the roll out for the scheme locally was still not taking place.

Meeting Closed at 9.20pm. The next meeting would take place in February 2018 but the exact date had to be confirmed.