**MANNERING PARK COMMUNITY PRECINCT COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

On March 17, 2014 At Mannering Park Community Hall

**Attendance:** Trevor Masters, Sue Murray, Bruce Edgell, Robyn Sauerbier, Bev Davis (WSC Precinct Co-ordinator), George Murray, Nick Jones (for Swansea MP), Gerald Cowan (for Swansea MP), Arthur Armstrong, Bart Vanderzee, Judy Whitbourne, Trevor Wrightson, Bob Fitton, Annabel Fitton, Chris Knight, Marilyn Pettford, Lee-Ann Phelan, Coral Burnham, Annette Denley, Caroline Bohlsen, Deborah Denzel, Lesley Hale, Kel Wynn, Sue Wynn, Jenise Cross, Bruce Cross. (26) **Apologies:** Andrew Whitbourne, Ian Carr, Neil Wynn, John Sauerbier.

Chairman (Bruce Edgell) opened the meeting at 7.10pm and welcomed Bev Davis – WSC Precinct Co-ordinator and Returning Officer, Jenise Cross and Bruce Cross from Wallarah North Precinct Committee, and Nick Jones and Gerald Cowan who are representatives of Swansea MP Garry Edwards

MOTION: (Bart Vanderzee) *That the Apologies be accepted.* SECONDED (Arthur Armstrong) CARRIED

1. **Minutes of Annual General Meeting, March 18, 2013.**

MOVED for acceptance (Sue Murray) SECONDED (Trevor Wrightson) CARRIED No Business Arising

1. **Presentation of WSC Financial Audit and Annual Financial Report** by Treasurer Bruce

Edgell

MOVED for acceptance (Bruce Edgell) SECONDED (Sue Murray) CARRIED

No other business arising

1. **Election of Office Bearers 2013**

Returning Officer Bev Davis declared all positions on the Executive vacant.

Bev Davis gave an overview of Wyong Shire Council’s decision to abolish Precinct Committees and conduct quarterly Forums in Ward A and Ward B. Bev Davis explained that the Precinct Committee could continue as a group from this meeting ward there would be no connection to WSC although WSC would support the new committee until June 23 in its transition to an independent group.

 a) Nominations for position of Chairman

Andrew Whitbourne – nominated by George Murray; seconded by Jan Regnis. No other nominations. Andrew Whitbourne declared Chairman.

1. Nominations for position of Secretary

Sue Murray – nominated by Andrew Whitbourne; seconded by Robyn Croft. No other nominations. Sue Murray declared Secretary.

1. Nominations for position of Treasurer

Bruce Edgell - nominated by Rob Regnis; seconded by Sauerbier.

No other nominations. Bruce Edgell declared Treasurer

1. Nominations for position of Deputy Chairman

Neil Wynn – nominated by Andrew Whitbourne; seconded by Sue Murray.

No other nominations. Neil Wynn declared Deputy Chairman

1. Nominations for position of Publicity Officer

 Trevor Wrightson - nominated by Sue Murray; seconded by Denise Cooper. No other nominations. Trevor Wrightson declared Publicity Officer.

1. **Election of Executive members**

 Ian Carr – nominated by Robyn Croft; seconded by Bart Vanderzee

 Bart Vanderzee - nominated by Sue Murray; seconded by Judy Whitbourne

No other nominations. Ian Carr and Bart Vanderzee declared members of the Executive.

1. Returning Officer Bev Davis, on behalf of Wyong Shire Council, thanked the outgoing Executive
for all the work they’d done through 2013 and thanked all the nominees, congratulated the executive for 2014 and wished the new Committee all the best.
2. Chairman Bruce Edgell resumed the Chair and welcomed the new executive and thanked Bev for being Returning Officer. The chairman also thanked Bev Davis for clarifying some of the uncertainties in regard to the Precinct Committees being abolished and a special thank you for all her help to Mannering Park Community Precinct Committee during the past four and a half years.
3. **Other Business:**

MOTION: (Sue Murray on behalf of Mannering Park Precinct Executive): *Based on the Wyong Shire Council decision of 26 February 2014 about the future of Precinct Committees – quote (in part) “That Council permit existing precinct committees to continue to operate as they wish, recognizing they will not be committees of Council……”unquote*

 *That Mannering Park Precinct Committee continue and become an Incorporated Association under the guidelines of the NSW Government Department of Fair Trading.*

SECONDED (Trevor Wrightson) CARRIED by majority 14/26 on a show of hands. No votes against – 12 attendees chose not to vote either for or against the Motion.

1. The meeting was closed at 8.25pm
2. The next meeting of Mannering Park Precinct Committee was announced as being on Monday, April 28, starting at 7pm in the Community Hall.