



WRRRA Annual General Meeting
WED 23rd July 2014
7:30pm
Wilson Community Hall

Abbreviations –

WRRRA – Wilson Residents and Ratepayers Association

C of C – City of Canning

C of G – City of Gosnells

CEO – Chief Executive Officer

LGAB – Local Government Advisory Board

UGP – Underground Power Project

Meeting Minutes

1.	WELCOME	Chairperson – Geoff Rees Meeting opened 7.35pm
2.	AGM Notice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canning Times • Canning Examiner • All existing financial members • AGM notice in Winter newsletter – distributed to all householders in Wilson
3.	Introduction of Special Guests & WRRRA Committee 31 people attended the meeting – all names recorded in register	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lyn Russell CEO City of Canning. • Graeme Bell – Bendigo Bank • Ange Van Ess & Sandra Watson Brownlie Towers Focus Group • Joe Delle Donne, Graham Barry and Lindsay Elliott • Current Committee Members – Geoff Rees, Blair Campbell (Vice President), Deanne Dymock (Secretary), Rob Marshal (Treasurer), Max Zeller (Webmaster) Kaye Barr, Sandra Probert, Maurice Winter, Norman Drake, Bernard Hug, Greg Mawer
4.	APOLOGIES –	<p>Written – Doug Minchin, Ben Wyatt, MLA</p> <p>From the floor – Terry Houghton,</p> <p>Late apology - Bill Johnston MLA Member for Cannington – Shadow Minister for State Development; Energy; Mines & Petroleum</p>
5.	MEETING PROCEDURES	Tabled and available – read out to those attending by Deanne Dymock (secretary)
6.	MINUTES from previous AGM – Wed 10th July, 2013	Distributed by email, on website and available for all attendees.
7.	Matters arising from AGM minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correction – remove Joe Delle Donne and Lindsay Elliott and Graham Barry from apologies (they attended the meeting).
8.	Minutes accepted	MOTION: minutes of AGM correct and accepted



		Moved – Joe Delle Donne 2 nd Blair Campbell CARRIED
9.	PRESIDENTS REPORT	<p>The outgoing President (Geoff Rees) presented a verbal summary of the written president’s report. This report had been e-mailed to all on -line members prior to the meeting and a copy tabled</p> <p>Main activities for the 2013/2014 included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many actions in relation to the Local Government reform agenda • Kent Street Weir and Fern Road Park developments. • Student accommodation policy • Underground power • Aircraft noise impacting on Wilson
10.	PRESENTATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Canning – Lyn Russell (CEO) <p>The current CEO of City of Canning presented an overview of the goals, targets and achievements of the CEO and her team for the past 12 months. Goals included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respond to the WA Government’s Local Government Reform • Provide excellent customer service • Become an employer of choice • Develop, promote and implement our city centre regeneration strategy • Provide full and transparent cooperation for the inquiry into the City of Canning • Prepare a financially responsible city budget • Develop and implement a best practice community engagement strategy across all aspects of council operations • Establish and implement an urban regeneration program for significant city precincts in partnership with key stakeholders • Optimise councils land holdings through an effective land audit, acquisition and disposal strategy • Develop a best practice planning strategy and scheme for the city, in consultation with key stakeholders • Develop and implement a comprehensive economic development strategy for the city • Foster community and civic pride and a sense of place for Canning <p>Goals for the forthcoming year 2014/2015 (for the CEO and City) were presented.</p>
11	Questions and comments from the floor (to CEO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future use of Bentley Pool Site. This site has been sold for approx \$6m and the funds will be quarantined for the benefit of the Bentley precinct. There is no plan to sell the Bentley library or two reserve sites in the vicinity.



		<p>Development will follow MRA and community consultation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice of City of Canning meetings.-Whilst there is a solid process in place which involves agenda settlement meetings (held one week prior to Council meetings) it can be difficult to notify the public in a timely manner. The City of Canning Website is the most effective communication method. • Results of enquiry into City of Canning – the results of the enquiry have been submitted to the City and those named have 35 days to respond to the Minister for Local Government. The C of C has been fully supportive and cooperative with the processes and outcomes. • Local government reform agenda – 3 new submissions have been released by the LGAB with one directly impacting on the C of C. The new boundaries for Melville show that the western suburbs of the City remain with the City of Canning. There has been no indication of the actions the LGAB intend to take in relation to Canning, Welshpool and Gosnells. There are two ways to view this move but the CEO stressed that they have no way of knowing the thinking of, or influencing the LGAB. Final submissions and recommendations will be released at the end of August. • Possible amalgamation with City of Gosnells – some discussion surrounding this proposal. L Russel reported that the C of C and C of G are both strong and viable cities and both meet the basic guidelines as to ideal size, economy and diversity. Whilst the relationship with C of G remains good there is no current negotiation regarding an amalgamated entity. L Russel feels that the C of G does not have a strong position in regards to the amalgamation. • Well done and thanks – whilst there is always two sides to the story (about the City of Canning enquiry) some ratepayers made mention of the job well done by the CEO and her team. Then Ms Russell left the meeting • SEE COMMENT UNDER 16 below
<p>Break – thank you to Sandra Probert for the supper.</p>		
12.	<p>ELECTION of COMMITTEE MEMBERS</p>	<p>Joe Delle Donne chaired the election of office bearers after all positions were declared vacant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - President: - Open Geoff Rees nominated – Geoff has stated his preference to retire as president but in the absence of other nominations will hold the position until a replacement is found. - Vice- President: - Open Blair Campbell nominated



		<p>- Secretary: - Open Deanne Dymock nominated - Treasurer: - Open Greg Mawer nominated - Webmaster: - Open Max Zeller nominated Max has stated his preference to retire as webmaster but in the absence of other nominations will hold the position until a replacement is found. All nominated positions were elected unopposed.</p> <p>The following Committee members nominated and were returned. Kaye Barr, Sandra Probert, Maurice Winter, Norman Drake, Bernard Hugg and Rob Marshall. Members standing down Michael Hurrelbrink and Arnold Wong.</p> <p>New committee members are Lisa Romeo and Joanne Morris.</p>
13	TREASURER'S REPORT	<p>The outgoing Treasurer (Rob Marshall) reported on the financial position of WRRRA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 142 members (100 members in 2013) • Cash in bank at 1/7/14 \$4132.79 • WRRRA received a cheque for \$1050 from the City of Canning for operation expenses for 2012,2013 and 2014 • WRRRA has committed to donate a park bench for the Kent St Park Dev. later in the year (approx cost \$1300 - \$1500) • Major expenses include book awards for 2 schools and direct costs relating to the Save Canning campaign. <p>Blair Campbell thanked Rob for his contribution as Treasurer for the past two years.</p> <p>Notification: For the purposes of accountability it is noted that Robert Marshall is no longer the treasurer (or signatory) of WRRRA and that Gregory William Mawer has been appointed treasurer and signatory to the WRRRA bank account/s.</p>
14.	MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION 2014-15	<p>Suggest retain at \$5/family as agreed at previous committee meeting.</p> <p>MOTION: Due to the strong financial position of WRRRA membership subscriptions to remain at \$5 per family. Moved G Rees Seconded M Zeller</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
15	LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM PROCESS	<p>The Vice President (Blair Campbell) provided the meeting with an update as to the activities and position of WRRRA. Blair stressed that all activities have held WRRRA's two primary positions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. WRRRA does not support the Local Government Reform Process that involves the amalgamation with the City of Gosnells. 2. WRRRA does not support the splitting of Wilson along the Leach Highway boundary. <p>With the release of the latest submissions that redraw the boundaries and keep Rossmoyne, Riverton and Shelley within the City of Canning there is a possibility that this <i>could</i> be viewed as positive for the</p>



		<p>original City of Canning proposition to leave the C of C untouched. The public has until the 14th of August to put forward a responsive submission to the LGAB. Blair stressed that submissions are the responsibility of individuals and WRRRA encourage people to do so but will not be campaigning on this.</p>
16	<p>GENERAL BUSINESS including questions from the floor.</p>	<p>Local Government Reform Agenda - this important topic attracted more questions and conversation particularly with the release of the new boundary proposals regarding the City of Canning. An independent supreme court challenge to the process has been lodged and whilst the C of C has been supportive of this they have not been actively involved. At this stage there is no opportunity for local government or the public to have input into the process. Action: C of C to maintain public information through website and media Action: WRRRA to support individuals who wish to prepare a submission to LGAB Action: WRRRA to maintain pressure on City of Canning to keep the Save Canning strategy high on the public agenda</p> <p>Verges – the issue of planting on verges and bushfire hazards in some areas of Wilson remains topical. This will become more relevant with the release of the new State Government’s bushfire prevention strategy. This was raised at the recently held City Futures meeting. Action: L Russel to follow up Action: N Drake to report back to WRRRA on progress</p> <p>Underground Power Project as the current stage of UGP (Wilson East) is nearing completion; a question was raised as to the possibility of stage 5 being considered. A petition containing over 120 names has previously been tabled. Action: L Russell to follow up as to progress of next stage</p> <p>Aircraft Noise This is an ongoing issue with approx 60% of plane takeoffs impacting on Wilson residents whereas Victoria Park and Belmont only have 1%.The communities of Kalamunda and Lesmurdie had very vocal representation and have successfully lobbied for changes to flight paths. The Shelley group has been very active on this issue (approx 400 members). The C of C is aware of community concern on this issue and has been active participants in finding a solution. Action: C of C to maintain pressure on Air Services Australia and other bodies. Action: R Marshall to continue to be active contributor to the newly formed Aircraft noise group. Action: WRRRA to obtain a copy of the Airport Master Plan</p> <p>Canning development: concern was raised about the large number of car yards and commercial properties emerging along the Albany Highway that forms the gateway to the City of Canning. Is there a preference to direct such entities to localities such as Welshpool to</p>



		<p>avoid the car yard situation such as in Victoria Park?</p> <p>NBN poor internet connection and availability was discussed and many agreed Wilson was poorly serviced with little opportunity for improvement until the NBN is rolled out in this area. Action Max to speak to Arnold Wong who may be able to obtain information or assist</p> <p>Written questions from the floor – C Darragh presented a number of questions in relation to footpaths, verges, roundabouts and hazards. Action: These questions will be discussed at the next committee meeting.</p> <p>Points of order it was brought to the meeting's attention that the Presidents and Treasurers reports were not moved, seconded and accepted. Action: the President noted this oversight</p> <p>In answer to a question raised from the floor on the validity of a comment contained within the Presidents Report concerning the extension of the path system from Castledare along the Canning River foreshore to connect with the existing dual use path system at the Kent Street Weir, Geoff clarified that this objective was confirmed under a Position statement adopted at WRRRA's AGM of 2012, which reads: "Promote the construction of public areas and a walk trail /dual use path network connecting public and recreational areas along the northern side of the Canning River from Riverton Bridge to the existing dual use path system at the Kent Street Weir."</p>
17	<p>TOPICS FOR COMMITTEE TO FOCUS ON NEXT YEAR</p>	<p>These topics were noted on the registration forms :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fern Road traffic/speed limits • Cycle Way between Riverton Bridge and Kent Street Weir • Coffee shop on Shelley Foreshore (please) • Air Traffic • Poor internet connection
18	<p>CLOSE AND THANKS</p>	<p>G Rees thanked everyone for coming to the AGM and closed the meeting at 9.30pm. The next committee meeting will be held on Monday the 4th of August.</p>



Damaged path and other items Report Tabled by Christopher Darragh

Footpaths

1. A large section of the path is missing and has been for years in Andrews Road on the fence line of numbers 7 and 9.
2. Section of path missing on the corner of Bungaree Road on the east corner side of Andrews Road.
3. No footpath down Andrews from Bungaree Road to Abbott Way
4. Section of path missing and has had bunting around them for over a year on Braibrise Road from Perina Place to Fern Road. Two sections and other area along the path have large cracks and bits of concrete missing, this is in front of a children's playground area. **This is in need of urgent action.**
5. There is no footpath on Ellis Road from the intersection of Andrews Road to Hopkinson Ave. I have reported this over ten years ago and it is well overdue. There is a lot of people that have to walk along the road (Ellis Road) that have come off the bus on Manning road.
6. There is no foot path on Lemon Street from Armstrong to Hopkinson Roads. Once again this has heavy people traffic to catch the buses on Bungaree Road.
7. There is a footpath on Hares and Gannaway Streets from Wilson Primary School on Armstrong Road to Hopkinson Road but no paths around Hopkinson Way.
8. There is a large hole (30 x 30 x 75) about 20 meters east of the bus stop on Leach Highway outside Wilson Primary School.

Roundabouts and Islands

1. The islands on the intersection of Andrews Road and Ellis has no Keep Left signs, these signs have been replaced heaps of times but keep getting knocked over by trucks.
 - Maybe installing the signs with rubber base mounting (like they do on Great Eastern Highway in Upper Swan) could help.
 - Other Keep Left signs that are missing are on the roundabouts at Bungaree and Andrews, also Bungaree and Armstrong. But Armstrong and Braibrise roundabouts have all the Keep Left signs in place.
 - Also missing Keep Left Signs on Eureka intersection on Bungaree Road centre island.
 - The Give Way sign on the intersection of Andrews and Ellis is missing and has been for over 8 years. I have reported this over 3 times.
2. There is a large storm water soak well on the verge of Andrews Road at the front of numbers 5 and 7 with the lid alongside it; this has been there for about 4 years.
3. Fences at both ends of the open drain between Armstrong Road and Wilson Primary School are a hazard.



Attendees List

Name	Email communication	Financial member	Newsletter deliveries	Committee member
K Barr	Yes	Yes	sometimes	
L Elliott	Yes	Yes		
M Zeller	Yes	Yes	Yes	
L Dorst	Yes	Yes	Yes	
S Watson	Yes	No	No	
B Hug	Yes	Yes	Yes	
W Prince	Yes	Yes		
G Crock	No	Yes	Yes	
L Romeo	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
P Coombes Pearce	Yes	Yes	No	
T Gorton		Yes		
R Gorton				
C Heuss	Yes		No	
J Delle Donne	Yes	Yes	No	
P Hoon	Yes	Yes		
J Morris & J Botha	Yes	Yes		Yes
J Lynch & B Ferguson		Yes		
G Barry	Yes	No	Yes	
B Campbell	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
B & S Pannell	No		No	
J Ismail	Yes	Yes	No	
C Hogten				
D & R Dymock	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hal Spencer	Yes	Yes	Yes	
G & K Mawer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
S Probert	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
G & B Rees	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
N & A Drake	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
D Fazioli		Yes		
R & K Marshall	Yes	Yes		
C Darragh	Yes	Yes	No	