



1967 – 2017 Celebrating 50 years protecting Parkville’s heritage and amenity

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE/GENERAL MEETING, 8 August 2017
held at Walmsley House, Gatehouse Street at 7.15pm

	Item	Action		
1	Attendees			
	<table border="0"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> Committee members: Rob Moore (RM) Rob Krelle (RK) Helen Weston (HW) Tom Agar (TA) Dave McGregor (DMcG) </td> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-left: 20px;"> Association Members/Visitors: </td> </tr> </table>	Committee members: Rob Moore (RM) Rob Krelle (RK) Helen Weston (HW) Tom Agar (TA) Dave McGregor (DMcG)	Association Members/Visitors:	
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2	Apologies			
	Gerry Noonan (GN)			
3	Conflict of interest	Noted		
	None declared.			
4	Minutes of meeting 9 May and 11 June 2017			
	<p>Motion: That the Minutes of the Meetings on 9 May and 11 June 2017 both be accepted as accurate and complete records.</p> <p>Matters arising: All covered in other Agenda items</p>	1 DMcG 2 TA		
5.	Treasurer’s report			
5.1	<p>Report DMcG reported that the current balance of the cheque account is \$8,249.64. The balance has decreased due to costs associated with the 50th anniversary dinner. All costs other than the photographer have been paid.</p> <p>Motion: That the Treasurer’s report be accepted.</p>	1 RK 2 HW		
5.2	<p>Banking and other issues DMcG advised that the costs for a Business Banking account which would enable on line banking would be too high for an organisation of the size of the Association. Alternatively, Netbank transactions could be undertaken if both signatories are located at the same computer. DMcG to contact the Not For Profit section of the Commonwealth Bank.</p> <p>The relevant form was signed to enable DMcG to be a signatory to the cheque account and for Brendan Smith to be removed as a signatory as he is no longer a Committee member.</p>	DMcG		
6.	Governance			
	No Issues			
7.	Membership			
7.1	Update on membership HW reported that there had been a number of new memberships prior to			

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	the 50 th anniversary dinner. Non-financial members from 2016 to be followed up. A \$500 donation from Life Member, Bryan White, was noted and appreciated.	HW
7.2	Purchase of membership management software HW to investigate and report on membership management software and the capabilities that such software would deliver.	HW
8.	Events and Community Issues	
8.1	<p>Feedback from 50th anniversary dinner – how to maintain momentum</p> <p>RM reported that he had received positive feedback from attendees and the Lord Mayor Robert Doyle who now has an enhanced awareness of the Association.</p> <p>In terms of maintaining momentum, there was extensive discussion on what might be an issue that will galvanise/generated interest from the local community – suggestions raised were the cumulative traffic effects of the Melbourne Metro construction, the traffic impacts of the proposed WestGate Tunnel on North Melbourne and, as a result, Parkville, and the continued need for an ‘East West link’ which did not adversely impact on Royal Parade.</p> <p>it was noted that Nicholas Corby from Collins Simms has agreed to include material about the Association in all new ‘Welcome to Parkville’ packs for house purchasers. In this regard, an double –sided A4 flyer needs to be drafted which sets out a potted history of Parkville on one side and information about the Association’s activities in relation to heritage planning, traffic management and activities and how to join.</p> <p>Other actions proposed were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an email ‘blast’ to members and others; • collecting email addresses from as many residents as possible (once the flyer is prepared); • regular updating of the news items in the box outside Naughtons; • use the paid facility/campaign on Facebook to push particular messages to say people within 5 km of Parkville – costs are less than \$100; • RM reported that Allison Errey (new Communications Manager at the RCH) will be in touch with the Association about involvement in the Commonwealth Games torch relay. 	HW
8.2	<p>Suggestions for speaker for September meeting</p> <p>It was agreed that RM will approach Nick Parisi from Community Policing at North Melbourne to attend in September to update on local issues.</p>	RM
8.3	<p>Pre-Christmas dinner</p> <p>RM to contact Naughtons to book a night in the first week in December. Dinner will not be subsidised in light of expenditure on 50th anniversary dinner but RM will endeavour to negotiate a special rate for the dinner.</p>	RM
9.	Communications	
9.1	<p>Reprint of South Parkville book and walking tours</p> <p>RM reported on his efforts to track down the receivers of Brown Prior - the printers of the last edition of the South Parkville book – to see if the plates/artwork still exists. However, it appears that the artwork has been lost. RM will meet with Stuart Anderson from Focus Print Group to</p>	RM

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	ascertain the feasibility and cost of reprinting using quality copying of a hard copy of the current book. HW suggested that there may be an opportunity to submit an application by 17 August to the 'Stronger Communities Grants' program to help with costs of reprinting the South Parkville book.	HW
9.2	Website – need to upgrade/rebuild Noted – link to the investigation of capabilities of membership management databases (see item 7.2).	HW
10	Heritage and planning issues	
10.1	Policy for objecting to permit applications This draft policy had been circulated. HW reported that recent submissions and objections had been prepared in accord with this policy and had involved circulating of the draft material to the Committee for comment and approval before submission. Motion: that the draft policy for objecting to permit applications be endorsed.	1 RK 2 TA
10.2	Planning applications – update on decisions/objections/appeals 28-30 Morrah Street – Council has issued a Notice of Determination to grant a permit with some revisions to the proposed design which should result in the works being less obvious from Fitzgibbon Street (in line with the Association's objection). 263-281 Royal Parade (Whitley College) The Association's objection was submitted in mid June. Since then, HW has provided some assistance to local residents in North Parkville who may be particularly affected by this proposal. It was also noted that the former Salvation Army building to the south of this site has been approved for conversion to student accommodation.	Noted
10.3	Heritage Victoria application – Mar Thoma Church The Association's objection to the scale and some design aspects of this proposal was lodged in early July. RM is to approach representatives of the congregation to establish a dialogue.	RM
10.4	Amendment C258 – Local Heritage Policy Review HW reported that a group of residents' associations within the City of Melbourne were meeting to discuss issues of general concern associated with this amendment. This group plans to meet with the National Trust and the Council to present its concerns. HW to monitor progress as appropriate	HW
11	Traffic and parking issues	
11.1	Melbourne Metro Rail project The interruptions to nearby roads (Grattan Street and Royal Parade in particular) associated with service relocations was noted. Now that a lead contractor has been appointed, the Association needs to be proactive in terms of being actively involved in consultation on the next phase of works. HW to contact Melbourne Metro community people re establishment of relevant consultative groups and next steps in construction.	HW
11.2	Westgate Tunnel EES RK will represent the Association at the Independent Assessment	

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11.3 11.3.1	<p>Committee hearing on 12 September principally in relation to the prospect of increased traffic on Gatehouse Street as a result of increased traffic through North Melbourne.</p> <p>Other traffic and parking issues Organise meeting with Haig Poulsen, City of Melbourne RM has organised this meeting to be held at 11.00, Friday 12 August. Attendees to be RM, RK, DMcG (or Donna McGregor). Issues to be discussed include follow up on progress of issues raised at last year's meeting and new issues especially perception of increased volumes and speed of rat running traffic in peak periods.</p>	RM, RK, DMcG
11.3.2	<p>Royal Park Station RM reported that concern had been expressed about the lack of toilet facilities at this station which is only open on weekday afternoons. It is understood that Melbourne Metro will not refurbish facilities at this station.</p> <p>AP reported that groups with a particular focus on Royal Park will be meeting with Melbourne Zoo about issues re car parking serving the Zoo and the Park.</p> <p>Discussion ensued on the desirability of increasing usage of public transport for people visiting to Melbourne Zoo and that the Association should push for this station to be open at the weekends and potentially for the station to be upgraded with a theme related to the Zoo and for combined discounted train/zoo tickets. <i>RM to contact Kevin Tanner at Melbourne Zoo and Melbourne metro??</i></p>	Noted RM
13	General business	
13.1	<p>Good Karma network HW reported that she had been approached by a representative of the <i>Good Karma Network</i> (see file:///localhost/(https://www.facebook.com/groups:469550116742993:) about the Association supporting the establishment of a Parkville network. After discussion, it was agreed that the Association would be neutral on this matter.</p>	
13.2	<p>Joining Our Community HW suggested that the Association should join <i>Our Community</i> network (see https://www.ourcommunity.com.au/general/general_article.jsp?articleId=5683) which is the centre of excellence for not for profit organisations and provides a lot of resource material for such groups. This was agreed.</p>	HW
13.3	<p>Presence at the Wimble Child Care fete in October After discussion, it was agreed that, based on last year's experience that the attendees for this event are not really the market for the Association as not enough locals attend.</p>	HW
	Meeting closed at 9.00 pm	
	Next Committee meeting – 7.15 pm, Tuesday, 12 September 2017, Walmsley House	