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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. WEDNESDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2022. MINUTES

Video of meeting was live streamed and will be uploaded to the WCCC Facebook page.

Committee in attendance: Bill Gemmell (WCCC Interim Chair), Michelle Bourdet, Michelle Weston, Mark Boast, Liam Foley, Louise Hughes.

MLAs in attendance: Dr Marisa Paterson MLA

Apologies: Emma Davidson MLA, Dianne Terry, Lesley Pattinson

8:51 pm: CLOSE OF GENERAL MEETING. OPENING OF AGM

The Interim Chair, Bill Gemmell, opened the meeting at 8:51 pm.

ELECTIONS:

The Interim Chair, Bill Gemmell, stood aside and handed over to Rosemary Drabsch (RD) for elections of a new committee.

Rosemary Drabsch thanked the committee and positions were spilled.

- Nominations were read out, with no contested positions.
- Nominations and Declarations for 2022/23 Weston Creek Community Council Committee
- The 2022/23 WCCC Committee will be:

Chair: Bill Gemmell

Secretary: Michelle Bourdet

Treasurer: Michelle Weston

Ordinary committee members: Mark Boast, Diana Terry, Liam Foley

Ordinary committee member Louise Hughes and Fetherston Gardens subcommittee

Rosemary Drabsch declared all nominees elected, wished them well, and then handed over to Chair. Wished the new committee all the best for the coming year.

Bill Gemmell commenced the role of Chair.

FETHERSTON GARDENS REPORT (FGF): See also attached Convenor's report. Some points:

- Gardens are on Heysen Street and were part of the CIT, but they moved on in 2009. A committee runs the volunteer group. Two weeks ago, FGF had their AGM and two new members have come on board.
- Volunteers have committed 1500 hours.

WCCC CHAIR REPORT – see also attached Chair’s report.

Some points:

- Still working on the reverting to green open space for *Coolo Park*.
- Constitution review still need some final touches for presentation to Council in the near future.
- Many achievements over the year:
 - Planning Review has been a big focus. District Plans will be the next step.
 - Recording of public meetings still appears to be working. Meet the candidate’s forum went well (in conjunction with Molonglo Forum).
- Resident concerns continue to include green spaces, air quality, law and order and pedestrian safety, dangerous driving, and Fix My Street. Council is receiving comments on the lack of connections within the bus network.
- Submission/comments were made to the ACT Budget, Dangerous Driving, Brierly Street improvements.
- WCCC is working closely with Fetherston Gardens Friends.
- Fetherston Gardens a great asset but could be better utilised with public toilets. Reiterated Louise Hughes request for toilets at Fetherston Gardens.
- Thanked all those who have helped in many ways, including support at meetings, comments for submissions, and packing chairs etc.
- Welcomed the new committee and invited new members to join.

TREASURER REPORT. See also attached Treasurer’s report. Some points:

- Council consists of WCCC Committee and the Fetherston Gardens subcommittee.
- The accounts audited were considered a true and fair view of the accounts of WCCC with no issues and were raised.
- Report given for the last financial year.
- Expenditure from Deed of Grant outlined for example equipment to live stream meetings, joining Volunteering Australia (and will Review the WCCC Constitution), and paying for a storage unit at Fyshwick.
- Grants outlined.

MINUTES of 25 November 2021, AGM

Moved: Mark Boast. Seconded: Louise Hughes. Carried: Yes

Business arising from November 2021 AGM: none.

New Chair comments: Bill Gemmell, Chair, thanked outgoing committee and advised that he was looking forward to an exciting new year with a new committee.

Thanked people for attending.

Meeting closed: 9:17 pm