

INNER SOUTH CANBERRA COMMUNITY COUNCIL INC
Annual General Meeting 7pm, 10 November, 2020
Eastlake Football Club, Griffith with virtual meeting
Draft Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Deputy Chair (Gary Kent) welcomed attendees, government representatives, and residents. It was acknowledged that the Chair Marea Fatseas was participating in the virtual meeting.

2. Apologies

Elizabeth Lee MLA; John Keeley; Rebecca Scouller

3. Minutes of the meeting of the 2019 AGM were accepted.

Moved: John Bell Seconded: Peter Pharaoh.

4. Chair's Report - Marea Fatseas: acknowledged the traditional owners of the land. The Chair spoke to her report which was based on the ISCCC Annual Grant Acquittal report. Information referred to will be uploaded to the ISCCC website.

Marea announced that after three years she was stepping down as the Chair, but indicated she was nominating for the position of Deputy Chair. Marea thanked everyone who had worked to make the ISCCC a success over many years. She advised the meeting that Sonia Owens was also stepping down from her role as Public Relations Officer but would still be available to assist with managing events when she was able to. Sonia was thanked for her work in the Public Relations role. The Chair's report was taken as read.

A question was asked about the Committee's submission on Light Rail Stage 2A and 2B. The questioner was referred to the Committee's submission on the ISCCC Website. The meeting was advised by the meeting Chair that the Committee stood ready to advocate on future issues related to Light Rail.

Another question was asked about the availability of submissions on the Website. It was indicated that the Committee would continue to put submissions on its website.

5. Address by Rebecca Vassarotti MLA. The meeting Chair invited Rebecca Vassarotti MLA, Minister for the Environment; Minister for Heritage; Minister for Homelessness and Housing Services; and Minister for Sustainable Building and Construction to address the meeting. Ms Vassarotti spoke to the Parliamentary agreement that was guiding the policy of the new government. She highlighted the high value placed on meeting community expectations and community consultation.

6. Treasurer's report: The Treasurer, David Johnstone spoke to the Financial Report. It was noted that there was a slight underspend of the ACT Government Grant to the ISCCC (about \$300 rounded) during the financial year. The bulk of funds being held in the ISCCC's bank account are for the Forrest Heritage Grant (\$22,533). These funds are to be spent by the Forrest Resident's Group for the Heritage project for which the grant was provided. Any funds not spent will be returned to the ACT Government. The

audited financial report for the year 2019-20 was accepted. Moved Peter Pharaoh, seconded: Barbara Moore.

The treasurer noted that under the new legislation that the Committee only needed a reviewer and not an auditor in the future. The incoming Committee would explore continuing to engage Sue Ross for this work.

The meeting Chair thanked the Treasurer for his dedication to the role over many years. Further more the meeting expressed appreciation for his efforts in ensuring a polished hybrid in-person and virtual AGM.

7. Election of Committee: The meeting chair invited John Bell to be returning officer for the nomination of Chair.

There being only one nomination for Chair, Gary Kent was declared the Chair for the upcoming year.

Gary Kent resumed as the returning officer to declare the remaining positions. There being one nomination only for various positions on the committee of the ISCCC, Gary and the Secretary confirmed the names of the nominees, as follows:

Deputy Chair: Marea Fatseas
Secretary: Kathie Potts
Treasurer: David Johnstone
Ordinary Member: John Edquist
Ordinary Member: Anne Forrest
Assistant Treasurer: Deborah Price
Assistant Secretary: Stephanie Serhan

It was noted that the positions of Public Relations Officer and Web Master were still open.

A late nomination and expression of interest in holding a Committee position was expressed by Adish Chauhan. The Chair thanked Adish for his interest and suggested that further conversations be held outside the AGM to explore Adish's interests and skills so that the Committee could explore which positions he may be best suited to rather than rushing into filling vacant positions prematurely. The Committee acknowledged its ongoing need for new people to become involved.

The Chair moved a Vote of Thanks to the outgoing Chair, Marea Fatseas, seconded Peter Pharaoh, for her tireless efforts on behalf of the ISCCC over many years. It was acknowledged that Marea had brought intellectual insight, a strong passion and attention to detail to her role as Chair. She had also held a range of Committee positions over the years.

Peter Moore moved a Vote of Thanks to Kathie Potts, Secretary, Nick Swain seconded for her role in leading the Committee through the pandemic by facilitating Zoom meetings for both the Inner South Community Council and the Kingston Barton Residents Group.

8. Acceptance of nominees of residents associations/groups for Committee membership:

The following nominees from Residents Groups were accepted:

Red Hill Residents Group: Melissa Bennett, David Templeman

Old Narrabundah Community Council: Bronwyn Shirley, John Keeley

Other Groups will confirm their nominees at meetings of their incoming committees following their AGMs.

9. General Business:

Carol Russell and Barbara Moore raised ongoing concerns about the proposed Fyshwick Waste Facilities. The Chair undertook to explore how best to continue advocacy work on these issues through a special meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.20 pm.

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