

WATSON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION AGM
to be held at YWAM, Zelling St. Watson
7.30pm Thursday 16th March 2017

AGENDA

1. Greetings and Apologies
2. Minutes of 2016AGM
3. Matters Arising from 2016 minutes
4. Treasurer's Report – Jon (written report)
5. Appointment of Auditor for 2016
6. Chair's Report - Liz
7. Reports from Working Groups/Subcommittees
 - a) Woodlands Group - Richard
 - b) Summernats – Rodney (written report)
 - c) Parties at Shops - Liz
 - d) Planning and Development Issues - Gillian
 - e) Watzon - Fiona
8. Election of new committee
9. Other business
10. Formal Q&A session
11. Close

to be approved at 2018 AGM

DRAFT MINUTES of
Watson Community Association Inc. (WCA) AGM

held at 7.30pm Thursday March 16th, 2017 at YWAM, Zelling St, Watson.

Approximately 7.35pm, Liz Grace (Chair) welcomed many new faces at the meeting, and introduced Jacob Ingram to address the gathering before the meeting commenced.

Jacob is has been appointed to a newly created position within the Chief Minister's Office which aims to liaise with local community groups on behalf of the Chief Minister and be an accessible point of contact for local groups. He sent the Chief Minister's regards. Jacob said his role is to ensure timely response to concerns raised by community groups, and he can liaise with other departments. He also said he could assist with small amounts of grant money for equipment, activities and so forth. We informed Jacob that this position is very welcomed, and that we have already benefitted from it.

Meeting opened 8.50pm.

Present: Richard Larson, Liz Grace, Gillian Helyar, Keith Helyar, Bev Thomas, Carrie Wright, Leonie Watts, David (Ringrose?) , Katherine Jeffrey, Richard Merzian, Sonya Tirkajaju, Chris Dedman, Felicity Pollard, Max Pouwer, Andrew Grenfell, Howard Grace

Apologies: Julie Smith, Jon Real, Rod Lestone, , Matthew Needham, Fiona Hill-Stein, Steve Watts, Aileen Conroy, Pam and Keith Hammond

Minutes of 2016 AGM. Gillian moved they be accepted. Seconded by Leonie Watts. Accepted by consensus.

Matters arising from 2016 AGM: Gillian reported that since we had elected 10 members to the Committee at last AGM, and the maximum in the Constitution is 9. Subsequently Dan Ong volunteered to resign, particularly as he would be away a lot, and this was accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Carrie Wright outlined the role that she and Jon Real have played in managing the finances and spoke to the financial report (detail in Appendix 1) which showed that balance at end of 2016 was increased from the end of 2015 by \$800 to \$6,200. Gethin Constable was again acknowledged for

auditing our accounts for no charge, and his report (Attachment) was shown to the meeting. Again, the vast majority of transactions had been in relation to the Watzon newsletter. Motion to accept the report by Carrie, seconded by Gillian. Carried.

Appointment of Auditor Motion to reappoint Gethin Constable moved by Liz Grace. Accepted by consensus.

Chair's Report: (detail in Appendix 2) Liz thanked members of the Committee for support, and also thanked the people who have worked on the various activities of the Community Association, and gave an overview of these.

Working group/Subcommittee Reports

1) **Watson Woodlands** from Richard Larson. (detail in Appendix 3). Richard detailed the work that has been done in Justice Robert Hope Park over the period June 2016 to February 2017. He then spent time explaining that quite a lot of work was now to be done by others as an obligation due to this area being regarded as an environmental offset, and in line with an established management plan. This includes weed management, fencing, planting, signage and placement of cut trees.

2) **Summernats** provided by Rod Lestone (detail in Appendix 4). Rod attended the feedback sessions on Friday and Saturday nights. He reported few issues, apart from parking due to record attendance, and a good relationship with the committee.

3) **Watson** provided by Fiona Hill-Stein and read by Liz (detail in Appendix 5). There were the usual 4 editions over the past 12 months, and Fiona outlined some changes to the production. Liz commended Fiona for stepping in at very short notice to edit the Watzon, volunteering to continue to do so, and doing a wonderful job.

4) **Planning** from Gillian Helyar (detail in Appendix 6). Gillian mentioned that Richard had given good progress reports in the Watzon over the past year, and gave a brief overview of each development directly impacting on Watson, that was pending, or underway. She then gave an overview of what has occurred to get a Master Plan or the like, including a report on yesterday's meeting with the Deputy-Director of the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Directorate with 4 members of WCA.

Election of Committee

Matthew has not sought re nomination. Eight written nomination were received, all seconded and accepted. As each of the Chair, Deputy Chair, Treasurer and Secretary were prepared to continue in their roles, all were duly elected to these positions. Others were elected as Committee members. The results were as follows:

Chair: Liz Grace

Deputy Chair: Richard Larson

Secretary: Gillian Helyar

Treasurer: Carrie Wright

Committee Members: Leonie Watts, Julie Smith, Rod Lestone, Fiona Hill-Stein.

Jon Real has agreed to continue with financial management.

Other business

1. Encouragement was given to attendees to register interest in working on the Committee (there being a vacant position), or working with the Committee around separate activities.
2. Thanks were extended to Matthew (in his absence) for his work over the past few years.
3. Gillian Helyar moved that \$50 be donated to YWAM for the support given for the AGM. Carried.

The meeting was closed at 8.40pm and followed by supper.