

SPEARWOOD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Minutes

6.30pm - 8pm Tuesday, 16th February 2021

Venue: Spearwood Primary School

[6.30pm] Introduction

- **Welcome** – Acknowledgement of Country performed by Antony Svilicich:

“The Spearwood Progress Association acknowledges the Beeliar - Nyungar people as the traditional custodians of this land. We wish to acknowledge the strength of their continuing culture and offer our respects to Elders past and present”

- **Attendees:** Antony, Cr Phoebe Cork, Belinda, Monique, Karen, Simone, Liz, Len, Garth, Scott, Carol, Elly.
- **Apologies:** Michelle, Pam, Kevin, John, and Rosemarie

[6.35pm – 6.45pm] – New Members Welcomed

- Antony: Welcomed new members Elly Spillekom and Scott Mantle.

[6.45pm – 7.10pm] – Old St Jerome’s Church

- Discussion held about taking on the Old St Jerome’s Church to use the site for meetings, events, drop-in centre, or a community garden.
- Concerns raised over cost, insurances, parking, and general maintenance.
- **Action Item:** Antony to setup a meeting with Lyn Levey from St Pat’s.

[7.10pm – 7.30pm] - Events for 2021

- Discussion held about what events we want to hold for 2021.
- Election Day Stall March 13 – It was agreed to have a stall at the Spearwood Primary School on election day in conjunction with the School P&C. Profits to be split 50/50 on the day.

Action Items:

- Antony to source a Hamper for the raffle.
- Antony to send out Roster sheet for attendance on the day.
- Movie Night on March 27 – It was agreed to hold a Movie Night at the school on March 27th.

Action Items:

- Carol to apply for grant through Council – Completed.

- Carol to book Screen and Movie – Completed
 - Michelle to create Flyer – Completed.
 - Antony to book in Ice cream/coffee van – Pending.
- Community Forum with Hami-Hill group – A second community forum will be held later in the year as a follow-up from last year's forum.

[7.30pm – 7.40pm] - General Business

- **Spearwood Voice Update (Belinda)**
 - 500 followers on SPA information page
 - 459 members on Spearwood Voice chat page
 - 50 new members joined the night the library alarm went off.
 - Advertising now being regulated: posts related to business advertisement only permitted once per month.
- **Bank Account**
 - Current balance is \$379.12 + \$1795 received from Council for Movie Night Grant.
- **Petition for Railway Crossing**
 - Monique advised that the petition was successful, and that ARC infrastructure are going to replace the fences for residents affected in the area and install a pedestrian crossing.
 - Discussion held about installing a plaque for the people who have died at the site and recognition for the Train Driver and Emergency Services who attended the crash site.

[7.40pm – 8pm] Standing items & New Business.

- **Update from Neighbourhood Watch (Antony)**
 - NHW will be at the Coogee Live event from 6-7th March providing free D-locks to people who register with BikeLink.
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- **Verge Collection**
 - Elly raised the issue of verge collection and the issues with people going around and taking items days prior to pick up.
 - Cr Phoebe advised that the process was under review and the Council may be going to an on-demand system or utilising skip bins.
 - Council will be seeking feedback from the community soon through the Comment on Cockburn website.
- **Submissions for 2021**
 - Monique enquired about the submissions for 2021, and Simone advised the results will be announced in late February or early March.

[8pm] Next meeting – AGM - Tuesday 2nd March 2021 starting at 6:30pm

- Karen to send out information about office bearer positions.