

ST HUBERT'S ISLAND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INC

'The Central Coast's Island in the Sun'

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47thANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ST HUBERTS ISLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC.

Purpose of Meeting:Annual General MeetingLocation:Cove Hall, The Cove, 36 Empire Drive, Daleys PointDate:Thursday 9th March 2023Time:7.00pm

#	ITEM
1.	Kevin Hill opened the Meeting at 7.10p.m. and welcomed our guest speakers
2.	Senior Constable Rachael Scott advised crime statistics in the area both in the Sydney (Operation
	Sweetenham) and the northern regions (Operation Long Beach)
	Juveniles are breaking into homes to steal keys to cars which are then on sold for crime or parts.
	Deterrents are sensor lighting and cameras, locked doors and locked cars, and no keys left at a door.
	Insurance is now denying claims for theft if it is found that doors were unlocked which allowed keys to be
	taken.
	A community portal or Police Prevention Line 131 444 is the way to report any crime taking place. Each
	call receives an incident report and a number for insurance claims. All calls are recorded and will be the
	only record of incident for follow up.
	The AV presentation showed the method used by young juvenile offenders who do not cause any noise or
	damage whilst looking for car keys.
3.	Jeanette Williams – Unit Manager, Engineering Services gave a quick overview. The mesh is used to keep
	people safe from themselves. Over time it will blend in. Council has an interactive map on its website
	which is updated monthly. A link will be provided to Kevin Hill.
	Peter Richmond – Section Manager, Contracts and Technical advised the construction will take 16 weeks,
	barring weather interruptions. Existing bolts had to be removed and Maritime Services requirements had
	to be met.
	Traffic control has been adjusted with rephasing of the lights. The major time is given for vehicles
	accessing the bridge from Empire Bay Drive. Traffic cannot be allowed to bank up entering the
	roundabout. Departing the Island has lesser time.
	Overview of construction – north side with the pedestrian access opposite is underway and is divided into
	two parts (upper and lower). When the south side work is commenced there will be no pedestrian access
	during working hours due to safety. After hours, a walking lane will be provided on the northside of the
	barriers, through the centre of the bridge. This will take 8 weeks and Council will advise residents of the
	change.
	A question of impatience with the lights was raised from the floor
	Although the traffic lights are difficult to enforce, even though they are enforceable and motorists can be
	fined, common sense and patience is required for the short duration of inconvenience.
	A question of pedestrian access for school children was raised from the floor
	As buses regularly service the Island, it was suggested that school children wait for the bus. Council will
	advise Empire Bay School when the change occurs so that children can be accommodated.
	Kevin Hill thanked Jeanette and Peter for their presentation and advised he was in constant contact with
	Peter. He also advised attendees that workers must be in harnesses attached to the centre barriers which
	does not allow pedestrians to pass.
4.	Kevin Hill reminded all attendees to sign the sheet at the front desk.
	Apologies – Lindsey Edgar, Rod Blake, Helene Cornwall. John and Lorraine Muras (overseas)
	Moved: Ron StapletonSeconded: Susan RussellCarried

5.	President's Report –
	Kevin personally thanked the Committee which has done a wonderful job in its first year. All members
	have been assigned special tasks as follows:
	Ron Stapleton, Vice President, tireless commitment to canal maintenance
	Wendy Mason, Treasurer
	David Creais, Public Officer and legal advice
	Michael Goss, Webmaster
	Brian Ireland, Rod Blake and Helene Cornwall, Events Subcommittee
	Helen Cornwall, parks, and trees.
	Vishitha Dsouza, Editor, Social Media, and tech support
	Lindsay Edgar, Chit Chat
	Susan Russell, Special Projects
	Margaret Doughman, Secretary
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	Kevin thanked all the committee members for their outstanding work and dedication to their roles through the year, on behalf of the executive and the people of the Island.
	All committee members have renominated for the next year.
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	Representations will be made to Council to have CCTV at the base of the bridge and an interactive speed
	camera to be placed in Helmsman Boulevarde near the bend at Sunset Park. Speeding through this area is
	becoming dangerous.
	Talks in progress with Senior Constable, Rachael Scott to have a Neighbourhood Watch set up.
	Advised that Dr Alice Howe, Director of Engineering and Planning is on extended leave and is being
	replaced by Luke Sulkowski in an acting capacity. The Committee will be formulating a number of
	questions to be submitted as a discussion paper for a meeting regarding progress of Canal maintenance.
	Air BnB survey emailed last week. Copies of the summarised Code of Conduct is available at the front desk
_	and from the Secretary.
7.	Vice President's Report –
	Ron Stapleton advised of his disappointment at the lack of progress since last AGM where Rik Hart spoke.
	He gave a brief history going back to 2004 and referred to a document (Guidelines for Management)
	signed by Council and St Huberts Island Residents' Association Inc. This document should be enforced and,
	if not, taken to the Land and Environment Court. In the original contract with developer L J Hooker, Council was responsible for maintenance. All monies
	raised from pontoon fees was to go into the maintenance account, which was illegally spent by the
	Council, but repaid under the Administration of Rik Hart.
	Ron advised that he has had many meetings with various representatives of Council, both in Council
	offices and outside on the Island and only 8 days work has been done in the year.
	Council is focussing on clearing drains of debris and detritus accumulated over the years. Shelter Cove was
	the worst where the machinery failed, and a digger had to be used. The easement was also difficult with
	resident's planting trees through the centre.
	Jamie Barclay now has a new dredge, and trials are scheduled for 15 th and 16 th , 22 nd and 23 rd March. Sand
	will be pumped into a sock which will be used to slow erosion of the sand when pumped back to the sea
	wall.
	Ron stated he was happy to be contacted to visit and view residents' problems. He has both driven the
	Island to check drains and cruised the canals to identify problems.
	Ron thanked the Committee for its ongoing support.
8.	Treasurer's Report –
	Wendy Mason tabled and read the Annual Financial Report.
	(This will be included in the Minutes and uploaded to the website)

	Questions from the Floor –
	A question was raised as to where the rubbish enters the drains. It was advised that street runoff enters
	the drains which over time has solidified.
	Keeping gutters clean and ensuring no rubbish enters canals will help in returning the area to what it once
	was.
10.	Election of Members
	It was resolved that David Mason be appointed Retuning officer and the committee all stood down.
	David Mason advised that nominations had been received for all positions available and as there were no
	additional nominations he declared all twelve candidates elected. They were:
	Kevin Hill OAM - President
	Ron Stapleton - Vice President
	Margaret Doughman - Secretary
	Wendy Mason - Treasurer
	<u>Committee</u>
	members
	Rodney Blake
	Helene Cornwell
	Susan Russell
	Michael Goss
	David Creais
	Lindsay Edgar
	Brian Ireland
	Vishitha Dsouza
	David Mason then closed the meeting at 8.45p.m.
	Supper was served at rear of hall.
	Hall cleared and locked at 9.55p.m.