

# Canada Bay Community Schemes Alliance

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY, 24<sup>th</sup> MAY 2008 AT 9.00am  
in the PELICAN POINT COMMUNITY CENTRE, 164 BURWOOD ROAD, CONCORD.**

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**PRESENT:**

Brian Lawrenson	Breakfast Point
John Clarke	Fairwater, at Breakfast Point
Ina Crista	Spring Park, at Breakfast Point
Barry Mealing	Cape Cabarita
Bob Phillips	Cape Cabarita
Peter Salier	Edgewood
John Wurth	Liberty Grove
Kate Foot	Pelican Point
Dianne Foster	Pelican Point
Andrew Meyer	Pelican Point
Cheryl Craig	Pelican Quays

**APOLOGIES:**

Judith McDonald	Abbotsford Cove
John Small	Fairwater at Breakfast Point
Peter Coffey	Kendall Inlet
Paul Zammit	Pelican Point
Jim Walsh	Phillips Landing

**WELCOME:** Chairman, Kate Foot, welcomed all attendees.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 April 2008 were confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:** It was agreed that any matters arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting would be considered during the course of this meeting.

**UPDATE ON DISCUSSIONS WITH ANGELA D'AMORE MP:**

- Angela is very supportive of the group and its needs, and will attend any meeting of the group, if specifically requested to do so. Angela will setting up a meeting with the Minister for Fair Trading, for the Co-Convenors to attend with her.
- The meeting was informed that Mr Warwick Watkins, Director General of the NSW Department of Lands, has indicated that the review of the Community Land Management and Development legislation has been completed and is now moving through the legislative process. It would appear that input into the revised legislation will now only be through the legislature itself.
- Mr Watkins is a resident of Green Point at Mortlake and should be invited to attend a future meeting to give members an overview of the revised legislation.
- The revised legislation should be available – John Clarke is to try to locate and forward a copy, and Kate is to ask Angela to forward a copy for distribution to members.
- The Alliance is to lobby Angela on specific issues in the draft legislation that are of concern to members of the Alliance.

- It was agreed that the Alliance needs to clarify the approximate number of residents/dwellings that members of the Alliance represent. This is vital information to support proposals and representations being made to both the State Government and the City of Canada Bay Council.

**UPDATE ON DISCUSSIONS WITH CITY OF CANADA BAY COUNCIL:**

- Council is concerned about the lack of complete records of residential developments in the City of Canada Bay over the last, say, twenty years. Council has initiated a project to compile full sets of records (where possible to do so) of development applications, plans, specifications, approvals and the as-built records of developments.
- It was suggested that the Alliance pressure Council to put a timeframe in place for the completion of this project. This matter will be raised at the next meeting of the Alliance with Council, which is scheduled for Monday 23 June 2008.
- Council staff indicated reluctance on the part of Council to re-visit agreements made between Concord and Drummoyne Councils and developers in the past, particularly in relation to the provision and maintenance of facilities for community access and use.
- The point was made (and agreed) that, whilst negotiations on specific issues need to be on a community-by-community basis, the Alliance needs to focus with Council on the broad issues affecting all or most community schemes in the City of Canada Bay.
- Representatives of the Alliance who will be involved in the Council Task Force at this stage are John Wurth, Kate Foot, John Small, Barry Mealing, Geoff Duggan.

**DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGY RE PUBLIC ACCESS:**

- Alliance members are asked to contribute their ideas to assist in the development of an Alliance strategy seeking “public” contribution to the maintenance of facilities provided by community schemes for public access; rates relief, for example.
- Suggestions are to be emailed to John Wurth and Kate Foot.

**DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGY RE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT:**

- Contributions to the development of a strategy for traffic management in community schemes should initially come from members of the Alliance who live in schemes containing public roads.
- Contributions can be emailed to all members at this stage.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- **Mediation and Adjudication**  
The letter initiated by Jim Walsh to Angela D’Amore, which had been revised and then emailed to all members, was endorsed. Kate is to mail it to Angela.  
Following further discussion on the issue of resident parking, John Wurth said that Liberty Grove is considering an amendment to its Community Management Statement, to allow the charging of an administration fee to those residents in breach of parking by-laws. John will email to Alliance members the wording of Liberty Grove’s amendment.
- **Use of community facilities by residents**  
A suggestion was made that community schemes should consider charging residents for the hire of facilities such as community rooms.
- **Additional Community Schemes in the City of Canada Bay**  
Council has indicated the location of a further two Development Plans in its area; these are Strathaven in North Strathfield, and The Elms in

Burwood Road, Concord. Kate is to contact these community schemes and invite them to join the Alliance.

It was also suggested that the Green Point development at Mortlake, although not registered under the Community Land Development Act, would be an appropriate member of the Alliance. Kate is to make contact with Green Point, with an invitation to join the Alliance.

- **Alliance Letterhead**

It was agreed that the approximate total number of residential units represented by members of the Alliance would be added to the top of the Alliance's letterhead, and that the names of the Community schemes involved in the Alliance would be set out at the bottom of the letterhead.

- **Security**

The meeting was given a summary of recent thefts and attacks around Pelican Point, and Dianne described a tool that is used to reach under an apartment door and pull down the inside handle of the door, thus opening the door. Police have advised that this tool is readily available to, and in use by, thieves in this area.

- **Paul Zammit**

A message had been received from Paul advising that, due to business commitments, he needed to stand down from membership of the Alliance. A vote of thanks was moved and passed, thanking Paul for his contribution to the establishment and development of the Alliance.

**NEXT MEETING:** • **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2008 at 9.00am in the Pelican Point Community Centre.**