

**Good for Manly Annual General Meeting**  
Minutes of Meeting  
Monday 16 November 2020 via Zoom, 7.00pm

**Present:** Candy Bingham, Jeremy Bingham, Julie Beagley, Janne Seletto, Stephen Breckenridge, Kyeema Doyle, Susie Morgan, Michael Ford, Jane Yabsley, Henrietta May, Jonathan Trope, Wendy Marceau.

**Apologies:** Lori Callaghan, David Taylor, Margo Bavington, Lloyd Keen.

**Welcome**

The Secretary Stephen Breckenridge welcomed everyone to the meeting. As a quorum was present, he declared the Annual General Meeting open at 7.00pm. He advised that the Notice of Meeting had been circulated on 31 October 2020 and that it had included the Agenda for the Meeting, the Minutes of the 2019 AGM and the detailed Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2020. He also advised that the Agenda included a call for nominations for various positions. The Secretary recommended that the Meeting follow the Agenda items in its stated order.

**Chair:** It was resolved that the Chair for the Meeting would be Candy Bingham.

**Moved:** Stephen Breckenridge

**Seconded:** Jeremy Bingham.

**Minutes**

**Action**

**Confirmation of AGM Minutes 2019**

Minutes of the previous AGM held on Monday 11 November 2019 be accepted and signed as a true record.

**Moved:** Susie Morgan

**Seconded:** Janne Seletto.

**Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising which would not otherwise be covered at this meeting.

**President's Report**

The President Candy Bingham began by acknowledging the traditional owners of the land and then spoke to her Report which is attached. She said that the Report covers the period up to 30 June 2020.

The President acknowledged the Good for Manly Executive team comprising Secretary and Registrar Stephen Breckenridge, Treasurer Susie Morgan, Communications Janne Seletto, Vice President Kyeema Doyle, Jeremy Bingham, Stephen Coulter, Wendy Marceau, Rebecca Payne, Caleb Miller and Minute Taker Julie Beagley. In particular Candy acknowledged the contribution of Mark O'Brien who has stepped down from GFM. It was resolved that the Presidents' Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Jeremy Bingham  
**Seconded:** Janne Seletto.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Susie Morgan tabled the Audited Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2020 and briefly summarised the results and state of affairs of Good for Manly at that date. The Treasurer also gave a brief statement of the cash position and announced that Good for Manly is now essentially running a paperless system.

It was resolved that the 2020 Financial Statements be accepted and adopted.

**Moved:** Janne Seletto  
**Seconded:** Jeremy Bingham.

### **Secretary's Report**

The Secretary Stephen Breckenridge reported:

#### **Electoral Office Compliance**

- The GFM Executive Committee is very mindful of complying with all the requirements of the NSW Electoral Commission and the relevant legislation it administers. The Secretary confirmed that GFM once again complied with the requirements during the 2020 year.
- The Electoral Commission of NSW (EC) has confirmed GFM's continuity of Registration until 30 June 2021 which means it accepts that there is a minimum of 100 members.
- Although the audited Disclosure of GFM's 2020 Expenditure and Donations was filed before the due date, we are still awaiting advice that it was acceptable to the EC, but Stephen did not anticipate any problems.

- GFM's Declaration was lodged with the Department of Fair Trading and it was accepted.
- GFM has proactively cooperated with the EC and provided input and feedback during the year as it attempts to improve its systems and procedures. GFM is a small fish in a big electoral machine but we want to be in the tent on a current basis rather than playing catch up later.
- On Saturday 4 September 2021, the Local Government elections will be held and Good for Manly is developing plans to meet the challenge.

**Election of Office Bearers**

The Secretary advised that nominations had been received for the following Office Bearers for 2020 and as there were no other nominations they were duly elected:

- President Candy Bingham;
- Vice President Janne Seletto;
- Secretary Stephen Breckenridge;
- Treasurer Susie Morgan;
- Ordinary Committee Members: Kyeema Doyle, Jeremy Bingham, Stephen Coulter, Jonathan Trope;
- Advisory Group: Wendy Marceau, Caleb Miller, Rebecca Payne;
- Minute Taker Julie Beagley.

Congratulations to the elected Office Bearers and thank you for the ongoing support and dedication. Thank you also to GFM’s Minute Secretary Julie Beagley for the speed and thoroughness with which she generates the Minutes of the AGM and Executive Committee meetings.

**Re-appointment of Auditors**

The Secretary noted that the auditors Cabel Partners were willing to accept re-appointment for 2021.

It was resolved that Cabel Partners be hereby re-appointed as the auditors for Good for Manly.

**Moved:** Stephen Breckenridge  
**Seconded:** Jeremy Bingham.

**General Business**

The President asked for any items of General Business to be brought forward.

**Closure of Meeting**

There being no items of General Business the President declared the meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Agreed as a true and correct record of the GFM Annual General Meeting held on 161120.

Signature of President: \_\_\_\_\_

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT ...AGM 16 November 2020**

### **July 2019 – June 2020**

#### Major Changes

- Council Rubbish Service - seems to be working well now and recycling is much improved with the smaller red bins encouraging people to be mindful about their rubbish.
- Resident Parking Scheme - it has been a long process and the outcome so far has been good with 3,000 permits being issued, down from 11,000.

#### Infrastructure

- Tidal pools, at Little Manly and Forty Baskets have now been rebuilt at a cost of around \$1m.
- Whistler Street carpark has had a major upgrade at a cost of around \$800,000.
- Manly Library has been refreshed.
- A lot of work has been done at Clontarf Reserve with the new retaining wall and returfing. The playground will be upgraded in 21/22.
- North Harbour Reserve upgrading works and masterplan completed.
- LM Graham Reserve's new toilet block has been built and the old one will be demolished to make room for dogs and their owners.
- East Esplanade:
  - there has been a lot of landscaping that has been carried out.
  - there were issues with antisocial behaviour which has been managed by Council Rangers.
  - the 8pm curfew seems to be working.
  - new toilets will be finished by December.

#### Masterplans

- At Little Manly, 40 Stuart Street will be demolished some time in 2022 to 2023 to create more open space.
- Manly Oval Precinct – a Conservation Plan and Masterplan are to be developed.
- West Esplanade:
  - GFM wants to reinstate the board walk but decision on future of the Aquarium building will dictate when this process can begin.
  - Need to carry out public consultation & feasibility study.
  - West Esplanade will have similar terracing to East Esplanade.
  - The Aquarium, owned by RMS, will be demolished and something, yet to be decided, will replace it.

#### Community

- Covid-19 has cost Council around \$21m in lost revenue.
- Community Northern Beaches has been relocated from Wentworth Street to Raglan Street (the old Fishos) at a cost of around \$1m.
- In the reporting period, Candy has processed over 500 resident requests.

## New Initiatives

- GFM has started *Manly Talks*.
  - Have had 4 so far with the last one being held via Zoom:
    - Climate Change with Tim Flannery;
    - Mental Health with John Brogden;
    - Stem Cell Research with Tamara Treleaven;
    - Future transport with Stephen Coulter.

## Current Campaigns

- Adaptive reuse of Manly Town Hall
  - proposing the Town hall become a performing arts space and an architect has said that a 350 seat multi-purpose hall, 120 seat drama theatre and 60 seat cinema would fit;
  - other ideas for use that have been proposed include a Museum, art gallery and environment centre;
  - the most popular ideas will be selected by Council around March next year and full community consultation and feasibility process to start.
- Save The Manly Ferries
  - the State Government is planning to phase out the Freshwater class ferries and replace them with much smaller Emerald class ones;
  - proposed replacement ferries would not be able to handle the same rough seas as the Freshwater class and do not meet the iconic status of the current large ferries;
  - GFM will be asking for public donations for a "Fighting Fund";
  - Candy's Motion, which was passed unanimously, at last month's Council meeting asked that Council make representations to relevant authorities to delay the decision to retire the ferries; continue the maintenance of the current fleet and prepared a Fleet Replacement Plan which includes double-ended 1000+ passenger ferries on the Manly Route.
  - endeavouring to have a meeting with Andrew Constance, Minister for Transport and Local Member, James Griffin;
  - has just had a meeting confirmed with the Shadow Transport Minister, Chris Minns.

## Acknowledge my Executive Team:

Janne Seletto

Stephen Breckenridge

Jeremy Bingham

Kyeema Doyle

Mark O'Brien

Stephen Coulter

And thank our advisors:

Wendy Marceau

Caleb Miller

Rebecca Payne

Special mention to Mark O'Brien who was a valuable member of the Executive. He has stepped down and moved up the coast.

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...and Julie Beagley for Minute taking.