Good for Manly Annual General Meeting Minutes of Meeting Wednesday 26 November 2025, The Totem, Balgowlah, 6.00pm	
Present: Candy Bingham, Jeremy Bingham, Peter Greentree, Linda Williamson, Janne Seletto, Jonathan Trope, Taylah Schrader, Sonia Walsh, Margo Bavinton, Lori Callahan, David Taylor, Carole Hopper, Erica Griffiths, Sonia Walsh. **Apologies:** Wendy Marceau, Mel Arbuthnot.	
Welcome Candy Bingham noted there was a quorum and declared the AGM open at 6:10 pm. Secretary Jonathan Trope advised that the Notice of Meeting had been circulated on 1 November and that it had included the Agenda for the Meeting, Minutes of the 2024 AGM and the detailed Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2025. 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**: Jeremy Bingham **Seconded:** Jonathan Trope.	
Minutes	**Action**
Confirmation of AGM Minutes 2024 Minutes of the previous AGM held on Monday 25 November 2024 be accepted and signed as a true record. **Moved:** Jeremy Bingham **Seconded:** Janne Seletto. **Matters Arising** There were no matters arising which would not otherwise be covered at this meeting.	

President's Report Candy presented the President's Report (see attached). All in all, it has been a very busy year. **GOOD for MANLY EXECUTIVE TEAM** My thanks, as always, to the Good for Manly Executive Committee: Candy Bingham - President Taylah Schrader - Vice President Peter Greentree - Treasurer Jonathan Trope - Secretary Wendy Marceau Jeremy Bingham Janne Seletto Melissa Arbuthnot Sonia Walsh And Julie Beagley as Minute Taker. Sonia Walsh is stepping down from GFM Exec after more than 4 years. Her advice and knowledge about all things around Manly has been invaluable and she will be missed. Thank you Sonia. It was resolved that the President's Report be accepted. **Moved:** Jonathan Trope **Seconded:** Linda Williamson.	
Treasurer's Report Peter Greentree: • Tabled Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 and briefly summarised the results and state of affairs of Good for Manly at that date. It was resolved that the 2025 Financial Statements be accepted and adopted. **Moved:** Taylah Schrader **Seconded:** Janne Seletto.	
Secretary's Report The Secretary Jonathan Trope reported: • While there is no requirement for the GFM accounts to be independently audited, the EC has the power to carry out an audit. • All compliance matters have been addressed including the membership roll and income and expenditure disclosures. • GFM had 123 paid up members as at June 30 2025. **Moved:** Wendy Marceau **Seconded:** Sonia Walsh.	

Election of Office Bearers
The Secretary Jonathan Trope:
• Advised that nominations for each of the 4 proposed Office Bearers and the 6 proposed Ordinary Members of the Executive Committee had been received.
• As no other nominations were received, in accordance with our Constitution, he declared those Nominees to be duly elected for the 2025/2026 year:
  • President Candy Bingham;
  • Vice President Taylah Schrader;
  • Secretary Jonathan Trope;
  • Treasurer Peter Greentree;
  • Ordinary Committee Members: Jeremy Bingham, Janne Seletto, Mel Arbuthnot, Wendy Marceau;
  • Minute Taker Julie Beagley.
• He congratulated elected Office Bearers and thanked them for the ongoing support and dedication.
 	
Moved: Sonia Walsh
Seconded: Taylah Schrader.	

General Business None.	
Closure of Meeting There being no items of General Business the President declared the 2025 Annual General Meeting of Good for Manly Inc closed at 6.48pm.	

Agreed as a true and correct record of the GFM Annual General Meeting held on 261125.

Signature of President:

Date:

President's Report
2024/25 Annual Report

Manly Wharf Redevelopment
Artemus Management took over the lease of the wharf.
Using the brand Felons they are making lots of changes which is good for this tired venue. Changes to date include an updated Felons Wharf Bar and restaurant, Felons Seafood in old Bavarian site, a wedding venue upstairs, brewery, and to come – public toilets ground level

Ebikes
Continue to be a great problem on the Northern Beaches with the government doing very little to regulate them. Council does what it can with education campaigns but our powers are limited.

Manly Talks
November: Longevity Economy – Are You Ready? With a panel of experts
March: Hidden Biodiversity with Dr. Penny Berents
Manly Youth Taks trialled in February

Manly Life Saving Club
After many years of consultation, the first concept plans were released in August 24. DA was lodged in October 2025. The plan proved very controversial with many complaints received, particularly from nearby neighbours.
Council has agreed to go the DA stage but no funding available to build to progress project to date.

Manly Town Hall
We continue our push to have the Manly Town Hall repurposed into a performance art space. Council has done a feasibility study showing not viable for Council to undertake. Awaiting an EOI on the project which is likely in 2026.

Royal Far West development
Began in July 24 and is proving a massive but well managed development. Will change the face of that end of Manly and is seen as a good thing.

Manly Place Plan
3 years in the making – Released in August 24
Main change is pushing for outdoor dining in the Corso, additional tree planting. etc
No major changes to layout overall. 10 years to implement. No budget to date

Manly Aquarium
Demolished and outdoor seating installed.

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Council elections In September 2024
Lauch 7th August Hotel Steyne
Three candidates: Candy Bingham; Taylah Schrader; Peter Greetree.
With Liberal nominations not registered in time opened the field to another Independent or Green for Manly Ward. Results were very close with GFM polling well. Candy Bingham re-elected with Taylah just missing out to the Greens candidate.

Usual flurry of activity: Pre polling, Election Day, letterbox drops, events and fundraising. Campaign team were magnificent and GFM have major support.

Ramp to Queenscliff Headland completed

SRV- Rate Rise – IPART
Decision in June from IPART 25, granted 25% over two years as against 39% over 3 years. Very difficult time for Council and Councillors with many not agreeing that the rate rise was necessary. The new Councillors found it particularly difficult. Harassment still continues with a group of Libertarians addressing the meeting very month telling us how incompetent we are.

Manly Dam
Upgraded trail and New raised Boardwalk linking Picnic areas 1 & 2. Great outcome

Hop, Skip & Jump Bus
Despite continual campaigning to retain the service, auxiliary routes to Clontarf, Fairy Bower etc where cancelled however the main route to Manly was maintained. Saving of $500,000 annually was a little hard to justify the service!

McDonald's DA for Rosebury Street created a lot of community angst but untimely was unsuccessful.

Manly Entertainment Precinct
New State Government law enabled a number of precincts to operate as a Entertainment Precinct allowing later hours for traders, music etc. Manly applied for & won a grant and is currently going through community consultation/workgroup to undertake necessary acoustic testing and to test hours for operators for Manly's CBD .

Masterplan for Seaforth Oval was completed including a bike trail for more advanced mountain bike riders.

MANLY FERRY
We continue to meet the NSW Government re Manly Ferries. We were successful in saving 3 of the ferries; the Freshwater, Queenscliff (which was reintroduced earlier this year) and the Narrabeen which was reinstated recently. All fully restored. We continue to push for look-alive Electric Manly Ferries, but there is no progress to date on upgrading Circular Quay to provide the electricity which is the first priorty.

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Monthly Newsletters and regular social media posts
It's interesting that our Facebook pages now has 7.6k followers
Instagram 2,115 followers

WHAT'S NEXT?

We continue our push to have **MANLY TOWN HALL** repurposed into an entertainment centre.

FOGO (food waste) is now mandated for introduction by 2030. Council is trialling various methods to handle this additional garbage.

REMOVAL OF SHARK NETS was set back by a recent fatal shark attack. We are still campaigning to have the nets removed and replaced by drones and listening stations.

MANLY FERRIES we will continue our campaign for an Electric Manly Ferry

MANLY LIFE SAVING CLUB new building will obviously take years, with funding proving a problem. I expect the DA to be approved early next year but with some conditions/changes.

NSW PLANNING LAWS RE HOUSING are proving a great challenge for Council with Low & Medium density housing now mandated in various town centres such as Manly and Manly Vale, and all major developments (high rise)out of the Council and communities control with State Planning taking the role of approving them.

THANKS TO THE COMMUNITY FOR THEIR ONGOING SUPPORT OF GOOD FOR MANLY and especially our hard-working committee: Jonathan Trope, Peter Greentree, Janna Selletto, Wendy Marcaeu, Jeremy Bingham, Taylah Schroder, Mel Arbuthnot, Sonia Walsh and adviser Scott Porter. And of course our marvellous minute taker, Julie Beagley

Candy Bingham
President, Good for Manly
26/11/25