

KCC
Kew Cottages Coalition
Annual General Meeting Minutes
7pm Thursday 6th November 2014
Phyllis Hore Room Kew Civic Centre
Cnr Cotham Road and Civic Drive

The AGM was declared open by MC Rod Quantock at 7.00pm. He introduced the President, Brian Walsh, and welcomed the guest speakers.

Guest Speakers were as follows:

Lower House Seat of Kew

Lynn Franks (Greens)
James Gaffey (ALP)
Tim Smith (Liberal)

Upper House Southern Metropolitan

Erik Locke (ALP)

Apologies were received from:

• Peter Ryan Deputy Premier

• Sue Pennicuik MLC
• Georgie Crozier MLC
• Don Nardella MP
• Andrea Coote MLC
• Bruce Atkinson MLC
• Rose Read
• James Searle

• David Davis MLC
• Philip Dalidakis
• Cr Phillip Healey
• Elizabeth Bentley
• Don Anderson
• Kerry Lovering
• Cr Judith Voce
• Margaret Fitzherbert

Minutes of the March 2014 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the March 2014 Annual General Meeting were taken as read and accepted by the meeting.

Proposed Heather Pym Seconded Brian Walsh Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report.

Mr. David Pym presented the Treasurer's Report. The Report was duly received and considered in accordance with Rule 9 of the model rules.

Proposed Brian Walsh Seconded. Ann Brewer
Carried

President's Report.

Was presented by Mr Brian Walsh. He acknowledged all the members of the Committee who had worked so hard during the year to hold the State Government publicly accountable for their Kew Cottages Development.

He presented his report on the progress achieved by the Coalition during the year. He said that the Auditor General had responded positively on 9th April to the 2014 AGM's Motion that called for a Forensic Audit of the Kew Cottages Development, but that the Auditor General had said:

You should be aware, however, that at present, VAGO's ability to scrutinise the Kew Cottages Development is limited. As our legislation stands, VAGO cannot legally compel the production of all necessary information from private entities working with public agencies/funds. We are currently in discussion with the Government to amend the Audit Act 1994 to enable such information to be accessible.

It was disappointing Mr. Walsh said that not only had the foreshadowed amendments to the Audit Act had still not taken place, but just 2 months later in June 2014, the Government had amended its contract with Walker Corporation by agreeing to "use its reasonable endeavours to assist the developer obtain all relevant Planning Permits and other authorisations which are necessary or desirable" to facilitate additional sale lots in part of the Main Drive parkland - which Mr. Walsh said is euphemistically referred to in the contract as "the Project Office Precinct"

Moved Lindsay Grayson. Seconded David Pym

Election of the Committee.

There being the same number of nominations as office bearers required, the outgoing Committee was declared re-elected for 2015.

Committee Members 2015

President, Brian Walsh

Vice President, Lindsay Grayson

Secretary Ann Brewer

Treasurer, David Pym,

Committee Member Richard Grummet,

Committee Member Don Anderson.

Tonight's Topic

Kew Cottages and the State Election

Guest Speakers

The Speakers made their presentations and then answered questions from the audience.

The President presented the following motion to the meeting for its consideration and approval as follows.

Motion.

This Meeting calls on the Major Political Parties to:

1. Recommit to restoring the Kew Cottages Heritage Buildings and Public Open Space.
2. Declare whether they are prepared to ban developer donations in Victoria, just as NSW has done for the past 5 years.

Moved Brian Walsh

Seconded Lindsay Grayson

Passed Unanimously

Meeting Closed. 9.40pm