

# Union Precinct AGM MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6 April, 2022  
At McMahon's Point Community Centre commencing at 7.34pm

1. Attendees	14 - Refer to attendance sheet
2. Returning Officer	KH
3. Minute taker	MCH
4. Apologies	5
5. Minutes of previous AGM	Minutes of Previous Meeting were read out. Moved by: ID Seconded by: MC Voting:14/0
6. Chairpersons Report	The Chairpersons report was read out. Copy attached. Motion to accept the Chairpersons report. Moved by: KH Seconded by: MCH Voting: 14/0
7. Financial Report	The Financial report was read out. Balance: \$3,031 Statement of income and expenditure attached. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Moved by: KH Seconded by: RT Voting: 14/0
8. Committee Elections	It was noted that unless Council changes its rule re 4 year terms, this will be the last year the Chairs and Treasurer can hold office.  <b>Motion: That the nomination of KR and MC for Co-Chairperson be accepted.</b> Moved by: ID Seconded by: MCH Voting: 12/0 (co-chair nominees abstained)  <b>a) Motion: That the nomination of CT for Secretary be accepted.</b> Moved by: KR Seconded by: MCH Voting: 13/0 (Secretary nominee abstained)  <b>b) Motion: That the nomination of ID for Treasurer be accepted.</b> Moved by: MC Seconded by: MCH Voting: 13/0 (Treasurer nominee abstained)
9. Other Business	- <i>The Precinct proposed a vote of thanks to KH for his representation of Union Precinct at the CPC</i> - <i>MCH is stepping down as Secretary but will remain on the Committee to support</i> - <i>A motion was put forward to authorise a \$100 bonus to JH to be paid out of Precinct funds, to thank him for his pamphlet distribution</i>
10. Next meeting	December 2022



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Signed by the Chairperson

Date

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## **AGM 6 April 2022** **Chairs' Report**

The postponement of the AGM twice has meant that the last AGM was held in November 2019. This AGM is being held in April 2022, and this effectively means that we are reporting on activities over the last two and a half years.

Two meetings were held in 2019 (November, December). In 2020, five meetings were held (February, March, August, October and November). Additionally, three newsletters were issued to our email list to try to keep Union Precinct members up-to-date. In 2021, 11 meetings were held, although a number were virtual only or hybrid. Two meetings (virtual) were held in 2022 (February and March). Most meetings were well attended. MCH is to be thanked for the contribution of her zoom account for the use of the precinct meetings. Unfortunately, Council is not yet in a position to provide for virtual meetings.

At times, the meetings included guest speakers, review of DAs, reporting on information or advice provided by Council, and the opportunity for members to raise issues for Council or other agencies to consider. The precinct was also represented on or attended a number of committees or discussion groups, including the Combined Precincts Committee and the Waverton Peninsula Working Group.

Guest speakers included: Council's Project Manager for the McMahon's Point Village Centre Plan, representatives from the Sydney Heritage Fleet regarding the possible location of the fleet in Berrys Bay, Council's traffic engineer regarding options for traffic calming in Union Street, and a number of community members who wished to discuss items such as the use of the toilet facilities in the scout shed in Sawmillers Reserve, the Sydney harbour Bridge Cycle Ramp, the possibility of a foreshore walkway around Berrys Bay and the general state of the environment in Berrys Bay.

A number of Councillors from both the previous and the existing Councils attended meetings on invitation, and offered their opinions on matters of concern to the community. We appreciate the input from Councillors and look forward to any opportunities for their attendance at future meetings.

More than 50 DAs were reviewed over the two year period. Most were considered and noted by the meeting. For some there were concerns expressed by meeting members, and these concerns were noted in the minutes of the meeting. Precinct Council officers generally referred these concerns to the relevant

Assessment Officer. Additionally, some DAs were subject to a formal response by the precinct through the required mechanisms. Of note were the submissions made on the various DAs for the Floating Dry Dock and other structures at the Noakes Boat Yard in Berrys Bay, and the proposal for works at the Commodore Hotel.

Other submissions made to Council or other agencies included operational issues at Noakes Boat Yard, objection to the proposed West Harbour Tunnel EIS (Transport for NSW), request for better facilities at Sawmillers Reserve and objections to the “fishing litter” left there, objection to the removal of over 700 trees associated with the upgrade to the Warringah Freeway, consideration of options and other suggestions for the speed controls needed at Union Street/Woolcott Street/Euroka Street, the design of the Sydney Harbour Bridge Cycle Ramp and speed controls on Blues Point Road.

During the past two years Council has been actively considering a review of Council’s precinct system. KR, MC, MCH and KH have all attended seminars and workshops conducted by Council, and the information in these has been conveyed to the precinct meetings. It is likely that Council will consider the recommendations from Council officers by mid-year. If the recommendations are accepted there will be further consultation and a decision made on the precinct review before the end of 2022.

As you will have noted COVID has had a significant effect on the ability of the precinct to have regular meetings. Nevertheless, with the benefit of Zoom we have persevered and, I think, been successful in representing the interests of the union community and keeping Council aware of the matters that are important to us. We would like to thank Ian for his role as treasurer and sometime secretary, Kevin for his diligence and attendance at the many Combined Precinct Committee meetings, and especially to Michele for stepping into and expanding and updating the Secretarial role over the past year. Unfortunately, the pressure of other commitments means she will not be able to continue in this role.

Above all, we would like to thank the community of Union Precinct who showed interest and support by attending the 20 precinct meetings we have had since the last AGM. Please keep doing it.

KR and MC

Co-Chairs

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## **Union Precinct Treasurers Report for 6 April 2022**

As we did not have an AGM last year, the Treasurer's report covers the full year to 6 September 2021 and the recent period from 7 September 2021 to 28 February 2022.

I have copies of these reports available for anyone who would like to see them.

We have received our operational funding from the Council for 2021/2022 of \$1,500 on 28 February 2022 and now have funds in hand of \$3,031 as of today. As long as we have less than \$3,500 on hand at the time of applying for the funding, we are entitled to same.

Expenditure incurred during the periods included delivery of meeting Agendas by John Henry, PO Box rental, Christmas party costs and officeholders' reimbursements of expenses of \$100 per annum each.

I am happy to answer any questions.

ID

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