



1967 – 2017 Celebrating 50 years protecting Parkville’s heritage and amenity

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING, 11 April 2017
held at Walmsley House, Gatehouse Street at 7.15pm

	Item	Action
1	Attendees	
	<p>Committee members: Rob Moore (RM) Brenda Frok (BF) (observer) Rob Krelle (RK) Dave McGregor (DMcG) Helen Weston (HW) Tom Agar (TA) Anne Phefley (AP)</p> <p>Note: Silvio Pontonio, who was elected at the AGM, has withdrawn as a Committee member due to a clash between Committee meeting times and a work commitment</p>	
2	Apologies	
	Gerry Noonan (GN)	
3	Conflict of interest	Noted
	None declared	
4	Minutes of meeting 14 February 2017	
	<p>Motion: That the Minutes of the Meeting on 14 February 2017 be accepted as accurate and complete records.</p> <p>Matters arising: All covered in other Agenda items.</p>	<p>1 RK/ 2 DMcG</p> <p>Noted</p>
5	Guest speakers from City of Melbourne re Amendment C258	
	<p>Guest speakers Tamara Lowen, Debbie Payne (from Strategic Planning) and Sam Cremean (Place Making and Engagement Team for Carlton and Parkville) attended to provide a briefing on the exhibited Amendment C258 Local Heritage Policies Review. Noted that no aspects of the Heritage Overlays will be changed by this amendment which proposes to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduce a Local Heritage Policy for Places outside the Capital City Zone; - introduce a Statement of Significance for Parkville as part of an Incorporated Document; - convert the old gradings for individual places and streetscapes into best practice inventory of ‘significant’, ‘contributory’ or ‘non contributory’ <p>The officers noted that the Policy will be more important than the Statement of Significance in the assessment of planning permit applications for properties covered by the Heritage Overlay.</p> <p>DMcG queried the gaps in the existing overlay along Royal Parade north of McArthur Road noting that there are a number of heritage buildings there. RK queried why some streetscapes were identified as ‘significant’ when the majority of adjoining buildings are identified as ‘contributory’.</p>	

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	<p>Council officers noted that the new inventory is being mapped at present and this mapping should be available for a community information session on 22 April. RK also queried why there was no mention in the Statement of Significance of indigenous heritage and pre-settlement landscape in Royal Park.</p> <p>There was extensive discussion about the application of existing controls in relation to planning permit applications and the many outcomes that are considered inconsistent with the heritage character of Parkville especially in relation to built form at the rear of houses and the character of lanes.</p> <p>The officers advised that there is a new Heritage Team at Council lead by Tanya Lochenberg.</p> <p>RM thanked the officers for their attendance and information provided.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to prepare a submission – a Working Party will meet at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 26 April at Walmsley House to discuss the content of the submission which is due by 12 May 2017.</p>	
6	Correspondence (not elsewhere covered)	
	Out – Letter to Hon Richard Wynne, Minister for Planning in relation to future use of Parkville Juvenile Detention Centre site and the Association's suggestion that the site should be returned to Royal Park to provide open space for increasing inner urban population.	
	In – Letter from Hon Richard Wynne, Minister for Planning, noting that the Minister for Justice is responsible for matters relating to the future use of the Parkville Juvenile Detention Centre site.	Noted
7	Treasurer's report	
7.1	<p>Report</p> <p>DMcG reported that the balance in the cheque account is \$12,804.84. Recent income was from membership subscriptions and book sales.</p> <p>Investigations will continue into type of business banking account that will allow on line transactions with two approvals.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>DMcG</p>
8	Governance	
8.1	<p>Grant application process</p> <p>The application period for 2018 grants opens on 1 May with closure on 29 May 2017. The Association will make an application for a grant to assist with website update.</p>	Noted
9	Parkville Association – the future	
9.1	<p>Membership renewals</p> <p>Follow up of non-financial members.</p> <p>AP suggested a letterbox drop with a post card setting out benefits of membership and inviting new members. Agreed that this is to be done. HW to discuss card layout with Kwik Kopy.</p>	<p>HW</p> <p>HW</p>
9.2	<p>Communications issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Logo/letterhead <p>DMcG has provided upgraded electronic versions of current logo which will suffice for the time being until other work is done on website etc.</p>	Noted

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website BF suggested that funds be allocated for an upgrade of the website. As the grant application to the PROV includes this, it was agreed that the website upgrade be 'parked' until the outcome of this application is decided. • Facebook TA indicated that new content is essential to drive traffic on Facebook. New posts to be made re 'save the date' for 50th anniversary dinner and photos of interesting things or activities around Parkville such as occurrence of rabbits or unusual native birds in Royal Park. TA has registered the Association as a user of the NABO website which already has about 70 sign ups in Parkville. • e-Newsletter Not discussed. 	<p>Noted</p> <p>TA/RM/HW</p> <p>Noted</p>
10	Events and community issues	
10.1	<p>AGM feedback The AGM was held on 14 March at Trinity College Chapel with guest speaker, Professor Chris Kilpatrick, CEO of the Royal Children's Hospital (and Parkville resident). While there was generally positive feedback re attendance, venue and speaker, it was agreed that a microphone should be used at future events to ensure that everyone can easily hear speakers.</p>	Noted
10.2	<p>50th anniversary of establishment of the Parkville Association in 2017 RM and W reported on planning for this event to be held on 13 July 2017 with the Lord Mayor as guest of honour. A venue within easy walking distance of South Parkville is being investigated. RM has invited Linton Lethlean to speak on the early days of the Association – Linton has accepted. A list of past and present 'luminaries' is being compiled to invite as guests. Local businesses will be approached to sponsor various aspects of the dinner aspects (posters, photo stream etc) with suitable acknowledgements.</p>	
11	Heritage and planning issues	
11.1	<p>Planning policy submissions – none pending Notice has been received from the City of Melbourne about the exhibition of Amendment 256 – Local Heritage Policy Review to the Melbourne Planning Scheme is on 6 week exhibition with submissions to be lodged by 12 May 2017.</p>	Noted
11.2	<p>Policy for objecting to permit applications A draft of this policy was circulated for review and comment with a view to adopting it at the next Committee meeting.</p>	Noted.
11.3	<p>Planning applications – update on decisions/objections/appeals 28-30 Morrah Street HW met with the owner to discuss the application and the Association's view presented in its objection. Application still under assessment by Council.</p> <p>144 Gatehouse Street – retrospective application for pergola AP to check with Council to see if works are consistent with approval.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>AP</p>

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11.4	<p>Proposed 14 storey residential development, Park Street, Brunswick</p> <p>Committee members have been approached by residents of Princes Hill to request the Association object to this proposed development on site of Best Western motel at corner of Park Street and Royal Parade which is within the City of Moreland.</p> <p>After discussion, the Committee agreed that as the focus of the Association is on the 3052 area, it would not be appropriate for the Association to get involved in this proposal which is unlikely to have direct impacts on Parkville. It is understood that a planning permit application is yet to be lodged.</p>	
12	Traffic and parking issues	
12.1	<p>Melbourne Metro Rail project</p> <p>'Value capture' concept around stations noted with need to understand what this might mean for the Parkville Station area.</p> <p>Construction site has been established on University grounds at corner of Grattan Street and Royal Parade.</p> <p>An indication of the potential impact of the closure of Grattan Street during the construction period was played out this afternoon when the section of Grattan Street west of Royal Parade to Flemington Road was closed during a gas leak at the Hospital. Extensive traffic jam back into Parkville resulted.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
12.2	Other traffic and parking issues	
12.2.1	<p>Roundabout at Park Drive and Morrah Street</p> <p>This is under construction and completion taking longer than anticipated.</p>	Noted
12.2.2	<p>Follow up of issues with Haig Poulsen, City of Melbourne</p> <p>BF to follow up with John Tekieli at Council re proliferation of signage at roundabout at Story Street and Park Drive – need to resolve this ahead of completion of roundabout works to the north.</p> <p>Concern was expressed about ongoing peak period 'rat running' through South Parkville and need to have further discussions with Council's traffic engineers re traffic management measures to control this.</p>	<p>BF</p> <p>Noted</p>
13	General business	
13.1	None raised.	
	Meeting closed at 9.50 pm	
	Next Committee meeting – 7.15 pm, Tuesday, 9 May 2017, Walmsley House	