



PARKVILLE ASSOCIATION INC.

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## **Minutes of the 55<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2022**

**TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2022 at 6:00pm – Naughton’s Hotel**

**The meeting commenced at 6:45 pm**

**Robert Moore (President Parkville Association) welcomed members and guests. He introduced the Guest Speakers,**

- Director of the Melbourne Zoological Gardens Michelle Bruggenman.

Michelle is Melbourne Zoo’s first female director and is in her fourth year in office. Michelle presented a vision for the future of the Zoo and discussed the activities, including animal rescue operations and their endangered species programmes. Michelle iterated the Zoo had an active policy to engage with its community and encouraged Parkville residents to involve themselves with the zoo’s varied activities and forward plans. The Zoo is celebrating its 160<sup>th</sup> Birthday with an event on 6 October 2022.

The President moved a vote of thanks to Michelle and presented her with a copy of the Hilary Lewis book “South Parkville”

- Danielle Smits Communications and Stakeholders Lead,  
CYP Melbourne Metro  
Project Manager – Metro Rail Project – Parkville Precinct

Danielle presented in slideshow an update of the progress of construction of the Parkville underground station and the Royal Parade pedestrian underpass. She iterated the plan of Grattan Street re-opening to vehicular traffic once construction is completed. First trains to operate through Parkville Station are scheduled for 2025. The President moved a vote of thanks to Danielle, wished her well in her impending retirement and presented her with a copy of Hilary Lewis’s book “South Parkville”

- Nas Mohamud – Neighbourhood Partner – Melbourne City Council



Nas is the City of Melbourne's conduit for the community to the Melbourne City Council's new community engagement project "Participate Melbourne". She advised contributions to the specific "Participate Parkville" website had commenced on 1 March and submissions closed on 30 April. Priorities and needs are being sought from the Parkville community in this consultation period and residents were actively encouraged to become involved by contributing. Nas also announced a first for Parkville. The Future Melbourne Committee, comprising the Lord and Deputy Lord Mayors and all MCC Councilors, would conduct its regular fortnightly meeting on 12 April 2022 in Parkville – at The Treacy Centre, 126 The Avenue commencing at 5 pm with an hour "meet and greet" session. Residents were encouraged to attend. The President moved a vote of thanks to Nas for her attendance and presented her with a copy of Hilary Lewis's book "South Parkville"

## **FORMAL MEETING commenced at 8:00 pm**

### **Present:**

Anderson J., Armstrong R., Couson D., Davies C., DeHaan M., DeHaan G., Dohrmann M., Evans R., Evans B., Freestone D., Firth L., Hatzl S., Kavanagh P., Kinney F., Krelle L., Krelle R., Lentin P., Ley P., Ley G., Livingstone R., Maxwell V., McGregor D., Mellor D., Moore K., Moore R., Morrissey N., Moses R., Noonan Notley A., G., Osbourne R., Panknin K., Pertzelt B., Phefley A., Read A., Ruzza M., Siauw L., Uralini C., Wise A.

### **Apologies:**

Behan F., Brumer J., Casey K., Caddy J., Collins D., Doherty P., Doherty P., Dohrmann L., Cregan C., Fallshaw J., Handsaker P., Johnson S., Johnson T., Johnstone S., Lynch J., McClusky J., McKeller B., McKeller L., McNamara P., McPherson P., Noonan P., Rakkar S., Simpson D., Spargo D., Sullivan A., Sutherland B., Sutherland M., Strinovich E., Szoeki C.,

**1      8:00pm Robert Moore (President Parkville Association) welcomed guests opened the meeting.**

**2      Annual General Meeting of the Parkville Association for 2022**



**There were 38 members in attendance. Apologies were received from 29 members.**

**3 The President declared a quorum present**

**4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 2021 AGM**

**5 PRESIDENT'S REPORT Robert Moore**

President Rob Moore summarised the activities of the Association for the past year. He commended the Covid Support Group convened by Gerald DeHaan to assist the vulnerable members of our community during the covid pandemic period. He singled out Catherine Urline for special mention as she ensured immobile members of the association and other residents were kept supplied with essential items by daily doing the rounds on her bicycle, effecting deliveries where needed. The President presented Catherine with a copy of Hilary Lewis's book "South Parkville"

He especially welcomed newest member Paul Kavanagh, just joined.

He updated members on the latest for the proposed medical centre planning application at 35-39 Royal Parade and informed that council were yet to receive responses from the developer. There are 38 objections and the President thanked members for their submission and high standard of these objections. He informed members that council were well aware of our community's resistance to this proposed development and ensured that the Lord Mayor was aware of our position.

The President advised members there had been 48 submissions to the Parkville Heritage Survey and the committee had actively engaged with the Heritage Study personnel at the COM and their consultants.

The President advised members that he had recently learned of a proposal under consideration by the University of Melbourne and City of Melbourne to restrict the re-opening of Grattan Street to vehicular traffic once Metro Tunnel Project works were completed. Only through public transport and bicycle traffic was under consideration for the sector from Royal Parade to Lygon Street

The President advised members that the proposed development of a multi-story (50 levels proposed) building for Park Street at the northern end of Royal Parade was defeated on overshadowing grounds. The original developers had re-sold the land.

Co-ordination activities with stake holders in Royal Park continued in support of mutual interests. Committee member Anne Phefley provided appropriate linkage with other organisations with which she is involved including The Royal



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Park Protection Group and Friends of Royal Park. The trial activity of “Disc Golf” did not have the support of these groups nor Cr Leppert.

The President reported to members he was actively involved, with other resident organisations in the City of Melbourne, with quarterly review meetings with the Lord Mayor in the Lord Mayor’s Consultative Group.

Consultations have been undertaken between the Association and the COM regarding the combined Melbourne Water- Melbourne City Council C384 Planning Amendment – inundation overlay proposal. The Association is resisting having the inundation boundary encompass any of the Parkville residential area as local, sporadic flooding, in the Story Street-Park Drive precinct, is due to the lack of establishment of formerly proposed stormwater drainage works.

The President reported that Committee Member Nick Morrissey is looking after social media and the website, which had been recently updated. The Walking Tour of Parkville, initiated by the Association in 2018 has been supplemented with the addition by the Royal Park Protection Group of a flora and fauna tour of Royal Park.

The President advised members that the committee had discussed a reduced issue of the Newsletter due to its cost (\$1,500 per issue) and a conversion to an electronic mail-out and posting on the website. An approach had been made to a real estate agency, active in the area, to sponsor the continuation of the print version of the Newsletter.

The President advised members he chairs the Melbourne North Police Community Consultative Committee (PCCC) that meets at eight-weekly intervals to discuss matters of mutual interest in crime prevention and surveillance in the regions encompassing Parkville, Carlton, Flemington, West and North Melbourne.

The Association intends to celebrate Parkville’s sesquicentenary – the first dwelling in Parkville being established in 1873 will make the precinct 150 years old next year. Perhaps only East Melbourne is an older suburb.

The President addressed traffic matters and advised the Lord Mayor has a view that electronic scooters sharing streetscape space (footpaths) with pedestrians requires a “trial period”.

The Association has formed a Traffic subcommittee that has engaged with the COM who has advised that, prior to enacting a scheme to prevent the improper use of residential streets by through traffic and vehicles travelling at excessive speeds, it intends to physically survey vehicles to determine their origin and destination as they pass through the South Parkville “triangle”



## **6 SECRETARY'S REPORT Bruce Pertzel**

The Secretary apologised to members for the lack of communication continuity during the past 18 months due to covid closures and the transition of the Association's year from Calendar to fiscal. He sought members' indulgence for a seemingly disjointed exchange between the Association and its members.

Members were advised that the next subscription fees will be due on 1 July 2022.

The Secretary reported on his accession of the Association's archive, principally to bolster submissions to the Parkville Heritage Survey. He paid tribute to association members' past contributions to the archive.

## **7 TREASURER'S REPORT David McGregor**

The treasurer reported a healthy current account.

Year Opening Balance      \$22,850

Year Closing Balance      \$24,378

Investment Fund      \$20,000 (last year interest received \$458)

Membership Subscription receipts (2021)      \$3,648 (Last year 2020 \$2410)

The treasurer thanked members, including life members) for their donations for the year.

## **9 ELECTIONS OF OFFICER BEARERS**

9.1 Appointment of returning officer  
Secretary Bruce Pertzel was appointed Returning Officer

9.2 Nominations  
The returning Officer reported the following nominations were received;  
President: Robert Moore – unopposed  
Treasurer David McGregor – unopposed  
Secretary Bruce Pertzel – unopposed

The Returning Officer declared these positions validated.

9.3 Conduct of election

Members confirmed the officer bearers nominated for President, Treasurer and Secretary.

The Returning Officer reported the following persons had been validly nominated for the committee:

Robert Krelle  
Nick Morrissey  
Anne Phefley  
Ryan Moses  
Trish McNamara

#### 9.4 Confirmation of results

Members endorsed, by a show of hands, the election of these members to the committee for 2020.

The following members expressed interest in serving on the committee for 2022 after the meeting.

Virginia Maxwell  
Alan Wise

Their election to committee will be endorsed at the next committee meeting scheduled for 12 April 2022.

### **10 CONFIRMATION OF ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION**

#### 10.1 Confirmation of existing annual subscriptions

Family Membership \$50;  
Individual Membership \$30;  
Concessional Membership \$10

### **11 OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business

**MEETING CLOSED at 8:45 pm**