



Darebin Appropriate Development Association: Protect Your Community

Inc. No. A0094111Q

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Meeting Notes: 12th of September, 2017

Present: Chris Erlandsen, Maria Poletti, Cathy Audley, Craig Walters, Sally Mendes, Jessica Doyle, Vicki Wyatt, Marie Geary, Meryl Waugh,

Apologies: Stewart Midgley, Susan Davies, Mary Dross, Lori-anne Sharp, Maria Drossos, Anne Laver

Business Arising:

- a. Paypal account: **Action:** Craig will set up Paypal account and link it to the bank account. **Done**
- b. Web Master: **Action:** Craig to contact Brian to ask if we can buy the domain name from him and take over the administration of the website.
- c. SOS, paid the sub's. Where are the newsletters going? How will we distribute? **Action:** Craig to investigate.
- d. Council letter to Minister to express disappointment with Better Apartment Guidelines. **Action:** Mandy to write a letter to Darebin Councilors asking them to do the same from Darebin. Also, ask if/when is Darebin going to implement the new tools to help assessment of planning applications against the standards.
- e. Update on Amendment C137. **Action:** Mandy to ask a Council what they are doing to progress the matter.
- f. Draft analysis of planning in Darebin 2013-2016 circulated and discussed. Big thanks to writer. **Action:** Develop some questions triggered by stats, to ask at council meeting.
- g. **Action:** Maria to check the submission regarding the DCP to see if it is legal to process planning applications without.

1. New Business:

- a. Planning the AGM: Potential guest speakers Lidia Thorpe and Clare Burns. Venue, Northcote Town Hall third storey room. Meeting to be the last **Tuesday in October the 31st**. Offer refreshments and catering. 7pm to 9pm. Some issues for discussion include, Public housing, Universal Housing, Disability housing/NDIS, Smart Planning, Three stories in our suburban streets under new zoning policy, housing affordability, parking, developer donations, Darebin's voice/representation in parliament.
- b. Car Parking in Darebin; for next meeting
- c. Questions to Council Meeting; Flammable cladding, leak of PM Confidential Compulsory Conference details to media. Darebin's climate emergency plan update, **Action;** Chris, send Maria the link to add to notes. Follow the link;
<http://www.yoursaydarebin.com.au/21346/documents/62557>
How does flooding caused by development feature in the plan? How does building poor quality developments fit with this?
- d. Amendment VC139 and Vic Smart Amendments, for next meeting.

2. From the press:

- a. Four Corners report on flammable cladding. Watch on iview;
<http://iview.abc.net.au/programs/four-corners/NC1704H030S00>
- b. Vic Planning/Smart Planning reforms: https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/policy-and-strategy/planning-reform/smart-planning-program?utm_medium=email&utm_content=Smart%20Planning&utm_source=www.vision6.com.au&utm_campaign=Smart%20Planning%20Newsletter%20%234%20-%20August%202017

- c. What's equity got to do with health in a higher-density city? —
<http://theconversation.com/whats-equity-got-to-do-with-health-in-a-higher-density-city-82071>
- d. The Age, 6/09/2017 Senate inquiry on flammable cladding:
<http://amp.theage.com.au/victoria/someone-will-be-burnt-to-death-senate-demands-ban-on-flammable-cladding-20170906-gyc7oi.html>

3. Objector Updates:

- a. **22 Knox Street**; Member visit on 2nd of August. Interim order from VCAT regarding amendment VC139.
- b. **Preston Market**: Hearing debrief. A 7 day hearing, running late on most days. Lori-anne Sharp and Chris Erlandsen presented on behalf of objectors. Discussed the effects of amendment VC139, objector draft reply and council response so far. **Action**; Kathy to share the town planner report with Chris.
- c. **152 Smith Street, Thornbury**, 3 double storey development, around 80% in tact so an argument can be made about neighbourhood character, flood, sweep path., overdevelopment of the site.

4. Other Business:

- a. Flooding and Council responsibility. **Action**: Craig to follow up with questions.

Next Meeting: 7.00pm, **Tuesday 10th of October** at 572 Plenty Road, Preston (Corner of Josephine Grove).

AGM 2017; 7.00pm, **Tuesday 31st of October**.