

Applewood Residents Committee

5, Grand Boulevard, Doncaster , Victoria, 3108

Minutes of Meeting No. 2/2025

Wednesday 12th February 2025

Held in Private Dining Room at **9.30 am**

Present:

Peter Sage (Chair), Ellen Boyd (Deputy Chair), Peter Horton (Treasurer), Geoff Dreher (Secretary), Grahme Bond, Carole English, Roger Godfrey, Stephanie Orr.

Apologies: **Quorum:** OK

1. Minutes of 15th January 2025:

ARC Minutes of 15th January 25 were agreed to by 17th January 25 and have been circulated.

Carole noted, and it was agreed, that Minutes should reflect only what was said at the meeting, and should not add extra comment.

Business Arising:

The ARC RV Act Amendment Bill Letter and Submission was sent to the Victorian Minister for Consumer Affairs and six other parliamentarians by 20th January 25.

2. Correspondence:

2.1 North East Link (NEL) Works: A letter from J. Sheedy regarding problems arising from the NEL works on the Eastern Freeway potentially affecting Applewood was discussed.

Peter Sage described the matters raised at a meeting held recently by MP Keith Wolahan regarding the effects of the NEL works on those living near the works, which included Health Issues; Dust; Noise; Lights; and lack of communication by NEL as well as no contact with the EPA. He also tabled a “Big Build” circular describing what is to occur in Sargent Street near Applewood.

It was agreed to ask ARD what contact has been achieved with NEL regarding matters which may affect Applewood.

2.2 Meetings with Mayor and Councillors: Ellen reported that she has asked the Mayor and Councillor if they can meet with ARC on Wednesday 9th April at 11.00 am and is waiting for their response.

Ellen also indicated that the proposed special meeting with the Mayor, attended by Peter, Mike, and Ellen, confirmed for 6th March, will need to be rescheduled. A further date to be confirmed.

2.3 Meeting with Rivervue Residents Committee:

It was agreed to suggest that Rivervue RC meet with Applewood RC at 11.30 am. on Wednesday 12th March 25.

2.4 Rivervue/Applewood Games Day:

A date between April 27 and 16 May has been suggested by Rivervue for Applewood to join them for Games.

2.5 Security Issues:

The letter to J.Smrk from J. Sheedy and the updates from the ARD regarding the presence of an unauthorised vehicle causing noise and damage in Applewood on Saturday 1st February was noted.

3.0 General Business

3.1 Reports:

3.1.1 **Property & Infrastructure Sub Committee:** Minutes of the P&I S/c of 10th January 25 were received and accepted. It was noted that Ellen will attend P&I S/c meetings in place of Peter Sage during his absence over the next month.

3.1.2 **Grounds Subcommittee:** Peter Sage noted that the Report which had been circulated needs many adjustments and was not up to date for many matters. Roger indicated that he will provide updates on the Bollard situation and Lights at the front gate.

3.1.3 **Finance Subcommittee:** Peter Horton reported that the ARC Bank Signatories have been updated and that he will be arranging 3 monthly meetings of the Finance S/c after he has discussed past matters with Robyn Millership (outgoing Chair of Finance S/c).

3.1.4 **Welcome Report:** Ellen reported that on two occasions she has not been able to meet new Residents in the Community lounge because of their age and immobility. Also, she has not been informed of some new residents even after they have arrived, and the listing of new Residents in Appleflash appears to have been omitted recently.

3.2 Archive Filing:

Stephanie asked at what stage should old files be destroyed because there is increasing file storage occurring when many files are rarely read. It was agreed that 6 years is sufficient storage time for hard copy. Digital storage however does not have a storage problem.

4.0 Meeting with John Smrk (Manager ARD) and Naomi Liner (Acting Manager TiG Corp.) 10.30 am

4.1 Shredding:

Shredding on site is not available. There is one bin that ARD keeps, which is taken away for shredding.

4.2 North East Link:

The meeting MP K. Wolahan ran showed how standards are not being met. NEL has responded to John Smrk who has developed contact with NEL. He will continue to send information through to NEL. It is good that Sargent Street will not be closed so that access from Applewood is maintained.

4.3 Rivervue RC meeting with ARC: A Meeting on 12th March 25 will be held with a lunch which John Smrk will confirm.

4.4 Rivervue Games: Wednesday 7th May 25 is suggested for a Games Day with Rivervue. Secretary to reply and confirm.

4.5 Security Issue: Video of the vehicle which caused damage on 1st February has been provided to Doncaster police who will proceed to identify the persons concerned. The vehicle concerned was in Applewood for 6 hours.

4.6 Coffee Machine: The coffee machines on Ground and Level 1 in the Community Centre will be replaced after paperwork regarding prevention of money laundering is completed. The cost of a cup of coffee will be \$3 and mugs for coffee will be updated.

4.7 Information re New Residents: John will ensure Ellen is informed as soon as possible of new Residents being confirmed in Applewood. Also, John will check that Appleflash lists new Residents.

4.8 Prices of Villas and Apartments: The asking prices of Villas and Apartments is published during sales. The actual purchase prices however can only be published if the new owner consents.

4.9 Window washing and lights of Community centre: Window washing was incomplete in December as Abseiling fixtures have to be installed. When this is completed window washing and the lights' fixing will be finalised.

4.10 Smiley Face speed monitors: Four sites for smiley face speed monitors on Grand Boulevard have been established and one will be installed each year.

4.11 Plumbing Leaks: Leaks in a Villa in the Lane are awaiting the return of a plumber. John indicated that this will occur shortly.

4.12 Carpet Cleaning: Ellen noted that solutions given to clean spills on the carpet in the Community Centre discoloured the carpet. She asked that only water be used to clean such spills.

5. Meeting closed at 11.30 AM

6. Next meeting: Wednesday, 12th March 2025, 9.30am.

Signed:

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Peter Sage - Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Geoff Dreher', written in a cursive style.

Geoff Dreher - Secretary
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