

# Applewood Residents Committee

5, Grand Boulevard, Doncaster , Victoria, 3108

Minutes of Meeting No. 8/2025

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2025**

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

**1. Present:** Peter Sage (Chair), Ellen Boyd (Deputy Chair), Peter Horton (Treasurer), Geoff Dreher (Secretary), Grahme Bond, Carole English, Roger Godfrey, Stephanie Orr. **Apologies:** Nil **Quorum:** OK

## **2. Meeting with John Smrk.**(9.30am to 10.00am)

**2.1** The RV Amendment Bill document prepared by J. Sheedy is being considered. John will follow this up.

**2.2** Manningham Council Mayor, CFO and a Councillor will meet with ARC and Mike Reece at Applewood possibly in October or November. Ellen will follow up.

**2.3** The Termite Testing in Applewood will now be scheduled for every two years. There has never been any Termites found in Applewood. ARD also regularly checks the trees for Termites.

**2.4** Aqua Aerobics quote has not eventuated as they have said the Pool at Applewood is “unsafe”, meaning first aid unavailable. As this is untrue John is following up.

**2.5** Mobile Phone numbers of New residents will be requested for their approval.

**2.6** The Restaurant has had good reports.

**2.7** Applewood Website ARC Portal requires scrolling down to access the Minutes etc. John will look at enabling direct opening of the Minutes folder.

**2.8** Contractors have been seen walking without safety gear on rooves. Residents should call John or Erin if observing this.

**2.9** Changes to furniture in Community Centre will occur before Xmas including lift refurbishment by ARKEE Interior Decorating company.

**2.10** ARD have weekly meetings with the Chef and Stephen in the Restaurant to discuss feedback from Residents. Results have been very fruitful.

**2.11** Camera surveillance has assisted in identifying people who do not pick up dog droppings.

**2.12** Camera surveillance has also assisted in identifying the cause of dog barking problems. Steps have been taken to rectify the problem.

**3. Minutes:** Minutes of 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025 had been approved.

#### **4. Business arising from the Minutes:**

See Items 2.1, 2.2 & 2.3 above.

#### **5. Correspondence:**

**5.1** RV Amendment Bill document - from J. Sheedy – awaiting comment from ARD .

**5.2** Retirement Village Data - email from J. Sheedy – good information.

**5.3** Finance Sub Committee Minutes absence on Portal - email from J. Sheedy. It was pointed out that there have been no Finance S/c minutes that have not been placed on the portal. Finance matters are listed in the ARC Minutes when the Chair of the S/c makes comment. The Chair pointed out that there has been no requirement for formal Finance S/c meetings for some time as Finance matters have been dealt with directly with ARC. The only time that reports should be tabled from the sub-committee is before or at the time of ARD's proposed half yearly and final figures.

**5.4** Matters regarding Council Rates in email from J. Sheedy. All matters with Council are in hand .

**5.5** Motion to pass Minutes at GM and AGM's – email from J. Sheedy. It was agreed that adjustment is required, and this will be done at the next AGM.

**5.6** Email from J. Sheedy regarding an email address for ARC. It was agreed that this is not practical.

#### **6. General Business:**

**6.1** P&I Meeting Minutes 23rd July 25 – These Minutes were accepted and it was noted that the regular date of future meetings needs to be confirmed with the Chair of P&I S/c. Peter Horton will confirm.

**6.2** Finance Fundraising – Peter Horton noted that there had been no changes in the ARC Accounts since he had been Treasurer. He asked whether fund raising drives should be considered with sponsors and after defining what money raised should be used for. It was agreed that Peter Horton and Peter Sage meet with John Smrk to discuss what can be achieved.

**6.3** OHS Report from Jeff Hore and items noted.

**6.4** Grounds Report was tabled by Peter Sage which listed the Major projects under progress currently.

**6.5** Welcome Report was tabled by Ellen She noted that since January this year there have been 22 Villas/Apts occupied by 33 Residents.

**6.6** Speaker for AGM in November. Ellen and Peter Sage will pursue persons who may have inspirational topics to deliver at the AGM.

#### **7. Meeting Closed at 11.00 am**

**8. Next ARC Meeting: Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025.**

**Signed:**

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Peter Sage - Chair

Geoff Dreher - Secretary

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