

# MINUTES

## **Newtown Residents' Association (Inc.)**

17 November 2003

7.30pm

at Newtown Community and cultural Centre

**Present:** Nick Jennings (Chairperson), Crs Piper and Wade-Brown and 9 members

**Apologies:** Graham Howell, Warwick Taylor, Frances Acey.

**Minutes:** The meeting confirmed the minutes of the October meeting

### **Matters Arising:**

**Suburban Design Character project.** Present target is to letter drop information before Christmas and then arrange public meetings, according to need indicated by feed back, in early 2004.

**Newtown Hospital Redevelopment:** Demolition has started.

**Rosier Alternative sites:** Nick reported that the sites previously identified had been forwarded to the City Council. As agreed WCCC was asked to consider these in terms of whether or not they were consistent with Council Policies. This Association meeting was informed that the Council found that task very difficult because other local worthies could be identified some time in the future and any site approved now to commemorate the Rosiers could subsequently be found to be more suitable for a later nominee. This led to further discussion around the possibility of pavement, wall or other commemorative plaques being used or, alternatively, trees with appropriate identification. The meeting was unable to agree on the priority to be accorded to public visibility and nearness to the Rosiers' Daniell Street residence in deciding on the order of priority for the identified sites.

**Thefts etc in Newtown:** It was reported that there had been a further outbreak of tagging. The need to promptly report this to Police via 111 was again emphasised.

**Riddiford Street Design Guide issues** nothing further to report.

**Krupp gun plaque:** Martin reported on action to date and undertook to reactivate this project.

**WCC review of wards etc:** WCC has decided to stay with the status quo. The meeting heard that there was likely to be one or more appeals to the Local Government Commission.

**Bus Shelters:** Warwick Taylor is working on a submission.

**GWRC bus fares:** Warwick is working on this submission also.

**Emergency Management:** Action to put in place a local centre and Co-ordinator is likely early in 2004.

**Fire Prevention Bylaw review:** Patrick submitted the Associations comments to WCC.

**Bollards:** Two have been set in place.

**Public Relations:** Peter agreed to arrange a copy of the Massey report for circulation.

### **Correspondence:**

**Zoo Café Resource Consent application:** Moved: Tom L, Seconded: Kevin L

That the Association support the application for a licensed café at the zoo subject to the concerns of the local residents being addressed, such concerns relating to parking, noise, hours of operation etc and a general concern that licensed premises can produce additional problems for the area.

It was agreed Tom and Martin would action this motion. CARRIED

**General Business:**

**Carrara Park mural grant:** Moved: Tom L Seconded: Peter F

That the meeting confirm the grant of up to \$250.00 from funds held in trust for the purpose of contributing to the development of a mural around the park's fence.

**Virtual Executive meetings:**

Tom L and Peter F gave notice of motion at the next full monthly meeting of their intention to move that the process of obtaining agreement through e-mails, telephone and / or fax, in appropriate cases, be acceptable for NRA business.

**December meeting:**

It was agreed that the December meeting should be social in format and be held at Tapa's Bar (next to the ex Swiss Chalet) on Monday 8 December at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.22pm.