

NEWSLETTER

April 2015

The 416 Group Committee

The following nominations were received for the 2015 Committee. As nominations for Committee were less than vacancies all nominees were confirmed as Committee Members for 2015.

President Cec Morgan John Croker Vice President Meg Mulhall Secretary Treasurer Bob McLoughlin Committee Margaret Frater Committee Julian Ledger John O'Toole Committee Committee Doug Turnock

Community Fire Units

Training of CFU Members has continued during the fire danger months. We thank Fire and Rescue NSW for their support and attendance at some of the training sessions. Planning for next summer has commenced and CFU members will be required to update their training at sessions held prior to September 30.

In March a limited number of the Albert Drive CFU Members were invited to join a group of visitors to the Museum of Fire at Penrith.

A guided tour was organized. The perspective of fire fighting over time and the displays were excellent. It was also an opportunity to learn about recent upgrades to fire fighting techniques and equipment.

Mobile Phone Antennas

There has been a significant increase in the number of mobile phone antennas on the roof of 36 Moore Avenue.

When the antennas were first installed Vodafone carried out a survey which showed that the electromagnetic radiation was below legal limits. Because of the increase in antennas Vodafone have been asked to carry out another survey.

Lindfield Town Centre

Ku-Ring-Gai Council have put on display a proposal to "Activate Lindfield".

Basically the concept is to turn the car parks on the Western and Eastern sides of the railway line into "Community Hubs" and to move the car parking underground.

On the western side the area is bounded by Bent Street, Woodford Lane (drop off point for Lindfield Station) and Beaconsfield Parade. There are four options. They all have a new park and community hub, commuter parking for 240 cars (funded by Transport for NSW) and are intended to be linked by a new pedestrian bridge to the Station. They can be characterised as 1/ Residential with some retail but no supermarket, 2/ Residential with retail and medium supermarket, 3/ Bigger residential with no retail, 4/ No residential and large supermarket.

Our concern with the Lindfield Town Centre has always been the lack of medium and long term car parking within easy walking distance to the Railway Station and the safety of children and other vulnerable pedestrians attempting to cross the highway at the railway station. The question is whether the commuter parking, including for those travelling outside peak, will be adequate under the proposals – a supermarket and new apartments having their own parking needs. Also whether the pedestrian bridge is guaranteed.

Council's proposals are on display until Friday 8th May 2015 and for further information all members are urged to visit the website www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/activatelindfield or visit the mobile exhibition at Council's Woodford Lane car park from 8am – 11am on Tuesdays, 11am – 2pm on Wednesdays, or 3pm – 6pm on Thursdays.

Submissions and/or feedback can sent to Council during the display period and there is a survey on the website. We strongly encourage residents to make their input to this important development.

Area Security

Residents should be aware that there have been reports of targeted robberies in the area. Anything suspicious should be immediately reported to the Police.

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