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NEWSLETTER

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Lindfield Village Hub Project

Some Committee Members of the 416 Group attended one of Council's workshops in November 2018 and were informed that the Lindfield Village Hub Project (LVHP) must:

1. Be self funding
2. Have no ongoing cost to Council
3. The proceeds from the sale of the existing Lindfield Library Complex will go to other projects in the Municipality and not to the LVHP

It was stated by our Moderator that only Council's Scenario 3 will meet the above criteria. This means that the proposed residential apartment building height of up to 14 storeys is inevitable if Scenario 3 is adopted in its current form.

Of concern is if up to 14 storey high rise residential apartment buildings are approved for the LVHP it will set a precedent for all future high rise development in Ku-ring-gai including Town Centres at Gordon, St Ives and Turramurra.

In 2018 Julian Ledger was appointed to the Community Reference Committee formed by Council. We are now very disappointed that within less than a year after it was formed Council has terminated the Committee. We can only conclude this action was taken due to dissatisfaction regarding the feedback from the Committee Members. The decision to abandon the Committee is not the way to show transparency around decision making or to build the trust of the community which is very concerned about over development on the site and elsewhere within the Municipality.

Another concern is the seemingly hasty lodgement of a DA for the construction of high rise apartments on the existing Lindfield Library site. We need to be assured that demolition of the existing buildings on the site will not commence until all the facilities (including Tennis Courts and Affordable Housing Units) have been duplicated locally and are operational.

At present Council actions and intent seem to be headed for the high rise option Scenario 3, which proposes three high rise residential apartment buildings of up to 14 storeys, only because it meets Council's financial criteria.

The Committee has written to Council expressing the above concerns.

If you are concerned about residential towers coming to Lindfield and the rest of the Municipality then let the Mayor and Councillors know by writing to them. Contact details are on Council's website www.kmc.nsw.gov.au.

The 416 Group Committee

The following nominations were received for the Committee. As nominations for Committee were less than vacancies all nominees were confirmed as Committee Members for 2019.

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

Ticks

Recently there have been a number of reports of Tick bites causing allergic reactions to local residents. Ku-ring-gai Council has an excellent section on its website which, in part discusses removal of Ticks and what to do if you are bitten.

Go to www.kmc.nsw.gov.au and search 'Ticks' to find all you need to know about Ticks.

Fallen Power lines

Recently there have been reports of people being electrocuted when approaching or touching active fallen power lines, which have come down during a storm or bushfire.

The following are some safety recommendations from The NSW Rural Fire Service and Ausgrid:

- Always treat powerlines as live and remember that anything in contact with them, such as cars, trees or fences, can conduct electricity and pose a danger
- Be aware that fallen power lines might not always be visible and could be hidden by storm debris
- Stay at least eight metres away from damaged or fallen powerlines and avoid wet ground
- Immediately call 000 or Ausgrid on 131 388 to report all fallen power lines
- If the power lines have started a fire do not try to extinguish the fire with a garden hose as the water stream will act as a conductor

For more information visit:

<https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/about-us/our-districts/canobolas/latest-news/stay-safe-around-electricity-when-storms-strike>

Note our supplier is Ausgrid

<http://www.scribd.com/doc/16823779/Fire-Fighters-Pocketbook>

See Pages 24 - 29

The following has been produced in USA but the message is still relevant if you encounter a vehicle accident and fallen power lines

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fLVzvMTqGDY>