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# NEWSLETTER

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## The 416 Group Committee

The following nominations were received for the Committee. As nominations for the Committee were less than vacancies all nominees were confirmed as Committee Members for 2021.

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

## A Note from Cec Morgan

The 416 Group was set up 20 years ago to protest against a number of proposed inappropriate developments adjacent to us that would have seriously threatened the surrounding eco system and the lifestyle of our community.

In this ever-changing world we have new challenges ahead and I believe that now is the time I should stand down as President of the Group and let somebody younger and with fresh ideas lead us. I still intend be very much involved in the Group but only in an ex officio way.

Julian Ledger has agreed to be President as of 2021 and I am certain he will lead the Group in an admirable and successful way.

I have enjoyed working with you all and thanks for the support you have given me and the Group over the past years.

## Testimonial for Cec Morgan

The 416 Group Committee has taken this opportunity to prepare a testimonial recognising Cec Morgan's outstanding service and this is attached to this newsletter.

## Community Fire Units

In spite of the Covid Pandemic, training has been carried out under strict infection control procedures.

To date, with the exception of a few days the weather has been reasonably mild and wet which has drastically reduced the risk of bushfires in the area.

The Community Fire Unit (CFU) Team Leaders are always on the lookout for new recruits. If you are interested please contact Cec Morgan who will advise you of the appropriate CFU team leader to contact for further information on how to become a CFU Member.

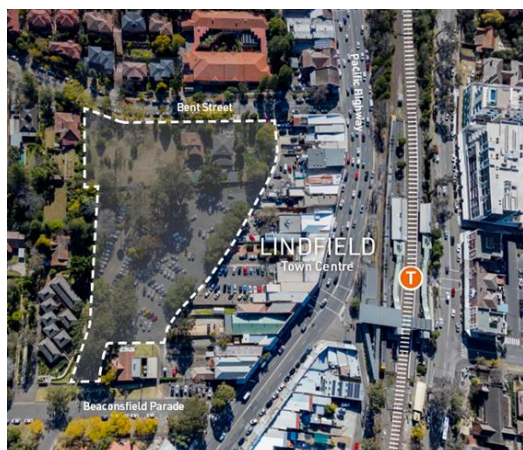
### **Lindfield Village Green Update (east of station)**

The Village Green project (the big fenced off hole in the ground) is well underway. It will incorporate a new civic open space and three levels of parking below with 241 spaces of which 105 are commuter spaces.



### **Lindfield Village Hub Update (west of station)**

The Village Hub project has stalled with the two developer tenders received by Council not meeting Council's criteria. Council's December 2020 minutes refer to uncertainty in the property market and that an offer has not yet been made which is financially viable. Negotiations are continuing. It was 2012 when the O'Farrell Government originally announced funding for 240 commuter parking bays. That is now only 135 on the west side. The 416 Group has corresponded with the Mayor. It believes that it would be a missed opportunity if the project did not extend to include a new pedestrian bridge to the station replacing the existing dangerous crossing over the Pacific Highway.



### **Coles redevelopment**

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The redevelopment of Lindfield Coles incorporating 70 apartments above the new supermarket was approved by the Land and Environment Court 18 months ago. The DA approved project has been marketed for sale. A risk is that construction is delayed such that the project coincides with the Village Hub development resulting in congestion and loss of on street commuter parking.



### **Ku-ring-gai Council Housing Strategy**

After a community backlash opposing new high-rise apartment buildings in town centres Council pulled back from approving the draft strategy. An amended strategy which did not include increased heights was submitted to the Department of Planning at the end of 2020. The strategy supports more diversified housing to meet the needs of changes to the population. The 416 Group supported the objective of making local centres such as Moore Avenue more vibrant.

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