

Llandudno Special Rating Area NPC 2014/179104/08

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Minutes of a special general meeting held on 6 April 2017 in the Llandudno Primary School Hall, Gully road Llandudno

- 1. The chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- 2. The meeting was declared duly quored.
- 3. On a point of order, the chairperson declared that as this is a meeting held in terms of the Companies Act, questions will be entertained from members and property owners, eligible to become members only.
- 4. There was a concern about the change of venue not adequately notified and advertised. The chairperson explained the measures taken to ensure that everyone was notified of the change of venue. This was done by placing a banner at the post box, posting a notice on our Llandudno Organised Facebook page, posting the change on our website, placing a sign at the Lifesaving club. The chairperson felt given the turnout at the meeting, that the change of venue was adequately advertised.
- 5. The chairperson also stated that she is aware of extreme unhappiness of the voting process in that it has been accused of being unconstitutional and undemocratic (if a poll is demanded then the voting is done on the basis of one vote per R5m of municipal valuation). However this matter cannot be debated further at the meeting and aggrieved residents should take legal advice and challenge the constitutionality of the City's SRA by-law and Companies act at their own time and expense.
- 6. Carel de Ridder proceeded to give a presentation outlining the currently proposed increased SRA levy to be in line with and in accordance with the original business plan.
- 7. Changes in the budget were queried by Sandi Sackstein and the chairperson advised that the changes were not material or substantive and were as a result of the City's oversight role.
- 8. Issues surrounding the uncertainty of voting for the SRA and becoming a member of the NPC were explained to attendees.
- 9. The chairperson explained the measures taken by the SRA board to ensure that many additional members are joining the SRA. These included extending the deadline allowed for in the MOI and employing an admin assistant to recruit additional members.
- 10. Statistics regarding crime were requested by Glyn Ruck from Logies Bay. These were provided.
- 11. Some residents felt that the proposed increase was being rushed but the chairperson explained that due process has been followed and that the timing is a requirement of deadlines imposed by the City.
- 12. Some residents including Ian McPherson asked questions as to the implementation and practical issues of the new security measures. The chairperson requested that these measures be dealt with during the

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implmenetation phased and not be debated at length at the meeting where the resolution to increase the security levy was being discussed.

- 13. Numerous residents thanked the committee for their hard work. This included Mark Greig and Adrian Kuttel. The SRA levy is one of the rare opportunities where residents have a 100% say in how their taxation is being spent.
- 14. Many residents raised the issue of affordability. The chair pointed out that the matter of affordability should be discussed as part of a separate discussion and working group to lobby the City to amend their indigent policy.
- 15. The matter was put to a vote. On the basis of one property having one vote, there were 111 votes in favour of adopting the resolution and 56 against. In order to ensure maximum fairness and transparency, the second manner of voting was counted: on this basis there is one vote per R5million of property valuation. On this basis, there were 355 votes in favour of adopting the resolution and 154 against.
- 16. The chairperson declared that the resolution for the increased SRA levy as advertised was duly passed by the company at a duly quored meeting.

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