



# THE GLEBE SOCIETY BULLETIN

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## REPORT OF THE 11TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This is an interim report only, because this issue of the Bulletin is concerned very much with the Council elections. A fuller report will be published in the next issue.

The A.G.M. was well attended. The proposed change to the Constitution, as recorded in the Bulletin 6/1980 was resolved with two votes against. Mr. Nick O'Neill, Chairman of the Foreshores Committee was our guest speaker. The long-standing fight to win back some more of the waterfront areas was the topic, and Nick described its history, its wins and losses, and demonstrated amply the difficulties that any resident action group has before it makes any gains in its struggle. The Federal Road site and the waterfront walkway were described, along with the lobbying, meetings and letters undertaken to achieve the aims of the 4-Shores Committee. It is clear that the short-term future for more waterfront parks is not bright, in spite of concentrated work by many people and groups.

Max Solling, bless him, gave the meeting an amusing story about a Council steamroller from last century, and after the formal activities closed, John Dengate entertained the meeting with some stirring folk songs, accompanying himself on guitar.

The new Management Committee was duly elected, all proposed and seconded from the floor. My pleas for new faces on the Committee were fairly well satisfied as we have three new members on it. They are very welcome and can look forward to a heavy work-load over the next 12 months. The Committee is listed separately.

Doris Sharp, who has taken over the Bulletin distribution from Noeline Sandblom, was proposed as a Committee member, but she refused. All enquiries about distribution, and news of change of address, etc. should be directed to Doris.

The Society thanks Nick O'Neill, Max Solling and John Dengate and those members who attended the AGM. I'm sure that the new Committee will work, as usual, for "the general well-being of residents"...and Glebe".

John Hoddinott

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

The last Bulletin announced that over-due members would not receive this issue of the Bulletin. In the meantime, however, the issue of the candidates' replies to questions occurred. The Society considers

this to be an important issue and hence this Bulletin is going out to all members. However, if you have not paid your annual subscription, there will be a separate notice enclosed. This is your last chance to ensure continuity of membership. Questions can be directed to the Treasurer, Mike Reynolds.

## LYNDHURST RESTORATION

Glebe Society members will be well aware of the Society's commitment to, and help with, the restoration of the fine John Verge house, "Lyndhurst", in Darghan Street.

We have received a letter from Mr. Clive Lucas, O.B.E., the architect in charge of the restoration -

### "RE: LYNDHURST, GLEBE

I have discussed this matter with Peter Stanbury. When I first got involved with the Save Lyndhurst Committee in 1972 there were certainly more original features in the house. This included grates, doors and there were two original stone chimney pieces.

Now I wonder if it would be possible to advertise for these things. It seems to me they have probably been stolen, or filched is perhaps a better word, by people who thought the house was going to come down. I would therefore be grateful if you could run an advertisement to ask for information from anyone who might know about these particular things. There would be no questions asked and any information revealed would have to be kept entirely confidential. Indeed all I would ask is that I be allowed to look at the things in confidence and prepare measured drawings.

I hope there is something you can do in this regard."

Any information can be passed on to Peter Stanbury, (660-1848) or John Hoddinott (692-0071). As Mr. Lucas states, this is in confidence and no problems will arise. The Society requests your assistance.

## MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

### "GIVE US BACK OUR PARKS" MEETING

There will be a public meeting on Tuesday, 10th September at 7.30 p.m. at Annandale Community Centre, (79 Johnston St.)

Lack of any positive reaction by Local and State Governments (see other articles in this Bulletin) over parkland in the Municipality makes it imperative to have our voice heard. Come along to this important meeting, just before the Council elections, to hear candidates' views and to voice your ideas and discontent.

### ANOTHER GLEBE GULLY?

Members of the Glebe Society and Annandale Association took part in a public meeting on the 14th August to protest the proposal for flat development on three sites between Wigram Road and the Johnston's Creek Canal currently occupied by A.W. Edwards, Pabco and Melocco Bros.

### THIS LAND IS SET OUT AS LOCAL OPEN SPACE IN THE LEICHHARDT PLANNING SCHEME.

The history of the site is complex and so are the manoeuvres which have allowed development applications for the sites. The meeting listened patiently to representatives of the development companies, asked many telling questions and then resolved - 1. to seek urgent Council and State Government support for a commitment to open space; 2. to oppose the proposed developments; and 3. to condemn the Consultant Town Planner for delaying moves to have the land zoned as regional open space.

Council had advertised the Development Applications for the Edwards' and Melocco sites and has asked for reaction to the suggestion that the sites should be regional open space. Please write to Council opposing Flat development and supporting parkland. Remember if the Johnston's Creek Freeway goes ahead all the existing parkland along Johnston's Canal will disappear!

### BLACKWATTLE BAY PARK - AT LAST?

Parke Development has recently signed over the land on Blackwattle Bay around Venetia to the Planning and Environment Commission. The next step will involve Leichhardt Council taking responsibility for a park on the site - the first real waterfront parkland in Glebe. The Glebe Society will be watching carefully to see that Council meets its responsibilities in this regard and will be very interested to see what will be the fate of the derelict but historically important house, Venetia. Society members with ideas for the park or Venetia should contact the Management Committee.

### TOXIC CHEMICALS IN THE ATMOSPHERE

The Glebe Society and the Annandale Association in conjunction with the Total Environment Centre is sponsoring a public meeting on herbicides, insecticides and other airborne toxics at the Glebe Town Hall on 21st October, 7.30 p.m.

Tony Larkum

# ENVIRONMENT

## COPY OF LETTER FROM MINISTER FOR SPORT AND RECREATION

"I recently received a petition signed by a large number of residents from the Glebe and surrounding areas regarding the concern of those residents over noise, traffic and parking problems resulting from race meetings being conducted at the Harold Park Raceway.

I would be most appreciative if you would inform those residents, through your Bulletin, that I have referred a copy of their petition to the N.S.W. Trotting Club Limited and that every endeavour is being taken by the Club and the operating company for the public address system, together with officers of the State Pollution Control Commission, to reduce the level of noise emanating from the Raceway on race days and race nights.

In addition, consideration is being given to the other problems causing concern to the residents, such as traffic control and parking.

(Sgd.) KEN BOOTH

The Society notes with interest the Minister's reply to the petition organised by Mr. S. Rosenman, a member of the Society. It is worth noting that the petition was organised privately, although the Society was very happy to help in its distribution. Members will see that there has been no offer to reduce the number of events at either Harold or Wentworth Parks. A letter has been prepared protesting in the strongest terms the trial day-time meetings at Harold Park, etc, etc. and this will be sent in spite of Mr. Booth's promises. I hope to publish the letter and replies (or *SUMMARIES* thereof) in the next Bulletin.

You will note the ominous phrase "on race days and race nights" in the above letter. Members can be assured that our opposition to "race days" is absolute. It is likely that you will be called on soon to protest again the Tuesday afternoon meetings. The "gang of two or three" on the Committee has planned several strategies to win this particular battle.

In the previous Bulletin, I recommended that members write letters of protest. If you haven't written yet, send a letter instead to the Trotting Authority of N.S.W., 40 Raymond St., Bankstown, N.S.W. 2200, with a copy of the letter to the Glebe Society which can be left with any Committee member. It should always be noted on the original letter that a copy has been sent to a third party/parties.

Watch for the next exciting episode in the Bulletin (but only if you have paid your annual subscription)

John Hoddinott

OPEN SPACE - PUBLIC MEETING.

The Leichhardt Planning Scheme, gazetted as I.D.O.27, proposed that the four industrial sites near the junction of Wigram Road and Booth Street be zoned as Open Space. The sites are best known as Pabco, Edwards and Melocco, and the area in question lies in both Glebe and Annandale. The storm-water canal is the Ward boundary.

Since then, the areas have been rezoned as Residential 2(b4), a move which the Society was unable to oppose as there was no time for public objections. Currently there are three proposals before Council for that area. Two of them are Development Applications, one for about the largest flat development in Glebe (102 units), the second for 35 town houses. The third, contrary-wise is for a change of zoning from Residential to Regional Open Space. The Glebe Society is, of course, putting its point of view on this confusing state of affairs.

New planning and environmental legislation comes into effect on 1st September. In the light of this new legislation, the Society's Planning Convenor, Alan Robertson, has put forward a thoughtful proposal for consideration by us, the Annandale Association and all the Annandale Ward candidates. Copies of this proposal can be viewed by ringing John Hoddinott (692-0071) or Tony Larkum (660-7030). The issue goes beyond the immediate area described above and affects the Open Space philosophy in all Glebe and Annandale.

A second public meeting on this matter is to be held on Wednesday 10th September at 7.30 p.m. in the Annandale Council Chambers, Johnston St., (near Booth St.) to protest against the alienation of Open Space in the Municipality. I request strongly that Glebe residents come to the meeting to discuss the problems and to vote on the resolutions. It is a most important issue and it affects the whole of Glebe.

John Hoddinott

THE GREAT TRAIN RIDE MK. 11.

The Light Rail Transport monograph, prepared by Dr. John Gerofi has been finalised, and the publication date was agreed upon. Until.....ho hum.

Our timing was decided before the rumours of an early Federal election. We wouldn't like to steal the politicians' glory so it seems likely that we will have to postpone our L.R.T. plans to a date to be set. The next Prime Minister, Mr. Bill Malcolm Bob Neville will be invited to our train ride, and it would be an unwise Prime Minister who refused our offer.

A Federal election can ill compete with the Great Train Ride, so in fairness, we defer. This date will be published in the next issue of the Bulletin.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1980.

As members will doubtless be aware, elections for Aldermen/women for Leichhardt Council will be held on Saturday, 20th September, between 8 a.m. and 6 pm

There are seven candidates standing in the Ward of Glebe and the final meeting of the outgoing Management Committee resolved to ask each candidate their policies on five questions, which concern local issues. The questions are listed below.

We are very pleased to tell our members that Six of the candidates have furnished replies; the seventh has not forwarded his response and attempts to contact him directly have failed. We regret that we could not supply every candidate's replies. Our thanks to those who took the trouble to respond, and for the generally excellent quality of their answers.

To be fair, the order of publication will be chosen by drawing names from a hat, just as the order of appearance on the ballot paper is drawn "blind".

It must be clearly stated that the Glebe Society is, constitutionally, non-party political. This does not mean that many of the problems facing our suburb are not "political" hot potatoes, but as a Society we do not favour any one person, group or party. While the questions we asked are, let's say, provocative, they are issues which affect us deeply and we should know our candidates' attitudes to help us in our vote. As I stated in the Society's covering letter - "We believe that our members will be quite capable of making up their own minds as to how to vote [to publish your response] is made in good faith, and without prejudice....".

The Society neither proposes nor opposes any candidate or candidates. The decision is yours and we hope that the replies will be of interest.

The original replies are with John Hoddinott, and are available for perusal, if any member of the Society should so wish.

Remember voting is COMPULSORY and we recommend that all Glebe Society members cast a vote on the day. The questions and replies follow.

John Hoddinott

### ANYONE FOR CRICKET?

The Bacchus Cricket Club invites members of the Glebe Society to join the Club for the approaching cricket season. In 1980-81 a competition team will be entered in the Balmain-Drummoyne Cricket Association B Grade competition which is played on Saturday afternoons, and a series of Sunday social matches is also being organised.

This year Bacchus is entering its fourth season. It was originally formed in an attempt to improve the standard of cricket in the Balmain Association to a level where the Glebe Society team could be defeated. That accomplished, and to show there were no hard feelings, eligibility for membership of the cricket club was extended to members of the Glebe Society in 1979. (That the team captain moved house from Balmain to Glebe at about the same time is purely coincidental). Members' friends are eligible to join the team - particularly if their names are Brian Booth or Ray Lindwall.

With both a competition team and regular social matches, players of all standards and experience can be accommodated. Those who would benefit from a little practice (not too much, mind) are invited to practice sessions on Sundays starting 10th August at 2 p.m. at Timbrell Park, Five Dock. The competition matches are expected to commence on 6th Sept.

To see the season off to an appropriate start the first social match will be a wine tasting at the Purple Patch on Sunday, 31st August, at 8 p.m. All Glebe Society members are invited.

Further information can be had from Ralph Catts (660-3816) or John Garrett (827-2992).

### AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FOR GLEBE CHILDREN

The Glebe After-School Activities Centre was established this year with a N.S.W. Government grant of \$4,900. A small number of parents from Glebe Primary School formed themselves into a Committee in order to accept the money; the school's Principal, Mrs. Rene White (a local Glebe resident) obtained permission from the Education Dept. for the use of the school basement by the Centre, and a supervisor was employed by the Committee at a salary of \$6.00 per hour, five days a week, 3-6 p.m. Attending children are supposed to pay 50c. for each afternoon, but in fact very few children do, since the Committee takes the stand that children from needy families need not pay. This is not to suggest that all the children attending are needy; however, it is impossible for the Committee to decide who is and who isn't - consequently only those who are very willing do in fact pay.

The centre needs support in a number of areas, the obvious biggest need being money. The supervisor is badly paid and needs help and though some is forthcoming on a voluntary basis, it is patchy and inadequate. If the Centre had more resources and attracted more children, a bigger grant could be obtained next year and an additional supervisor employed.

The original separate grant for materials (\$500) has been spent on repairs of premises and basic initial needs. We now need an estimated \$20 a week to keep us in paper, paint, clay, reading matter etc. and food for afternoon tea for approximately 20 children

who now attend the Centre.

What we are after -

1. Donations in kind and money from any source.
2. Publicity.
3. People to come to the Centre, take an interest and give a hand.

Enquiries or offers of help should be directed to -

Mrs. Mira Crouch, Tel. 660-2889 or  
Margaret Allan (the Centre's Social Worker), Tel.  
660-2458.

As we are running very late with this issue, due to a double issue and questionnaire to candidates to the Local Government elections, I apologise.

However, you are reminded that all contributions for next month must reach me not later than the 15th September.

Merlyn Larcombe

## For your diary

3rd to 21st September

THE ROCKS PLAYERS present a Season of five new Sydney Plays at a new location in Parramatta Road, Leichhardt. For further information, phone -

660-6203

Wednesday, 10th Sept., 7.30 p.m.

Protest meeting against alienation of parks, Annandale Council Chambers, Johnston Street.

Sunday, 14th Sept., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Coffee and Wine Morning at Doris Sharpe, 18 Darling Street.

Monday, 15th Sept., 6 - 7.30 p.m.

Drinks at the Rowing Club. Come and meet the new committee and have a drink and a chat.

Sunday, 28th Sept., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Balmain Association, Garden Walk. For details phone Peter Reynolds, 827-3560.

Saturday, 12 Oct., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

House Inspection of some of Chatswood's lovely old homes. For details phone 411-2886.

R. 1

I would support strongly the Glebe Society's demand that the land on Johnston's Creek in Annandale and Glebe should be used as park land rather than for residential housing. The inner city is short of park land and the continual attempts to build high rise units, if successful, merely place increasing strains on the already inadequate community services which exist for inner city residents.

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R. 2

In my view the maximum dwelling height for any proposed buildings should be two stories. I have petitioned against the proposed residential buildings in Bridge Rd. for this reason and have continually opposed Leichhardt Council's plans for high rise residential building. I would attempt to reduce the current zoning density.

R. 3 & 4

In my opinion local councils should become part of a strong lobby to increase state government commitment to adequate public transport. The attempts to reduce through traffic in Glebe only make good sense in the light of policies which support increased public transport and a fight against free-ways which cause pollution, destroy homes, make the environment dangerous and unpleasant and discriminate against people who can't afford cars. I was closely involved in the demonstrations in Fig St. Ultimo against the building of freeways and I have consistently and actively been opposed to their being built wherever I have been living, both in Melbourne and Sydney. In my view the present state government is giving too little priority to spending on improved public transport and I think our Council should hold public meetings on the issue of exhaust emission and the other problems caused by motor vehicles to increase public consciousness about the need for better public transport. Any plan to reduce through traffic not based on support of public transport and rejection of over-use of the car is merely passing the buck to other unfortunate Sydney residents.

R. 5

The Glebe High School should be retained. Permanent school buildings should be started immediately and Mr. Landa should continually and forcefully be reminded of his government's obligations in this area. The current school in portables is unacceptable and in view of the 100 week building programme, the overcrowding on the site in the next two years is going to force us to work actively to change the situation. The areas feeding the school, Ultimo, Pyrmont, Glebe, Newtown, etc. all have strong communities and community feeling, and the permanent high school would be a valuable addition to the community, especially as, in its current temporary standing it is already showing signs of being a community high school. In 1978 the Education Minister promised a permanent high school at Blackwattle Bay and if I were elected to Council I would make strong attempts to see that the Minister honour his promise immediately.

QUESTIONS TO COUNCIL CANDIDATES FOR THE GLEBE WARD

Question 1: What will you do to increase the area of Glebe's presently insufficient open space?

Question 2: What is your attitude to IDO 27's zoning of Glebe as 2(b4), i.e. 225 persons per hectare? Should this density be kept or reduced? What do you see as the maximum dwelling height limit? Two, 3 or 4 storeys?

Question 3: What will you do to improve the public transport facilities in Glebe?

Question 4: What will you do to reduce the through traffic in Glebe?

Question 5: What will you do to ensure the permanency of the Glebe High School?

REPLIES TO QUESTIONNAIRE

We, the incumbent aldermen for the Glebe Ward for the past six years, discussed and considered this matter very carefully and, in view of our united efforts in the past and our complete agreement on philosophies, aims and objects for the benefit and well being for the residents of Glebe in the future, we have combined to answer your questions in order as follows:-

Note - We have both lived for many years in Glebe, we have raised and educated our families, most of whom continue to live in Glebe.

R. 1

Our record of past efforts to acquire additional open space for Glebe speaks for itself. During our representation we initiated and fought successfully to acquire the following -

Woolley Street Reserve, bounded by Woolley & John Streets, St. James Avenue & Woolley Lane, which was previously an unsightly carriers depot, generating noise and heavy traffic, but now providing critically needed open space facilities in a densely settled residential part of Glebe.

Abrams' Brush Factory, John St. Glebe.

Blackwattle Bay Foreshores - substantial areas between Glebe Point and Cook Street, which at no cost to the ratepayers have been handed over for public reserve as part of residential use, replacing unsightly waterfront development.

Areas on Rozelle Bay & Blackwattle Bay previously owned by the Maritime Services Board - transferred to Council at no cost for public use.

Various smaller areas, such as at Francis Street and Glebe Point Road, Wentworth Park Road and St. Johns Road which provide valuable passive open space.

In addition to the above we have and are making strong representation for the acquisition of more land for open space notably on the Rozelle Bay foreshore at Federal Road and large unsightly industrial properties in Wigram Road and Minogue Crescent.

We have supported and prompted the policy of requiring developers to either provide public open space, or make a financial contribution towards the acquisition of further open space and/or the embellishment of existing open space.

We are deeply conscious that much more open space is required for the residents of Glebe and we will continue to strenuously press on with our past and tried efforts in this regard.

R. 2

As you are aware, objections to the Leichhardt Planning Scheme have been received and a person has been appointed by Council who will commence hearing supplementary verbal submissions in the near future following which he will report to Council and make recommendations.

In this context, it would be improper to make any comments that might in any way influence what should be impartial hearings and reports.

However, you can be assured that we would strongly oppose any development or other actions that might alter the character or adversely influence the environment in Glebe.

R. 3

Council's Policy or Outline Plan, from which the statutory plan was translated, seeks to improve public transport within and serving the Municipality by examining the public transport needs, including the use of ferries, and preparation of a submission to the Urban Transit Authority.

We are deeply aware of the importance of reliable and convenient public transport and will strongly pursue this policy particularly for the Glebe area. To this end we would press for a thorough investigation into public transport needs and confer with the appropriate authorities on the improvement of public transport including the possibility and desirability of the use of ferries.

R. 4

Because of our long and intimate association with Glebe, nobody knows better than we do of the problems associated with through traffic to and from the city, including the fragmentation of quiet residential precincts by traffic corridors creating hazards, inconvenience and serious adverse social impacts.

We, personally, with members of Council's staff, the Police and the Department of Main Roads, have endeavoured to improve the situation by traffic management with the use of signs, introduction of one-way traffic movements, etc. and although some improvements have been achieved, we realise that this is only of a temporary or cosmetic nature.

We fully realise that there must be a careful, in-depth examination with a view to improving traffic flow throughout the Glebe area, having in mind that through traffic should be directed, where possible, to peripheral routes to preserve the quiet, safe character of residential precincts in Glebe.

R. 5

We are mainly responsible for preventing the old Hudson site at the corner of Bridge Road and Taylor Street, from being used for undesirable industrial activity such as the repair of containers, etc.

In the face of some Departmental and Ministerial opposition we succeeded in having the area re-zoned for the establishment of a regional high school more compatible with the nearby residential development.

We were always under the impression that the school would be a permanent establishment providing a valuable, convenient educational facility not only for the people of Glebe but for the whole region and we pledge ourselves to work unswervingly to this end in the future.

In passing, we would like to mention that we are carefully watching the residential re-development of Pyrmont and Ultimo on the City side of Blackwattle Bay, which will no doubt take advantage of the Glebe High School.

In conclusion, we thank the Glebe Society for the opportunity of making these comments.

During our term as aldermen, we have always been approachable and available to give sympathetic consideration to any views or complaints by residents and your Society and we look forward confidently to the continuation of this relationship.

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COLIN HAWKE'S REPLIES - RESIDENT OF GLEBE

R. 1

The severe shortage of public open space can be eliminated to some extent by imposing a levy upon new developments in the Ward. These funds would be allocated to the provision of public open space.

R. 2

Glebe is a densely populated suburb and a 2(b4) zoning would serve to continue the problems associated with this kind of population density. A zoning of 2(b2) would be more appropriate in order to discourage development unsympathetic to the unique character of the Glebe. The present zoning which allows four storey buildings (three residential plus parking) to be built alongside single storey terraces is criminal and should be stopped. In most parts of the Glebe where new developments are to be alongside existing housing I cannot imagine any building in excess of two storeys being in sympathy with its surroundings. In other areas where there is no direct conflict three storeys may be appropriate. However anything in excess of this would start to encroach on, and to alter the skyline. This must not be allowed to occur.

R. 3

The most obvious way in which public transport in the Glebe could be improved would be the implementation of the light rail system utilizing the existing goods rail to Leichhardt as has already been suggested. I support this scheme, and would do all in my power to see it implemented.

R. 4

The problem of through traffic in Glebe cannot be approached solely from the point of view of Glebe alone. It needs to be tackled on a wider scale and to this end I advocate the initiation of a Municipal Traffic Plan to co-ordinate and organize traffic flow on a municipal scale in order to effect improvements throughout the whole area. The plan would be aimed at reducing the nuisance of through traffic by co-ordinating its flow through the Municipality.

R. 5

Although the provision of high schools is a matter for the State Education Department, I believe that active lobbying by a committed Council could prove effective in ensuring that the children of Glebe are provided with the educational facilities they deserve and are not sacrificed to the administrative convenience of the Department of Education.

R. 1

Apart from Wentworth Park and Harold Park, the only area of any size accessible to the public for open space enjoyment is Jubilee Park. This I consider is not sufficient for our ward and given population. I would like to see more pockets of land made available within easy access of neighbourhood surroundings to form village-type centres. This should produce more neighbour contact and keep young children from wandering.

In addition to neighbourhood parks, I will campaign to develop foreshore open space and the extension of Jubilee Park.

R. 2

This zoning is totally out of character for Glebe, and would destroy the natural sky line and create dark corridors as in the City of Sydney. In place of this zoning, I would work for the type of development we can see in Woolloomooloo of two-storey town houses with centre courtyards of open space. Three-storey developments would only be considered if they are architecturally designed to minimise loss of sunlight to surrounding properties and have no adverse effect through increased population. By this I mean a large development sited in a narrow street such as in Leichhardt Street, causing increased traffic and parking problems with the influx of visitors to unit owners.

R. 3

Glebe already had adequate bus routes. However, peak hour services should be examined to increase scheduled buses along Glebe Point Road servicing unit developments of Lower Glebe Point Road and the junction of Wigram Road and Glebe Point Road, where passenger build-up is most obvious. The question of utilizing the existing freight rail line for a rapid transport line would receive my total support.

R. 4

This problem has the effect of almost dividing Glebe into small islands and traffic flow to and from the west seem to be ever increasing. One area of particular note is Taylor Street which has become a feeder road to Ferry and Forsyth Streets, linking Glebe Point Rd. to through traffic along Wigram Road, and beyond. I believe a study should consider making both Ferry and Forsyth Sts. one way traffic, thereby assisting local property owners to kerb side parking without fear of side-swiping by two passing vehicles. Another area of concern is the use of the Johnstons' Creek lane, running between Jubilee Park and the Johnston Creek canal from Federal Road and the Crescent. This one car passageway has developed into a major bypass route and should either be closed at one end or made one way.

Pedestrian crossings are lacking in clear definition and I will work towards up-grading these by better lighting and sign-posting.

R. 5

The indecision regarding the permanency of this high school has developed into an urgent call by all residents to lobby our State Government and secure a permanent high school. If elected, I should work towards a united council approach to the State Government. Should our combined effort fail regarding this matter, then I will work equally hard to maintain this area as an open space park.

DENNIS DALEY-WESSON'S REPLIES - RESIDENT OF GLEBE

(Hon. Secretary's note: Mr. Daley-Wesson's replies have been edited severely for reasons of space, as the original answers were much too long for the space allocated. Some sections are quoted verbatim)

R. 1

I have seen vacant areas of land with disused buildings in the Blackwattle Bay area. With some help this area could be made into parks, flower gardens, barbecue areas. This would be an improvement over the area's present untidy appearance.

Under no circumstances should present open space be used for car parking, because the suburb's green areas are already insufficient and are needed for relaxation, family picnics or just personal enjoyment and to help lower the suburb's air pollution.

The D.M.R.-affected area near Lyndhurst St. should receive more open space, with the derelict areas cleaned up and turned over to pocket parks.

R. 2

I consider that the maximum density in Glebe should be about 130 persons/hectare. The present 2(b4) zoning is too high, as it would lead to loss of privacy, to loss of sunlight and to a greater strain on the existing services in Glebe. I would limit the height of buildings to 2 storeys. The 2(b4) is not in the best interests of the citizens.

I would work for a planning system based on referendums and much more public involvement before the final plan was released. I oppose the road widening proposals and the Johnston's Creek Freeway. The six schools in Glebe has insufficient recreational area, much of which is in the hands of sectional interests. Major proposed changes in the Municipality should be authorised by the residents.

R. 3

Most of the buses serving Glebe are forced to cope with the traffic snarl of Parramatta Road. "The only bus the 459 does not go down into Parramatta but goes down Pyrmont Bridge Road into city. A new bus service could be started from Johnston St. Annandale to Booth St., then onto Wigram Road then onto Glebe Pt. Rd., then onto Pyrmont Bde. to Market St, City, which would help compliment the 459 Bus Service and would take the strain of 470,468,431,433,434,467 buses which all have to use the Parramatta Rd. which has very heavy traffic load on them now", (sic). A ferry service to Glebe would help the residents of the area.

R. 4

The worst traffic areas in Glebe are St. Johns Rd. to Junction St. Glebe Pt. Rd. to Chapman Rd. to the Crescent, Wigram Rd. to Booth St., Minogue Crescent Ross St. to Parramatta Rd. The Federal Rd. bridge should be rebuilt. "Glebe Pt. Rd. could be turned in Palmerston Ave., by constructing a road completely through Palmerston Ave. by turning the steps into a dip road onto Pyrmont Bridge which traffic get onto without have to connect with the Pyrmont Bde. Rd. Glebe Rd. at the Foley Pk. Junction". (sic). Use of the Palmerston dip would ease the traffic load all around.

R. 5

I will make representations to the State Government if I am elected to Council. Because of the oil crisis more children will reside in the area Glebe in the next few years. So it is imperative that the permanency of Glebe High School be kept in the area it is occupying now. With so many institutions of higher learning near to Glebe, Sydney University, the Institute of Technology, the Conservatorium of Music, etc. there is a great need for the Glebe High School to go ahead, and this would be one of my highest priorities.

I consider it imperative that the Glebe High School go ahead as originally projected.

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