

contracts, builds housing and then sells/leases it. Mr Moss described the mixed type of housing planned, including some social housing, and displayed the plans for the proposed high quality, sensitively designed development which will be built on Gozzard and Bruning Sts, behind Otway Crescent.

Concerns were expressed by people already living in the area about the type of development and what impact it might have on the value of their homes; about the width of streets, noise; lack of open space, etc. A lengthy question and answer session followed. Of the 28 units planned, four would be allocated for social housing. It is anticipated that work will not commence for several months, and it could be up to 5 years before the development is complete. Anne McGrath from the Gungahlin Development Authority said they were conscious of wanting a good outcome and wanted to create an environment where people wanted to live.

Anne McGrath also mentioned that Hibberson Street will be extended through to Magnet Mart by around mid 2003, with traffic lights installed on the Canberra Raiders' Club intersection.

Barry Dee thanked these guest speakers for consulting with the GCC and the local community.

MOTION 6: That the GCC sends a letter to Canberra Community Housing advising that consultation has been carried out with the GCC.

PROPOSED: Barry Dee **SECONDED:** Ian Ruecroft **CARRIED**

GENERAL BUSINESS

Gungahlin Police Station

Sgt Brian McGahey provided an update to the meeting. The Police Station now has an officer on duty from 7am-11pm 7 days a week and patrols are working from it 24 hrs/day. There is a problem with one of the emergency phones at the front door but Telstra should have it in order within the week. Four young constables have recently joined the Gungahlin area bringing the number to 16 people now working from the station. There is some cross interchange with the Yass area patrols.

Lloyd Walker raised the matter of people speeding through school zones. Sgt McGahey said they were aware of this and had apprehended a few offenders, but that they had to prioritise and direct their effort where it was most needed at the time.

Ian Ruecroft was concerned at the lack of speed limit signs along Hosking St in Mitchell but was assured that the signs do exist. Further questions were raised and addressed by St McGahey. Barry thanked him and his accompanying officer for taking the time to attend the meeting and providing the update.

President on leave

Barry Dee informed the meeting that he will be on leave overseas from 20 November to 20 December. Ian Ruecroft will Chair the December public meeting on 11 December, which will be a short meeting followed by some light refreshments.

Correspondence

A card in reply to a letter of thanks had been received from Glenys Goff who worked on the GCC Executive and assisted with producing *Gunsmoke* for some time.

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Extension of time

Due to over-running the 9.30pm deadline for the meeting, a motion was carried to extend the meeting by a further 10 minutes.

MOTION 7: That this Public Meeting of the GCC be extended by ten minutes to allow completion of business.

PROPOSED: Lloyd Walker **SECONDED:** Barry Dee **CARRIED**

Transport

Mark Loney advised that there were no issues to be addressed.

Noise Abatement Group

Peter Coggan reported on his brief in working towards having the noise abatement zones moved to the north and east of existing and new northern suburbs. A member of PALM is now also lending his voice to this aim. A noise monitoring system is in place which provides printouts of aircraft tracks and these show that the amount of noise is on the increase. Peter said that the industry is self-regulating and should perhaps be regulated as at present there is no penalty for breaching the regulations. The new zones should be in place by June 2003. If there is a demand for it, a noise monitoring system could be installed on Hunters Hill. A phone number is available for complaints about aircraft noise and the more people who express their dissatisfaction, the better for the community.

Education Committee

Peter Coggan, Audrey Guy and Ian Ruecoft attended a meeting on 30 October regarding the Amaroo School development, the plans for which have been available for viewing in the Town Centre. The meeting was not widely publicised but was eventually moved to become a public meeting. There may be limited opportunity for the Gungahlin community to influence any changes to the Amaroo School, but it seems the Education Department is starting to realise that a mistakes might have been made in the planning of the school and may learn from this experience and consult more widely at the onset of the project. Peter will send a letter to the Education Department summarising the outcomes from the committee. People should contact Peter if there are any points they would like considered.

Meeting

Dudley Horscroft informed the meeting that the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport are holding a public meeting on 27 November re "Future Directions for the Bus Industry". See Dudley for details.

Close of business

Barry Dee extended his best wishes to everyone for the festive season, wishing them a good, happy, prosperous and successful new year.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10pm..

MOTIONS

Motion	Proposer	Seconder	
1. That the Minutes of the Public Meeting held on 9 October 2002 be accepted.	Lloyd Walker	Maben Douglass	
2. That the GCC write to the Chief Minister and Planning Minister, with copies to all other MLAs and the GDA to advise them of the survey information. The letter should include a copy of the GCC survey report and should ask for consultation with the Council to discuss the report's findings, particularly in relation to the Town Square issue.	Roma Hosking	Jonathon Reynolds	
3. That the GCC requests that community representative on the board of the GDA, Mr Ian Ruecroft, ensure that the GDA consider the GCC – Community Survey report and that Mr Ruecroft should take all possible actions to highlight residents' concerns especially in relation to the Town Square proposal.	Lloyd Walker	Maben Douglass	
4. That the GCC requests that community representative on the board of the GDA, Mr Ian Ruecroft, take any necessary action to ensure that the GDA does not otherwise commit to or enter into any agreement that will compromise the option of a Town Square pedestrian precinct instead of the currently proposed Main Street (with traffic) arrangements. This includes the awarding of any contract which compromises blocks 13 and 14 of the Town Centre (opposite and diagonally opposite the existing Marketplace complex).	Lloyd Walker	Shirley Goodall	
5. That the GCC supports the extension to the Gungahlin Lakes Clubhouse as discussed, on the condition that residents in the vicinity be letter-box dropped.	Ian Ruecroft	Roma Hosking	
6. That the GCC sends a letter to Canberra Community Housing advising that consultation has been carried out with the GCC.	Barry Dee	Lloyd Walker	