PoANT AGM Report

Tuesday 7 September 2016

Co-Chairperson's report: Karen James

Co-Chairs: Karen James and Pat Netschitowsky

Current committee members: Michael Weir: Researcher, Fiona McConchie: Secretary, Sharon Holmes: Membership and Social Media, Sandra Elms: Graphics and social media, Andrew Winkler: Wiki and FOTI, Michelle Hogan: PAEC councillor.

As a Committee we meet monthly, support and maintain the Branch, inform membership of current issues and events, advocate for heritage issues and initiate projects and events to celebrate and document the history of Port Adelaide.

Highlights of the past year include:

Campaigning and advocacy - Fort Largs, Port Waterfront Redevelopment, Cultural History (e.g. GMH Mosaic,) and most recently Shed 1. We are currently preparing a submission in response to proposed changes to the Heritage Act.

Partnerships with other organizations and Government departments to encourage a focus on heritage as an asset rather than a liability and the adaptive re-use of historic buildings and precincts. Robert Morris-Nunn, architect, was our guest last year and we are currently exploring ways of continuing this community conversation with Robert. We have partnered with the AIA and PAEC to host the AOS sessions and recently brought over James Legge, architect from 6 degrees to present on the Nightingale model of more sustainable apartment development.

Advocating and supporting the Torrens Island Quarantine Station (TIQS)- Andrew Regular communication with our members through the Missive and email updates – Pat and Michael

Continued a strong media presence on Facebook and Website – Sharon and Sandra Establishing an environment and heritage-themed interactive wiki for Port Adelaide - Andrew

Actively documenting oral histories of Port Adelaide residents - Sharon Hosting an information stall at 'Wild at Hart' Sunday Markets that we share on rotation with other community groups - Andrew

Responding to numerous requests for information and enquiries.

Meeting regularly to promote heritage issues with: Port Adelaide Enfield Council, Susan Close MP, Stephen Mullighan MP, Renewal SA Port Adelaide and the National Trust of SA.

We have approximately 90 members and are one of the largest branches of the National Trust of SA.

We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month and members are always welcome to attend. We also invite guest speakers to provide up-to-date information about different projects, issues e.g. Renewal SA, PAEC staff.

Please consider joining PoANT if you are not already a member to support our community and I encourage those of you who are members to consider joining the committee. Please contact us via Pat or Sharon (portofadelaident@gmail.com).

Karen James 7/9/16

Oral History Artist Project

Therese and Christopher Williams have been commissioned by the City of Port Adelaide Enfield to create several temporary public art works featuring video animations inspired by oral histories recorded by PoANT.