

# Selected Early Documents of the Glebe Society

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Planning

3rd December, 1969.

The Hon. P.H. Morton,  
Minister for Local Government and Highways,  
State Office Block,  
Phillip Street,  
SYDNEY, N.S.W., 2000.

Dear Mr. Morton,

The Glebe Society has noted that the plan for the proposed North Western Expressway is shown on the map of the City of Sydney Planning Scheme as a tunnel between Palmerston Avenue and Maxwell Road, Glebe. Property owners in the vicinity have been informed by the Department of Main Roads that the Department is at present studying the feasibility of constructing the section of the Expressway between Lombard Street (near Palmerston Avenue) to Maxwell Street in tunnel (by tunnelling), see letter from C.W. Mansfield, Secretary of the Department of Main Roads, to Dr. S.B. Conlon, dated April 2, 1969.

The Management Committee of the Glebe Society would like to be informed:

(1) Whether the Department of Main Roads' study of the section referred to above has led to any decisions since April for a change in the original plans for a tunnel (by tunnelling).

(2) In the event of the Department of Main Roads finding it preferable, for economic, technical, or any other reasons, to depart from the original plans for a tunnel (by tunnelling), as shown in the City of Sydney Planning Scheme map, what procedures must be taken by the Department to ensure that these departures are sound at law?

The second question arises from the fact that the members of the Glebe Society are strongly opposed to any change in the original plan which might lead, for example, to an open cut, or a cut and fill tunnel between Lombard and Maxwell Streets.



23 Avenue Road,  
GLEBE, N.S.W., 2037.

8th September, 1969.

Mr. Nigel Ashton,  
Chairman,  
State Planning Authority of N.S.W.,  
312 Castlereagh Street,  
SYDNEY, N.S.W., 2000.

Dear Mr. Ashton,

I wonder whether it would be possible for me to have an informal talk with you about the possibility of re-zoning the Glebe foreshores of Blackwattle Bay for residential development. I understand that the Leichhardt Council has made an application to the Minister along these lines.

Although I am President of the Glebe Society and am certainly acting in their interest I would prefer that you consider the enclosed as nothing more than headings for a personal talk about the issues and problems involved. If it is necessary and desirable for the Society to make a more formal submission when we have gone more closely into the matter I am sure we shall do so. For the present I should like to gain some idea from you of the strength of the case as briefly outlined here.

Some Reasons for Consideration in connection with a possible Re-zoning of the Blackwattle Bay Foreshore of Glebe from Water-front Industrial to Residential

1. The retention by the Government of New South Wales of the Glebe Island Bridge precludes the development of Rozelle Bay and Blackwattle Bay from deep-water frontage development.
2. In consequence in part of the above, the demand for the Blackwattle Bay foreshore for development by major waterfront industrial use has diminished.
3. The shallow nature of the foreshore greatly reduces the number of genuine waterfront industrial uses to which the foreshore may be put.
4. In sharp contrast of all three above there is an increasing need and demand for residential development in the inner city area.



They are of the opinion that a second open expressway through Glebe will effectively destroy the natural unity and amenities of a highly valued and historic suburb. The Society is of the opinion that the original plan for a tunnel, by tunnelling, should be strictly adhered to, or the plan for a North Western Distributor passing through Glebe be abandoned.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard Smith  
President



5. That in view of the fact that industrial demand for the area in question has been decreasing and the residential demand increasing, there is a prima facie case for giving the most serious attention to the rezoning of the area from industrial waterfront to residential.
6. Glebe is zoned predominantly as a residential area. This present zoning is seen to be well justified by the growing interest in the area as a desirable residential inner suburb, in close proximity to the city, the University of Sydney and the Institute of Technology in Broadway.
7. That in light of all the above factors it would seem to be wise planning policy to promote the residential character of the area and further restrict the growth of industry in the area.
8. That 'waterfront industrial' as defined in the relevant acts cover a wide range of industrial use. Many such can be prosecuted without any vital need of a waterfront. This being so the zoning 'waterfront industrial' is almost tantamount to an 'industrial' zoning.
9. That due to the presence of shipping in Blackwattle Bay and adjacent industry in Pyrmont, in association with the prevailing easterlies, the residents of Glebe must suffer more than their share of the city's industrial fall-out. This should be considered in relation to the steady growth of the area as a residential suburb with a special interest in the accommodation of students and underprivileged members of the community, both young and old, in state, municipal, denominational and private homes.
10. When both 8 and 9 above are considered together the continued zoning of the area as 'waterfront industrial' after the movement of the timber industry away from the area becomes increasingly undesirable. For the area could then put to use by the industry the by-products of which in terms of noise, waste and fall-out might well be far more undesirable to the residents of Glebe than the present use by the timber industry.



11. That the pattern of the access roads into the area from Glebe Point Road and Parramatta Road are narrow and many have steep gradients. In their present form they are quite adequate for the further and more intensive development of the foreshore as a residential area, but they are unsuited for use by heavy industrial traffic. The effective re-planning of the area for industry would involve the widening, re-aligning and regrading of such access streets as Leichhardt Street, Forsyth Street, and Ferry Road to permit movement to the west.
12. That Glebe offers a good opportunity for high-density redevelopment of land, formerly put to industrial use, for inner-city residential purposes. That such re-development, together with the Church of England's development of its property, and the preservation of substantial areas of integrated and coherent nineteenth-century development in the suburb - such as the sub-divisions of the Allen Estate - would go far towards making Glebe a residential suburb contributing efficiently to the life of the city and the adjacent educational nexus.
13. If it is true that the use of land for industrial development is proceeding most rapidly to the south of the City of Sydney, and that by contrast, the renovation of the inner-city suburbs such as Glebe and Paddington reveals an increasing need felt by many to live in close proximity to their daily work which is not industrial, but commercial, educational etc., it would seem that the re-zoning of the Glebe foreshores of Blackwattle Bay to a residential use would be in keeping with what are discernible future trends in the city's urban growth.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard Smith  
President



MEETING OF GLEBE RESIDENTS.

At 8 p.m. on Thursday , April 24, a meeting will be held upstairs at Glebe Town Hall in St. John's Road.

The meeting has been organised to discuss the formation of a Glebe Society similar to the already existing groups in Paddington, Hunter's Hill and Elsworth.

It is envisaged that the proposed Glebe Society will be strictly Non- Political.

Its tentative objects are to foster an interest in the history and the planned development and preservation of Glebe and to provide residents with a collective voice in event of any threat to the Glebe area ( a threat similar, for example, to the Department of Main Roads for Paddington last year).

At the April 24 meeting it is proposed, if the meeting is agreeable, to set up a Glebe Society, elect a provisional committee and consider a draft constitution.

Representatives from , The National Trust, the Civic Trusts Council and from the Paddington, Hunter's Hill groups and from other bodies will be at the meeting. I hope you can come along to this meeting. If you cannot, perhaps you could come to a subsequent meeting.

If you would like any further information about this proposal do not hesitate to contact me or one of the other people listed below.

Thanking You.

Dr. K.T. Fowler.

For further information contact.

Dr. K. T. Fowler,  
2 Leichhardt St.  
Glebe Point. (660. 5258).

Mrs. B. Smith  
23 Avenue Road,  
Glebe Point ( 660 1824).

Mr R. Darroch  
24 Toxteth Rd  
GLEBE, (660 6025).



The Secretary,  
The Archives Authority of New South Wales,  
Public Library of New South Wales,  
Macquarie Street,  
SYDNEY. NSW. 2000

Dear Sir,

I have been asked by its Management Committee to inform you that a society called the Glebe Society was recently formed by a number of residents of Glebe. The Society will concern itself with the general well-being of the citizens of the area. We wish to preserve its natural assets, stimulate an interest in the history and character of the area, and encourage good architecture and town planning. We shall, of course, do everything we can to protect Glebe residents from anything detrimental to the enjoyment of their dwellings.

In order to achieve these objectives the Society will, no doubt, have to make representations to individuals and organisations. The Management Committee resolved therefore to inform you of our formation and invites you to correspond with us, where thought fitting, in matters which might bear on our objectives. I have no doubt that we, for our part, may have cause to correspond with you from time to time.

Yours sincerely,

President.



## State Departments

① The Dep

The Secretary,

① The Archives Authority of New South Wales., Public Library of New South  
Wales. 221. 1388.

The Secretary,

2. Child Welfare Department, Willson and Yarrong Street, City. 31.0244.

3. The Secretary, The Conservation Authority, Car Harrington and Essex Street. 20535.

4. The Secretary, Department of Education Bridge Street Sydney. 20549.

5. Secretary, Department of Government Transport, 99 Macquarie St Sydney. 20543

6. Greyhound Racing Control Board. 18 Bridge Street Lidcombe. 649.5248.

Secretary,

7 The Health Department 52 Bridge Street. 20516.

Secretary

8 The Housing Commission, 302 Castlereagh Street. 20981.

9. Secretary, The Ministry of Housing, 205 Macquarie Street. 386001.

10. Secretary, Department of Local Government, State Office Block, Phillip St. 20570.

11 Secretary, Department of Main Roads 303 Castlereagh Street 20933.

12 Secretary Maritime Services Board, Circular Quay 20545.

13 Secretary, Metropolitan Water Sewerage and Drainage Board. 20640

14 Secretary, Ministry of Transport. 53 Martin Place. 20516.

15. Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences. 657-695. Horns Street. 211.3911.

16 The Secretary, The Premier's Department. State Office Block  
Macquarie Street. 2.0576



17. The Secretary, The Department of Public Works. 20511.

18. The Secretary, The State Planning Authority of New South Wales, 302  
Castlereagh Str. 211.0966.

19. Mr D. H. Farmer, State Government Architect.

### Local Government

1. The Town Clerk, Leichhardt Municipal Council, Town Hall, Leichhardt. 56.6311.

2. The Town Clerk, Sydney City Council, Town Hall, Sydney.

### Others

1. The Glebe Administration Board, 275 George Street 29.1353.

2. The Secretary, The Royal Australian Historical Society, 8. George Street. 27.1160.

3. The Secretary, The National Trust of Australia 115 Pitt Street. 25.5344.

4. The Mother Superior, St Scholastica's College, 110 Avenue Road Glebe.

5. The Royal Australian Institute of Architects. N.S.W. Chapter.  
196 Miller Street. N. Sydney. 92.0624.

6. <sup>The Secretary</sup> The Kendergaster Union of NSW (Inc) 590. George St 61.8216.



12 September 1969

Rev. W. McLeod,  
The Prebytery,  
Bridge Road,  
GLEBE

Dear Rev. McLeod,

The management committee of the Glebe Society met last night following the first annual general meeting of the Society which adopted a Constitution and elected a new management committee.

The Committee has asked me to thank you for undertaking the Convenorship of the Social Committee of the Society during the interim period. It feels however that it would not be fair either to yourself or to the Society to ask you to continue to be Convenor, because of the numerous calls upon your time as a result of your other activities, and because the Convenorship of our sub-committees is an office which makes quite considerable demands upon ones time.

Yours sincerely,

*Bernard Smith*

Bernard Smith.



18 Eglinton Rd.,  
THE GLEBE, 2037.  
11th September, 1969.

Professor Bernard Smith,  
President,  
THE GLEBE SOCIETY.

Dear Professor Smith,

I am wondering whether the Glebe Society would care to study the implications of reducing the number of greyhound racing tracks within The Glebe precincts.

At present Harold Park runs 40 dog meetings per year and 48 trotting meetings. Wentworth Park runs 40 dog meetings per year.

The income received from the T.A.B. hand-outs amounts to nearly \$600,000 between the two courses, most of which goes for stakes and prizes, but possibly \$100,000 per annum goes to each set of grounds for maintenance and improvements.

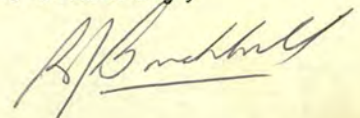
It appears to me, in view of the rapid increase in the size of the metropolitan area in the next 30 years, and the urgent necessity to provide additional parks and residential amenities in Glebe, that it would be an excellent thing if at least one of the dog tracks was eliminated - (I suggest Wentworth Park) - and the 40 dog meetings held here be shifted to Harold Park. Money saved at Wentworth Park could possibly be used to provide multi-storey parking lots, etc., which could relieve the parking strain on Glebe residents.

There is a general implication, of course, that at the moment resources are undoubtedly being wrongly used and moneys are being wrongly applied.

Wentworth Park, itself, which is under a Trust appointed by the Minister for Lands, is shockingly administered, and as an amenity to the area is of no account whatsoever. It could be turned into a wonderful decorative park for children and sporting field combined. At the moment, however, Wentworth Park is not developed as it should be because it is used for parking for the dogs. It has literally gone to the dogs.

I have made no mention of any moral implications. The whole matter should be studied from the point of view of town planning and economics, and I suggest the Trust might be a good organisation to do it.

Yours sincerely,





23 Avenue Road,  
Glebe. 2037.  
12th September, 1969.

The Town Clerk,  
Municipality of Leichardt,  
Town Hall,  
Leichardt.

Dear Sir,

Members of the Glebe Society have recently learnt with considerable disquiet that a development proposal has been presented to Council for the construction of a large warehouse in the vicinity of Ferry Street. It is apparently intended that it be used for the unloading of containers.

It is understood that this proposal is not supported by the Aldermen of Glebe Ward, and the Society fully concurs with this opposition. It is hoped that Council will reject the proposal outright.

The character of Glebe is rapidly changing and it is becoming a high class residential area. Property values continue to rise and the intrusion of further industry into such an area would be disastrous.

Yours sincerely,

*② Town Clerk  
File Alder*



TELEPHONE:  
2-0648

EXT.



REPLY: THE SECRETARY,  
P.O. BOX A53,  
SYDNEY SOUTH, N.S.W. 2000

PLEASE QUOTE

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**METROPOLITAN WATER SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE BOARD**

*Cnr. Pitt and Bathurst Streets, Sydney*

Dear Sir,

22 AUG 1969

Thank you for your letter of 21st July, 1969 in relation to the formation of the Glebe Society. I would point out that in matters of general interest the Board prefers representations to it to be made through the local Council which is constituted by law to handle problems affecting the area coming under its control. It makes for better administration for all concerned if this procedure is adhered to, and it is suggested that any approaches by your Society regarding such matters be directed to the local Council.

Yours faithfully,

(S. R. SMITH)  
Secretary

Mr. B. Smith,  
President,  
The Glebe Society,  
Box 379,  
BROADWAY. N.S.W. 2007.



11 Redman Street  
Canterbury n.s.w.  
Sat. Dec 7<sup>th</sup> '68.  
H. 78.4561

Dear Sandra Johnson,

I was naturally interested in your article in the Herald on 'The Glebe' (church land as per the dictionary) "Naturally" because I was born here. I am 70 now. It makes my heart bleed to pass through there now, to see the comparison between the elegant & the squalidness.

We were a family of 6 children. One of my sister's still lives at 'The Glebe'.

My mother was 91 when she died. She & dad had a hardware store on the Glebe Rd. They were in the one shop for 54 years, until Dad died.

Mum was born directly opposite this shop in a large English type double<sup>type</sup> cottage in its own spacious grounds. (This gave way many years ago to a block of shops & dwellings).

Mother had a wealth of exciting stories to tell me (I'm the baby) how Aborigines lived in caves at Glebe Point. And one of the first, horse drawn, buses ran down the hill & into the water at the point. <sup>etc. etc. etc.</sup>

Mum's Mother was a descendant of Sir Edwin Arnold.  
& " Falter " " " " - Sir Joseph Banks.

Anyway, It would be good to see the old Glebe cleaned up & restored to something like it was.



I can remember Business Men residents of the  
 Glebe driving in open? Carriages (I've forgotten  
 the name of these carriages; would it be broughams  
 In morning suits & top hats with a driver in  
 livery. & sometimes a "flunk" at the back.  
 I'm not a pseudo, I'm exactly the opposite, but  
 I do hate to see the Glebe in the state it is in now.  
 That's why I always try to avoid it now.  
 And so, once again, I enjoyed your article.

"All the best"

Yours faithfully  
 Ted E. Holloway.



THE GLEBE SOCIETY

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the period  
ending 7/12/69.

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Bank Balance at 28th October	\$ 191.13
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Add Receipts

Subscriptions	22.50	
Proceeds Ferry trip	133.75	
Xmas Cards	<u>1.80</u>	
		160.05
		<u>351.18</u>

Deduct Payments

Sandra Darröck P. Cash	18.20	
E. Sandblow	6.00	
Hire of Hall	62.00	
	12.00	
G.H. Rosman	<u>90.00</u>	
		<u>138.20</u>

BALANCE IN BANK.....	<u>212.98</u>
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Payments due:

Edward & Shaw	103.50
Rental P.M.G.	3.00
S. Darröck	



10/11/69.

Dr D. Martyn,  
Upper Atmosphere Section,  
C.S.I.R.O.,  
Carrington Road,  
CAMDEN.

Dear Dr Martyn,

Thank you very much for taking time out of your busy schedule to address our Society on pollution. What you said made us all think deeply about the matter and it has been a topic of discussion ever since.

We feel that by addressing groups such as ours a movement will start to grow which may eventually have some voice in pushing our government to do something to combat pollution.

Once again, many thanks for coming and talking to us.

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Darroch.



289 Annandale Street,  
Annandale. 2038.  
9th October, 1969.

The President,  
The Glebe Society,  
Box 379,  
BROADWAY 2007.

Dear Dr. Smith,

On behalf of the Annandale Association I would like to thank you for the Glebe Society's generous and most welcome gift of fifteen dollars. It has more than doubled our funds and it will be of the greatest assistance in our publicity campaign.

It was also of great value to our members to know that we are receiving support of such a concrete nature, that friendly and encouraging words have been backed up so helpfully.

We will be looking forward to seeing you at our inaugural meeting.

Again very many thanks, yours sincerely,

*Betty Mason*

Betty Mason.





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10th October, 1969.

Mrs. S. Darroch,  
Hon. Secretary,  
The Glebe Society,  
Box 379, P.O.,  
BROADWAY.    N.S.W.    2007

Dear Mrs. Darroch,

Thank you for your letter of 25th September 1969.  
We acknowledge with thanks receipt of two copies of the  
News Bulletin, Vol. 1, No. 3, Membership form and Garden  
Competition entry form issued by the Society.

We are interested in receiving two copies of each  
of these publications regularly and should be grateful if  
you would arrange for the following form of our address to  
be added to your mailing list for future issues:

Preparation Branch,  
National Library of Australia,  
CANBERRA.    A.C.T.    2600

If back issues are available and can be spared we  
should like to receive two copies of each, so that our sets  
will be as complete as possible.

We should be glad to learn of any other publications  
you may issue from time to time.

Please accept our thanks for your assistance.

Yours sincerely,

*H. L. White*

(H. L. White) *HL*  
NATIONAL LIBRARIAN *HL*



289 Annandale Street,

Annandale. 2038

18th November, 1969.

Senior Vice President,

The Glebe Society,

Box 397,

BROADWAY. 2007.

Dear Mr. Darroch,

On behalf of the newly formed committee of the Annandale Association I wish to thank you warmly for your support and assistance at the inaugural meeting of the Association. We are all very pleased with our start and feel you helped to make it successful.

I enclose a notice of our first function to which I hope you and Sandra will be able to come, or any members of the Glebe Society who may be interested. We will be making a charge of ~~.20~~ at the door.

Again many thanks. Best wishes to you both,

*Betty Mason*

Betty Mason.

Hon. Secretary.



# THE PADDINGTON SOCIETY



*Box 99 Post Office, Paddington, New South Wales 2021*

16th December, 1969

Dear Sandra, (and Bob),

Thank you for your invitation to join in an old-fashioned game of cricket at the Glebe Jubilee Oval.

On discussion, the Committee discovered that, in the absence of several members on holiday or business early in the New Year, we would be a little short of an eleven.

I was asked to write to you and ask if we could take up your invitation a bit later in 1970, say in March. I am about to depart for a long holiday. If your Committee agrees to a match in March, would you get in touch with Mrs Jean Cooney, instead of me, before 10th January when our next Newsletter goes to the printer, and we shall publish your challenge.

Regards,

*Pat Thompson*

Mr and Mrs R. Darroch,  
Box 379,  
BROADWAY, 2007.



10th October, 1969.

Mr. B.A. Grace,  
Managing Director,  
Grace Bros. Pty.Ltd.,  
BROADWAY, N.S.W., 2007.

Dear Mr. Grace,

You may possibly have heard of the recently formed Glebe Society. We are a very active civic body with now almost 200 members. Our interests include Town Planning, the history of Glebe and social service work in the district.

I should very much like to have the opportunity to discuss with you briefly some of our aims and activities. Perhaps we could arrange a mutual, convenient time. My telephone number is 660.0522 Ext. 373.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard Smith  
President



# THE GLEBE SOCIETY

Box 379 Broadway 2007

*President* : DR BERNARD SMITH

*Hon Secretary* : MRS SANDRA DARROCH

15/9/69.

Dr David Martyn,  
Head of Upper Atmosphere Research Section,  
Coresearch,  
CAMDEN.

Dear Dr Martyn,

The Management Committee of the Glebe Society was delighted to hear that you would consider addressing a combined meeting of the various inner-city suburban groups on the subject of pollution.

Of course it is entirely up to you when you would find it convenient to address us but we thought it would be sensible to suggest a couple of alternate dates in case they suited you. Would either the last Thursday in October or the first Thursday in November be suitable?

Perhaps you could let us know if one of these dates would be convenient? We suggest that 8 p.m. would be the best time to hold the meeting and hope that you and Mrs Martyn will be our guests at dinner before the talk.

If neither of the dates is suitable would it be possible for you to suggest an alternate date to us?

Although we would be most interested to hear about pollution problems in other parts of the world we also wonder whether you might be able to advise us how groups such as ours, in Australian cities, could attempt to fight for cleaner air and water?

We are looking forward very much to seeing you and Mrs Martyn and will await your confirmation (or otherwise) of our suggested dates.

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Darroch.



29th August, 1969.

SD:HC

The President,  
The Royal Horticultural Society,  
26 Amy Street,  
RIVERWOOD.

Dear Sir,

The Glebe Society, a group similar in aims to the Paddington Society and other inner city groups, is planning to hold a Garden Competition during the last week in October this year.

We feel that such a competition will do much to encourage residents in the area to improve their gardens and to plant more trees and flowers.

We are not fully conversant with the conditions required for judging gardens but we have tentatively planned six main categories: terrace house garden, single storey house garden, free-standing house garden, flat or home unit garden, small plot or vegetable garden, rock garden or pot plant garden.

We would be most grateful for advice on this matter and would also be extremely grateful if your Society could suggest the names of two experts who could judge our competition.

Hoping that this will not be too great a trouble.

Yours sincerely,

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Sandra Darroch.



# THE GLEBE SOCIETY

Box 379 Broadway 2007

President : DR BERNARD SMITH

Hon Secretary : MRS SANDRA DARROCH

15/9/69.

Dear Bruce,

We were extremely interested in your excellent talk about the proposed plans for the redevelopment of the Glebe Church land.

The talk gave our meeting a central theme and aroused a lot of interest—the development is certainly going to shake the place up! We were particularly impressed by the stress the Glebe Administration Board is placing on the need for plenty of parkland and open spaces between buildings. This is the sort of planning that Sydney has lacked until now.

I believe Bernard Smith has contacted Mr King about the proposed historical photographic survey our History Sub-committee plans for the Bishopsthorpe area.

Our news bulletins are late this month because we wanted to include the business at the A.G.M. in them, so may I remind you that this Thursday, September 18, at 8 p.m. there will be a film evening at Glebe Town Hall. Films will include the one on Balmain, one on Parramatta, and several others including an American film on inner-city living called "How do they know it's us?"

Hoping to see you on Thursday, and thanking you once more for your delightful talk.

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Darroch.



The Glebe Society,  
P.O. Box 379,  
Broadway, 2007.  
20/6/69.

Dear Freda,

We were so sorry you were unable to come to the meeting of the Society last night. It was a very lively evening and we feel it was a success. More than 150 people turned up and many of them have become members already. I am enclosing your membership receipt with this letter.

The constitution was discussed at the meeting and it was decided that an A.G.M. should be held sometime eight to ten weeks after June 30, 1969, to ratify it. We will send you details when we decide a date.

Before then, on July 10, Max Solling will lead a guided tour <sup>round</sup> of some of the historic buildings in Glebe. I hope that you will be able to come, and once again, we will send you details of where to meet and what time, as soon as possible.

Perhaps you might also be interested in joining one of the sub-committees: History, Social, or Planning?

Best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Darroch (Hon. Secretary)

24 Texteth Road,  
Glebe Point, 2037,  
6/6/69  
Tel. 660-6025.

Mrs Pat Thompson,  
Hon. Secretary,  
The Paddington Society,  
66 Goodhope Street,  
PADDINGTON.

Dear Pat,

The Glebe Society thanks the Paddington Society for its generosity in sending us a donation. It was a very nice thought and is greatly appreciated.

We also want to thank you and Luke for coming to our Innaugural Meeting and adding your enthusiasm.

Since we last saw you we have had several informal meetings of our interim committee to plan for our first A.G.M. which will be on Thursday June 19 at Glebe Town Hall. At that meeting we will elect office-bearers etc.

Thank you for offering to send us copies of Paddington's Objections to roads, we would be grateful to see a copy. Until we reach the sophistication of the Paddington Society and have a Bulletin we will send you our newsheets from time to time to keep you in touch with our activities. Any member of the Paddington Society is most welcome to come along to our meetings at any time.

So, once again, many thanks.

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Darroch.

(Acting Hon. Secretary.)



July 27, 1969.

Mrs Pat Thompson,  
Hon. Secretary,  
The Paddington Society,  
66 Goodhope Street,  
PADDINGTON.

Dear Pat,

Many thanks for allowing me to attend your management committee meeting where the Jersey Road protest was discussed. I reported the matter to our management committee and we support your protest. A contingent of Glebe Society members, headed by Dr. Bernard Smith, will be in Jersey Road to add our voice on Saturday August 2.

Best wishes for your success.

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Darroch.

# THE PADDINGTON SOCIETY



*Box 99 Post Office, Paddington, New South Wales 2021*

6th August, 1969

Mrs Sandra Darroch,  
Toxteth Road,  
GLEBE. 2037.

Dear Sandra,

Thank you so much for the support of the Glebe Society last Saturday. We were delighted to see you all, and I just hope that in the general hectic rush someone remembered to express our appreciation at the time. If not, it comes with this letter.

Betty Mason, who has seen you regarding the possible formation of an Annandale Society, is a cousin of my late husband. I must thank you for enthusing her sufficiently to persuade her into trying to form another civic group in Annandale. We will be giving her a hand, too, and intend to be present at their inaugural meeting, where I'm sure you will be, too.

We are going to have a tremendous turn-out at Christmas this year, and hope to see the Glebe Society well represented. I'll be in touch later when details are worked out.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

*Patricia Thompson*

HON. SECRETARY





## HOUSING COMMISSION OF N.S.W.

MARK FOY'S BUILDING, 302 CASTLEREAGH STREET, SYDNEY  
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS "HOMCO", SYDNEY  
TELEPHONE: 2 0981

DATE: 7 AUG 1989

REFERENCE:

JMB/EMB

Dr. Bernard Smith,  
The Glebe Society,  
P. O. Box 379,  
BROADWAY. 2007

Dear Dr. Smith,

The Secretary, Ministry of Housing, has referred for our information a copy of your letter regarding the formation of the Glebe Society.

The aims and objectives of the Society have been noted and we will be only too pleased to contact you in regard to matters of mutual interest.

You have our best wishes for the success of your activities.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. M. Bourke', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

(J. M. BOURKE)  
Secretary.



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ML 1348/69  
GDR.JB

6th August 1969

Dr. Bernard Smith,  
President,  
The Glebe Society,  
Box 379,  
BROADWAY N.S.W. 2007

Dear Doctor Smith,

Your letter of 21st July 1969 about the formation of The Glebe Society came to me in my capacity as Principal Archivist under the Archives Authority of New South Wales. In reply to it, I should like to inform you that there is likely to be material in the Archives Office of New South Wales which relates to "The Glebe" and that this would be available to one of your members holding a reader's ticket to the Archives Office.

More generally, I should like to express my pleasure at the formation of your Society and to ask even so early in its existence whether the Society might resolve to transfer all its records and papers for permanent preservation in the Mitchell Library when they have become non-current. This would perhaps relieve the Society of storage and preservation difficulties for that kind of material, while ensuring that its records were permanently kept. I should say also that we would readily issue a reader's ticket to a member of the Society appointed to undertake research for the purposes of the Society, and we should be glad to give initial guidance and help in this.

Yours sincerely,

G. D. Richardson  
PRINCIPAL LIBRARIAN  
and  
MITCHELL LIBRARIAN





THE NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (*New South Wales*)

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115 PITT STREET SYDNEY Telephone: 25 5344

1st August, 1969.

Dr. Bernard Smith,  
President,  
The Glebe Society,  
Box 379,  
BROADWAY, 2007.

Dear Dr. Smith,

I was delighted to receive your letter of 22nd July and will convey it to the Trust Executive at its next meeting.

Your Management Committee may be assured that it will be the wish of the National Trust to cooperate with the Society in all matters of mutual concern.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. N. Walker". The signature is fluid and stylized, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

R. N. WALKER  
Director



# MUSEUM OF APPLIED ARTS AND SCIENCES

659-695 HARRIS STREET  
BROADWAY, SYDNEY 2007

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ADDRESSED TO  
THE DIRECTOR  
TELEPHONE 211 3911  
2 0516 EXT. 530

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE NO.

69/M24/3443

18th August, 1969.

Dr. Bernard Smith,  
President,  
The Glebe Society,  
Box 379,  
BROADWAY. N.S.W. 2007

Dear Dr. Smith,

Thank you for your note regarding the Glebe Society recently formed by the residents of Glebe. Naturally we are in general sympathy with the aims of the Society and if the occasion arises when we may be able to co-operate with you, we shall certainly do so.

May I wish you and the Society every success in its objectives.

Yours sincerely,

*J.L. Willis*  
*per Willis*

J.L. Willis,  
Director.



5/23 Manning Road  
Double Bay 2028

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Mr. and Mrs. B. Darrack  
24 Toxeth Street  
Glebe.

Dear Sir and Madam

I was interested to read in the newspaper recently about the formation of a group interested in the future development of Glebe. On enquiry I was given your names as a possible source of further enquiry.

As a town planner and valuer I am particularly interested in problems such as I see confronting Glebe now and in the future, and in this capacity I would like to offer my support and service to the group.

Although this offer is made in the capacity of a private individual on a personal interest basis I feel you would be interested to know that on a professional basis I am also vitally interested in the future of the area in the capacity of an employee of the Church Of England Glebe Administration Board which is presently planning the redevelopment of that area of Glebe between Parramatta Road and St. Johns Road.

I would be pleased to hear from you and learn if I can help in any way. My home 'phone number is 36 1287 and I can be reached most evenings after 7:30 p.m.

Yours faithfully

*B. Robertson*

Bruce Robertson



THE NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (New South Wales)

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115 PITT STREET SYDNEY Telephone: 25 5344

11th June, 1969.

Dr. K. T. Fowler,  
2 Leichhardt Street,  
GLEBE. N.S.W. 2037

Dear Dr. Fowler,

I am sorry not to have replied before this to your letter of the 11th April, inviting a representative of the Trust to attend the inaugural meeting of the Glebe Society.

Mr. Burns has reported on the very successful meeting that you held and I look forward to hearing progress reports from time to time.

The Trust is always delighted to learn of the formation of groups such as your own, as they can often be very effective at a local level. Local knowledge is of course of tremendous value in any efforts to preserve the buildings and environment of an area.

On behalf of the National Trust, I should like to offer your committee very good wishes for a successful future.

Yours sincerely,

*R. N. Walker*

R. N. WALKER  
Director.

JM:NG

*Alan - might be useful  
to read on Thurs. I'll  
probably be in New Zealand.  
Kemp Fowler.*





## GLEBE ADMINISTRATION BOARD

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4TH FLOOR, BANK OF ADELAIDE BUILDING, 275 GEORGE STREET, SYDNEY. N.S.W. 2000

TELEPHONES: 29 1353, 29 1354

GK:RB

30th July, 1969.

Dr. B. Smith,  
President,  
The Glebe Society,  
Box 379,  
BROADWAY. 2007

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of 22nd July, received this morning, advising of the formation of the Glebe Society. I shall submit the letter to the next meeting of the Board.

You are probably aware that we are planning to redevelop our lands. We are hoping to commence shortly but it is a long term project which may take twenty years to complete. Our general intention is to start in the Arundel Street region opposite the university.

At this stage we have no firm plans as these will depend upon zoning and other similar factors which we are currently endeavouring to clarify. One basic aim will be to create a pleasant environment with plenty of open spaces suitably landscaped.

I believe our eventual plans will be in accord with the aims of your Society and we look forward to co-operating with you in advancing the well-being of the residents of the area.

Yours faithfully,

G.B.V. King,  
Executive Secretary

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**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:**

Mr. G. B. V. King



1st September, 1969.

Sir Norman Cowper,  
Allen, Allen & Hemsley,  
P. & O. Building,  
55 Hunter Street,  
SYDNEY. N.S.W. 2000.

Dear Sir Norman,

Following our recent discussion I was able to put to the Management Committee of the Glebe Society your generous offer to permit Allen, Allen and Hemsley to act as the Glebe Society's Honorary Solicitors. The understanding is that in small matters requiring only consultation and advice you would be happy to assist us without charging a fee, but that for all major legal issues which involved considerable time and work your usual fees would be charged to us.

We are delighted that you are willing to associate the name of Allen, Allen and Hemsley with the Glebe Society in this way and we look forward to a happy association. We came into existence on 19th June and you might like to know a little of what we have done since then. We have already taken action in recent weeks towards a possible re-zoning of the waterfront area of Glebe from Industrial-Waterfront to Residential; we have been successful in seeking the Leichhardt Council's action in improving the standards required for home-unit development in the area, and have supported the residents of Arcadia Road against a proposal for a walk-way into a licensed Club being built by the Harold Park Paceway which, in our view, would seriously affect the amenity of the area.

We possess an active History Committee and are about to embark upon a comprehensive topographical survey of the



buildings of Glebe. Towards this end, we have recently written to the Chief City Commissioner, the Hon. V.H. Treatt, suggesting that the early rate books of the Glebe Municipality, which are of the greatest value for the history of domestic architecture in Glebe, be transferred to the State Archives.

I am enclosing copies of our first two Monthly Bulletins, together with a copy of our Interim Constitution which will be put up for approval to the first Annual General Meeting of the Society to be held in the Glebe Town Hall at 8.00 p.m. on Thursday, 4th September. Naturally, the Management Committee would be delighted to listen to any comments which you might like to make about it.

Yours sincerely,

President



1st September, 1969.

Mr. Graham King,  
Glebe Administration Board,  
275 George Street,  
SYDNEY. N.S.W. 2000.

Dear Mr. King,

I thought that you would be interested to know that the History Committee of the Glebe Society has decided to embark upon a topographical survey of the buildings of the Bishopsthorpe Estate. This will provide us with a documented account of every individual building at present in the area. The survey will include a photograph of the exterior of each building, together with an architectural description and an investigation into the date of its erection.

The purpose of the survey is to provide our members with an exact knowledge of the architecture and history of the area. It will serve as a pilot project for similar surveys on Glebe. When complete, we believe that these surveys will constitute a valuable historical record of Glebe as in 1969-70, and will assist the Society in its aims both in conservation and in development.

I am enclosing herewith, some of the material we have drafted in connection with the project. Naturally, we should be delighted if you can help us in any way from your own records, especially where we may run into difficulty in dating buildings.

Yours sincerely,

President





S Y D N E Y,

18 AUG 1970

Dear Sir,

I refer again to your letter of 3/7/70 concerning the legislation proposed to facilitate and strengthen the right of property owners to object to councils against the erection of residential flat buildings.

As you will be aware this was introduced into Parliament on 11/8/70 and as submitted to Parliament requires that notice in writing of applications for development consent in respect of residential flat buildings shall be given to those persons who own land adjoining the development site and to other resident owners who, in the opinion of the council, will be affected if the development is carried out. Also, it will be required that the council shall cause a notice of the application, in such form and of such size and kind as may be prescribed, to be displayed in a prominent position on the land the subject of the application. Following compliance with those requirements a notice of the application will be published in the press circulating in the area in which the land is located.

The need for interested persons to be informed of the details of proposals has also been foreseen. The Bill makes provision for any person to inspect those documents in the possession of a council which relate to an application for consent to a development to which the legislation will apply. Councils should therefore be able to obtain a general expression of public opinion on a proposal and any person who wishes to express an opinion should be able to obtain the details necessary to do so. I would mention, however, that residential flats will be the only type of development specifically covered by the legislation, although other kinds of development may be proclaimed by the Governor. Any person upon whom a notice has been served, and any resident owner who contends that the enjoyment of his land will be detrimentally affected may object in writing to the council within twenty-one days of the publication of the notice in the press.

Before determining the application the council will be required to consider any objections which have been lodged. It had been originally intended that objections could only be lodged within 14 days but the period has been extended in order that those interested in any proposal will be able to more adequately assess the likely impact of the development.

In cases where the council disapproves the development objectors will be given the right to seek leave to appear before the appropriate appeals tribunal in the event of the applicant for the approval appealing against the council's decision.

It would appear that in the past difficulties arose mainly because owners were not aware of the intended development until it was about to take place. Objections were then too late. The proposed legislation will ensure that property owners and other interested persons are aware of the proposed development before approvals are granted by councils and they will then have an opportunity for making their views known. However, the position will be kept under close review and should it appear that some further protection should be given to affected persons, the Government will re-examine the whole question.

Yours faithfully,

(P.H. MORTON)  
Minister for Local Government.

A. Mispel, Esq.,  
Convener,  
The Glebe Society Planning Committee,  
P.O. Box 379,  
BROADWAY. N.S.W. 2007.



# THE GLEBE SOCIETY

Box 379 Broadway 2007

*President* : DR BERNARD SMITH

*Hon Secretary* : MRS SANDRA DARROCH

3rd July, 1970.

The Hon.P.H. Morton, M.P.  
C/- Dept. of Local Government,  
State Office Block,  
Phillip St.,  
SYDNEY ... 2001

Dear Sir,

The Management Committee of the Glebe Society has been requested by its Planning Sub-Committee to enquire about the progress of proposed legislation making it mandatory for developers to erect notice of their proposed developments on effected sites, thereby informing surrounding residents of developments against which they may wish to lodge objections.

Our original enquires directed to both the Lord Mayor of Brisbane concerning similar Queensland legislation, and to the N.S.W. State Government concerning such notice from developers to residents have been repeated because of recent approvals of building applies in Leichhardt Municipality which this Society believes adversely affect local residents.

The recent case of the approved demolition of another two of the notable "witchhouses" in Johnston St., Annandale, highlighted the other important effect of unannounced re-development, the gradual destruction of our cultural heritage.

We would therefore be grateful for some guidance from your Government or from your own Department as to the likely date such forwarding legislation will be introduced into the Legislative Assembly, and as to any additional likely content of such legislation.

Respectfully yours,



CONVENOR/PLANNING COMMITTEE



3rd December, 1970.

Mr. R.N. Walker,  
Director,  
The National Trust of Australia  
(New South Wales),  
123 Clarence Street,  
SYDNEY. 2000.

Dear Mr. Walker,

Thank you for your letter of 6th November. I brought it before our Management Committee, who were very pleased indeed to know that our proposal will be brought to the attention of the Historic Buildings Committee, and to hear that Mr. Flower will propose that representatives of his Committee will inspect the areas in Glebe that we have in mind as worthy of preservation.

It is likely that we shall be preparing a fairly detailed plan during the next three or four months, which we will submit as a variant plan to the City of Sydney Plan for the Glebe area after it has been prescribed. You will appreciate that the support of the Trust would, in our view, help quite materially in gaining the support of the Leichhardt Council and the State Planning Authority for those areas which we consider are of historic interest.

Yours sincerely,

BERNARD SMITH,  
President.



## THE NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (*New South Wales*)

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123 CLARENCE STREET SYDNEY 2000 Telephone: 29 3684  
6th November, 1970

Dr. Bernard Smith,  
President,  
The Glebe Society,  
Box 379, P.O.,  
BROADWAY N.S.W. 2007

Dear Dr. Smith,

Mr. Cedric Flower, Chairman of the Trust's Historic Buildings Committee, has asked me to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of 26th October in which you propose that the committee discuss proposals of the Glebe Society for zoning such as Residential 2(g). Mr. Flower has asked me to say that this will be considered at the next meeting of the Historic Buildings Committee and he will propose that representatives of the committee should inspect the area you have in mind with representatives of the Society and follow this with a discussion as to the proposals.

I should be pleased to write to you again when this has been considered by the committee. I should mention perhaps that the committee has previously supported the proposals of the Paddington Society in this regard and has had considerable discussions with the Hunters Hill Trust in connection with that organisation's proposals for historic areas.

Yours sincerely,

  
R.N. WALKER,  
Director

AJR



## INTERIM CONSTITUTION OF THE GLEBE SOCIETY

1. The name of the organisation shall be THE GLEBE SOCIETY (hereinafter called "the Society").
2. The Society shall not be associated with any political party.
3. AREA. "Glebe" shall be taken to embrace the area bounded by Wattle Street, the Harbour, Johnston's Creek and Parramatta Road.
4. The broad objects of the Society are: to promote the general well-being of the citizens of the Glebe area; to preserve the natural assets of the area; to stimulate interest in the history and character of the area; to encourage town planning and good architecture; and to protect the residents from anything detrimental to the enjoyment of their dwellings. To achieve these objectives the Society shall, among other things, make representations to or consult with persons and other bodies.
5. MEMBERSHIP. Any person who endorses the objectives of the Society shall be eligible for membership on the payment of an annual membership fee which shall be determined from time to time provided that the management committee (see below) has the right to establish a lesser fee and provided that the management committee reserves the right to refuse or cancel membership subject to confirmation by a majority of members present at a general meeting convened to consider such expulsion, such meeting to be held within one month of the date of the expulsion. Fees shall fall due on June 30 each year and a person shall cease to be a member if his fee remains unpaid for more than eight weeks from June 30, unless the management committee decides otherwise. The subscription for students to be 50 cents.
6. The administration of the Society shall be vested in a management committee. All members shall work in honorary capacities and will be reimbursed only for out-of-pocket expenses as approved by the management committee.
7. The management committee shall consist of the President, a senior Vice-president, a junior Vice-president, a Secretary, a Treasurer and four other members provided that all convenors of sub-committees are members ex-officio of the management committee.
8. The management committee shall have the power to appoint convenors of sub-committees of the Society.
9. An annual general meeting shall be held every calendar year within eight weeks of the end of the financial year on June 30 with the exception of the first annual general meeting. At the annual general meeting the annual report and balance sheet shall be presented and officers, committee and auditor shall be elected. Each annual general meeting shall elect the management committee for the following year. Vacancies on the management committee shall be filled by the management committee as it may decide between annual general meetings. A vacancy on the management committee shall be deemed to have occurred if a member: resigns from the committee by notice in writing to the president; or fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the management committee of which due notice has been given him unless he has been excused by the management



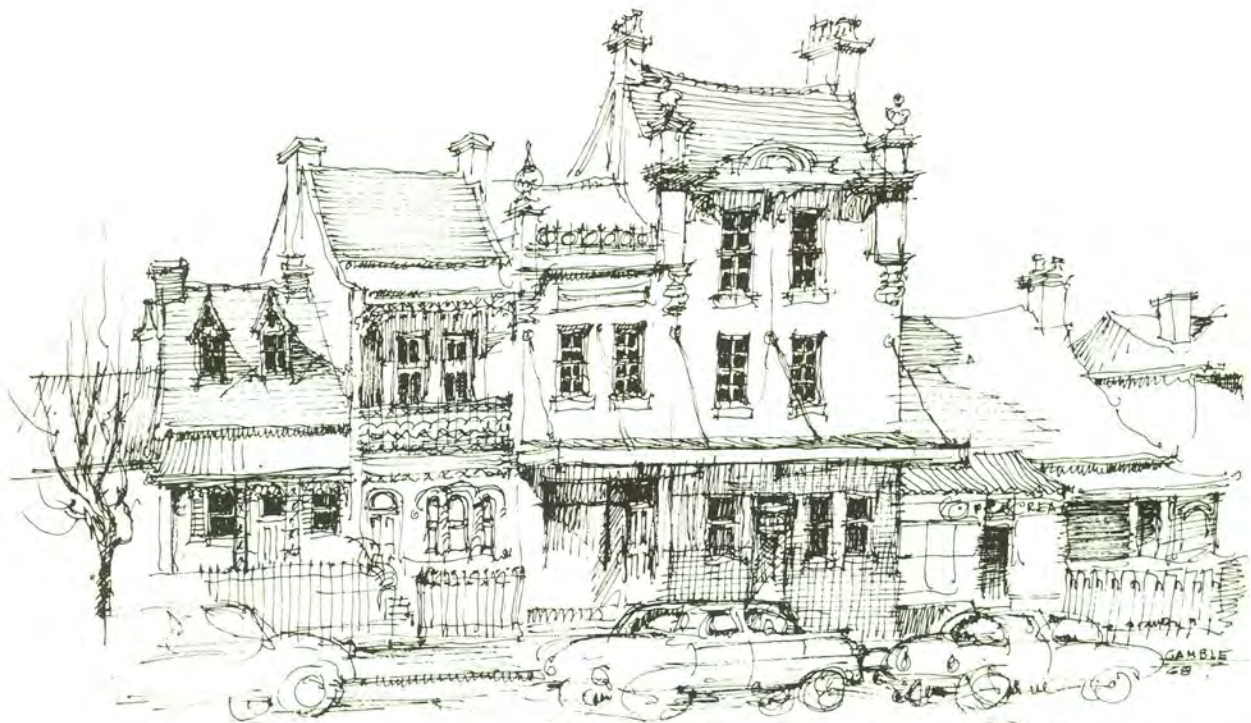
committee; or if he is removed from office at a special general meeting.

10. Any two members of the Society may nominate another member for election to the management committee. Such nominations shall be signed by the two proposers and shall bear the written consent of the nominated member and shall be posted or delivered to reach the Secretary at least fourteen days before the annual general meeting except in the case of the first annual general meeting for which nominations will be accepted up till the time of election. The nomination shall include the address and occupation of the member. Notice shall be sent to each member before the annual general meeting of the names of the members correctly nominated. If insufficient nominations are received those nominated shall be declared elected and nominations for the vacant positions shall be called for at the annual general meeting
11. METHOD OF ELECTION. Each member at an annual general meeting shall be entitled to record his votes by marking crosses in squares opposite the names on the ballot papers of the members he desires to be elected. There shall be one ballot paper for the election of President and one for the Senior Vice President, Junior Vice President Secretary and Treasurer and one for the other four members of the Committee if there shall be more than one nomination for each of the office bearers and more than four nominations for the members of the Committee.
12. The President shall not be eligible for re-election for more than two terms.
13. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE. The management committee shall have the power to appoint such sub-committees as it deems desirable.
14. QUORUM. At a general meeting (including annual general meetings) a quorum shall be twenty (20) members or twenty percent of the current membership, whichever is the lower figure. At a management committee a quorum shall be five.
15. Notice of the annual general meeting and a special general meeting shall be given by letter at least twenty-eight (28) days before such meetings except the first annual general meeting. A general meeting shall be called at the instigation of the President and Secretary. A special general meeting shall be called by the Secretary on the receipt of a written request signed by twelve (12) or more members within a period of one month from the date of receipt of such request which shall set out clearly the purpose for which the special general meeting shall be called.  
  
The Secretary shall inform all members of the purpose of the special general meeting. The special general meeting shall be confined to the business it was called for and its decisions must be carried by a seventy-five percent majority of those present.
16. Notice of motion shall be given to the Secretary fourteen (14) days before a general meeting provided that the chairman may accept at his discretion motions from the floor.
17. The funds of the Society shall be banked in the name of the Society and any two of the President, Secretary, and



Treasurer shall be authorized to operate thereon by the management committee.

18. Accounts shall be presented and passed at management committee meetings and such approvals recorded in the minute book and the management committee shall meet not less than every three months.
19. The Society shall be dissolved on the vote of a seventy-five (75) percent majority of members present at a special general meeting called for the purpose. The Society shall be dissolved if membership falls below twelve (12) members.
20. The constitution may be changed at an annual general meeting or special general meeting. Notice of motion must be forwarded to the Secretary at least twenty-eight (28) days before the required date and circulated to all members





MIXED DEVELOPMENT, MOUNT VERNON STREET, THE GLEBE, SYDNEY FROM ALLEN GAMBLE'S 'SETTING FOR A CAMPUS'

# SEASON'S GREETINGS

THE GLEBE SOCIETY

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Mrs. Suzanne Tzannes

1st December, 1970.

Mrs. Marie Webb,  
30 Talfourd Street,  
GLEBE N.S.W. 2037.

Dear Mrs. Webb,

The Management Committee has asked me to pass on to you their sincere appreciation and thanks for all your hard work on the recent garden and flower competition. All agree that it was a highly successful function and that it was so is, of course, entirely due to your capable organisation and untiring efforts. I am enclosing a cheque for \$21.50. for the costs of the garden competition. Thank you also for your plans for next year's competition which look very interesting. I shall include the information in the next bulletin which is due to appear in January.

Finally, thank you very much indeed for your very generous donation of \$10 to the Glebe Society. It was extremely kind of you and the Management Committee has likewise asked me to express our appreciation.

Yours sincerely,

Enc.

Suzanne Tzannes  
(Hon. Secretary)





Wenona

~~North Sydney, 2068~~

1/14 Hayes Street  
North Sydney  
9th Nov. 1970

The Hon. Secretary  
The Clebe Society  
Clebe

Dear Mrs Tzannes,

Yesterday the group of Wenona Old Girls made the tour of Clebe as had been arranged with your society.

I wish to express our appreciation of the excellent manner in which Mr Max Solling conducted the tour and to Mrs Solling who served sherry and biscuits and cheered at the home of Mr Sheppard. I also express our appreciation of Mr Sheppard's gracious reception of forty-five visitors to his home.

Without Mr Solling's help we should not have got either the enjoyment or the information which we all received

Yours sincerely

Frances M. Mills



SOCIAL SUB-COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 1969-70

- September 18th. Films - "How do they know us?"  
Balmain, and Old Parramatta.
- October 9th. Matron Upfold talked to Social Sub-committee  
on Welfare Homes - "Bidura".
- November 6th Dr. David Martyn's lecture on Pollution.
- November 11th. Ferry Trip.
- December 11th Christmas party at Spanish Club.
- March 24th Elias Duek-Cohen' talk and slides  
"The Glebe Environment" at Town Hall.
- April 1st Theatre party - "The Guardsman" starring  
*Lila* ~~Anne~~ Kedrova.
- April 2nd Mr. Gill reported to Social Committee on  
Forest Lodge School. The Glebe Society  
donated £25.
- May 2nd. Australian Traditional Songs & Music -  
placed in historical context. John Dengate  
and the Bush Music Club.
- June 20th Walk around Bishopsthorpe and St. Philips',  
Glebe, led by Max Solling. Tea at  
Camden College.
- July 1st The Society's first birthday party.

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Also local weekday walks:

22nd June - Annandale with Hon. Secretary  
of Annandale Society -  
Mrs. Betty Mason.

23rd July - Hunters Hill with Mrs. Doreen  
Saunders.

These walks are becoming popular with mothers  
of young children and grannies who do not go  
to work.

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A small number of members were responsible  
for the organisation of the Glebe Society's social activities.  
during the year. Any member who is interested in taking an  
active part in organising activities for the forthcoming  
year would be most welcome.

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Ferry trip on Sept. 19.

mine - fasting - Hunter R.  
Valley  
NOV.

Garden Comp. 17<sup>th</sup> Oct. Lower room  
FLOWER SHOW TOWN HALL