

## News from the Strata Committee

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## DIA SECURES NEW 3-YEAR ELECTRICITY CONTRACT

DIA Chair Julie Elliott has announced that the DIA has entered a new, 3-year fixed price contract with Origin Energy and, despite media coverage about increasing energy costs, the forecast average cost per year is about 1% lower than our previous 3-year contract.

Our brokers invited 9 companies to tender and 8 lodged compliant tenders. The new contract also means that from 1 January 2026 Darling Island will be purchasing all its electricity as part of the Government's GreenPower program. GreenPower is a government accreditation that ensures the electricity used by customers that buy GreenPower is matched with new renewable electricity added to the grid.

"I'd like to thank Victor Clarke for voluntary time he has spent overseeing the tender and ensuring the integrity of the process," Julie said. "Once again he has done a super job for the Darling Island Apartments. I also thank the Sustainability sub-committee for their suggestion to explore Greenpower.

"As you are aware the Strata Committee is also investigating the installation of solar panels to further reduce energy costs."



Pyrmont Action (PA) wants to connect with like-minded individuals to manage challenging issues facing the Pyrmont community. PA is focused on improving the characteristics of Pyrmont that support wellbeing and quality of life, known to be essential to attracting and retaining people in communities. This includes public transport, schools, traffic and over development.

PA has been operating since 2003 and has a long list of achievements made possible only by the contribution of hardworking volunteers. However, PA is concerned that change is occurring rapidly and, in many cases, impacting the safety, health and amenity of the community.

## To list a few:

- Closure of Bank St access from the Anzac Bridge off ramp resulting in enormous increase in traffic exiting the bridge at Alan St.
- Additional pressure on water, sewage, and drainage as more towers are constructed.
- No school within our boundaries. Schools to accommodate all levels of students are essential with increasing density.

If you would like to provide assistance to one of the many projects underway (not necessarily listed above), contact Lesley Bentley, Deputy Convenor, on 0402025575 or email at lesleybentley@bigpond.com.

The next Pyrmont Action meeting is at Pyrmont Community Centre, Cnr. John & Mount Streets, on Thursday 20th November at 6.00 p.m.

## TIME TO REGISTER FOR THE DIA XMAS PARTY

More than 60 residents have already registered for the Darling Island Christmas Party at the Blue Eye Dragon restaurant on December 1 from 6pm. The party is a great time to catch up while enjoying wonderful Taiwanese food.

The party is free to all residents.

To help us estimate catering requirements please register with Wendy nominating any special dietary needs. You can do so by using this link.

Julie Elliott Chair Darling Island Apartments