

Strata Committee Members – Biography

Andrew Greuter

Strata Committee Chairperson
Building and Equipment Sub-Committee

Andrew holds a Masters of Business Administration, a Masters of Aviation Management degree and works as an International Airline Pilot in a Management and Flying role.

Andrew has been assisting in working through the building defects (close to 600) as well as embarking on projects to improve building security and liveability. Andrew loves Erskineville with its endless cafés and restaurants. Close to public transport, Newtown, Sydney Park and the City what's not to love?



Cynthia Carr

Strata Committee Secretary

Cynthia has been a local of Newtown and Erskineville for over 25 years and loves the Erskineville community. Real estate and gardening are two of her passions – she brings these to Erko Apartments, having served on various Executive Committees for the past 10 years.

Mostly Cynthia enjoys giving back to the community she lives in and encourages residents to get involved by attending social events and meetings, as well as joining a group that suits your interests: the Owner's Committee, the Erko Apartments Community Group (for non-Strata matters) or the Erko Apartments Social Committee.



Doug Turner

Governance Sub-Committee

Lawyer Doug Turner and father of five, holds a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) from Sydney University, and a Masters of Laws (LLM) from the University of Armidale. A country solicitor for three decades, Doug then took up a lectureship at the College of Law, St Leonards in Practical Legal Training (15 years), and is currently an Adjunct Lecturer at the College.

While he no longer holds a practising certificate, he is able to bring his extensive knowledge and experience to the Executive Committee. Doug has done much valuable work simplifying and clarifying our By-Laws.



Lindy Taylor

Grounds and Gardens Sub-Committee

Lindy has a background as a secondary school principal, leadership consultant and executive coach. An integral part of the Erko gardening community, Lindy also enjoys travel, music and learning Italian.

“Being a member of the EC is extremely rewarding because every member brings special skills to work together for the betterment of owners and residents.”



Derek Dryden

Finance Sub-committee

Derek Dryden is the founder of Newtown’s iconic bookstore ‘Better Read Than Dead’. He served as President of the Australian Booksellers Association for many years and as Australia’s representative on the International Booksellers Federation.

Derek mentors would-be bookstore owners, volunteers with the Indigenous Literacy Foundation and is a sometime bookseller with the Harry Hartog group. Derek loves to travel and contributes his stories to a popular travel blog at derekdrydenblog.wordpress.com



David Crawford

Building and Equipment Sub-Committee

Currently completing a PhD, David works as a registered nurse for a community non-government organisation for people living with HIV. The role involves peer support, advocacy, and sitting on a number of research panels and state government advisory panels as a community representative.

David and his partner moved into Erko February 2015. They love the area for its central position to the city, but also how quiet and peaceful it is.



Rainer Fried

Rainer has worked in theatre for 30 years, the last 2 decades in commercial musical theatre. His travel as a Theatre Director has taken him to Europe, Asia, South Africa and Australia.

Food passionate Rainer was born in Germany and before coming to Sydney, lived in London. His partner Alison, a theatre producer, hails from the Adelaide Hills and possesses “rather accidental, but great baking skills”.



Tracy Hill

Tracy Hill has lived in Sydney's inner city for around 15 years and during many of those years has been a resident of the Alexandria area. She is a Business Change Consultant, having worked in Financial Services (including St George, Westpac) and within the public service prior to that.

Tracy is a great source of tips on Italy, having travelled throughout the country, sampling the food and wine with enthusiasm!



Justin O'Brien

Finance Sub-committee

Justin works in Finance and brings his invaluable knowledge to the Strata Committee.

Justin is well known around Erko for the company he keeps – namely a big friendly, cuddly dog. Like many of us, he can often be found at the FoodCraft Café soaking up the sun on a fine day.



The Strata Committee operates under a Code of Conduct and is careful to abide by NSW legislation relating to Strata Schemes Management. They endeavour to rotate roles, so that each person has the opportunity to work on a variety of matters.

You can download a copy of the Strata Committee Member Rules from the 'Documents' tab on the website: erkoapartments.com.au