

FRA COMMITTEE 2018-19

Martin Brennan, Chair

Martin has lived in Fitzroy for the past 8 years. Prior to moving to Fitzroy Martin lived in North Melbourne for some 40 years and was a Melbourne City Councillor for three terms. Martin's professional life has focused on local government's capacity to address the impacts of climate change and the building of low carbon and resilient communities.

Martin holds an Honorary Senior Research Fellow position at the University of Melbourne in the Melbourne School of Design. He is a community member of the Inner Metropolitan Partnership covering the cities of Yarra, Port Phillip and Melbourne and a John Cain Foundation Board member.

Martin has been appointed FRA chair for a third term.

Margaret Portelli, Secretary

Margaret has been a Fitzroy resident for 20 years, and for the past 11 years has worked part-time in a community organisation in the City of Yarra. Previously her career was in consumer affairs in the corporate sector, specialising in community consultation.

Margaret was appointed Secretary in 2015, and has been reappointed for a further term.

Sue Wheatley, Treasurer

Sue Wheatley, has lived in Fitzroy since 2001, been a member of FRA since 2012 and committee member/Treasurer since 2013. She has also been the organiser of FRA's Happy Birthday House events. Sue's background is in Management Accounting and Treasury Operations and, in more recent years, has specialised in business process improvement consulting and managing large/complex procurements for State Government. She is an advocate of maintaining the city's first suburb's heritage and community lifestyle.

Michael Keats

Michael has been a member of FRA for ten years, supporting the Association's advocacy on maintaining the suburb's heritage and community lifestyle. Michael has particular concerns over the increase in vandalism and unchecked destruction of homes and business premises by illegal graffiti "artists" and "taggers" and will continue to press authorities for a better plan of action to combat these criminal activities.

Michael has been a committee member since 2016.

Bradley Reynolds

Bradley has lived in Fitzroy for 13 years after having lived in Sydney. Bradley is a passionate advocate for the built environment, heritage protection, inner city amenity and cultural vibrancy.

Bradley is particularly concerned about heritage protection and increased vandalism of private and public property via tagging.

Erin Tidswell

Erin is a new resident to Fitzroy, moving here in January 2018. Erin is a keen advocate for supporting and protecting local resident amenity, heritage, and culture - what makes Fitzroy such a desirable place to live.

After working in the corporate media and marketing industry for ten years, Erin has returned to study a Masters of Social Work in 2018, and is passionate about community development and connectedness, and positive social activism.

(Under the Rules of Association, seven committee members can be elected, and there is the power to co-opt.)