



Momentum for Change

I am nominating myself for the position of Ordinary Member on the Pearl Beach Progress Association Executive Committee as a passionate advocate for our village community. It would be an honour to contribute my time, energy, and experience to support the continued growth and harmony of Pearl Beach.

My husband and I have been permanent residents since 2023 and feel incredibly fortunate to live in such a unique and welcoming beachside community—one that brings together people from all walks of life who share a love of nature, connection, and the relaxed coastal lifestyle.

I am actively involved in several community committees, advising on operations and new initiatives that encourage engagement. These experiences have reinforced my belief in collaboration, communication, and respect as the foundations of successful community outcomes. Whether helping to deliver events, supporting local activities, or working alongside others to bring ideas to life, I value being part of teams that make a tangible difference.

Professionally, I bring strong skills in leadership, organisation, communication, and stakeholder engagement. My career began in London as an Event Manager running large fundraising events, before moving to Sydney into senior marketing and sales roles across the finance and real estate industries. I approach challenges with a positive, solutions-focused mindset and enjoy working collaboratively to turn good ideas into practical, achievable outcomes.

I am also willing to contribute to the hands-on work that keeps our community running smoothly—whether that's supporting events, improvement projects, communications, or resident engagement.

Looking ahead, I'd like to help strengthen the spirit and connectivity of Pearl Beach through initiatives that broaden community participation and appeal to all residents and visitors. My focus would include developing an inclusive event and fundraising program, enhancing relationships with local tourism and Council, improving communication channels, and supporting sustainability and care for our natural environment. I also see great potential to encourage involvement from residents of all ages, ensuring the Progress Association reflects the diversity and energy of our whole community.

Pearl Beach thrives when people come together. I believe in open, transparent, and respectful leadership that welcomes ideas, values volunteers, and honours the contribution of those who have served before us. By combining tradition with fresh perspectives, we can continue to strengthen the Progress Association and ensure it remains a unifying voice for all who call Pearl Beach home.

Paul Smith