



Sandy Point Community Group – Meeting Minutes – General Meeting 11 March 2018

Date: 11 March 2018	Start time: 11.00 am	Finish Time: 1.05pm	Location: Community Centre
Meeting	SPCG Committee General Meeting		
Attendees	Frank Schrever, Wendy Bryce Johnson, Phil Cornwell, Di Cornwell, Joyce Wright, Rick Martin, Ray Henderson Cathy Giles attended for part of the time to discuss the Waratah Way issue.		
Apologies	Anne Kinne		
Chairperson	Frank Schrever	Record taker	Di Cornwell

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	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING Previous minutes accepted.	Proposed: Wendy Seconded: Joyce	
	BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES Other items will be dealt with in General Business		
	TREASURER'S REPORT Rick reported that as at 28 Feb the operating account had a balance of \$5084.23, however an additional \$883.00 was credited thereafter. The term deposit balance was \$13608.62 of which \$2817.34 is reserved for the maintenance of decorative surfboards.	Report accepted Proposed Di, seconded Phil	
1	WARATAH WAY Cath Giles updated us on the progress of the Waratah Way. She reported on the situation that occurred during the week before the Council Meeting on 28 February, at which the SGSC Review of the Paths and Trails Strategy was on the Agenda for adoption. During the week beforehand, the Waratah Way was 'mistakenly' removed from the body of the P&T Strategy and the list of projects in the Appendix but was reinstated when Cr Alyson Skinner and Cath drew this to the attention of Anthony Seabrook.		



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	<p>Cath made a presentation to the Council, as did Linda Heywood. After this, Cr Alyson Skinner proposed that the Council defer the vote on this proposal until the meeting on 30 May so that further work could be done on it to rectify inconsistencies in the current report regarding the Waratah Way. This was approved.</p> <p>Cath then answered questions from the committee about other aspects of the project. It seems the 2 landholders are not likely to budge at this stage on allowing the Waratah Way to re-use the former fire access track that hugs the existing fence line within some sections of their boundary fence, so we will also investigate with DEWLP possible trail treatments to ensure protection of the dunes where required.</p> <p>According to Ray, who has walked the whole proposed track, the rest of the track would be easy enough to create as it goes through low-lying scrub. Ray suggested that when the Foreshore Committee engages a Coastal Engineer to come down to Sandy Point to survey the upcoming extension of the current boardwalk to the beach opposite the shops, that we get them to look at the area of the proposed WW where it may need to encroach on the dunes.</p> <p>Cath mentioned that the SGSC have now voted in support of investigating the development of a Coastal Strategy for the region incorporating Venus Bay, Walkerville, Waratah Bay and Sandy Point etc which will have implications for the future strategic planning of the area.</p> <p>Cath suggested the committee and interested community group members attend the Council Meeting on the 30 May to hear the item discussed for themselves.</p>	Cath Giles, Anne	
2	<p>CORRESPONDENCE WITH NEIL SHAW RE BUILDING APPLICATION</p> <p>Correspondence was received from Neil Shaw concerning a building application that he had submitted to Council and that was refused on the basis that with the rise in sea levels expected over the next 80 years that the roadway into Sandy Point would be inundated. He was concerned that this would affect all future building applications from people living in Sandy Point.</p> <p>Phil spoke to Paul Stampton, head of the planning department of SGSC. He reassured him that there is no cause for concern for general building permit applications subject of course to meeting the requirements of all the current planning rules/overlays. The issue with Neil's application was that he was requesting a permit for a second dwelling on his block. The Coastal Management Authority and Council are generally not in favour of more than a single dwelling on a block within townships such as Sandy Point. Paul confirmed that there are no issues with the construction of a new single dwelling on a vacant block; renovation of a single dwelling on</p>		



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	a single block and the rebuilding of a single dwelling on a block subject of course to all the other planning rules. This was communicated to Neil.		
3	<p>LANDSCAPING</p> <p>Di Cornwell attended a meeting with Steve Missen from Council and Rob O’Sullivan to discuss the preparation of a plan for the landscaping of the reserve opposite the shops and around the new toilet block. They discussed the type and possible placement of trees and shrubs and also the update of the signboard. Rob will meet with Phil Cornwell and Ray Henderson soon to draw up a plan to present to Council. This will form the basis for discussions with Council.</p> <p>They also discussed the drainage problem from the outside shower attached to the toilet block and Steve said he would let us know what the Council intends to do about this. Di reported that she has since heard from Steve Missen that the shower and tap will be moved to the other end of the building, which should solve the problem.</p>	Phil, Ray	
4	<p>DOGS ON BEACH ISSUE</p> <p>Ian Campbell, President of the Foreshore Committee, has talked to someone at DEWLP about the issue of how we can enforce the regulations concerning the exercise of dogs on our beaches. His contact has agreed to discuss the situation with DEWLP and report back to Ian. Agreed we should ask Ian to report back to us about this when he gets a response from DEWLP.</p>	Ray	
5	<p>DEFIB CABINET</p> <p>Anne investigated possible grants – SGSC Community Grants closes 31st March. Bendigo Bank community grant opens April and funds distributed in June. Agreed we should apply for funding for this from Council and the Bendigo Bank. Quote was received back in November but should be updated. Phil to assist Anne with this.</p>	Anne, Phil	
6	<p>BEACH WHEELCHAIR</p> <p>Acquittal for the grant from Council has been completed and sent to Council. Anne has written to the WBSLSC regarding permission to use their track to take people to the beach in the wheelchair. She hasn’t yet received a reply but we are assuming it will be OK.</p> <p>Di reported that the wheelchair has not been used recently. Due to lack of time Di has not promoted the wheelchair with aged care facilities other than the one in Foster, or with disability groups. There have however</p>	Di	



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	<p>been articles about it in local newspapers and it has received very positive comments after Facebook postings. Di will put photos of the chair on noticeboards and emphasise that its use is free. Phil and Ray to install some brakes on the wheelchair to make it easier to control. Di suggested we ask the Men's Shed to work in with us over the bookings for the chair particularly over the Easter period when she and Wendy will both be away from Sandy Point.</p>	<p>Phil, Ray Phil, Di</p>	
7	<p>MEN'S SHED Planning permits have been submitted to Council and are now waiting on a response from them. Hoping within 1 or 2 months will have a planning permit. Ray is looking at getting quotes for sheds to erect on the block. Their AGM is scheduled for next Wednesday.</p>		
8	<p>COMMUNITY PLAN SURVEY RESULTS Survey results are available on the website and a list of contact details has been received from Greta. A final report on this has not yet been received. Anne to ask Ian and Greta if they are intending to do so. Di to look into the updating of the Community Plan itself after Easter.</p>	<p>Anne Di</p>	
9	<p>KOALA GROUP REPORT Ray reported that he, Rob O'Sullivan and Caitlin Pilkington yesterday walked through the reserve down towards the inlet with the Consultants hired to advise on habitat management, tree planting etc, mapping trees. Scats from koalas were also collected for analysis. They will be walking around the streets of Sandy Point today to finish the tree mapping. Di confirmed that an Open Community Meeting will be held on Sat 7th April at 1pm to explain the results so far and will have several guest speakers.</p>		
10	<p>TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ISSUES Frank has written a reply to Council on behalf of the Community Group on their proposal to lower the speed limit in the township to 40kph. He has not yet received a response from Council. Anne to email Rob Jenner about this. Ray reported that the Tradies don't want a speed restriction on Sandy Point Road. Discussion about the need for more stop signs around the township, particularly at the end of Telopea Drive where it meets the Sandy Point Road. Apparently there have been several near accidents at this intersection.</p>	<p>Anne</p>	



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11	<p>COMMUNICATIONS – MOBILE AND NBN</p> <p>Phil reported that he has conducted a survey of mobile phone signal strength throughout Sandy Point and, as suspected, it is very patchy throughout and very poor at the southern end of the township. He has written a report about this which is ready to send to Telstra and the Council.</p> <p>It was suggested we talk to Alyson Skinner about this.</p> <p>Insufficient data yet about the NBN rollout but Phil will investigate this at a later date.</p>	<p>Phil, Anne</p> <p>Phil</p>	
12	<p>CENTRE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT LETTER</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Market Day in January. A letter seeking expressions of interest in holding a fundraising event on the first Saturday in January has been received. The Centre CoM do not wish to run the event themselves next year. Expressions of Interest must be received in writing by the end of May. Agreed we should request we may use that day for our Foodies Market. It was also discussed whether we should investigate holding the market later in the day as a Twilight Market. Wendy will discuss with regular stallholders at the next Foster market day. Storage Shed. Equipment belonging to the Centre CoM will be stored in the consulting room in the Centre itself, along with the Music Club equipment. Ray reported that the Foreshore equipment will be moved eventually to another storage shed, leaving the shed just for the SPCG and for the beach wheelchair. Decorative surfboards: Agreed we will move and incorporate the remaining surfboard on Telopea Drive into the landscaping plan of the reserve opposite the shops. We will not need the additional blank surfboard. 	<p>Anne, Wendy</p>	
13	<p>GENERAL BUSINESS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Twilight bike event on surf beach together with a sausage sizzle was suggested by Wendy. Agreed not to further pursue this idea as it was thought that not enough people liked riding their bikes along the beach. 		



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	Meeting closed 1.05 pm. Next meeting: To be announced.		