

SHOREHAM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Twenty seventh Committee of Management Meeting
Monday 17th February 2014, 7.30, Old School Hall, Shoreham

MINUTES

1. Chair's Introduction (Peter Renkin):

- Welcome
- Present: Peter Renkin (President/chair), Rob Patrick (Vice President), Kathryn Shain (Secretary), Barb Kelly, Peter Kelly, Ann-Heather White, Linda McLeish, Maddy Machin, Lee Collins, Verity Ducos Saunders.
- Guest: Nicola Belcher, (MPS Team Leader - Traffic and Road Safety).
- Apologies: Sue Boggan, Steve Dolman.
- Acknowledgement of the Boonwurrung/Bunnurong First People who had prior occupation of Shoreham and the Peninsula, and with their descendants we are partners in working for reconciliation.
- Committee activities and memorable events since last meeting:
 - CFA Xmas BBQ - this was a good event.
 - Increasing business for the Post Office – Ann-Heather, Linda and Steve have prepared flyer and put at the Post Office. Development in limbo pending outcome of VCAT mediation - there was one objector. The other objector has not proceeded following a meeting with Leo.
 - CFA fundraising - Peter K reported on raising approximately \$83,000. A golf day fundraiser was coming up. Rob reported that a contract had been signed for the new building and work would start the first week in March, subject to the issue of a Planning Permit by the Shire.
 - Shoreham Secrets event was very successful and enjoyable. 6-800 people attended. Thanks to everyone who assisted with this. Barb tabled a financial report showing a total amount raised of \$11,294.68. After deducting expenses of \$4640.40 a cheque had been given to the CFA for \$6,654.28. Donations, amounting to \$6,422.80, had also been received and a cheque for this amount was also given to the CFA.

2. Confirmation of previous minutes: Twenty-sixth Committee of Management meeting held on 16th December 2013. There were a few minor amendments from Rob to be incorporated.

Moved: Lee Collins, seconded: Maddy Machin, carried.

3. New and/or priority items for discussion: Rob flagged discussing the SCA website – see below para 7.8.

4. Interim development of 'The Shoreham Common' - Nicola Belcher:

4.1 Peter R reported that Nicola had produced 300 copies of a mud map for distribution to the public. 84 maps had been taken and 17 written responses received; the assumption being that those who had not responded were satisfied with what was happening. One person had objected and wanted the common to be left as it is. Most of the 17 respondents were permanent residents of Shoreham and had responded positively with the exception of the one objector. Responses related to such things as: parking on both sides of Byrnes Road, Cliff Road & Steen Avenue; access of spectators & light stanchions, & sensitivity to tree roots damaging courts for the tennis club; disabled access to the hall and special car park; picnic and BBQ areas; rubbish bins behind a screen, vegetation but not overplanting; defer blocking off access to old tennis court car park until CFA & PO/General store works are completed; formed pathways around old school hall to toilets; avenue of honour given attention; & a basketball ring. Peter R will write/distribute a report of the Feedback.

4.2 Committee members discussed with Nicola, in particular, the children's play area and equipment, citing good examples from Somers and Woodend where there was musical equipment and flying foxes. A skateboarding facility was also discussed, as was the possibility of an exercise track with stations around the edge of the common. Rocks can be used as seats. Nicola said these could all be part of the Master Plan.

Nicola said there was \$10,000 allocated for play equipment, that would be sufficient for 2 pieces of equipment with soft-fall underneath.

A discussion ensued as to whether it would be possible to have equipment that was more original, with input from local artists. Nicola said that so long as the cost was kept at about \$5,000 tenders would not be involved, although a risk assessment would need to be made. If the SCA went with the 2 pieces of equipment at this stage she could just ask for these and MPS contractors could install them. On being asked about the play equipment at Rye, Nicola said a risk assessment had been made and the project involving local participants took 5 or more years to be finalised. Professional plans had been made, similar to the area at Sorrento, and the community contributed cash. Professional trades people had been involved. Nicola said if SCA wanted to do something bigger then it would have to be part of the Master Plan. She said anything done now is seen as interim development & may have to be moved in 5 years' time. Perhaps what's done now could be a step towards something bigger and perhaps a theme may be

appropriate. She mentioned that community ideas were incorporated into the Master Plans for the play areas at Mt Eliza and at Flinders.

Verity asked if a separate grant could be had to commission local artists or sculptors. Nicola suggested contacting Andrea Ebsworth at MPS who was the arts/cultural planner. A cultural grant may be available. She mentioned a local artist had included kids from Red Hill Primary School to do artwork; this could happen in Shoreham; there were potentially many ways of being creative.

4.3 Lee raised the question of how to proceed from here?

- Peter R said the Tennis Club needed reassurance - they had concerns in particular about viewing the tennis courts from the car parking area. Gary Jones was the person to talk to. Nicola agreed to contact Gary.

- Nicola said she would take all the comments, draw up a list of points made and make a breakdown of costs to see what would be affordable and what should be prioritised. Nicola to provide upgraded sketches. A Master Plan should be based on theme(s), it can include local participation (\$s, working bees, local students art work etc.) and Indigenous markers.

Peter R suggested that a public meeting/statement was required before any development takes place. Discussion took place re the risks of holding/not holding a public meeting. Nicola suggested it may be appropriate to hold an open meeting where people could come along to MPS between certain times, eg between 5 - 7 pm to discuss any issues.

Peter R suggested that there could be a public meeting to discuss the CFA building, view the plans relating to the Post Office site development, and The Shoreham Common interim plan.

- Nicola said she would be happy to attend the next SCA meeting and bring along quotes, a sketch of the Avenue of Honour and photographs of two or three different styles of tables and chairs for the play area and she and the SCA could talk about what to present to the community at a meeting. Nicola is also happy to attend a community meeting.

4.4 Peter R asked if there were any comments regarding the Avenue of Honour.

It was decided to leave the issue of signage – given SCA has received a grant from MPS - until after the Master Plan was in place. (QUERY: Does SCA have to spend the grant within 12 months?). Peter mentioned that next year would be 100 years since Gallipoli and since most of those mentioned along the Avenue of Honour had fallen at Gallipoli, more Grant money may be available from governments.

5. **Business arising from previous Minutes:**

5.1 *Regular morning teas for older residents:* Linda reported that nothing had yet been done about this. Verity said people from Shoreham House should be invited;

Joan would be contacted. After discussion it was decided to hold the morning tea at 10.00 am on the first Friday of each month. This could be done on a rostered basis. Starting date on 7 March.

5.2 *Exploration of a Renewable Energy facility for the new CFA shed* – Adrian had been notified and thought this was a good idea.

5.3 *Application for Australia Post Grant 2014* – Peter R reported that grant applications were due now (on 4 April). Verity was to continue exploring this opportunity and would prepare a quote for a data projector and screen.

5.4 *Martin Dixon, Member for Nepean, has accepted SCA's invitation to attend the next meeting in March 2014.* Russell Joseph, Martin Dixon's staffer, would attend with him. Peter R had addressed the following SCA concerns in his invitation letter to Martin Dixon. These were not final -

- drainage
- increased usage of foreshore reserve and beaches - little funding is received from the State Government to deal with rubbish, anti-social behaviour of some tourists etc.
- Public transport
- Gas reticulation - this has not come any further than Merricks
- Aquatic Centre in Rosebud
- Reducing speed limits (90 to 60 km/hr) along the Frankston-Flinders Road through Shoreham – Nelson St to Beach Rd, (as has happened through Bittern)
- Quality of the roads
- Need for a recycling facility in the vicinity
- Green Wedges
- Coastal villages

Peter R was to circulate these points to the SCA for members to comment on, add to, and prioritise prior to the meeting with Martin Dixon.

6. Correspondence:

6.1 In:

6.1.1 *From MPS advising that SCA has been approved for a \$5,000 grant relating to signage at the 'Common'.* The sub-group were thanked for their work and now needed to think about what to put on the signs.

6.1.2 *From MPS 'Have your say: Shire Budget 2014-2015' - invitation for groups to input ideas and priorities for consideration in the preparation of the next draft budget via a verbal presentation on 12th February or a written submission by 28th February.* Peter R reported that the MPS meeting on the 12th was not attended by SCA, and a submission needed to be prepared by the 28th. It was decided that a sub-group of Rob, Peter K, Peter R to meet at Peter K's place on Monday 24th February at 6.00 pm to prepare and submit by 28 February.

6.1.3 *From Ambulance Victoria positively responding to the invitation to attend the February Red Hill Ward Consultative Group meeting - see para 8.7 below.*

6.1.4 *From Leo Maher advising of a series of training/education meetings on 8th March sponsored by the Flinders District Lions Club with the installation of an automatic defibrillator unit.* These were to be held on an hourly basis. It was agreed it may be a good thing to have one at Shoreham but consideration needs to be made about where to put this. Members to note; it could be an item for website.

6.1.5 *From John Wylie of Frankston-Flinders Road enclosing a donation of \$4,000 to Shoreham Secrets for the CFA Appeal.*

6.1.6 *From Allan Cowley, MPS Manager Strategic Planning, advising on decisions made by the Minister for Planning re Amendment C135 - 'Alavina'.* The sub-division had been upheld except for the blocks Nos 16 & 18 abutting the foreshore that was still listed with heritage overlay.

6.1.7 *From Jill Sands, Secretary Nepean Ratepayers Association, requesting support of SCA to opposition to the foreshore site for the Rosebud Aquatic Centre.* The question of SCA's mandate to speak on this issue was raised. It was decided that SCA could speak as a group but not as a representative of the community; Shoreham being a coastal community, it was felt appropriate for SCA to oppose the location of the centre on the foreshore, not the building of the centre as such. A resolution was moved and passed that, on this basis, SCA support the Nepean Ratepayers Association:

Moved: Rob Patrick; seconded: Ann-Heather White; motion carried.

6.2 Out:

6.2.1 *To Russell Jacobs, Minister Martin Dixon's staffer inviting the Minister/him to attend SCA's March or April meetings and suggesting topics of concern to SCA/Shoreham residents.*

6.2.2 *To Wayne Essing, Sykes Mentone Grammar School Camp, Marine Parade, following his request for speakers from CFA and an indigenous cultural officer.* Peter K reported that the CFA would not be attending. The MPS Indigenous Cultural Officer, Adam McGuinness, was already involved.

6.2.3 *To two girls staying in Shoreham who raised money for the SCA.*

6.2.4 *To MPS altering booking date of Committee meeting in April.*

6.2.5 *To Jill Sands, Nepean Ratepayers Association, advising that SCA will be able to reply after Committee meets on 17th February.* See para 6.1.7 above.

6.2.6 *To CEO MPS requesting information about the Flinders-Frankston bus usage and base data needed to justify a weekend service for Shoreham people.*

6.2.7 *To Minister Martin Dixon requesting the Flinders-Frankston public bus service operation be extended to weekends.*

6.2.8 *To VicRoads requesting adoption of 60Kph speed limit through Shoreham from Nelson Street to Beach Road.*

6.2.9 *To John Wylie re donation to CFA.* Verity to make sure that everyone who donated via the Secrets Garden event gets thanked. Rob advised that he has already sent a thank you letter to Blane Paton on behalf of the CFA, SCA and

Shoreham Secrets for his generous in-kind donation of \$1500 for a major sign and the production/distribution of 3000 postcards

7. Priority Projects

7.1 Shared Paths/Trails: Lee and Rob reported on the consultative work done prior to Christmas, and will now meet with Fiona Colquhoun (MPS) and Tony Walkington (Point Leo) to progress.

7.2 New Community Hall: Rob said there was nothing new to present.

7.3 Drainage: Peter R reported that an old drain in May Street had been uncovered but the road was still being undermined. Glen McAleise had now been told 4 times. Peter K to organise a meeting with residents of Oxford/May/Sydney Road with Glen McAleise, if possible on Sunday 23rd February at 11.0 am, at Peter K and Barb's place.

7.4 Hall refurbishment/maintenance: including Hall Reference Group meeting held on 5th February 2014

Peter R reported that nothing had been heard from Alison Leighton re requisitioning a structural engineer's report on the Hall. There had been progress in the kitchen but it was felt that the new cupboard doors should match with the old ones. Peter would contact Janet Dewhurst about replacing the fire bricks and filling in the hearth. The reference group had met - the group included SCA and Maddy's name had been added to the email list.

Peter R reported that it took at least a month for MPS to collect the rubbish generated from the Shoreham Secrets event and repeated phone calls had to be made for this to be done.

7.5 Development of the Common: see para 4 above.

7.6 Triangle: Peter K reported that the tree/plant naming was finished in time for the Shoreham Secrets event, 26th January. Things were in limbo at the moment pending the construction of the new CFA building and terracing. Some wildflowers would be affected by construction work.

7.7 Traffic, Parking and Road Safety: Nothing to report.

7.8 Road verges: Nothing to report.

8. Standing Committee reports

8.1 Taskforce: Nothing to report

8.2 Membership: Barb Kelly reported on 2 new members and 2 renewal of memberships. New membership was approved.

8.3 Finance and Budget: Barb tabled a financial report showing a bank balance as at 17th February of \$21,681.60 before presentation of two cheques, one for \$6,654.28 and the other for \$1,422.80. Report adopted.

8.4 Facilities and Project Implementation: Nothing to report.

8.5 Strategic Planning: Nothing to report.

8.5 Building Community: Nothing to report.

8.6 Media: Nothing to report.

8.7 President: Peter R reported on the Red Hill Consultative Group meeting on 18th December 2013:

- with Cr Martin. The nature of the relationship between the Group and Cr Martin had changed. The Group will lobby for themselves in future without always relying on dialogue with Cr Martin. There was genuine disappointment with the performance of Cr Martin at the last few meetings. Cr Martin was pushing for the Aquatic Centre and the development of the Port of Hastings with insufficient interest in the Redhill Ward.

- with 3 Senior officers of Ambulance Victoria re a Westernport on-call first response para-medical service. It was indicated that the population size was not large making argument to warrant a service difficult. Also, decisions on services are based on outcomes, not the time taken for an ambulance to reach someone in need - ie it was based on the health status of that person after the event.

8.8 Website: Rob reported that Linda Patrick had carried out an analysis and found that the website was accessed very infrequently. Linda wondered how effective the site was in spreading information. Was all the work that was put into the website worth it?

Discussion ensued about how to reinvigorate use of the site and how to get information out to the public. It was agreed SCA needed to put some thought to the issue of the role of the website and how to involve people in its use. It was suggested canvassing other groups with websites eg Flinders Community who were active in getting the community engaged and making sure our website address was known more widely. Verity offered to write an article about SCA in 'The Bridge'. Barb suggested we need an SCA notice board at the Post Office. Rob suggested we consider 1 or 2 Taskforce style newsletters a year, in addition to the website.

Linda was thanked for all the work she carried out re the website and was invited to attend the next SCA meeting to discuss these issues.

Peter Kelly requested that the CFA fund raising golf day be put on the website by Linda.

9. General Business: Peter R requested help with locating contact details for John Clark who it was intended to invite to the next AGM. Peter K offered to assist with this.

10. Next Committee Meeting to be held on Monday 17th March 2014 at 7.30 pm.

