

## **SHOREHAM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

### **Forty-fifth Committee of Management Meeting**

**Monday 19th October 2015 at 7.00pm in the Old School Hall, Shoreham**

#### **MINUTES**

Present: Rob Patrick (Vice President), Barb Kelly (Treasurer), Lee Collins, Alan Fisher, Peter Kelly, Ian Joy, Sue Boggan,

#### **1.0 Chair's introduction (Rob Patrick):**

- Apologies: Peter Renkin, Kathryn Shain, Verity Ducos-Saunders, Kerrie Hopkins
- Acknowledgement of the Boonwurrung/Bunnurong First People.
- Recognition of notable community activities since August meeting
  - Peter Kelly reported that 15 Blackwoods had been planted in the vicinity of the Treatment Plant by Brian Alcock
  - The Triangle meeting held on 24 September with Matt , Laura and Katie fromMPS, Daniel from Transfield, Brian Alcock (CFA President), Peter Kelly, Barb Kelly, Peter Renkin, Rob Patrick (all SCA) was productive. Agreement was reached on additional planting. Agreement was also reached by those at the meeting that the interface between the CFA and SCA planting areas would evolve overtime.

#### **2.0 Confirmation of Minutes of previous meeting:**

Forty-fourth Committee of Management Meeting on 21st September 2015

**Motion:** That the Minutes of the Forty-fourth meeting be accepted as a true and accurate record. Moved: Barb Kelly Seconded: Rob Patrick

#### **3.0 New and/or Agenda items to prioritise**

**3.1 Road Verges** – Sue Boggan reported on recent discussions with Emily Reid from Transfield regarding Byrnes Road verges. Emily shared several ideas and Sue will now prepare a recommendation for the November meeting.

**3.2 Shoreham Triangle** – Peter Kelly reported on a well attended and constructive meeting to provide information about recent work undertaken, and to discuss ongoing revegetation requirements on the Shoreham Triangle. This included adjoining revegetation undertaken by Shoreham Rural Fire Brigade members. Brian Alcock (Shoreham CFA President) acknowledged the earnestness of brigade members in undertaking this task. It was agreed that any further replanting be considered jointly between the brigade and the SCA, with input from Matt Stahmer and other MPS staff.

#### **4.0 Business Arising from the previous Minutes:**

**4.1** *Opening of Buxton Lane to Blake Street* – Rob advised that he had spoken with MPS officers and had been informed that Buxton Lane to Blake Street would remain closed. The process undertaken by the SCA was consistent with our role. Rob noted his concern that while petitions can be effective in achieving an outcome, they also have the potential to create division within communities.

**4.2** *Bendigo Bank defibrillator*- Barb reported that the CFA prefer the defibrillator to be located at the Post Office, rather than the station. It was agreed that Barb ask Colin Fairlie where at the Post Office it could go, then advise Bendigo Bank.

**4.3** *Proposal for “Shoreham Architects’ Forum” and Proposal for a ‘Consultative-Communications Strategy for Planning the Common’* - Verity was absent. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

**4.4** *Meeting with the Hon Greg Hunt MP* – Mr Hunt’s office has advised that he is unable to meet on the date scheduled to discuss road safety funding and other matters. The meeting has been rescheduled to 30 October. Peter, Kathryn, Barb and Rob to attend.

**4.5** *MPS Placemaking Grant* – Cr Tim Wood to be invited to ‘open’ the installation of outdoor furniture at the CFA Station and to engage with brigade and SCA members. It was agreed to identify future opportunities for the Shoreham community to meet and engage with Cr Wood.

**4.6** *Shoreham Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management* – Sue Boggan briefed members on concerns the Foreshore COM has with dogs on beaches and the strong opposition that Shire Officers have to the provision of Shire enforcement support. In a joint meeting with Shire officers and Cr Wood, Cr Wood was non-committal as he had no evidence of community support for enforcement. Discussion covered potential leash free areas on Shoreham and Point Leo beaches; concerns that SCA Committee members have with dogs off leash, including defaecation, knocking children over, chasing shorebirds and the potential to destroy beach nesting birds eggs. Rob informed members of the current breeding activity of Red-capped Plovers on Point Leo beach near the boundary with Shoreham. Additional concerns were also raised by Peter Kelly about campers and open fires on beaches, often resulting in Shoreham Rural Fire Brigade call-outs. It was agreed that Rob draft, in consultation with Peter Renkin, a letter to Cr Wood ( copy to Shoreham Foreshore Reserve COM). Rob to also consult Tony Walkington, Manager/Ranger at Point Leo.

#### **5.0 Correspondence:**

**5.1** *In:* Nil

**5.2** *Out:* Due to illness, Peter Renkin was unable to respond to correspondence.

#### **6.0 Standing Committees/Priority Projects updates (convenors in bold):**

**6.1 Financial Matters: Barb** – tabled monthly financial statement. See Appendix A.

**RESOLVED** that the financial statement be approved. **MOVED:** Barb Kelly

**SECONDED:** Ian Joy

**6.2 Membership: Barb** – noted that membership had not improved significantly from the last meeting. Barb and Kathryn to provide a draft membership drive strategy to Committee members for comment before the November meeting. Alan suggested placing flyers in PO boxes and suggested a target of 200 members.

**6.3 Hall Reference Group** – MPS staff have inspected the Shoreham Hall with an expert contractor experienced in the restoration of wall cracking in heritage buildings. Recommendations and additional quotes will be sought. The cost of repairs using resin injection methods may amount to \$80 000. This will be subject to a capital works budget bid for 2016/17.

**6.4 RAM Meeting on 8th October: Lee**

- Two SCA agenda items were included in a report from Tim Wood and Council officials at the last RAM meeting.
- In relation to Peter Renkin's request for an explanation of the new organisational chart for the MPSC, Cr Wood advised that it was available on the Council's website, including contact details.
- Alison Leighton ( Chief Operating Officer) Infrastructure and Planning distributed an A3 size diagram of the new Council structure and spoke at some length, outlining the new CEO Carl Cowie's main focus through this structure. Some significant comments reported by Alison were:
  - "fostering a positive and productive relationship with community"
  - "putting community front and centre"
  - "more rigorous project management"
  - a focus on delivering projects. "Getting things done". Therefore more interaction between planning and resourcing of projects.
  - more emphasis on management of council facilities.
  - more emphasis on building compliance.
- In relation to the second agenda item - the request some years ago from the Red Hill Ward Consultative Group (RHWCG) to be part of the Shires Coastal Villages Strategy Advisory Committee - Alison reported that there is no such committee. However, Alison Leighton and Allan Cowley (Strategic Planning Manager) "will be working to liaise with local stakeholders" to contribute to the Shire's Coastal Villages Strategy. What exactly this means is unclear.
- Reports and subsequent discussion that occurred at this meeting concerned:
  - inappropriate vegetation removal by Transfield (MPSC contractor) Merricks Beach
  - creation of an 'All Hazards & Fire prevention Booklet' to be distributed in the Shire.

- the strong role MPSC has under the Local Government Act to make "assessments" on road issues within the Shire and then advocate with Vic Roads. This has worked quickly to have speed signs reduced at Warrawee corner, Balnarring. Cr Wood stated that VicRoads spends less on roads than anywhere else in Australia.
- Cape Schanck group reported that they expect the MPSC to develop a strategy to manage issues arising out of the RACV development.
- Next RAM meeting 10 December.

**6.5 Taskforce Report** – Sue reported that the preliminary plans for the General Store will not proceed. Two Shoreham architects will assist in the redesign of the proposal. Existing Taskforce members (Peter Renkin, Sue Boggan and Rob Patrick) recommended that the late Leo Maher be removed and Barb Kelly be added to the Taskforce. Sue and Barb would also be added as signatories to the existing members (Peter Renkin and Rob Patrick). Any two signatories would then be able to sign cheques. The recommendation was adopted.

#### **7.0 General Business - Coming Events/Activities:**

**7.1** Next "Cuppa & Talk – 10.30am, 6 November

**7.2** Next 'Barb's Monday Walk' – 26 October, Green's Bush

**7.3** Next Community Dinner – 27 November, Old School Hall

**7.4** SCA End of Year Dinner for Committee and retiring Committee members – 4 December, at Ann and Peter Renkin's home. Lee Collins to discuss arrangements for this function with Ann and Peter.

**7.5** Regrassing The Common track – Rob advised that he had been approached by a long-term local who believed the central part of the dirt track through the centre of The Common should be regrassed and vehicles restricted. Rob noted that the SCA had previously discussed this matter under the auspices of The Common project, and that there had been support for this concept. It was noted that prior to 2006 there was no track through the Common. Aerial photos held by the MPS demonstrate this. However, due to a decision to engage planners to prepare a plan for The Common through potential MPS funds, the SCA parked its own proposal. Now that these funds are no longer available, Rob believes a minimal approach should proceed, following consultation with local user groups. Appropriate communication with the Shoreham community, as well as the MPS and associated contractors, as well as other regular hall users, will be undertaken.

**Motion:** That the SCA proceed with regrassing the central part of this track during Autumn 2016. **Moved:** Sue Boggan **Seconded:** Lee Collins

**7.6** Clean up of Byrnes Road – Sue Boggan to contact Emily (MPS) regarding the Shire's intent to have contractors undertake a clean up.

**7.7** Tree Health - Peter Kelly believes dieback of native trees is increasing across the MPS and suggested that the RHWCG seek a Shire response to this matter.

8.0      **Next Committee meeting:** Monday 16 November **7.00pm**, Old School Hall.

9.0      **Close** 9.15pm

**APPENDIX A**

**SHOREHAM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.**

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 19 OCTOBER 2015

STATEMENT ACCOUNT

Opening balance (from 21/9/15)			\$8,860.07
INCOME	Membership (4)	80.00	\$8,940.07
less EXPENSES	B.Alcock (oil for CFA tables)	79.90	\$8,860.17

TERM DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Opening balance (from 10/6/15)			\$10,222.18
Plus interest to 10 September 2015		64.41	<u>\$10,286.59</u>

**Balance as at 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2015: \$ 8,860.17 - Statement Account**

**Balance as at 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2015: \$10,286.59 - Term Deposit Account**

Membership as at 19/10/2015: 64 (number at last meeting should have read 60)