

HWCV General Meeting Minutes – Aug 13, 2007

Meeting commenced at 7.10pm with 15 persons present.
And Leslie Lockwood as Chairperson
Apologies: Jan Chappello, Jan King, Paul Coombes,
Graeme Gibson and Meg Bishop.

Treasurers Report

The current balance is \$1082. Leslie proposed to pay another cheque to the Town planner of \$891. We are to apply for the \$400 annual grant for CCBs from Council. Leslie suggested that we hold a fundraiser movie night at the Husky cinema with supper provided. The recommended movie for the night is "Lucky Miles". The meeting attendees were supportive of the proposal. Leslie is following up on several HWCV cheques remaining uncashed.

Correspondence

Alan Burrows mentioned correspondence despatched by HWCV in the previous month and circulated the correspondence file:

- Letters to NSW Ministers for Planning and Local Government re 1 Beach st proposed flats
- Submission to SCC re 1 Beach St
- Submission to SCC re proposed development at Edendale St Woollamia
- Submission to SCC re CCB's political activities.

General Business

1 Avelynne Wilby, SCC Waste Minimisation Officer spoke to the meeting. She stated that the Shoalhaven Council area had the third largest amount of rubbish cleaned up for the Clean up Australia day in March and the greatest number of participants enrolled in Cleanup day. Shoalhaven only has one landfill site at West Nowra and a number of transfer stations which are to be renamed "resource recovery stations". The lifespan of the West Nowra facility is until 2022 based on the current population level. (but the population is increasing.) She described three local projects –

- street bins for recycling ,
- woodchipping trial – this is testing demand on a user-pays basis.
- home composting trial – over 700 people volunteered and they could only accept 200 for the trial. The first stage of which is auditing the household's red bin contents. The following is a breakdown of the typical red bin contents:
- green waste eg prunings – , food waste about 30% , nappies – approx 7.1%

Avelynne stated that about 65-70% of the contents shouldn't be discarded in the red bin. The average bin weighs 12kg – the recyclable component was 40% and the compostable component was 14.1%. As the population increases, there will be an increased load on street litter plus the increased amount of commercial rubbish that commercial operators dump in parks and street litter bins. The amount of waste generated in the Shoalhaven is increasing. SCC pays NSW EPA waste levy of 31.6 + tax / tonne of waste which equates to \$2.6 million /year. The landfill station generates methane which it sells back to the power grid.



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Other issues discussed were:

- DCP93 and waste minimization eg proposed Beach st development – how many bins, ongoing waste disposal
- Health issues involved in composting green waste – Avelynne suggested to "feed as much as you can to the worms".
- The concept of extended producer responsibility which is intended to reduce packaging and increase the use of worm farms and compost bins.

2 Roger gave an update regarding Edendale St – Council recently held a residents briefing meeting between council officers, Cr Richard Bates , the developers representatives and 10 Edendale street residents at Edendale street..

3 The HWCV nominees to DCP54 community workshop was discussed. –HWCV nominees are Graeme Gibson and Kate Broadhurst with Alan Burrows selected as one of the tourism reps.

4 Alan discussed the DCP54 amendment No 3 (relating to the RSL carpark block) – there were 43 letters and 1148 form letters from RSL club members received by Council.

5 Alan announced a public meeting to be held at Vincentia High on August 15th relating to the proposed DA for 1 Beach Street.

6 HWCV internal communication methods with members was discussed – Steve and Alan are continuing to develop a policy.

7 The forthcoming AGM in September was discussed.

8 The fate of the Huskisson Anglican Church was discussed.

9 Mention of the Barry O'Farrell and Shelley Hancock focus meeting recently held in Huskisson.

10 Leslie will attend the Environmental workshop to be held on August 15th at Bomaderry .

11 The "Dob in a Hoon" (joint SCC /NSW police program) was mentioned.

12 Alan gave increased cost of carpark spaces in Huskisson (from 8 to 11K).

13 The RSL carpark was discussed – Randall Sinnamon spoke about how he would like the RSL to be compensated for the block and that the block should not be developed. Randall also mentioned how the RSL rejected his membership after 20 years of him being a member following his involvement in a protest held at the carpark