

Huskisson Woollamia Community Voice Minutes of General Meeting of November 12 2007

Attendance: 50 people

Apologies: Andrea Ballantyne, Ruth Anderson, Camille Norford, Stephanie Knight, Merrilyn Weiss, John Hatton, Rebecca Rudd

Minutes of the last meeting accepted no business arising from these minutes

Update of the first Council workshop on DCP 54

The HWCV representatives for the workshop gave an overview of DCP 54 and the consultation done by HWCV and Council, followed by an outline of the workshop process and the workshop participants. It was noted that DCP 54 has been adopted and the workshops are addressing whether any changes should be made. Our representatives noted:

- the lack of meaningful community consultation by Council was important
- the need for development that is residential rather than tourist
- the definition that Huskisson is a village and not a town which is disputed by HWCV.
- the importance of the views – the views are being lost in the current plans.
- our representatives are arguing for an urban design panel to outline what is acceptable. Future desired character was discussed and our definition was rejected. The infrastructure plan is still not available and is now put on hold until the DCP is finalised and adjusted to suit.
- it was also argued that we have no economic and social plan to base development decisions on but this was not seen as important by council.

The meeting then considered the following options for DCP 54 so that our representatives could take our views to the next workshop. After some discussion of the various scenarios four options were presented and voted on

- 1 Two and three storeys – 16 votes
- 2 Two and three storeys and height bonus for lot consolidation – 20 votes
- 3 Three and four storey with no height bonus – 1 vote
- 4 Three and four storeys and height bonus – 3 votes

When the 13 metres height limit is exceeded it will be referred to Frank Sartor. Minister for Planning.

The meeting agreed with the importance of better set of urban design guidelines and an



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architectural design panel to be involved in assessing development applications. The strong feeling of the meeting was that this should be included not matter which options is approved especially where a height bonus is involved.

The Mayor outlined that unless we have another level on the northern side of Owen St then new development will not happen. Investors will only pay the income that they will receive in rent of a new development. However the meeting felt that it is not the Council's job to just encourage development but to also look after residents and rate payers.

The Mayor also said that Heights will come out the DCP and go into the LEP and will be mandatory.

Website – Steve has redesigned the website and asked people to have a look.

CCB - HCoC&T has also been appointed as a CCB and we do not as yet understand how this will work. HWCV will bring it up at the next meeting of the joint CCBs to see how this will work.

The Mayor thinks that the matter has been mis-recorded and that the minute secretary has made a mistake. His understanding is that this can be fixed.

Other Business - Lyn Lee reported that the Burrill St right of way has been properly reinstated and the fence of the caravan has been moved. Part of the right of way has been reinstated but part was not done after more consultation they have been told that the final stage will be completed by the end of the year.

RSL Block - Discussion of the status of the temporary car park and how can we do anything about this.

Mayor suggests that if the State government puts the money in then the Council will do what they can to buy the block