



Apologies: John and Mary Ramm, Maureen Noonan

Attendance: 22

Eddie Smith, Sue Smith, Penny Davidson, Jan Bruck, Steven Murphy, Chris Myers, Leslie Lockwood, Tim Peach, Shirley Fitzgerald, Evan Christen, Mark Wareham, Nina Douglas, Geoff Barlow, Julie Sarky, Cllr. Patricia White Steve Bartlett, Cllr. Jo Gash, Susan Dunshe, Kim Stephenson, Alan Stephenson, Sandra Shurey, Cllr. John Levett.

Welcome and introductions:

Chair Susan Smith welcomed everyone to the first meeting for 2019, and introduced herself as interim chair, Penny Davidson as interim secretary, and Steven Murphy as interim Public Officer; to fill these positions until the general elections later in the year.

Previous Minutes:

All actions from previous minutes have been completed. No business arising from the previous minutes. Moved Tim Peach/Seconded Nina Douglas that Minutes be accepted. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report:

Geoff Barlow provided a statement.
Opening balance: \$2440.86
Outgoings: \$46.00 NSW Fair Trading
\$39.00 Hall hire
Income: \$50.00 Mark Wareham / Elite Energy
Closing balance: \$2405.86
Moved Eddie Smith/Seconded Mark Wareham that report be accepted. Motion passed.

Resignation of Garry Kelson as Chair:

Resignation was a surprise, and Garry has done an amazing job. He is a well-connected person; hard to do as well as he has done. Request to read Garry's letter of resignation out – Garry outlined that the direction of the Voice has changed and rather than create division he felt it most appropriate to resign. Current Chair indicated that she was very sorry to see him go.

Resignation of Paul Sutton as Public Officer:

After a long period of involvement, and after achieving many things for HWCV Paul has resigned as Public Officer but has offered to continue responsibility for the distribution of dog tidy bags across H-W.

Ratification of appointments to casual vacancies:

The HWCV recommends the appointment of Sue Smith as Chair until the next annual general meeting.
Moved Mark Wareham/Seconded Steve Bartlett.
The HWCV recommends the appointment of Penny Davidson as Secretary until the next annual general meeting.
Moved Eddie Smith/Seconded Jan Bruck
The HWCV recommends the appointment of Steven Murphy as Public Office until the next annual general meeting.
Moved Leslie Lockwood/Seconded Mark Wareham.

Correspondence In:

JB Road and highway intersection – Vincentia Matters sent report on the Public Meeting held on 7 November 2018 to discuss issue. Report is on HWCV website.

Garry Kelson resignation – letter received from Garry resigning as Chair from the HWCV. Letter was read to meeting.

Triathlon DA – Shoalhaven Council advised they had asked Elite Energy to submit a DA for the Husky Triathlon.

Reminder Growth Management Strategy Community Drop-In session rescheduled to 6 December.

Sad loss of Garry as Chair – email from Shelley Hancock.

Thank you to Garry for his service – Tomerong Community Forum.

PFAS in JB Territory – information to be circulated, placed on community notice board.

Guide posts to be installed corner of Bowen and Fegan – Advice form SCC

Triathlon DA submitted – advice form SCC

Representation made to the Minister for Environment & Heritage regarding Huskisson Anglican Church preservation – email from Shelley Hancock's office.

Acknowledgement of Shelley Hancock's representation – from Minister Gabrielle Upton.

Possible relocation of Shoalhaven Memorial Hospital - Request from Bill Hancock for support in lobbying for the moving of the hospital.

DA 17/2574 approval - for multi-unit development 15-17 Fegen St, Huskisson.

Keppel Street resurfacing – between, Hawke and Currambene Streets will be listed in next financial year's resealing program.

Wheel stops Bowen Street – Council will install adjacent to White Sands Park, outcome of Councillors Familiarisation Tour.

Woollamia Pressure Sewer drop-in information session – notification for 9 February.

Objection to Triathlon – copy of Huskisson Chamber of Council letter.

Planning proposal to rezone seven SP3 Tourist zoned sites – public exhibition from 30 January 2019 to 1 March 2019.

Tourist Park signage, Duncan Street – SCC acknowledgement of concerns raised by HWCV and intention to monitor the area.

Paul Sutton resignation – letter received from Paul resigning as Public Officer from the HWCV.

Planned work Huskisson roads – work to build a roundabout near the Huskisson picture theatre goes to tender in March; SCC may seek funding for traffic calming in Owen Street; plan to undertake landscaping on north side of Owen Street.

Invoice Shoalhaven Internet - \$145

Amendment to Triathlon route – letter from SCC

Coastal Hazard Review and Shoalhaven Development Control Plan Amendment No.20 public exhibition – from 6 February to 8 March 2019.

Murray Darling Basin lack of water – letter from Environmental Defenders Office outlining problems and seeking donations.

Note: HWCV receives updates from SCC on DA applications received, and DA application decisions. Information relating to Huskisson and Woollamia is posted on the HWCV website.

Correspondence Out:

Advice of Garry Kelson's resignation – letter to Russ Pigg, SCC General Manager.

Advice of Garry Kelson's resignation – letter to Shelley Hancock, State member.

Thank you for service and contribution – letter to Garry Kelson.

Advice of Garry Kelson's resignation – mail out to HWCV members.

Request to approach Minister Upton re Save Husky Church – letter to Shelley Hancock asking her to approach Minister Upton with a request to save Husky Church.

Everyone Can Play in NSW grant – letter to Council supporting their application.

Objection to DA18/2345 Husky Triathlon – letter to Council objecting to Triathlon DA, at request of JB Chamber of Commerce.

Thank you for service and contribution – letter to Paul Sutton.

Triathlon:

HWCV has written expressing concern and supporting the Huskisson Chamber of Commerce concerns.

The route has been amended to improve access to Huskisson during the Triathlon. Discussion points were:

- DA should be called-in and decided by Councillors rather than staff.
- The Triathlon is too big for Huskisson now.
- The timing of the DA means that Council are almost obliged to approve.
- J. Gash indicated that Council acknowledge the negative impact and would be looking at the future of the event.
- community could organise a protest during the event, and meet with the organisers.
- it is the 2nd biggest Tri in Australia, and Elite Energy puts money back into the community.
- Another issue is number of events
- Only this event receives many complaints
- A lot of litter after event, even though they are meant to clean up
- Operator not able to manage something this size, perhaps Council or other take it over

Action: write letter to SCC noting that we understand the Triathlon will be approved for 2019 alone, but that it should be explicitly noted that it can't be extended; the HWCV asks that the whole thing be revisited.

Woollamia Pressure Sewer update (Steven Murphy)

Shoalhaven Water community information session was very informative. Pipes connect at the Industrial Estate, then along Woollamia Rd (just through the village), Frank Lewis Way, Coulon St (boat ramp & environs), Edendale St and Sunnyside Av. Each property will get a Pressure Sewer Unit (PSU) which will automatically pump sewerage into the

reticulation system. There is an alarm to Shoalhaven Water if there is an overflow.

Issues are that it will be rolled out to everyone, all residents will now pay a sewer charge of \$830 pa, they will have to pay an additional electricity charge of approx. \$50 pa., and to install will need to pay for two required cleans of the septic tank.

Majority of people at the information session seemed relieved to have this coming. There was a Woollamia village petition in 2016, signed by all but three households requesting the provision of a sewerage system. Construction will take 18 months. Council have a hardship policy to help people who have difficulty covering the cost. No request was made to the HWCV.

Save Husky Church update (Shirley Fitzgerald)

Since the last HWCV meeting the Heritage Council recommended an Interim Heritage Order for 12 months for the site. However the Minister didn't sign the order, and new information was presented by Steve Bartlett leading the Minister to ask that the Heritage Council reconsider their recommendation. They met last week and changed their mind – so an Interim Heritage Order will not be put on the site.

Save Husky Church will continue to request that the cultural and natural heritage of the site be protected. The petition will go to the SCC at an appropriate time, and will examine and comment on any rezoning proposals and DAs.

For a good representation of Council's response to Save Husky Church and the quest to preserve Huskisson heritage look at the webcam of last Tuesday night's (5 Feb 2019) Development Meeting which is up on the SCC website.

As Steve Bartlett was attending the meeting he was invited to speak.

He employed archaeologist Sue Feary, and GBA Heritage to provide professional assessments. Steve reported that both recommended that development can proceed as long as graves are undisturbed. The archaeological and heritage reports have been given to SCC to attach to DA.

Steve has a scheme for the site designed by Philip Thalys which gives consideration to the arborist's report. Of the 7 high value trees two will be removed. The broad stages are:

- Approval of DA for demolition
- Rezoning – involves Council and State Government
- DA lodged for building

HWCV Community Engagement Project update (Eddie Smith)

Initiated to ensure that HWCV was reflecting views of community as usually only 8 people turn up to meetings. Penny and Eddie have had input from Bruce McKenzie and drafted an approach. As the Committee was reluctant to financially support it want to know if the HWCV still wants the project to go ahead.

Purpose is to inform the HWCV in general, and potentially inform response to the Growth Management Strategy that will be seeking comment later in the year.

Shirley: supports the idea as it's a way to gather more views, and even though a similar thing was done in 2010 it needs to be revisited as the community is changing.

Useful to ask what's important for you?

Useful to look at Shoalhaven Heads report.

Jan: it would also be useful to have a publicity drive to get more people active in the HWCV.

General agreement for the project to go ahead.

Eddie and Penny noted that won't be spending money in the first instance.

Anyone interested in being involved or supporting see Eddie and Penny.

Poor state of Telstra exchange in Currumbene

Concerned about the appearance of the infrastructure.

Steve B. informed that Telstra is likely to sell / remove that asset.

Action: write to Telstra indicating concern about the appearance and asking what is being planned?

Other Business

Kim Stephenson, Greens candidate for State election.

Briefly spoke outlining the issues that she will be campaigning on, including: climate change, public transport, unemployment, education, biodiversity, universal housing, hospitals, indigenous recognition and keeping public assets .

For more detail go to: <https://greens.org.au/nsw/person/kim-stephenson>

Meeting closed: 8:10pm.

Next meeting: 7:00pm Monday 8 April 2019 at the Huskisson Community Centre.