

**Huskisson Woollamia Community Voice - Minutes
General Meeting - Monday 13 November 2017
7.00pm Chair: Garry Kelson**

Welcome: Ann Sudmalis MP, Federal Member for Gilmore, Clr John Levett, visitors and locals.

Apologies: Jan Bruck, Nina Douglas, Blair Keane, Elaine Kelson, Leslie Lockwood, Mark Wareham.

Attendance: 12

Previous Minutes:

Minutes of 9 October 2017. Moved – Steve Murphy, Seconded – Cheryl Clark. Minutes accepted.

Business arising from previous Minutes:

Rabbits: Email sent to Council re eradication programme, but no response yet.

Treasurer's Report:

Geoff Barlow provided a statement.

Opening Balance: \$2205.36

Incoming: \$150 Mark Wareham HWCV volunteer, \$550 Elite Energy (11 x \$50) HWCV volunteers

Outgoing: \$45 Dept. of Fair Trading.

Closing Balance: \$2860.36

Moved – Eddie Smith, Seconded – Steve Murphy. Report accepted.

NBN (National Broadband Network): Ann Sudmalis spoke about the NBN. Residents told to expect connection mid-November, but no information from NBN or retailers so far. Woollamia may get fixed wireless. Public contact for the NBN is the retail supplier, *not* the NBN. All complaints require a complaint reference number from the retailer. Ann Sudmalis will follow up and advise any relevant information. Steve Murphy attended the 11 October NBN meeting at Vincentia and advised that customers will have to choose their speed and recommended a 25gig plan. No date set yet for a Business education session for Husky.

Volunteer Grants 2016: Grants of up to \$5000 are available through the Dept. of Social Services. HWCV have so far been unsuccessful in applying for a grant to purchase a laptop and digital projector. Ann Sudmalis asked to be copied on any future application and also suggested contacting Fiona Hatcher, Executive Director, Regional Development Australia.



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Correspondence in:

Liveable Communities Grants Program: Letter from Hon Shelley Hancock MP re applications for Round Three, supporting delivery of the NSW Ageing Strategy. Please see Garry for further details.

2 Beach St, Huskisson: Development application from Holiday Haven Tourist Parks lodged with Council to reconfigure existing sites and create five safari tent sites.

Seachange Festival: Email re timing of MMC footbridge construction as it may impact on the opening of the Festival. HWCV have advised Seachange to contact Council direct as we are not responsible for the construction project.

Proposed No Stopping Zone – Beach Street: Letter from Council re proposal to put No Parking signs on East side, same as West side. Clr John Levett to follow up. HWCV supports this proposal.

Minutes Tri Group meeting: Minutes of 16 October 2017 informal meeting with Chamber of Commerce, JB Tourism and HWCV. 'Wish List' has been developed for projects including:

- A traffic control plan for intersection of Owen/Sydney/Tomerong streets. Suggestion for a 'Give Way' sign on Western side as an interim measure until something permanent is done. Motion proposed that HWCV make a formal submission to Council for a current parking and traffic control plan. Moved – Garry Kelson, Seconded – Steve Murphy. Motion carried with proviso we get an annual update.
- Intersection JB Road & Pacific Highway. HWCV has approached Shelley Handcock to create a left turn lane for traffic going south. Ann Sudmalis suggested collectively writing to Council to ask them to lobby State members to be part of Black Spot programme.
- Husky Sports Field public amenities upgrade.
- Outdoor exercise equipment similar to Plantation Point.
- Husky entrance road north side – extra planting to create an 'avenue' effect.
- Banners on Owen Street power poles for holidays, carnivals etc (working in with JBMM). Museum already in process of creating banners for Christmas.

JB Maritime Museum: Owen Street Banner policy and process information and samples.

Safer Communities Programme: Email from Ann Sudmalis advising Round 2 has opened.

Shoalhaven Council: Advice re public exhibition of amendment to Husky business development zones.

Elite Energy: Letter confirming registration of volunteers to man water stations for Long Course event on 29 October 2017. Garry thanked everyone who supported us. Thank you also to Paul Sutton for organizing and Mark Wareham for donating his volunteer payment (\$150).

CCB Guidelines Workshop: Letter from Council re workshop held on 2 November. Garry Kelson attended. Draft being produced for comment.

Australia Day Awards 2018: Email from Council re nominations.

Little Blue Dinosaur Program: Letter from Council re no further funding for LBD signs for pedestrian safety. CCB's welcome to self fund if desired.

Special Rate Variation: Letter from Council re proposed special rate variation. Council seeking Independent Pricing & Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) approval to retain the 13.2% special rate variation (approved as a *one off* increase in 2017/18) as a *permanent* increase and for additional special variations of 5% in 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21. Steve Murphy advised Council have held three public meetings to receive community feedback. General discussion re rates and the status of Shoalhaven being classified 'Metro' for the purposes of the Environmental levy.

Dent Street passive water craft launch site: Email from Council re impasse between supplier and contractor. There is currently no timeline for completion.

White Sands Holiday Park: Email re removal of two pine trees on Fegan Street boundary and replacement with native species.

Correspondence out:

Tree up lighting: Email to Council requesting joint meeting (Chamber of Commerce and HWCV) with Mayor.

General Business:

Graeme Gibson & Meg Bishop: Steve Murphy moved a motion of thanks to Graeme Gibson (foundation Co-Chair) and Meg Bishop (Committee member) for their past work with the HWCV. They have now moved to northern NSW. Seconded – Garry Kelson. Majority vote in favour. Abstain – Paul Sutton.

Motor Sport Complex/Driver Training: A project of Council and Shoalhaven Motor Sport Club Inc. Update from Paul Sutton. DA submission now being prepared.

Dog Bags: Motion to use a new supplier and bulk purchase which will result in a cost reduction to \$277. This would be 50% of a shared cost with an anonymous private donation. Enough supplies for at least 12 months. Moved - Paul Sutton, seconded – Eddie Smith. Motion passed.

Clean Up Australia Day – 4 March 2018 – Moona Moona Creek Reserve – 8am to 12 noon: A reminder from Paul Sutton to register with Clean Up Australia if you wish to participate. www.cleanupaustriaday.org.au HWCV will advertise this event on our website and encourage participation but we are not able to have it listed as a specific HWCV project.

Community Notice Board: Located in Husky near the Post Office. Paul Sutton encouraged everyone to provide more information to Nina Douglas for the Board.

Trees: Eddie Smith raised his concerns over the removal by Council of a large tree on the verge outside 5 Berry Street. Cllr John Levett is intending to investigate the current guidelines re tree removal, to improve on the current ad hoc approach.

Meeting closed: 8.45pm.

Next meeting: Monday 12 February 2018. 7.00pm.