

**Huskisson Woollamia Community Voice - Minutes  
General Meeting - Monday 9 October 2017 - 7.00pm  
Chair: Garry Kelson**



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**Welcome:** Kate Ryan (CCB Liaison Officer), Danny & Jo Payne (Husky Chamber of Commerce), Ben Hutchins (JB Tourism & Heart of Husky), Abe Memhet and John Ferguson, President of Jervis Bay Maritime Museum- visitors and locals.

**Apologies:** Clr Amanda Findley, Clr Jo Gash, Clr John Levett, Clr Greg Watson, Eddie Smith, Jan Bruck, Paul Sutton, John & Mary Rann, Kim Batchelor

**Attendance:** 21

**Previous Minutes**

Minutes of 14 August 2017. Moved/Seconded (Mark Wareham/Nina Douglas). Minutes accepted.

**Business arising from previous Minutes:**

**Ben Stewart:** Note of appreciation sent for his service as a Director of SCC.

**Treasurers Report**

Geoff Barlow provided a statement.

Opening Balance: \$1689.16

Incoming: \$500 from Council

Outgoing: Registration of domain name \$55.00

Closing Balance: \$2134.76

Moved/Seconded (Leslie Lockwood/Elaine Kelson)

Report accepted.

**Guest Speaker: Kate Ryan, Community & CCB Engagement Officer, Shoalhaven City Council.**

Kate acknowledged the role of the current committee and is looking forward to working with the new committee. Kate has been in her present position for 12 months and sees her role as being the liaison between CCB's and Council. Kate organises the annual bus trip bringing senior Council staff to the community and the CCB Executive meeting which brings together all the different group directors to discuss relevant projects.

**Correspondence in:**

**Jervis Bay Tourism:** Invitation to AGM on 11 September 2017. Garry Kelson & Steve Murphy attended and learned there are only two Maritime offices in JB. This may be something for later discussion at HWCV. Increasing numbers of visitors to JB highlights the need to ensure infrastructure and support services are keeping pace with demand especially if cruise ships are to visit. Ben Hutchins will keep us updated on the

possibility of a survey to ascertain local opinion re cruise ships.

**MMC Bridge:** Media alert from Hon Shelley Hancock re visit from Minister for Transport & Infrastructure, Andrew Constance on 21 August 2017. More than 20 people met the Minister who was keen to see the project completed this financial year. The Minister also inspected the road bridge and mentioned that lobbying should start *now* for a new road bridge.

**Invitation** to participate in Community Development Service Review workshop 14 September 2017. We were unable to find anyone to attend.

**Notice of intention – proposed Marine Rescue Air Berth,** Currumbene Creek, Admiralty Crescent. Relocation of air berth currently installed at HMAS Creswell.

**Volunteer Ambassador Call Out** – Council seeking volunteer tourism ambassadors to join mid-October training session. Please contact Garry Kelson if interested.

**Parking:** Follow up email from SCC Traffic Investigation Officer after site meeting between Garry Kelson & Clr. John Levett. Mention of poorly located 'No Standing' signage Beach St north turnaround area between two tourist parks; continuing push for 'No Parking' eastern side Nowra/Beach Streets; bus parking signage at wharf; timed parking 59 Owen Street (Council has said 'no'); use of Crown and Church land in Currumbene Street. Danny Payne will send HWCV a copy of email Chamber of Commerce received from Council re parking. Kate Ryan suggested a round table discussion between all parties and Council. Also discussion re lack of Disabled Parking. Heart of Husky to discuss at their next meeting.

**Kayak Launching facility, Dent St:** Email from SCC with update. HWCV to write to Council to ask about progress as Council suggested October long weekend completion date has now passed.

**CCB Executive Meeting:** Reminder re meeting 12 October 2017 at Ulladulla Civic Centre. Please advise Garry if you would like to attend.

**Correspondence out:** Nil

## **General Business:**

**Councillors & Senior SCC Staff Tour:** Paul Sutton not available to give his report as attending another meeting.

**7 Beach Street:** Development plan rejected by Council as did not meet certain ratios. No doubt development will ultimately be approved. This, along with other development in the street, will mean a big change in the area. HWCV will stay involved and advise after Development Committee meeting.

**Heart of Huskisson (HOH):** Originally formed to have input into the fate of the block at 59 Owen Street, the Heart of Huskisson remains an alliance of three main stakeholder groups - JB Tourism, HWCV and Huskisson Chamber of Commerce. Between them they represent residents, ratepayers and the town's many businesses and tourism operators. At the recent AGM, Ben Hutchens was appointed Chair. Two or three times a year executives of these key groups will get together to discuss items of concern and items to benefit the area.

**Fundraising for HWCV:** Biggest on-going expense is provision of dog tidy bags. As there are no membership fees it is important to raise funds to keep us viable. Our application has been accepted to man a Drink Station on Sunday 29 October 2017 during the Long Course weekend for which we will receive \$50/head. More volunteers still needed so please contact Garry Kelson if you can help.

**Bio-degradable dog bags:** Chamber of Commerce have invited guest speaker to talk about alternatives to using plastic bags in Husky. Danny Payne will ask about supply of biodegradable/compostable dog bags at this time.

**Sydney St/Tomerong St pathway:** Council have indicated they will construct pathways on *both* Eastern *and* Western sides. Construction directly outside the Primary School has commenced. HWCV will follow up to ensure the path is also extended on the Eastern side. Discussion on the safety of children sharing the path with cyclists and the dangerous proximity to the road and slope of the path on the Western side.

**Rabbits:** HWCV Minutes of 19 June indicated Council would commence a pest eradication programme within 3 months but nothing seems to have been done yet. HWCV to follow up.

**Sea Change:** Leslie Lockwood advised Sea Change is going annual as this gives them better access to funding. Leslie will keep us informed of dates. Please let her know if you would like to volunteer.

**Signage on Primary School Fence:** Danny Payne asked HWCV for support to have the unsightly/illegal commercial signage removed from the fence. Chamber of Commerce have written to the Principal and are awaiting a response.

**Endeavour Energy Tree Pruning:** An on-going problem re savage tree pruning. Many approaches have been made to Endeavour Energy without much success. This matter to be discussed at the Heart of Husky meeting in hope a *combined* approach may be more effective.

The meeting closed at 8.07pm.

**Next meeting:** Monday 13 November 2017, 7.00pm.