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Subject:

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The Chief Executive Officer

City of Greater Geelong

Dear Ms. Rundle

The Barwon Heads Association met on September 5 to raise issues relating to the

2007 Draft Structure Plan for Barwon Heads. The second part of that meeting was

held on September 19 to formalize the BHA response by motions and, preferably,

consensus. Approximately 280 people attended the former meeting, and 85 the

latter.

As a result the Barwon Heads Association wishes to advise the city of Greater

Geelong that:

## PART A

**Direction 2** 

**URBAN GROWTH 3.3.1** 

We strongly oppose a shift of the existing western boundary westwards.

Moved : MignaniSchoff

Opposed G Wallace-Smith

Carried (almost unanimous)

We call on the City of Greater Geelong to undertake the necessary planning and legislative actions to fix the existing boundaries of Barwon Heads for all time to provide planning certainty for all present and future stakeholders.

Moved : Mignani/Schoff

Opposed B. Napthine

Carried

**Direction 4** We endorse the recommendation that Stage C of the 13<sup>th</sup> Beach Golf Resort be rezoned to the Rural Zone applicable to the Bellarine Peninsula.

Moved :Napthine/Littleton

Carried (unopposed)

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE 3.3.2**

**Direction 4** We endorse the recommendation for a roundabout at the corner of Hitchcock Avenue and Geelong Road.

Moved :Napthine/Littleton

carried (unopposed)

We request that the design of the corner of Golf Links Road and Bridge Road be upgraded so that it is suitable for arterial road traffic.

Moved: Mignani/Napthine

carried (unopposed)

We are disappointed with the lack of effective parking solutions in the Structure Plan **Direction 8** especially the refusal of Council to consider the purchase of land for public parking in or near the Hitchcock Avenue retail precinct.

Moved :Napthine/Littleton

carried (unopposed)

We contend that there is inadequate car parking space in the Town centre for a substantial portion of each year, and that this situation will rapidly worsen due increasing population and visitors, and the waiver of parking obligations when new commercial premises are permitted.

Moved: Waite/Dennett

carried

(unopposed)

**Direction 9** We endorse the need to achieve better pedestrian and cyclist linkages throughout the town, and ask that Council convene a workshop to look at ways of doing this.

Move :Littleton/Napthine

carried (unopposed)

**Direction 10** We request the changing of Clifford Parade to a one way street, and that the results of this change be reviewed in 12 months time.

Moved: Napthine/Littleton

carried (unopposed)

We endorse the recommendation to ban parking on both sides of Grandview Parade within the vicinity of the crest.

Move : Napthine/Littleton

carried (unopposed)

We call on Council to ensure that in the upgrading of Bridge Road/Golf links Road to arterial road status, that pedestrian safety be treated as of paramount importance, particularly in the vicinity of the Primary School and the western end of the bridge.

Moved: Mignani/Wickham

carried (unopposed)

We also ask Council to treat the safety for the drop off and pick up of children at the Preschool as of paramount importance,.

Moved : Wickham/Brasier

carried (unopposed)

We advise Council that we do not support pedestrian operated signals or a zebra crossing with flashing lights in Hitchcock Avenue, or in Bridge Road adjacent to the supermarket.

Moved: Napthine/Littleton

carried (unopposed)

We support the recommendation for Council "funding and support" (page13) of a Community bus, particularly over the holiday periods.

Moved :Napthine/Littleton

carried (unopposed)

### SETTLEMENT AND HOUSING 3.3.3

We are opposed to any element in the Plan that could result in an increase in building heights to more than 7.5m above natural surface level.

Move: Napthine/Littleton

carried (unopposed)

#### **NATURAL ENVIRONMENT 3.3.4**

We support all the directions nominated in Section 3.3.4

Moved : Waite/Dennett (unopposed) carried

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT 3.3.5

We endorse the recommendation that "Hitchcock Avenue remain the sole focus for commercial development within Barwon Heads", and the suggestion that "the properties presently zoned Residential on Hitchcock Avenue between Bridge an Ozone roads are to be supported for rezoning to Mixed Use"

Moved: Napthine/Littleton

carried (unopposed)

# PART B

2.1 We call on Council to reject in its entirety the rezoning and development proposal for 1920 Barwon Heads Road.

Moved : MignaniSchoff (unopposed) carried

**2.2 and 2.3** We have no objection to the rezoning, as proposed, of properties in Hitchcock Avenue or Stephens Parade.

Moved: Napthine/Schoff

carried (unopposed)

**2.4** We support the application of a Significant Landscape Overlay to river frontage properties, as recommended.

Moved: Littleton/Napthine

carried (unopposed)

**2.5** We support the application of a Design and Development Overlay to the identified properties within the Town Centre, as recommended.

Moved: Littleton/Napthine

carried (unopposed)

I would be happy to meet with Council officers if required to discuss these results.

Yours faithfully,

David Freeman

President and Acting Secretary

23-9-2007