

MINUTES

Barwon Heads Association Meeting

Monday MARCH 20TH 7:00PM

BARWON HEADS COMMUNITY HALL MEETING ROOM

APOLOGIES – Michael Palmer, Jeremy Gaylard

ATTENDEES – Approx. 25

Current Projects – Update

1. Future of City of Geelong – announcement from the Minister for Local Government 18th March – introduction Sandy. Update provided by Peter Oakley and Trish Clayton who attended on behalf of the BHA; and reported on the recommendations of the Citizens Jury Final Report; will have to change the Local Government Act - Geelong. This is an important matter for Barwon Heads and we will follow up with further discussions.
2. 9 Bridge Rd – update Sandy, results due from Panel member Ms Lucina Peterson due by end of March 2017. Owner of the property did not appear. 4 heritage consultants confirmed the importance of the property to the heritage of Barwon Heads
3. Bellarine Safety Committee – progress report Judith; minister for Police and Senior Victorian Police present. 2 websites been established:
 - helpyourself.vic.gov.au;
 - Bsafe
 - Suggest special process for screwing on number plates – safe plate days
4. Ozone Rd Drain – response to objections update Sandy based on the incomplete information available, and in response to significant community doubt about the project, we object to the proposal on the following basis:
 - where is the detailed plan for monitoring the consequences of putting this major storm water drain into the Barwon River? How will this be implemented? How transparent will the reporting be? Which entity should be contacted if the public is aware of contamination in the river?
 - which entity is responsible for monitoring the river water quality now? When was the last test taken? How is this managed?
 - what consideration has been given to the fact the site is close to river beaches
 - there are limited details of what the permit is for on the application forms
 - has Commonwealth permission been granted
 - what consideration has been given to the fact this is in an area which is of significant environmental significance (ES02); what alternatives have been considered
5. Barwon Heads Structure Plan
 - o Changes to residential zones; Paul Fox talked to changes; not feasible that Bellarine villages bare the brunt of this. Issue to lobby council candidates.
 - o Vegetation protection -
6. Traffic (we are still waiting for feedback from Vic Roads and CoGG and for the pedestrian safety working group to re-convene). Likely to be before end of March.
7. Discussions re former kindergarten site in Clifford Pde. Community Hub - The use of the former kindergarten building was discussed. One of the options mentioned

was the possibility of setting up a Community Hub. This hub would cater for many interest groups within Barwon Heads. One of the options mentioned was the possibility of having the Hub incorporate both the former Kindergarten building as well as the Senior Centre as a mega Hub under one committee of management. While it is early days, this possibility was not opposed by the Council officers.

8. New information for discussion

- Committee for the Bellarine continue to attend meetings
- Vic Roads Plans for future road network on the Bellarine

<https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/planning-and-projects/regional-road-projects/geelong-ring-road-extension-bellarine-link-planning-study>

<https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/planning-and-projects/regional-road-projects/barwon-heads-road-duplication-planning-study>

- Renewable energy forum planned for Barwon Heads/Ocean Grove with the BH Sustainability Group later in the year (Judith Brooks).
- Richard talked about upgrading of footpaths
 - o Write and thank council for new footpaths
 - o Grove Rd and flinders Pde????
 - o 40k limit should be continued
 - o street trees?
 - o Properly seed grass
 - o Need more bike racks

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*** Sarah Henderson is our guest on the 24th April 7:00pm at the Bowling Club**

Meeting ended at 8:15