

**BHA GENERAL MEETING
SENIORS CLIFFORD PDE BARWON HEADS
7:00PM August 29th 2022**

1. Welcome

Philip Bade welcomed the 36 people in attendance asked Colin Bridges to introduce tonight's guest speaker, Shaun Richard Weatherly.

2. Apologies
Karen Firth

3. Guest Speaker

Richard Weatherly OAM presented his submission to the Bellarine DAL on the birds in the area and the importance of corridors and the dangers of fragmentation and corridor destruction.

Richard has illustrated a detailed written study of a single specialized subject "The Fairy Wrens, has written or co-authored scientific papers in Australia (and internationally) and worked on CCAMLR Ecosystem Monitoring project developed by the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources.

The presentation was followed by many audience questions reflecting Richard's thought provoking address.

On behalf of the meeting Philip formally thanked Richard for his informative presentation.

4. Minutes of last meeting

No issues arising from the Minutes were raised at the meeting.

5. Financial Report

A brief membership summary was provided. Phillip encouraged members to ensure they have renewed their membership.

6. DAL

Sandy Gatehouse spoke to the meeting on the completion of the submission process in the current review.

The BHA believes that the Review Panel has been made fully aware of the community's support for the existing boundaries and its concerns with the developers' proposals.

We are waiting on the Minister to make a decision. There is currently no time line.

7. Web Site

Philip encouraged members to access our new site and, in particular, the option to renew membership through the site.

8. Planning Approval Requests

No updates from COGG on the proposed redevelopment of the Stephens Parade corner.

9. General Discussion

- Geoffrey Waite encouraged the meeting attendees to access the calendar of events on the Bellarine Catchment Network website.
- An Election Forum has been scheduled for November 10th.
- The Arts and Community Hub Open day was a great success.

10. Closing Remarks

Philip thanked and invited all present to share a glass of wine after the meeting. Meeting closed at 8:20.

11. Next Meeting

Annual General Meeting on October 17th.