

Minutes of General Meeting of Basin Villages Forum, held 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2011 at St Georges Basin Community Centre, Meriton Street, St Georges Basin, at 7.30 pm.

**Welcome:** 2 representatives of Tomerong Forum, and to Councillors Proudfoot & Fergusson.

**Apologies:** Maureen, Chris Grounds, Olia Carwardine

**Minutes** of February general meeting read out by Chair, Rebecca Rudd.

Matters arising.

Judy Edwards advised that after a phone conversation with Council, Richard Hanley had met with her & inspected various sites, including 2 trees of concern on private property. Judy will bring to next general meeting, a draft letter regarding the 2 trees on private land.

Police Precinct Community Safety Meeting. Nowra police training room, Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> May 10.00 Adele Farrant offered to attend on Forum's behalf.

Email received in from Mr Ronald Brain, regarding Panorama Rd drainage issues.

"Facebook Sanctuary Point": Forum Secretary has placed link on this facebook page, to the Forum's website (has a dedicated Sanctuary Point page). Rebecca read from Council's ordinary meeting minutes – motion regarding issues pertaining to Sanctuary Point shops and area around Francis Ryan Reserve.

Minutes moved & accepted Judy and Adele.

**Correspondence:**

Council Minutes and Business Papers.

4<sup>th</sup> June is World Environment Day. There will be markets at the Lady Denman Heritage Complex.

Item in Council Minutes regarding the waiving of extra portion of Section 94 monies for the Island Point Road (St Georges Basin) proposed new supermarket development.

LEP height maps: waiting for Council to advise if they will include maps in the document.

Moved & Accepted, David, Gil.

**Financial report** presented by Secretary. \$4037.47 available funds. Moved/Accepted, Christine/David.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

Combined CCB workshop, 8<sup>th</sup> April, 10.00 am. Rowena (+ possibly David) will represent Forum. Telstra Tower: proposed 30m tower, 25m from fences of nearby homes. Local residents have concerns about its unsightliness and potential harmful impact upon their health. Closing date for

submissions was extended beyond 1<sup>st</sup> April. Southern Region Joint Planning Panel will make final determination on the tower, after receiving recommendation from S.C.C. Basin Villages Forum recommends that concerned individuals write directly to the St Georges Basin Country Club – where the tower is proposed to be located. Clr Proudfoot advised that he'd already requested a residents briefing. Pam Crohan moved that:

- a) the Basin Villages Forum write to Council, supporting a Residents Briefing, and
- b) the Forum write to both the President of the St Georges Basin Country Club, and to the Manager of the Golf Club, asking that they meet with concerned residents to explain their point of view regarding having the tower on their property. David 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

Gail from Erowal Bay raised issue of the need for a footpath on Erowal Bay Road, & disrepair of the sealed edge & unmade shoulder of that road. Also in need of major upgrade is foreshore park on Naval Pde approx 100m north of junction with Kallaroo Road. This issue can a) be discussed at joint CCB level, and b) Forum can also put this on its the priority maintenance list. Gail Lambert moved (2<sup>nd</sup> Harvey), that BVForum write to Council requesting that re-sewering of the toilet block, and creation of an upgrading & maintenance plan for this park, be prioritised into this year's budget.

Sanctuary Point; further discussion on issues in item 193 of Council's Ordinary Minutes.

Mowing/slashing of roadsides & foreshores in Basin area. Basin Villages Forum will write to General Manager requesting information on the mowing regime. Also, request a member of Council Operations, to address next general meeting on mowing & general maintenance issues.

Speeding & antisocial vehicular behaviour in village streets is a regular & dangerous problem. Residents are urged to ring "**Dob in a Hoon**" **4429 3651**. Anonymity of the caller is guaranteed.

Information sign on corner of Sanct Pt Road & Larmer Ave. Graffiti-ed, vandalised, and out of date information on it. Presents a very poor first impression to visitors. Vicki moved (2<sup>nd</sup> Ian Marsh) that Forum write to Council requesting removal of this sign. Carried.

Cockrow Creek. Now has some congestion from fallen trees, since significant storms during previous few months. Forum will write to Council requesting advice on what 'body' is responsible for maintenance of this waterway.

Meeting closed 9.25 pm.