

Minutes of General Meeting of Basin Villages Forum, held 7.30 pm, at St Georges Basin Community Centre,  
Meriton Street, St Georges Basin, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2009.

Present: 21

**Apologies:** Rowena Armstadt, Tom & Joan McDonald, Rebecca Rudd, Linda Lillyman, Russell Hall, Jess Vincent, Therese Baraniak.

**Minutes** of previous general meeting read out by President. Moved Peter Vincent 2<sup>nd</sup> Narell Brown. Accepted. Thanks recorded to Narell Brown for taking Minutes for the June meeting.

**Matters arising.**

**Rabbit control.** Discussion on other bait products available from Bishops, which have been used on Tasman Drive. Fed Govt has announced funding for feral species eradication; a query needs to be directed to local Council regarding this federal funding (refer newspaper clipping announcing this funding).

**Treasurer's report**

Total available funds - \$3,903.07. Invoice from Council for hall hire (\$416) has been received). Moved Terry, 2<sup>nd</sup> Judy Edwards. Accepted.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

List read out by Secretary. Full list on file.

Heritage Estates.

- Letter required from Forum, to Federal and State Govts requesting they jointly purchase the land, and annexe it to Booderee National park.
- Also write letter of support to National Parks Manager. Letters from individual citizens to the above agencies are also needed to secure the future of the Heritage Estates area.

**Vandalism & clearing within Heritage Estates:**

- Letter required to Council asking them to inspect the area, get GPS readings where vandalism to forest has occurred, and then (Council) to write to the owner of that block of land regarding the damage to the forest on their land.

Traffic issues Vost/Yallara. Letter received from Council advising that the trial access to the bypass on The Wool Road has been deferred, to assess an alternate access route. Also advising that drainage guide posts, 40km signage and 3 tonne limit signage will be installed.

Companion Card.

This scheme will, amongst other advantages, allow Carers free admittance to events which their dependents are attending. More details are available in the information document.

Skatepark. No new information to hand.

**Matter arising** – clarification is needed from Council, on 'parking' behind the shops 'adjacent' to Francis Ryan Reserve – referred to in business papers.

Correspondence moved Peter, 2<sup>nd</sup> Terry. Accepted

GENERAL BUSINESS

Redhead Point. Report written by Tom, on Council's proposals, was read out by the President (Tom away ill).  
• Letter required from Forum, to Glen Elliot of Shoalhaven City Council to arrange an onsite meeting with Council officers & Forum representatives.

Police community meeting. Terry gave a summary on this. (The Minutes of the meeting have been posted on the Forum's website).

Alcohol-free zones.

Forum Minutes Secretary to contact Kevin McNeil, Crime Prevention Officer – ask him to come to the 17<sup>th</sup> August Forum General meeting, to speak on alcohol-free zones, and answer general queries on policing in the Basin area.

Myna Birds: Peter gave status report to the meeting. Peter has created a display that people can borrow for use at markets/shows, to raise awareness of the problem.

Foreshore Walkway (Walmer Avenue): Keith Stegwell raised matter of walking path along foreshore on western side of Sanctuary Point, Walmer Ave. In low-lying sodden areas, drainage ditches appeared to have been dug in preparation for pipes to be laid in them to drain excess water away. However these excavated areas had simply been refilled with no drainage pipes placed there. Forum committee asked Keith to take photos & email these to committee so that a letter can be written to Council.

Fuel reduction burning on Greville Ave: Raised by Kevin Williams. Clarification is needed from Sanctuary Point Rural Fire Service, of their plans (if any) for fuel reduction burning on the foreshore along Greville Avenue. Local property owners need advice of any plans.  
- Peter Vincent will contact personnel at the local fire brigade to ascertain their plans in this matter.

Basin View Bus Shelter: - Collingwood Street/Tallyan Point Road; location of this is endangering passengers when disembarking.

- Letter to Council regarding this: Judy & Adele to draft the letter, for Forum Committee to send.

"No Through Road" sign – Wrights Beach.

John Fimmano will draft a letter on this & send wording to Minutes Secretary for her to send to Council.

One Tree Bay: Forum committee will endeavour to have a speaker on this come to a Forum general meeting at the earliest opportunity, including the developers themselves. Will aim for October meeting. When speaker is confirmed, Forum will then invite Wandandian Progress Assoc & Sussex Inlet Forum members to come to this meeting.

Bus trip Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July to Bomaderry recycling centre. Departs 9.30 am from Entertainment Centre.

Carpark sealing on foreshore: the Paul Bland Reserve has been finally sealed.

Meeting closed 9.10 pm.