

# Minutes of Basin Villages Forum meeting, held Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. St Georges Basin Community Centre, Meriton Street, St Georges Basin. Commenced 7.30 pm.

**WELCOME:** Clr Amanda Findley, Clr John Levett, Molly Porter & Jessica Volcanovski, Shoalhaven City Council.

Present: 15

**APOLOGIES:** Clr Kaye Gartner, Liz Kelly, Lynda McGregor, Pam Wells, Ron Tomlin, Norm Webb, Mike Willoughby, Wayne Smith.

Molly & Jessica gave their presentation on Draft Chapter G18 Streetscape Design for Town and Village Centres. 13 nominated town & village centres across the city of Shoalhaven. Sanct Pt & St Georges Basin relevant to this presentation.

No budget nor timeline yet for these plans to be finished; the draft is currently a framework for guidelines. Budget of \$500K per year allocated towards streetscape renewal indexed annually to rate peg amount.

Public exhibition done and submissions closed. Report to be presented at Council on Tues 8<sup>th</sup> May.

*Q. Is there a recycled plastic requirement for street furniture element in it?* A: For street furniture, recycling material can be investigated in future. Initially uniformity of street design is aim. Will bring to the attention of the city design unit.

*Q: Will there be a focus on local tree species relevant to each different town?* A: Yes. E.g. Kangaroo Valley plantings would be different to Sanct Pt. Mix of native & exotic, suited to the unique ecology of each village.

*Q: Can there ever be a requirement/city-wide incentive/plan for people to plant out their nature strips with natives?* A: Natural Resources Unit may be able to work on this in future.

**MINUTES** of March 2018 meeting read out. Moved Narrell Brown 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Grounds.

## **Matters arising from Minutes:**

- **Naming of park** in Old Erowal Bay / "Lions" park – still no change in status.

- **District Library:** Motion put by Clr Proudfoot / Clr Guile: That Council

1. Construct a District Library at Sanctuary Point as a priority;
2. Redesign the Draft Bay and Basin Community Hub Master Plan without the library.

- **Playground in Old Erowal Bay** – not yet presented to community; site not yet definite.

- **Larmer Ave speeding** – extract from Clr Gartner's email was read to the meeting: "*Council's waste collection contractor does have the ability to track the speeds of their vehicles using GPS.*"

*Council asked them to check the speeds of their vehicles just before the bridge on Larmer Avenue for a*

*week. They have advised that the majority of their vehicles using Larmer Avenue are not travelling above the 50 kms limit.*

*In that week, only 5 trucks did exceed the 50km/h limit at the Bridge, with speeds logged at between 51km/h and 56km/h. The Contractor has raised this as an issue with their drivers and will be monitoring their speeds on Larmer Avenue (and elsewhere) more closely.*

*However, this evidence shows us that the large majority of Waste services trucks are travelling within the speed limit. A very few are travelling at speeds marginally above the limit. This information suggests it is not the speed of waste service vehicles that is contributing to the noise issues residents are experiencing on Larmer Ave."*

- **Tomerong quarry** – importation of fly-ash & slag from Sydney. Company was prosecuted by EPA but locals weren't informed of that prosecution. There are concerns about potential harm from the dust. Shelley Hancock has given an undertaking she'll follow up EPA's investigation.

Tonnage: application to increase amendment of Section 96, to increase the tonnage, was rejected as "*not in public interest*".

## **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

• Term Deposit	\$3,262.45
• Cheque account	\$134.38
Total	\$3,396.83

No debtors/creditors known.

Moved Robyn Blackman. 2nd Chris Grounds.

**Correspondence:** List read out; no matters arising.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

• **Heritage Estates** & trail bikes. SCC letterboxed all Old Erowal Bay households regarding trail-bikes. Forum requested Chris to bring a sample of the flyer to next meeting; Forum might write a letter of thanks to SCC.

**Anson Street:** hearing 10<sup>th</sup> May in L&E court. 1. Case for reduction in height; and 2 Master Plan application. This time community expects a better performance from Council's legal team, and that it be 100% focussed on *community's* desires.

**Tree removal:** Concerns were raised that subtle incremental changes have been introduced into Council policy, making it easier to have trees removed. It was claimed that payment of a fee can now allow applicants to remove trees without any procedural delay. Forum to monitor this situation.

**Crown Lands Act:** All reserves must have a plan of management within 3 years.

**CL18.52: Notice of Motion** - Various Issues - Sanctuary Point & St Georges Basin. HPERM Ref: D18/89913, submitted by Clr Bob Proudfoot, was tabled.

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm