

Minutes of General Meeting of the Basin Villages Forum, held Monday, 16th June 2008, at St Georges Basin Community Centre, Meriton street, 7.35 pm.

Welcome to all present. 22 in total
Welcome to Clr Rudd.

Apologies: Sue Adam, Sally Wallace, John Holshier, Shelagh Smith.

Minutes of previous general meeting were read by The President.

Moved to be accepted, by John Burns, and 2nd Dianne Dunne.

Matters arising from Minutes:
Myna bird cages - for further discussion in General Business.

Correspondence in.

Minutes of Shoalhaven City Council meetings for May & June and business papers.

Acknowledgements of letters sent from BVForum to SCC.

Correspondence out.

List of correspondence-out read by Maureen.

Moved to be accepted, Terry Smith, 2nd Tom McDonald.

Treasurer's Report: \$680.89 credit balance in account. Moved to be accepted, John Burns, 2nd Tom McDonald.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Heritage Estate - information on this can be found on Shoalhaven City Council's website. Minutes Secretary will email members of BVF, link to this page on the SCC website.

Proposed 9 hectare **aged care village**, within the **Stocklands** development:

Documents state this will be a 'gated village'; points of concern to BVF:

1. statement that requirements of the additional residents for Doctors, will be met by existing Doctors in Vincentia.
2. This will be another aged care medium density development that does not provide intensive care facilities, from that step onwards. An additional high-need facility is needed in this area.

Point 1 is of concern as the extra population will place a major drain on existing Doctor's facilities in Vincentia.

This development is not being advertised as Aged Care, so does not come under the Aged Care SEPP.

• Letter to Stocklands is required questioning their "green claims" when all the street lights are ON at present, and *no houses have been built*.

Myna bird cage. Clover Sinnamon demonstrated the use of the myna bird cage, designed & constructed by the Sussex Inlet Mens Shed. Wire mesh. \$25. Production of these cages is also currently under discussion by the Sanctuary Point Men's Shed & Anna Hernel of Sh City Council.

Meg Bishop is also another source of information regarding myna bird cages.

Mathie Street. Russell Neville, resident nearby Mathie Street, presented concerns to the Forum, regarding unsocial behaviour at the waterfront end of Mathie Street. He had been in contact with Shoalhaven City Council. The residents adjoining this street are requesting it be blocked by a locked boom gate. There is no need for vehicular access along this strip of road, however canoeists regularly access the water from this access.

• **Letter** required to Shoalhaven City Council, advising that the Basin Villages Forum is supportive of these residents' request, on the following conditions:

1. that the cost of the boom gate is met by the residents who have requested it;
2. that it does not impede in any way, pedestrian access to the waterfront;
3. generous access is allowed for canoes being wheeled on trolleys to the water's edge, to pass by the locked boom gate.
4. Residents must consult with Council, regarding the design of the boom gate.

Traffic: - Vost/Yallara streets. Update from Kevin Dunne. Traffic counters have been removed (data collection period finished). Has received letter from Mark Pulton of S.C.C. planning, regarding procedures for the LATM plan.

Kevin has sent copies of his letters to Clrs Bates, Green & Ward; also to Traffic Sergeant; responses not received yet.

Future speakers.

- Letter to local police service has been sent. Awaiting response.

Other ideas for speakers

- Ray Massey and/or his new 'boss'; currently unknown who this will be (replacement for Martin Berg).

- Representative from NSW National Parks to update the Forum on local management plans, e.g. for Corramy State Park, and Jervis Bay Plan of Management.

- Fisheries department, closer to October/November, when extra caulerpa control work may be under way.

Plantation Point - bushcare issues were discussed. The Forum has sent letter to Council regarding their non-support of the Vincentia Bush Care group, and the potential precedent this sets for all bush care groups throughout the Shoalhaven City, including any bush care group with the 'catchment' of the Basin Villages Forum.

Island Point Road supermarket: as this supermarket is proposed to employ 30 people, the proponents of the development have applied for & received a Commonwealth grant. D.A. which has been lodged, has so far not received formal approval.

Meeting closed. 8.30 pm.