

Minutes of Basin Villages Forum General Meeting held Monday 16th April, 2012 at St Georges Basin Community Centre, Meriton St, St Georges Basin, commenced 7.35 pm.

Welcome. No apologies.

Minutes of previous general meeting read out. Moved by David, 2nd Maureen. Accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Moved by Judy, 2nd David, accepted.

Rebecca presented summary of her meeting with Mr Pigg, visiting various sites within the catchment of this Forum: some points arising:

- Basin View Chair dedication plaque; Forum write letter to Council on this.
- Basin View entry sign: Rebecca will draft letter on this.
- Basin View Soccer ground: Mr Pigg had agreed this was not playable.
- Bike path stencils on shoulder of the bypass.
- Electric bikes, and horse droppings on shared cycleways.
- 'Wildlife' signs adjacent to roads.

Clifton Park, Sanctuary Point.

James Harris from SCC has requested opportunity to present proposed management plan for this park, at a forthcoming Forum general meeting.

The latest 'About' magazine reports that the results from the **Bendigo Bank community funding workshop**, favour an Exercise Station, as an initial project to be financially support by Bendigo Bank.

- BVForum needs to write to Council, requesting consultation about where this facility should be constructed.

John Flett from SCC had contacted Rebecca Rudd regarding the '**Village Green**' next to St Georges Basin Post Office in **Island Pt Rd**, requesting input from the community about what facilities should be installed there; e.g. terracing, seats, tree planting. It was suggested that Jeff Hill and James Harris both be invited to the same future general meeting: Jeff Hill to answer questions on Island Pt Rd supermarket development; and James to speak on Clifton Reserve.

- Maureen will ring Michelle at Sanctuary Point Printing re notification in April ABOUT magazine.

Chair of Tomerong Forum had contacted Rebecca Rudd. **Tomerong Forum** has been approached by **quarry** owner who wishes to increase truck load daily, to 3 tonnes.

- Letter from Forum required, thanking them for sharing their information, and advising that we'd like to send rep from BVF to attend their

meetings from time to time. Rebecca to draft this.

LEP: Special Development Community Meetings have been held.

Letter received from SCC advising of 8th **September Council election.** Ward boundaries are unchanged. Christine will post maps of Wards, on Forum's website.

Heritage Estate, Item 12 from Business papers Grant for funding had been knocked back 2012 but has been re-submitted. Government departments willing to work with Council and other associated agencies (National Parks Foundation) to find alternative for funding beside the 'Caring for Country' grant.

Item 45 Notices of motion by Clr Proudfoot for Agenda at ordinary meeting 17th April:

- "Paradise Beach – Sanctuary Point, that**
- a) Paradise Beach be restored to it's former glory as a community swimming location where young children could enjoy the shallow waters and be supervised safely.*
 - b) The long grass along-side the water's edge be mowed immediately and be maintained on a regular basis.*
 - c) A plan be urgently developed to better enable swimmers to enter the water without the inconvenience of having to step over tree roots dead branches and other debris other entry points to the water be established"*

- Moved by Chair, and 2nd David, that Forum write urgent letter to Council & CC all Councillors, regarding this motion.

Dumped mattress & exercise bike in Basin View /Smiths bay, still not removed.

Caulerpa Taxifolia: there appears to be minimal infestation at present. David will draft letter from Forum to NSW Fisheries Dept, requesting a report on current Caulerpa status in St Georges Basin.

Blackett Park: buoys & their chains are now covered with barnacles. Maureen has contacted Mike Hammond who will organise clean up.

World Environment Day – 2nd June, at Lady Denman Heritage Complex. The organisers of this event are aiming for the event to be first '0' waste event in the Shoalhaven.

Meeting closed 8.30