

Minutes of Basin Villages Forum Meeting Monday 20th November 2023 St Georges Basin Community Centre, Meriton Street, St Georges Basin. Commenced 7.35 pm

14 present. Welcome to Country/acknowledgment of traditional owners. Welcome to all.

Apologies: Christine Rigg, Philip Blackman, Robyn Blackman, Olia Carwardine, Norm Webb, Vicky Smith, John Kotlash, Evan Christian, Gillian Boyle.

David Reynolds acknowledged the ill health of Committee member Philip Blackman and extended best wishes for his return to health.

Due to illness of Treasurer Secretary no October minutes available. No Treasurers Report.

Bherwerre Wetland Noted that the wetland is still a work and construction site and closed to the public at this stage. Development of signage is currently occurring. It is hoped a formal opening can occur in February 2024.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGM commenced 7.40

BVF AGM 2022 Minutes read by chair. Moved - Chris Grounds. 2nd - John Levett.

President's Report. David congratulated committee members for works carried out through the year. Many issues arising that required submissions and Forum representation at Council committee and CCB meetings. Some issues were - Insurance, The Old Wool Rd, Coeee Hotel development proposal, Basin Village Green, Home Co proposed amendments, Stormwater and St Georges Basin waterway, Bherwerre Wetland, Erowal Bay boarding house proposal.

Election of Officers - all positions vacant.

1. Chair

Nomination of David Reynolds moved by John Levett, Second Kerry Barlow. Nomination Accepted. Carried

2) Vice President/Chair: Nomination of Chris Grounds. moved by John Levett, Second Kerry Barlow. Nomination accepted. Carried

3) Secretary/Treasurer: Nomination of Christine Rigg Moved by David Reynolds, Second Chris Grounds. Nomination previously accepted. Carried.

4) Committee members: -

(1) Kerry Barlow nominated by Bruce Goldsmith, 2nd Jenny Barker

(2) Maureen Webb nominated by Jenny Barker - second John Levett

(3) John Levett nominated by Bruce Goldsmith - second Maureen Webb.

Possible 4th Committee person gained after contact with Christine McInerny Percy.

New Committee:

Chair - David Reynolds

Vice Chairperson - Chris Grounds

Secretary/Treasurer - Christine Rigg

Committee members - Kerry Barlow, John Levett and Maureen Webb

GENERAL MEETING

St Georges Basin/Sanctuary Point Community led Planning Strategy presentation by Bruce Goldsmith as representative/chair Sanctuary Point Community Champions.

While still early days the Plan has 3 parts.

1) How does the community see the future of Sanctuary Point/St Georges Basin? What requirements or strategies needed to fulfil future vision.

Bruce spoke about communications for getting plan out to community, possibly Facebook and The ABOUT magazine most effective.

Strategies required to solve

- (i) issue of volunteer rate for most groups in decline.
- (ii) Lack of funding for future works. Grants to be applied for
- (iii) Ways to assist Tourists with access to SGB waterway
- (iv) Community value for existing character of local area, Environment and future development no high rise, preferred 2 storey.
- (v) Public transport huge issue, Member for South Coast Liza Butler approached for assistance, waiting for response.
- (vi) Proposals for additional future Development Control Plans (DCP) as those existing seen as out of date. Work required to liaise with SCC to review old and add DCPs for smaller and different areas around the area to retain green areas remaining.
- (vii) Lands adjacent to The Old Wool Rd zoned R2 seen as future problems given the lack of green and open space areas remaining.

Strategy contained many other ideas with more opportunity for community comment.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm