

BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.

MINUTES for General Meeting Tuesday 18TH July 2017 7.30pm

1. **Opening and Welcome to everyone:** President - Graeme Taylor
Opened the meeting at: 7:35pm

2. **Attendance:** Graeme Taylor, Ann Taylor, Andrew Brewster, Viv Williams, Brett Owen, Leticia Wilmot, Colin Brewer, Suzanne Brewer, Mia Rankin
Apologies: Tania Baxter

3. **Acceptance of the General Meeting Minutes:**
Motion that the Minutes of the 20 June 2017 meeting be accepted.
Mov. Colin Brewer
Sec. Viv Williams

4. **Correspondence in:**
 - Barry Hyde – comments re Website & Banner
 - Cardinia Shire re cleaning up garden beds in shops carpark
 - Cr Brett Owen re letter to Vic Roads re O’Neil Road traffic situation
 - Allison Howard, Cardinia Shire – 2017 Anzac service Acquittal
 - Allison Howard Cardinia Shire – notification of success of application for Grant for 2018 Anzac Memorial service & requirement for need for
 - Acceptance of grant forms
 - Janene VurLOW Cardinia Shire – re Bowman’s track Signage steps forward
 - Cr Leticia Wilmot- re Cockatoo touchscreen
 - Cardinia Shire- skatepark meeting noticeMov. Ann
Sec. Andrew

Correspondence out:

- Cardinia Shire re cleaning up garden beds in shops carpark (near the gantry coming through to Safeway from Beaconsfield Emerald Road)
- Cardinia Shire Acquittal for 2017 Anzac memorial service grant
- Cardinia Shire re acceptance of 2018 Anzac memorials service grant
- Cardinia Shire- Tim Cooper –re traffic management plans for Beaconsfield
- Anzac Memorials services 2017 & 2018
 - o We wrote an email to Tim Cooper asking him if we can use a copy of the 2017 traffic management plan for the 2018 service.
 - o Cr Brett Owen was to follow up
- Janene VurLOW- Cardinia Shire re Bowman’s track signage.
 - o Scouts are having their 60th Birthday coming up

5. Business arising from minutes

6. Reports

- President – G Taylor – See attached
Mov. Graeme
Sec. Suzanne

- **Treasurer – A Taylor**
 - o Haven’t received any bills for the last banner
Mov. Ann
Sec. Colin

- **Councillors' Report-**
 - Brett Owen – Skate Park - Friday night there will be a consultation night with all who are interested as well as inviting people to share their opinion online
 - Suggestion by Mia Rankin to Cr Brett Owen – they should investigate an avenue for kids to be able to take public transport to get to the new Skate Park, giving them independence.
 - O'Neil reserve playground: there has been extensive consultation and it came down to two designs, from there a final design will be created combining those two. It will be started early August and completed at the end of August.
 - Pink Hill Hearing: to see whether their permit is to be extended or reissued
 - Vic road with the BPA, particularly Tania Baxter are involved in traffic problems at O'Neil Road. It is planned to make a signalised intersection in approximately 2020.
 - August 2nd – There is a community leadership summit, to help end the family violence in Cardinia Shire.
 - The talks are focusing on the prevention of family violence.
 - They need ideas and support about how to stop this issue.
 - Viv brought up embroidery panels at Pakenham Library – she can't see the panels well due to the bad lighting – some lights drowned out the colours of the panels.

- **Community Noticeboard - Monitors & KEYS**
 - July/August: Suzanne

- **Beaconsfield Banner – Andrew –**
 - This week we are sending out information to advertisers about the next banner, and the deadlines for articles.

- **Website & facebook page – Tania**
 - Away – no report

- **History Report – Ann**
 - Bowmans track up O'Neil Road – currently looking at replacing signs at various parts of the track, and looking at interpretation signs of the track.
 - Where the brick wall is at the start of Bowmans track, Ann has had a meeting and is planning with Jeanine Vurlow from Cardinia Shire. They are hoping to put up a map on the wall with an explanation beside it explaining the track.
 - Council will decide if that goes ahead.

- 7. **Other Business** – “Beaconsfield Crime Forum Meeting” on 15th Aug by Cardinia Neighbourhood Watch group from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the same location and night of August BPA meeting. To avoid a clash BPA meeting will be moved to Tuesday 22 August 2017 at 7.30pm.

- 8. **Meeting closed at:** 8:45pm

- 9. **Next meeting:** Tuesday 22nd Aug 7.30pm

- 10. AGM**
 - Is on October 17th
 - Fiona Cost – Family Violence Coordinator is a possible speaker

PRESIDENT'S REPORT BPA. MEETING

Welcome to all members and visitors to tonight's meeting. There is no Guest Speaker tonight which provides time for discussion on various matters.

During the past month there has been a large quantity of correspondences, emails and phone discussions per the correspondence list including matters noted below.

I review Cardinia Shire Council meeting agendas but have not attended any meetings in the past month.

The Winter edition of the Beaconsfield Banner continues to attract favourable comments and most of the printed copies have now been distributed mostly through the Beaconsfield Post Office and some other local businesses. The electronic version is on the BPA website and Mobile Phone App. The public response has been great and we all need to collectively work together for the Spring Edition by getting more contributors of articles and more advertisers for the higher cost of printing if increases in size or number of issues printed. As discussed at the last meeting we need to recruit more members and public attending our meetings. These people can also be a source of information for future community projects e.g. The Beaconsfield History Walk.

The financial statements for the quarter ended 30 June have been prepared and will be discussed by the treasurer tonight. I will prepare the Annual Financial Statements in the next few weeks. The Annual General Meeting is usually held in October. We need to plan for the AGM and have a guest speaker.

The Touchscreen Project continues to be worked on with communications with the supplier and Barry Hyde on IT issues. A site visit to the Cockatoo Ash Wednesday Memorial Centre is being planned as the next step. We need to continue this process as the project needs to be completed by 31 October 2017 in accordance with the extended terms of the Grant.

Further to the discussions at last month's meeting Mayor Cr. Brett Owen has forwarded a letter in accordance with our Association's views to Vic Roads requesting improvements to the O'Neil Road/Old Princes Hwy Intersection and also to east bound congestion at Old Princes Hwy/ Princes Hwy intersection. Hopefully changes will be made to improve traffic flow and safety.

Our Association has received notification from Cardinia Shire Council of a Grant of \$3,000 for the 2018 Anzac Memorial Service. This includes allowance of \$2,500 for Traffic Management. We have accepted this Grant and will work with Cardinia Shire Council planning for this event.

Sometimes it is the smaller issues that can make a difference to our township. Council has agreed to our request to clean up and maintain the garden bed area beside the gantry coming into Woolworths and the Plaza shops from Beaconsfield Emerald Road.

Finally, we need to discuss the next meeting for BPA as there is a forum on crime in Beaconsfield to be held by Neighbourhood Watch Cardinia on the same night and location as ours i.e. 15 August.

GRAEME TAYLOR President BPA