

BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.

MINUTES for General Meeting Tuesday 22nd August 2017 7.30pm

1. **Opening and Welcome to everyone:** President - Graeme Taylor
Opened the meeting at 7:39pm
 2. **Attendance:** Suzanne Brewer, Viv Williams, Craig Hallinhan, Angelo D'Amelio, Tania Baxter, Andrew Brewster, Robin Dailey, Ann Taylor, Graeme Taylor
Apologies: Colin Brewer, Cr Brett Owen, Cr Leticia Wilmot, Bronwyn McCormick
 3. **Acceptance of the General Meeting Minutes:** Motion that the Minutes of the 18 July 2017 meeting be accepted.
Mov. Andrew Brewster
Sec. Ann Taylor
 4. **Correspondence in:**
 - Cardinia Shire re cleaning up garden beds in shops carpark & gantry
 - Cr Brett Owen re public transport provision for Holm Park Reserve
 - Fiona Cost Cardinia Shire re coming to BPA as guest speaker for AGM
 - Allison Howard Cardinia Shire notification of resignation and to direct our Correspondence to Community strengthening support officer
 - Jan Williams –Beaconsfield Draft car parking plan in regard to Goff Street
 - o A letter will be sent to inform Jan of whom she can contact at Cardinia Shire
 - Marcellle Bell
 - Nick Charrett (traffic engineer)
 - Cr Brett Owen
 - Wesley life-force - Suicide prevention workshop 6th Oct
 - Janene Vurlow Cardinia Shire – re Bowman's track Signage– to be replacement
 - Cr Leticia Wilmot- re lighting for Cardinian flora & fauna embroidery
 - Jason Wood-Stronger communities programme – received 28/7 due 7/8 !!
 - Kelly Burdarch- Cardinia Shire re 2017 VIC Seniors festival
 - Email from Vet
 - Alison Howard Cardinia Shire –Together we can 2017 Community Leader's Summit
 - Cardinia Shire – Community Information updates
 - o Tania Baxter Noted that private information should not be noted in reports/minutes by residents sending letters in.
- Correspondence out:**
- Cardinia Shire re cleaning up garden beds in shops carpark
 - o Letter send in to council, thanking them for getting the job done
 - o Still waiting on the Gantry, which is not Cardinia Shire property, but is owned privately
 - Janene Vurlow- Cardinia Shire re Bowman's track signage.
Mov. Tania
Sec. Ann
5. **Business arising from minutes**
 6. **Reports**
 - **President – G Taylor –**

- AGM on October 17th 2017
- Wesley Life force meeting on 6th October, at Melaluca Lodge about Suicide
- Email from Jason Wood about creating a stronger community (not really applicable for this group)
- Crime forum at the Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre on Tuesday
Mov. Graeme
Sec. Vivian
- **Treasurer – A Taylor** -
- **Councillors' Report-**
 - Apologies from Cr. Brett Owen and Cr. Leticia Wilmot
Mov.
Sec.
- **Community Noticeboard – Monitors & KEYS**
 - Keys need to be cut
 - Place each page of the banner on the notice board for public viewing (including advertisers)
 - September – Suzanne
- **Beaconsfield Banner – Andrew -**
 - 9 advertisers
 - 2 contributors haven't re advertised
- **Website & facebook page – Tania**
 - No hits on the website, except between the 20-29th of June over a 10 day period
 - Website has been very quiet
 - Significant amount of people on homepage
 - Traffic flow: has changed from google search – the last banner was 90% not it is 10%
 - The mobile tablet form seems the most accessible way at the moment to see the banner
 - Facebook: up 21 new likes
 - Most people were interested in the article for the O'Neil Road Playground
 - Website: is important to those who do not have social media
Mov. Tania
Sec. Andrew
- **History Report – Ann**
 - The Bowmans Track signage has been replaced by Council
 - Interpretation sign will go onto the wall, but it hasn't been completed yet
 - Touch screens – need to look at cockatoo examples to gain ideas for the neighbourhood centre in Beaconsfield

7. Advertising policy banner

8. Other Business –

- Robbin Dailey commentated:
 - That there is a need for more parking at the Beaconsfield Station on the Southern Side. And wants Melbourne Water's land on the corner of Kenilworth to be used for carparking.
 - Concerned shops will be missing out on trade after people using the train
 - Tania Baxter will continue to follow up and notify our councillors about parking
- Bronwyn McCormack – sent an email about holding a Christmas window competition done by retail businesses in Beaconsfield. Each business could have their windows covered in a Christmas theme, with perhaps one item that is unrelated to Christmas, and

children will have to find the item in each window, and can enter a competition, with the winner being announced at the Carrols by the Creek.

- Tania Baxter moved that the Beaconsfield Progress Association moves the Christmas Window idea with a view to seek expressions of interest via the upcoming banner.

Mov. Tania

Sec. Andrew

- Craig Hallihan – spoke as he is part of an incorporated club. He is trying to push for a dirt track, at Holmpark reserve, as opposite from where the skate park is going, there is a vacant parcel of land. He is pushing for a BMX and mountain board track, 30 metres long by 30 metres wide.
- Robbin Daley mentioned that we all support the project, and suggested that we need to put an article in the banner to show that there is a need.

Mov. Robin

Sec. Angelo

9. Meeting closed at 9:37pm

10. Next meeting: Tuesday 19th Sep 7.30pm.

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. Our meeting is one week later than usual due to the Neighbourhood Watch Crime forum being held last week.

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

The Spring edition of the Beaconsfield Banner is underway with the date for submissions of advertising and articles extended to Saturday 26th August. Editor Andrew Brewster will discuss the status of the Spring Edition of the Beaconsfield Banner. I encourage all members to assist in obtaining advertising and articles.

The financial statements for the quarter ended 30 June have been prepared. I will prepare the Annual Financial Statements in the next few weeks. I have drafted the Business Activity Statement (BAS) for the 3 months ended 30th June and will be lodging through the ATO Business Portal, however I am currently experiencing registration problems. The Annual General Meeting will be held on 17th October. Guest speaker will be Fiona Cost, Cardinia Shire Together we can Facilitator. We need to plan for the AGM and arrange Notices, Nomination forms and the format for the AGM.

The Touchscreen Project continues to be worked on. 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 30 October 2017 in accordance with the extended terms of the Grant.

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

-Response from Nicholas Charrett, Senior Traffic Engineer, Cardinia Shire Council concerning bus route 838 along Beaconsfield Emerald Road, but only a few services a day on a hail to ride basis, but council is advocating an overall improvement in frequency and running times. Thanks to Cr Brett for following up on this matter. Also an email from Cr. Leticia Wilmot who advised that the lighting for the Cardinian Embroidery Flora and Fauna panels at Pakenham library is being attended to.

- Council has now completed the clean- up of the garden bed area beside the gantry coming into Woolworths and the Plaza shops from Beaconsfield Emerald Road. The overhead gantry still needs to be affixed and cleaned up and regular maintenance of the garden bed.

-An email from a resident near Goff Street advising significant parking problems due to Students from St Francis Xavier College, spill over of Railway carpark, parents of Beaconsfield Primary School Students etc. She has spoken to a school Principal, Cardinia Shire and no satisfaction. She made a submission to the Draft Council Parking Plan over a year ago, but no response. She has suggested parking changes and wants to know the current status of the parking plan.

-Wesley Life Force will be conducting a Suicide Prevention Workshop at Melaleuca Lodge on 6 October 9am-1.30pm Morning Tea provided and booking required.

-2017 Victorian Seniors Festival – Cardinia Shire to be held in October

-Cardinia Shire Community update for August 2017

- Emails Federal Govt Grants Stronger Communities Program Closing date already finished.

-Cardinia Shire –Together we can 2017 Community leaders’ workshop which was held recently.

The Taylors and the Brewers attended the crime Forum at the Beaconsfield Community Complex arranged by Neighbourhood Watch Cardinia. Senior Victorian Police attended and spoke on Crime and Prevention with a Q&A session. David Farrelly spoke on behalf of NWC advising they are intending to have meetings in all towns in Cardinia Shire and promote NWC activities. However, there were no NWC specific plans for individual towns.

GRAEME TAYLOR President BPA