

MANNERING PARK PRECINCT COMMITTEE INC.

MEETING MINUTES

Date: 21st August 2023

Venue: Mannering Park Community Hall

Time: 7.00pm

CHAIRMAN: Andrew Whitbourne

MINUTES: Judy Whitbourne

Present

Judy Whitbourne, Andrew Whitbourne, Maggie Mecklem, Peter Mecklem, Ian Carr, Graham Pavitt. Neil Wynn,

Apologies

Frank Shorter, Robyn Sauerbier, John Sauerbier, Frances Hough, Graeme Hough

Minutes from previous meeting – 17/07/2023

Moved: Maggie Mecklem

Seconded: Graham Pavitt. CARRIED.

Business Arising / Progress Reports

Item 2: Shared pathway (Ongoing)

Pat Conroy's Office has held a meeting between Pat Conroy and Rik Hart to discuss the delivery of the Shared Pathway project. Rik Hart is reluctant to undertake new infrastructure projects but is sympathetic to long standing projects being undertaken. There are sufficient funds for the project but Central Coast Council still need clarification from the Federal Government about works not being funded until a formal council is returned. A further meeting was organized and Central Coast Council was invited to apply for grant funding. Mannering Park Precinct and Chain Valley Bay Progress Association has been approached to submit a letter of support for the Mannering Park Shared Pathway funding application. Funding application is to be submitted by the end of August 2023.

Action: Continue to follow up with Pat Conroy's office and Central Coast Council.

Item 27: Western Foreshore Restoration. & Item 28 Foreshore condition at Caravan Park.

Crown Lands have released a concept plan for the proposed seawall at Ingenia Caravan Park for comment. The Precinct has suggested that the wall extend to the western side of the creek and the grassed area behind the wall should be a salt tolerant variety and other riparian plantings. Crown Land aims to have all studies, planning and costings completed so funding can be applied for. Funding is still being sourced.

Action:

Item 30: Future use of Power Station Land.

Delta Electricity has advised The Australian Energy Market Operator that the existing generation equipment life can be extended to 2033 instead of the nominal date of 2029. Eraring Power Station may also be asked to extend their operation past 2025. Decision to be made after August 2023.

Item 31: Rubbish on Ruttleys Rd.

Once again rubbish dumping is occurring along the causeway. Security gates remain open.

Action: Contact Crown Lands to arrange cleanup.

Item 32: Fish kill in Wyee Bay

It is a year since the first incidence of fish kill in Wyee Bay and as yet no report from the EPA has been released. Yasmin Catley's office has contacted the Minister for Environment for an update on the investigation and will provide information once received. The smart buoy which was installed some time ago does not appear to be working.

Action: Ask Yasmin Catleys Office for an update.

Item 34: New bins in shopping area/public reserves.

The provision and installation of new street bins (recycle and waste) has been completed. Close item.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence summary was presented by the Chairman

Moved: Andrew Whitbourne.

Seconded: Ian Carr CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT

Presented by Neil Wynn

Administration Account – Balance 17/07/2023 \$1221.71 (\$115 cash to bank) Payment of insurance \$580.25 Deposit of cash \$115 & \$30 membership. Balance 21/08/2023 \$786.46

Supper Account – Balance 17/10/2022 \$0.00.

Moved: Neil Wynn

Seconded: Maggie Mecklem. CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

1. Delta had been advised of the members who wish to do a tour of the power station earlier in May. Need to contact Delta to arrange tour date. The tour has been organised for 6th September 2023. Commencing 10am.

Community Group Reports:

Delta Report.

- a. Due to warmer weather over 2023 winter electricity demand has been lower than 2022.
- b. A technical assessment of the unit during the recent shutdown has revealed that the unit will be able to operate to 2033. Delays to new transmission projects are likely to delay the closure date of Vales Point Power Station.
- c. Coal supplies have been sourced from Chain Valley, Mandalong, Airly, Mt Owen, Mt Auther, Moolarben, Mt Pleasant & Statford Collieries. Some recovered coal is trucked from the Port of Newcastle.
- d. Delta has had two environmental enquiries in the last quarter, relating to noise and truck movements.
- e. The Mannering Park air monitoring station is now in operation. Sampled levels are within EPA allowable limits.

Mens Shed.

- a. First Aid course was hosted last week.
- b. AGM will be held next Wednesday,
- c. Library boxes continue to be manufactured.

Tidy Towns

- a. Smaller work groups have operated over the last few weeks due to member illness.
- b. Town centre has had a tidy up.
- c. Poles have been installed at the truck stop.
- d. Old Landcare site (foreshore area near scout hall) will be restarted in the future.

Meeting closed 7.46pm

Next meeting 18/09/2023