MANNERING PARK PRECINCT COMMITTEE INC.

MEETING MINUTES

Date: 19th February 2024.

Venue: Mannering Park Community Hall

Time: 7.04pm

CHAIRMAN: Andrew Whitbourne. MINUTES: Judy Whitbourne

**Present**

Ian Carr, Graham Pavitt, Maggie Mecklem, Andrew Whitbourne. Judy Whitbourne, Frances Hough, Graeme Hough, Robyn Sauerbier, John Sauerbier.

**Apologies** Neil Wynn, Frank Shorter, Peter Mecklem.

**Minutes from previous meeting** – 20/11/2023

**Moved**: Ian Carr

**Seconded:** Graham Pavitt. CARRIED.

**Business Arising / Progress Reports**

**Item 2: Shared pathway** (Ongoing)

Central Coast Council has confirmed that the application for funding of the foreshore pathway from Mannering Park to Chain Valley Bay was submitted on 18th August 2023 and an official confirmation receipt was received 21/08/ 2023. Council now waiting outcome of application. There is still no news on the funding application from Federal Government.

**Action:**  Follow up with Pat Conroy’s office.

**Item 27: Western Foreshore Restoration. & Item 28 Foreshore condition at Caravan Park. (Ongoing)**

Crown Lands have sourced funds for the replacement of the sea wall in front of Ingenia Caravan Park. The contract has been let and work was to start 19/02/2024 but commencement of the work has been delayed for six weeks. Construction time will be approximately six weeks in duration. The caravan park has contributed to the cost of the project.

**Action:**

**Item 30: Future use of Power Station Land. (Ongoing)**

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. As yet there is no final decision as to whether the life of Vales Point and Eraring Power Stations will be extended passed the close by dates.

**Item 31: Rubbish on Ruttleys Rd.**

Further dumping of household items has occurred over the past few weeks.

**Action:** Contact Crown Lands for follow up.

**Item 32: Fish kill in Wyee Bay**

The EPA have announced that they will be prosecuting Delta for the fish kill that occurred in September 2022, alleging Delta failed to maintain their chlorine dosing plant. In August 2022 a fish kill also occurred but EPA found that the kill was due to weather conditions. The question is being asked whether Delta is being charged for the August kill? Has EPA changed their findings on the August kill? Letters have been sent to both Yasmin Catley’s Office and Pat Conroy’s Office to help with the transparency of both investigations. Yasmin Catley’s office has passed on a response from Penny Sharpe, Minister for Environment and Energy, that Delta will be prosecuted for both incidents. It is alleged that Delta failed to maintain its chlorine dosing plant in proper order.

Action:

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence summary was presented by the Chairman

**Moved:** Andrew Whitbourne

**Seconded:** Maggie Mecklem CARRIED

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

No Treasurers report this month.

Administration Account –

**Moved:**

**Seconded**:

New Business:

1. Previously Central Coast Council had approached The Precinct in reference to the location of a suburb sign. The Precinct liaised with CCC staff indicating a location on Vales Rd, north of power station entry. Council has located the sign at the intersection of Ruttleys Rd and Vales Rd. Due to its proximity to the intersection people have not seen the sign.
2. Recently the jetty at Vales Point Park was replaced. It is noted that toe rails have not been installed. Toe rails assist with safety of users that are using prams, wheelchairs and walking frames. Central Coast Council to be contacted to install toe rails.

**Community Groups.**

**Tidy Towns.**

1. Clean up of Vales Point Reserve continuing.
2. Due to the rain and warm weather, there is lots of mowing at the moment.
3. A few incidents of graffiti have occurred over the holiday period.

Meeting Closed 7.47pm

Next meeting – 18th March 2024