MANNERING PARK PRECINCT COMMITTEE INC.

MEETING MINUTES

Date: 18th March 2024.

Venue: Mannering Park Community Hall

Time: 7.06pm

CHAIRMAN: Andrew Whitbourne. MINUTES: Judy Whitbourne

**Present**

Ian Carr, Andrew Whitbourne. Judy Whitbourne, Frances Hough, Neil Wynn.

**Apologies**  Peter Mecklem, Maggie Mecklem, Robyn Sauerbier, John Sauerbier, Graeme Hough.

**Minutes from previous meeting** – 19/02/2024

**Moved**: Judy Whitbourne.

**Seconded:** Ian Carr. 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. Pat Conroy (MP) has advised that the submission is still being evaluated and Central Coast Council have proposed a contribution to support the pathway. Also, Minister Kings Office has advised that they expect to have the Ministerial Submission on the shared pathway in the next weeks.

**Action**: Continue tofollow 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. Access to site will be via Grace St and The Mannering Park Sailing Club. No work will happen over the weekend period. The old jetty will be demolished. Information signage has been erected at the project site.

**Action:** Contact Crown Lands concerning plans for vegetation planting.

**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. As yet there is not any information in relation to the court hearing which was to start in February 2024.

Action:

**Item 33: Location of new Mannering Park place sign.**

Central Coast Council has located the sign on the corner of Vales and Ruttleys Rd. Central Coast Council was contacted as to the inappropriate location of the sign. Council advised that the sign would be moved to north of Eaton’s entry as this is the suburb boundary line. Following that decision a further review was done and it was determined that the sign could be relocated to a position on Vales Rd, south of the Power Station entry.

**Item 34: Missing edge boards on recently refurbished jetty at Vales Point Reserve**

Central Coast Council has been contacted in relation to the missing edge boards on the recent upgrading of the jetty at Vales Point Reserve. Edge boards prevent wheeled devices such as prams or wheelchairs from running off the jetty into the water.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence summary was presented by the Chairman

**Moved:** Andrew Whitbourne

**Seconded:** Frances Hough. CARRIED

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Administration Account – Balance 18/12/2023 $330.96 Balance 18/03/2024 $330.96

**Moved:** Neil Wynn.

**Seconded**: Ian Carr

New Business:

1. Yasmin Catley’s Office has been asked to assist with having the overhead conveyor belt structure removed from over Ruttleys Rd. The conveyor belt has not been in use for over 10 years.
2. Precinct to contact EPA in relation to ground water sampling results taken or whether any samples have ever been taken from the drilled holes at James Vales Memorial Park. The holes were drilled some time ago to monitor seepage from the old Bogas service station.
3. With Central Coast Council elections to occur in September this year, strong candidates for the North of the Coast should be encouraged. Discuss with other community groups.

**Community Groups.**

**Tidy Towns.**

1. Maintenance ongoing.
2. Graffiti has happened over the last few weeks.

Meeting Closed 7.49pm

Next meeting – 15th April 2024