

March 6, 2022**Committee Attendance**

Pete Muskens	A	Barry James	A
Cathy Phillips	Y/Pt	Stephen Ward	Y
John Coulter	Y	Kathy Hill	Y
Phil Mayne	A	Marci Katz	A
Leone Thiele	Y		

1. Welcome and Apologies

This meeting commenced at Kathy Hill's house (due to poor weather and need for internet) at **1:40 PM** following the Cleanup Australia Working Bee and lunch. Leone chaired.

2. Minutes of previous meeting held by zoom 16 February 2022

The Minutes of Meeting 1/2022 have been distributed to be confirmed out of session on 2 March.

3. Governance**3.1 AGM Confirmed for 26 March 11 AM, Cape Paterson Community Hall**

3.1.1 Agenda – In response to the release of the draft Statement of Planning Policy (SPP) for the Bass Coast Distinctive Area and Landscapes John Coulter will speak to the recommendations and provide comments (see below).

An amended agenda with an explanatory note (prepared by J Coulter) and links to the Engage Victoria (SPP) and CPRRA submission will be sent to the Members by the Secretary at the earliest opportunity.

3.1.2 Invitees- The Ward Councillors, the Member for Bass (J Crugnale), Sentinel Times and local radio will be invited to attend. Subject to discussion with L Laing, the Mayor may also be invited.

3.1.2 The meeting will be transmitted by Zoom or another presentation. Video recording of the meeting will take place. Covid safe practices will be observed including supply of masks, ventilation, spaced seating, and safe one-way transfer of lunch. Lunch will be eaten outside (weather permitting).

4. Operational Goals Reports**4.1 Biodiversity**

1. Clean up Australia Day 6 March. Leone reported about 20 attendees excluding a children's group. Thanks to Rohan. A delicious barbecue lunch was funded by Coles (\$50 voucher). The committee asked Leone to thank Coles for their support.
2. Illawong – deferred. Pete or Barry to report at a future meeting. April working bee to be advised.

4.2 Planning**4.2.1 Yallock Bulluk Marine and Coast Park and Distinctive Areas and Landscapes (DAL).**

4.2.2.1 There was no new information concerning the park.

4.2.2.2 DAL The draft SPP was released through the Engage Victoria website late 3 March. Deadline for submissions is 29 April 2022. John has had an initial reading of the policy, focusing on the settlement boundary. Despite two other communities having recommendations for their boundaries to be reduced, the Cape Paterson settlement boundary did not receive a recommendation to decrease.

On initial reading- John sees no new policy initiatives. Stephen noted a geographical error in the document referring to The Cape as north of the established township (not west).

John will contact L Laing to see if a working group can be convened to look at how the SPP can be responded to. He will also inquire as to whether the Ministerial review committee can examine the boundary issue as suggested in previous correspondence to Minister Wynne.

Stephen Ward will approach the Sentinel Times to see if they can run a story in the 22 March edition. If possible, a relevant photo will be taken to support the article.

The AGM will seek feedback from the Community who previously have shown strong opposition to large scale development of the area north of Seaward Drive in their submissions in response to the C136 PSA.

Kathy will ensure that the Engage Victoria document is distributed to key Next Door contacts. A high number of submissions in response to the draft SPP on Cape Paterson will assist with its profile.

4.3 Infrastructure

4.3.1 Bay Beach/Wonthaggi LSC plan- no update.

4.4 Community Wellbeing

4.4.1 Cape Paterson Event “Experience Cape”

Stephen provided a brief verbal report. It is estimated 2000 or more people attended with probably 1500 coming to the Market Place hub. Informal feedback has been positive. The Association Showcase which had 200 attending, has been emulated by Inverloch. The Cape reported over 400 attending.

The Committee agreed that consideration of a festival in 2024 will be reviewed in early 2023. The Steering Committee (comprising representatives from WLSC, CPSLC, The Cape and CPRRA) for the event will review it later in March. The Committee commended Stephen, Marci, and Kathy for their efforts, along with the 47 volunteers.

5. Other Business

5.1 Treasurer’s Report. Leone submitted the Treasurer’s report and will include the reimbursements to individuals in a revised report which will be circulated. Subject to that revision the report is accepted.

5.2 Web Site. With changes in the Committee the website is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain. The next committee should assign a member with responsibility to update the website. In addition, a review of the website by IT expertise should be commissioned with the objective of making it more user friendly.

5.3 Correspondence post event report sent to BCSC for Experience Cape on 3 March.

5.4 AOB

5.4.1 Cape Paterson- consideration of reviewing the town name-

Kathy was approached by a resident to look at renaming Cape Paterson with an indigenous name. She will contact Victorian Places directly to confirm the origin of the name and identification of Paterson.

The Wonthaggi Historical Society may also provide some information. The committee commented that this would be a process that, if embarked upon, would be over decades.

6. Next Committee meeting. Ordinary meeting Sat 9 April after working bee (to be confirmed).