



Cape Paterson Residents & Ratepayers Association Incorporated
PO Box 280, Wontheggi VIC 3995

Minutes Meeting 4/2022

May 14th, 2022

Committee Attendance

Pete Muskens	Y	Rohan Brown	Y
Cathy Phillips	A	Jill Maddock	Y/Zoom
John Coulter	A	Kathy Hill	A
Dale Killen	A	Marci Katz	A
Leone Thiele	Y	Geoff Glare	A
Susan Fowler	Y		

Also in attendance Donald Ellsmore and Cheryl

1. Welcome and Apologies

This meeting commenced at WLSC at **1:00 PM** following the Working Bee and lunch. Leone chaired.

2. Minutes of previous meeting held by zoom 9th April 2022

The Minutes of Meeting 3/2022 have been distributed 10 April 2022 and were confirmed out of session on 2nd May with one exception related to fire break at the Illawong Caravan Park.

3. Governance

3.1 Minutes and Correspondence – it was resolved that any reports to be discussed at committee should be submitted a week before the meeting to allow committee members to review.

3.2 Committee meetings- monthly after working bees. Quorum is 50% (6 of 11). Three absences in a row without apology leads to review of committee membership under Rules.

4. Operational Goals Reports

4.1 Biodiversity

1. **Working Bee May the 14th** - Pete reported. 14 attendees. Focused on going over the past six years work at Undertow Bay, removing milk carton plant guards, bamboo stakes and wallaby guards where no longer needed. Strike rates for plants were mixed but noted that where wallaby guards had been used to protect the tops of plants the success rate was vastly improved (specifically for banksias and eucalypts).
2. **Illawong Firebreak** - Geoff reports that the working group met on site on the 29th of April. The meeting noted that Geoff's last report was amended to remove the reference of creating more of the fire barrier within the park. Barry James had noted that the view of caravan owners and park management saw creating an internal fire break as being unrealistic and in the event of a fire the park would be evacuated with an acceptance that the existing vans may be lost.

4.2 Planning

4.2.1 Yallock Bulluk Marine and Coast Park and Distinctive Areas and Landscapes (DAL). No further issues were raised about the Yallock Bulluk coastal trail.

4.2.2. DAL/Draft SPP John updated members by email in the past week of all the activities undertaken in the lead up to and closing of public response to the Draft SPP:

- Council meets at 1pm Wednesday 18th of May to consider its response to the DAL / SPP. Pete noted that it appeared that council planning officers may be prepared to recommend a reconsideration to the northern town boundary

- Donald advised on progress of Save Cape T-shirts to be worn by attendees at the council meeting. 25 T-shirts have been ordered and printed. Distribution expected by Tuesday and depending on demand, a further 25 T-shirts may be produced.
- Jill advised from a planning lawyer source *'No compensation would be payable. Town boundaries can be changed, for example in a structure plan, without any claim for compensation. Even Rezoning that reduces land value doesn't give rise to a claim for compensation.'*

4.3 Infrastructure

4.3.1 Bay Beach/Wonthaggi LSC plan- Pete advised no update. Still no permit for the temporary site.

4.3.2 CFA relocation option. No further updates.

4.4 Community Wellbeing

4.4.1 Cape Paterson Event "Experience Cape"

The Steering committee agreed not to hold an event in 2023 but to meet in February 2023 to discuss options for a 2024 event. No further updates

5. Other Business

5.1 Treasurer's Report. Leone submitted the Treasurer's report (accepted). Advised of some new members since last meeting and that some funds had been withdrawn from the operating account for making the 'Save Cape Paterson' T-shirts.

5.2 Web Site. Pete to thank Jane Fenessy for all she's done so far on the website and to see if PayPal can be removed from the website as the administration fees hardly justify the number of members who join through PayPal. Direct Deposit is the preferred method of payment. Pete to follow up.

5.3 T Shirts. CPRRA to encourage members to buy 'Save Cape Paterson' T-shirts. Meeting endorsed initiative from non members who instigated this action. CPRRA to encourage non members who buy T Shirts to join CPRRA at the same time.

5.4 Correspondence. Leone reported letter has been sent to consider indigenous vegetation planting in lieu of grass in the median strips at the intersection of the Wonthaggi – Cape P and Inverloch-Cape P Roads.

5.4 Cape Paterson- consideration of reviewing the town name- no further updates

5.5 Donation – meeting endorsed resuming donation to WLSC (as had been done in previous years) in consideration of using their facilities during the year for meetings and other activities.

5.6 CPSLC Re-iterate the invitation to CPSLC member to participate in committee meetings. Pete to follow up.

5.7 Working with Children Checks Feeling from volunteers today was that it would still be worthwhile to still be able to work on Parks Victoria administered land. Leone advised that best way of applying for check is to click "no" on the smart phone option on the website and to continue so that the rest of the check can be presented at the post office completion of the process.

6. Next Committee meeting. Ordinary meeting June 11th after working bee (possible stacking of woody weeds west of Kywong if BCSC's contractors have done work) Kathy noted that she will be away until the September meeting and Pete assuming secretary duties until that time.