

Turners Beach Community Representatives Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in the Turners Beach Hall
Thursday, 26 November 2020 commencing at 4.00pm

1 PRESENT

Community Representatives: Andrew Leary, Rod Priestley, Merryn Gilham, Elaine Eiler
Tim Horniblow and Lyn Norton-Smith (Proxy for Susan Spinks)

Central Coast Council (CCC) Representatives:

Sandra Ayton (General Manager), Paul Breaden (Director Infrastructure Services), Allison Kable (Community Development Officer) and Simon Angilley (Community Development Group Leader)

Minute Taker: Deb Lynch (Admin Assistant – Community Development)

2 APOLOGIES: Susan Spinks

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

■ Rod Priestley moved, and Andrew Leary seconded, “That the minutes for the meeting held on 27 August 2020 be confirmed.

Carried

4 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

a Shared pathway progress

Report on the shared pathway:

- Penguin and Heybridge are close to Development Application stage.
- Devonport are still working on the shared pathway with Cradle Coast Authority.
- Turners Beach to Leith Shared Pathway to commence late January, contractor is ready to commence then.

Sandra Ayton reminded the committee that any requests for maintenance works can be sent through the Councils Merit system.

b Leith overpass

Report on Leith Overpass:

- Department are finalising a concept plan. The committee asked if the design would include a bicycle pathway the response being that a shared pathway would be a part of the concept plans. There is an existing bicycle pathway which should remain under the road and be part of the shared pathway.
- Starting to do survey works at Leith.
- Consultation with the community will commence late January 2021.

The Leith overpass is part of the state highway, funded by state and federal government.

c Committee member

There was an application sent in by Clinton Jaffray. Sandra asked if this could be confirmed.

Andrew Leary thought another person may have put in an expression of interest to be on the committee. This was checked out and no application was received.

■ Tim Horniblow moved, and Rod Priestley seconded, "That Clinton Jaffray be appointed to the committee as a community representative".

Carried

d 7 Day Makeover

Sandra advised that the Council have contacted Creative Communities to undertake the 7 Day Make Over of Turners Beach on 20 March 2021. A community information night is to be held on 23 February 2021. Committee members to encourage the broader community to get involved.

Andrew Leary would like to resolve some of the more structural issues first e.g., Susan Street, no pathways and people walking on the road. Traffic at La Mar Café & Providore, crossing the road is unsafe. This to be included into the Turners Beach Street and Tree Scape Strategy which is commencing soon.

The Committee agreed that the 7 Day Make Over project would not impact on the larger strategy and should still go ahead as planned.

5 MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION**5.1 COUNCIL UPDATE**

- a** Nothing to report

5.2 COMMUNITY UPDATE

a Lynn Norton Smith

Lynn apologised for attending the meeting late.

- 1 **Brick retaining wall** – near the hall still requires maintenance. This issue was first raised 3+ years ago but no action has so far been taken. Paul is not sure what the outcome was and will investigate. Sandra and Paul to have a look at the wall at the end of today's meeting.
- 2 **Parking area (road and laneway)** – opposite La Mar gets quite muddy when it rains, is it possible to get the road area sealed or re-gravelled. Paul will inspect the area and organise some maintenance.
- 3 **Planting of grass area** – On the corner of the Esplanade and Turners Beach Road would the council consider planting grass.

Paul advised he would need to look at the restrictions on surface work in this area as there is a storm water retention system located underground.

This may be included in the 7 Day Makeover or the Turners Beach Street and Tree Scape Strategy.

b Merryn Gilham

- 1 **Policy recognising aboriginal heritage** – Merryn Gillham was interested to know if the Central Coast Council has a policy on recognising aboriginal heritage in the area.

Simon Angilley advised that the Council is currently working on a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) which is looking at aboriginal heritage within the municipal area.

Heritage stories are to be incorporated into the Cultural Precinct, Museum, with artwork displays and the history on aboriginal culture in the area.

Currently the RAP program is at stage one. Stage two will involve consulting and informing the community.

6 OTHER BUSINESS

Meeting Dates – The meeting accepted the meeting dates for 2021.

Thursday 25 February 2021
 Thursday 27 May 2021
 Thursday 26 August 2021
 Thursday 25 November 2021

Caretake for Turners Beach Hall – A key security box has been installed and the code can be obtained when booking the hall through ‘Bookings’ at the Council. Allison to look for a hall caretaker’s position description. A copy to be sent out to members of the committee.

Community Garden – Working bees are held every seconded Saturday. A donation was given to the group for the purchase of a small shed to store garden tools. Paul and Sandra would like to see where the shed is to be placed.

The users of the community garden would like to design the garden better. Simon and Allison to meet with the Community Garden Group to discuss.

Community Library – Tim Horniblow suggested this could be part of the 7 Day Make Over.

Sandbags on the Forth River – Paul to inspect the erosion of the sandbags as they are breaking down and not doing the job that is required of them.

Dog restrictions – Tim suggested that having dogs restricted to the one-off lead area, may create problems. The meeting agreed to see how the new restriction go and reassess in late 2021.

Traffic Management – Committee members have concerns with speeding on the Esplanade and Turners Avenue and parking issues in front of La Mar. Would like council to consider traffic calming products e.g., speed humps. This may be resolved with the Turners Beach Street and Tree Scape Strategy.

Beach Access – Merryn Gilliam raised the issue of access points to the beach becoming overgrown. The meeting suggested that she speak with the Friends of the Dunes group.

Westella Drive rubbish pickup – Merryn would like to thank the Council Depot staff for arranging the pickup of rubbish along Westella Drive.

Donation – Merryn advised that the Neighbourhood Watch have a bank balance of \$700. The meeting suggested this could be used with the 7 Day Make Over project.

7 NEXT MEETING

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 5.30pm. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Thursday, 25 February 2021 at 4.00pm at the Turners Beach Hall.

Closed 5.20pm