

THE ENTRANCE PENINSULA COMMUNITY PRECINCT

DRAFT Minutes of the General Meeting held on Tuesday, 21st June, 2011 at 7:00 pm at Meeting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance.

1. **Welcome and Apologies:** Vivienne Scott, Chairperson, opened the meeting attendees. A special welcome was extended to The Office of the Environment and Heritage's Kirsty Brennan and Dr Peter Scanes and WSC's David Ryan.
Attendance: D Darlington, V Scott, T Scott, S Huolohan, G Holland, A Kyneur, I Robinson, N Harvey, C Harvey, G MacLean, G Kinerun, B Dowd, M Pennings, G Pennings, R Slater, R McKendrick, N Gates, E Lyons, T Lyons, A Martin, L Martin, J Price, H Nayna, W Doroszak, P Tsiricopoulos, G Waller, Kirsty Brennan, Dr Peter Scanes, H Hankin and D, Ryan, (30)
Apologies: V McKendrick, Bob Henry, L Nayna, A Darlington, E Matus and A Rowland.
There was no objections to the meeting being recorded, however Dr Peter Scanes requested that their presentation not be recorded.
 2. **Minutes of General meeting Tuesday, , 17th May, 2011** Moved J Price and Seconded C Harvey. Minutes of the Executive Meeting – 7th June, 2011 tabled for information only. Mingara thanked for providing copies of agenda and minutes to all present.
 3. **7.05pm** Vivienne Scott moved Standing Orders be suspended for the presentation by the guest speakers:
Kirsty Brennan's and Dr Peter Scanes' presentation was on **"Tuggerah Lakes Ecological Response Modelling"** They explained that they used a series of models to represent the way the lake was, how it is now and how it operates with regard to currents and wind factors. First Kirsty explained that there are two different types of catchment. By far the biggest is the rural, forested catchment and because of its size has a large impact on the lake with the sediment load it deposits. The second is the urban catchment around the fringe of the lakes. These also have a large impact because of their very nature. Because of the way the lake operates the nutrient and sediment load from this catchment tends to stay close to the shore. Peter explained the importance of seagrass to the health of the lake and how it's growth depends on clear water to let the sunlight in. The more sediment in the water, the murkier it becomes and as a result seagrass only survives the shallower the water that lets in enough light. Seagrass is a habitat and a food for fish and has a positive effect on water quality. And this is what has happened to the lake. With development, the sediment load has increased, the seagrass has decreased, allowing storms to resuspend sediments from the bottom of the lake. The murkier water results in less seagrass. Along the fringe of the lake, the lake edge has been altered resulting in a more vertical bank. The murkier water has moved the seagrass closer and closer to the shore forcing it against the vertical bank which causes the ooze to develop. The health of the lake depends upon reducing the sediment load it receives to allow the sea grass to re-establish. Peter advised *"If you are looking at the lake and wondering how to manage it, then you have your back to the real problem. You don't manage lakes, you manage their catchments"*. Vivienne Scott thanked Kirsty Brennan and Dr Peter Scanes for their detailed and informative presentation on the ecology of the lake. A full report on their presentation can be found on TEPCP's web site: <http://www.theentranceprecinct.org/SPEAKERS.html>.
- 8:20pm Resumption of General Meeting following a short break.**
4. **Matters Arising:**
 - 4.1 **DA/308/2011 53 Affordable housing Units Wilfred Barrett Drive**, The Chair reported that 485 signed the petition and TEPCP's submission was delivered to Council. Council received at least 60 submissions. We received an acknowledgement from the Mayor, who is on the JPP that approves or ejects the DA. Vivienne explained that the State Government has changed the rules and the JPP now had to consider new State Government criteria to ensure they are compatible with local development control plans. We also received advice from the RTA that they are objecting to the proposed access/exit arrangements.
 - 4.2 **New Liquor Store in Long Jetty** At the May meeting it was reported that TEPCP has been advised by WSC that the applicant has withdrawn their application for a new Liquor Store in Long Jetty. Our celebrations were premature as we now have advice that while no new DA has been submitted, Woolworths have applied for a liquor license for the site.
 - 4.3 **Fisherman's Wharf Toilets and Rooftop Access:** Council advised that the lessee was in breach of the Approval Conditions and was insisting the roof be opened. There were no reply as the original question re the hours of operation of the toilets.
ACTION: Secretary to write to WSC requesting details of the duration of the lease for the occupation of Fisherman's Wharf; how it is operating now; when it will come back to the original owners and any other conditions attached to the new lease.

4.4 The Entrance Town Centre Masterplan Project Stakeholder Liaison Team. The chair reported that the owners and architects presented their visions for the 7 Iconic sites in The Entrance . Developments that include:

- 1 Dunleith Tourist Park Site, The Entrance North -
- 2 Vacant 'Key' Site Corner of The Entrance Road and Marine Parade, The Entrance.
- 3 Ebbtide Mall Site Between The Entrance Road and Torrens Avenue, The Entrance.
- 4 Denning/Short Street Carpark Site Corner of Denning and Short Streets, The Entrance.
- 5 Lakeside Plaza Site Corner of The Entrance Road and Denning Street, The Entrance.
- 6 The Greens The Entrance Bowling Club Warrigal Street, The Entrance.
- 7 Residential Tourist Zone 'Klumper' Site Between Manning Road/Bent Street and The Entrance Road West.

The common theme for all the presentations was to have a smaller footprint, higher buildings and more open space. Marlene Pennings reported that John Klumper would withdraw his approved Development Application and submit a new one that contained a proposal build a undercover water theme park to bring people to The Entrance. She believed that his was the only proposal that had a plan to bring people to The Entrance. The others generally were just more retail and tourist accommodation. John Klumper also suggested the establishment of a Trust Fund that developers would contributed to to provide recreational facilities at The Entrance.

5. Treasurer's Report: Charles Harvey moved his report, Seconded T. Scott:

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| (1) | At 17th May, 2011 TEPCP has a Credit balance of | \$233.18 |
| (2) | Operating Costs and Meeting Room Rental | \$110.58 |
| (3) | Credit Bank Balance | \$122.60 |
| (4) | Request made to WSC for "Top Up" of our funds for ongoing operating expenses. | |
| (5) | TEPCP has not received a response to request for Special Funding " Meet the Councillors Workshop Day" | |

6. Correspondence: Correspondence Report provide to the meeting, copy attached. Seconded by Jim Price

Business Arising:

6.1 Pavement Condition Tuggerah Parade: Advice from WSC that the new sewer construction would start end September/early October and the need the pavement reconstruction would be considered after that. There is no load limit on Tuggerah Parade.

6.2 Amalgamation Of Wyong And Gosford Councils: The Chair referred to the Australian Council for Excellence in Local Government's (ACEGL) May 2011 paper as an excellent document that looks at all the recent amalgamations. The Chair called for a show of hands of those who would like a presentation by an expert on amalgamations. Advised that The Executive would look into it.

6.3 Backlog in Council Business: Concern express about the delay caused to Council programs by failure of Councillors to provide sufficient time to be briefed..

ACTION: Secretary to write to WSC stating that TEPCP is concerned about the backlog and the impact it has on Council Staff

6.4 Coastal Zone Management Plan: The Chair proposed that the Workshop on Saturday, 23rd July, 2011 be devoted to this issue. This was agreed to by the meeting. The sausage sizzle to be replaced by sandwiches

7. General Business:

- 7.1.** Rod Slater thanked TEPCP for its letter to WSC re condition of maintenance in Jubilee Park and advised that some additional work had been carried out.

The Chair thanked those who came out on a cold winters night and encouraged people to try and bring their friends along

Meeting Closed at 8:55pm

NOTICES

Executive Committee Meeting: Tuesday, 5th July, 2011: at **4.00pm** at Meeting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance.

Special Meeting: Tuesday, 23rd July, 2011: at 10:00am at Meeting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance.

"MEET WYONG SHIRE COUNCILLORS"

HEAR

Wyong Shire Council's Greg White on **"Coastal Zone Management Plan"**