

TAROONA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION inc.

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Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at 7.30 pm on Thursday, 5 July 2012 in the Tarooma Community Hall.

Present: Jill Hickie (President, Chair), Dal Andrews, Damian Devlin, Tony Hughson, Alison Phillips, Roger Kellaway (Secretary).

Apologies: Sally Port.

Minutes:

The minutes of the meetings of 10 May 2012 and 7 June 2012 were approved. Moved Tony Hughson, seconded Jill Hickie

Correspondence: in

1. From Ian Holloway, Kingborough Council re siting of outdoor exercise equipment in Tarooma Park. The issue has already been considered in a meeting between Council staff and TEN and TCA on site. Another meeting has been scheduled for 11 July at 12 noon. Some people were concerned about the lack of a management plan for the reserve and suggested that this site would be better left natural with concentration of all active exercise facilities up the hill. Others felt that the proposed site would be more accessible to people using the foreshore walk for exercise.

Business Arising/General Business:

1. *Mobile Phone Towers.* Vodaphone has prepared an article for the newsletter that repeats its claim about the need for improved mobile coverage in Tarooma and that EMR at the levels used are not of health concern. It was suggested that an attempt should be made to 'reverse engineer' the issues in order to propose an acceptable site to the companies rather than just react to their proposals. Damian Devlin is to try to organize a committee to undertake the work.
2. *Newsletter.* Deadline is 16 July with distribution in early August. Jill Hickie to report on the 'Earn your Stars' micro-grant, especially the recent meetings featuring Costa and Paul Healy. Jill also to contact Andrew Wilkie's office re printing of the newsletter.
3. *Earn your Stars Micro-grant.* Jill Hickie to prepare final report for the granting body. Tony Hughson has prepared the accounts which show a small surplus that will need to be returned to the state government.
4. *Council Restructuring.* It was agreed that Roger Kellaway draft a letter to Council noting (i) that that the Council restructuring documents available to us were inadequate for the association to come to any conclusion about the

future shape of local government in southern Tasmania, (ii) that the meeting strongly supported the concept of resource sharing between local councils and (iii) noting the Tarooma residents were generally oriented northwards towards Hobart rather than south to Kingston.

5. *Sediment of Tarooma Beach.* It seems extremely unlikely that Council will fund any study of the problem. It was suggested that we approach the Derwent Estuary Project to test sediments and suggest possible remedies.
6. *Landslip.* Council is continuing to undertake investigation of the landslip area near the primary school.
7. *Utikah Track.* While the upgrade of the track has been accepted by Council and placed in the budget for 2012/13, there is at this time no date for the works to be done and the track reopened.
8. *Vegetation between Tarooma Reserve and Quarantine Station.* DPIWE has asked Kingborough Council to remove vegetation along the boundary due to cats disturbing birds in the parrot breeding program.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer informed the meeting that we currently have \$1,689 in the bank. This sum includes the \$342 residual of the 'Earn Your Stars' micro-grant. TCA funds are \$1,347.

The Treasurer will try to contact unfinancial members.

*Next Meeting: Committee Meeting on Thursday, 2 August 2012
in the Tarooma Hall/Community Cottage*