

Taroona Community Association Meeting Minutes

Date:	15 March 2023		
Time:	7.30 pm		
Place:	St Luke's Church meeting room		
Present:	Anne Parrot (Chair), Roger Kellaway, Maureen Robinson, Damian Devlin, Alison Phillips (Treasurer), Fiona Rice		
Apologies:	Janette Power, Liz Haywood, Jill Hickie, David Roberson, Dal Andrews		
Minutes:	Confirmation of Minutes 8 th February 2023		
Moved:	Maureen	Seconded:	Anne

Correspondence

In/Out – Rod Tremayne UTAS re IMAS development and request for contribution to traffic calming measures
 In DA - 2022-321 Notification of approval from Kingborough Council (KC)
 In KCCF agenda for 18th March (Maureen attending)
 In/Out – Louisa Hinsby opening organising and additional plantings (Cr Kaspar Deane, Mayor Paula Wreidt, Trish Hodge of Nita Education, Jane Graham-Smith (TPS), Roy Langman (KC), Nicholas Alexander (KC)
 Out – to KC re Footway between Wandella and Baringa
 Out – Re IMAS update article for March News - David Benuik, IMAS, Cr Dean, Mayor Wreidt.
 Out – Nigel Richardson, TEN – re Nubeena Landslip remediation

Treasurer's Report – Alison Phillips

On March 15th, 2023, the TCA had a balance of \$816.10 (down from 8/2/23 of \$1927.86)
Since my last report of February 8th, 2023, we have had \$0.66 interest and 1 new membership.
I paid the \$55 for the domain name renewal fee for "taroona.tas.au" (for 2 years) and \$89.42 for the rego for the trailer for Chiton. I also paid (by cheque) the public liability insurance of \$978.
We have \$533 left from our Neighbourhood grant to go towards the planned bird bath and seating.
This means we effectively have \$283.10.
There are currently 68 financial members.
 Alison Phillips (Treasurer)

A brief discussion was had around the cost of public liability insurance and whether the Skiff could potentially be insured through the National Skiff Association, thereby reducing our premium. Damian to check and report back.

General Business (incl reviewing actions)

Newsletter – Liz has called for articles and is on track to print 27 March and deliver 31 March. Articles from TCA will include responsible cat management (article written in consultation with Council's cat management officer, Kaylene Allen) and an IMAS update on the approval of the DA. Drafts to articles were discussed.

Visioning Groups – No report and no further developments, aside from the Energy Vision Group (see below). (TCA has offered to support establishment of groups and facilitate meetings. Any further action is with community volunteers at this time.)

Community Battery Meeting – Thanks expressed to David Roberson for beautifully convening and running a meeting of 35 local residents who were interested in supporting a community battery. He has taken feedback from the community session to TasNetworks who will likely setup a workshop to continue the discussion further. This next step may be slowed down as the team running the project has lost a few members recently. Four people have expressed interest in establishing an 'Energy Vision Group'. (This was based on an email David sent out to all participants after the session.) An article summarising the session and calling for more people for the 'Energy Vision Group' has been written by David and will be published in the March-April newsletter.

Statewide Planning Scheme and Specific Area Plan for Taroom – Jill is attending a PMAT board meeting at Coles Bay this weekend and will discuss a Specific Area Plan for Taroom with Sophie Underwood.

Louisa Hinsby Park – Roy Langman anticipates the park will be ready for opening to the general public by the 1st April, once the grass has received its first cut. Two events will be held to mark the opening –

- 1) **A formal Opening / Planting Session** on a Tuesday morning post Easter (2nd May or 9th May) to allow attendance of the TPS students (with class teacher Jane Graham-Smith) who planted and designed the plant labels to be there. Other invited attendees will include Mayor Wreidt, selected Councillors (including Kaspar Deane), Hinsby descendants, Hilary Wallace (who contributed \$5000 toward the cost of the plant labels and Louisa story interpretation) and TEN volunteers to assist with Stage 2 planting. Unfortunately, Trish Hodge of Nita Education is fully booked for the next 6 months so is unable to participate with a Welcome to Country and bush tucker session. The entry arbor, Louisa story and plant labels will all be installed by this date. At this event, children will plant out the remaining beds, and replace the 24 lost to waterlogging and herbicide overspray. Hinsby descendants will plant the daffodils. Mayor Wreidt and Hinsby descendants to officially declare the park open.
- 2) An informal **Community Picnic** on a Sunday morning (date TBC) that Kaspar has offered to coordinate. This event will focus on the immediate neighbouring residents of Jenkins and Hinsby streets. (Kaspar is considering applying for a Neighbour Day grant to fund refreshments.)

Taroom High School – Does committee have any ideas regarding closer links/opportunities following the THS AGM presentations? (Fiona) – Discussion deferred.

Taroom History Group (Liz & Fi) – Discussion deferred.

Taroona Beach Toilets – Dal reported via email: Mike Woolley, KC engineer was due to hand in his work on Monday, however he has been delayed a week. Once we have his specifications Dal and Tina will add his notes to their drawings, then submit to Building Surveyor for certification. Mike Lee (project manager) is aware of progress. Alex Miles, local graphic designer and public artist, is looking at signage for the Change Room area.

Wandella to Baringa Walkway Maintenance – Email response received on 15/3/22 from Su Sprott to our email regarding maintenance of this walkway. The Parks and Reserves Supervisor investigated the walkway and their response was that at this stage it is not on Council's priority list to spend resources or to action for the small number of people that would utilise it when there is a concrete footpath to the bus stop going via the road. They can attend to some extra mowing in the growth season but if residents feel the condition is too poor then they can close it, or residents choose not to utilise it. Su apologies is this is not the response we were hoping for and emphasised that there may be an option for an upgrade in the future if Council considers it is warranted against many other competing priorities.

TCA Funding Priorities for 2023 to Council – Our priorities were submitted at short notice and were simply a repeat of our 2022 priorities:

- Implementation stage 2 Taroona Master Plan
 - Improved access to Hinsby Beach
 - Traffic calming for three areas with poor sight lines on Channel Hwy (pedestrian plus road safety).
- NB: It was noted in our meeting that when the priorities return to us that we specify which areas require traffic calming, and be sure to include Chiton Close and Nubeena Crescent.

Jill also requested that a dog walking track at the back of Hinsby Beach be included as a priority, however Kaspar investigated this further and Council's response was that it was financially prohibitive. Kaspar advised Anne and Fi that the review process is extensive, involving several meetings with councillors and council before priority lists are returned to associations for comment/review.

Boats on Taroona foreshore – A discussion was had around the number of boats and boards on our foreshore (100 at February 2023 count), along with the opportunities and hazards they present. We all appreciate the informality of being able to leave boats (at our own risk) on the foreshore, and the relaxed vibe, however recognise the issues it creates for maintenance for Council, and the growing number of boats which is beginning to impact on the appearance of the foreshore in some places. If we were able to identify those boats which have been long abandoned, we might be able to sell them (Scout project?) and return funds to the community, or identify some which might be labelled as community boats for each beach. The liability issues around community boats needs to be carefully managed. Discussion to continue. Kaspar is assisting.

Community Film Screening – Discussion deferred.

Lost Property Tree for Taroona Beach – Discussion deferred.

Public Toilets at Truganini Reserve – Future discussion to be had. Kaspar keen to discuss this and other Taroona issues with us at a future meeting.

Toy Crate – for main beaches and at Louisa Hinsby Park. Agreed to trial first at LHP. GKN to donate toys and crate.

TCA Membership – Include an article in TCA news seeking more members.

Community Hall management committee meeting – Maureen attended the March meeting, which focused mainly on insurance matters. The TCH offered use of their hall for free to the TCA, however Wednesday nights clash with other bookings. The TCH also expressed their concern with our low membership numbers and offered to help us get more members by using their advertising board at the hall. Fiona to prepare a poster with Liz.

Kingborough Consultative Forum (KCF) – Maureen will attend this Saturday 18th March, on behalf of TCA. Maureen to ask:

- How do other groups deal with public liability insurance and is group insurance possible.
- What is the process for submitting our budget priorities as we were unaware they were due (until Kaspar asked us).

Primary School Hazard Tape – Response to query from Roger at previous meeting: The hazard tape below road at school was marking a water leak / land slump area to keep children away while it was being investigated.

Review into local government – Jill to forward committee her response notes from the community session she attended.

Meeting closed 8.45pm.

Next meeting

Time: 7.30 pm
Date: 26 April
Place: St Luke's Church