

Sub-Committee and other Reports:

- Transport and Community Services Committee

Russ Morison presented his report on the Combined Community Councils (CCC) Sub-committees meeting to discuss issues common across Canberra. The CCC has prepared a list of questions for all candidates in the ACT Election. He also presented a report from the South East Tuggeranong Residents' Association with updates on Park and Ride, aged care facilities, and MyWay Card charging facilities.

- Planning and Environment Committee

Nil to report

Police Report:

Sergeant Chrissie Barrett presented the following brief report on crime statistics and information regarding other local Police activities during August:

- 37 arrests after 85 incidents.
- One offender has been arrested after being linked to 22 burglaries in the Valley.
- Armed robbery at Lanyon Market Place.
- Believe the perpetrator is responsible for 6 armed robberies in the Valley and some on the north side.
- Increasing patrols of soft targets in the Valley

Questions from the floor:

Nil

Update from Local Members:

Darryl invited the local Members in attendance, namely Amanda Bresnan (ACT Greens), Gai Brodtmann and Joy Burch (ALP) and Brendan Smyth (Liberals) to provide a brief report on current activities and issues of interest in the ACT.

Ms. Burch mentioned the following items:

- Sittings finished until after Election
- Budget supported by Greens and passed.
- ACT poll on 20 October.
- Mura Lanyon Community Centre extensions opened with new community kitchen, food bank service and office improvements.
- New home for Tuggeranong Men's Shed almost complete.
- Announced the establishment of a new bulk-billing GP Clinic at back of the Chisholm shops by Jan/ Feb 2013.
- Chisholm Park taken off the land release program.
- Chisholm older persons units being reconsidered (height and traffic).

Questions from the floor

- Re Chisholm GP clinic. **The existing GP has closed his books.**
- Re the numbers of young homeless people to be accommodated in a youth housing project planned for Mead Street, Chisholm. (ACT Government committed to provide accommodation for homeless youth). **Limited to 6 people.**
- Re a public path near homes at Bonython older persons community complex that is being frequented by disruptive youth at all hours of the night. Residents request path be closed.
Ms. Burch agreed to look into the matter.

Ms. Bresnan provided the following details

- Apologies for not attending last meeting due to illness.
- Paid tribute to Darryl Johnston for his term as President and the introduction of new processes and engagement with community and other Community Councils.
- Welcomed the opening of Chisholm GP Clinic. Congratulations to the West Belconnen Health Co-op.
- Greens opening an office at Homeworld in Tuggeranong.
- Reference to Lake Tuggeranong Forum.
- Releasing Election policies over the coming weeks.

