

Tuggeranong Community Council Inc.
General Meeting – 01 August 2017
Minutes

Welcome/Acknowledgement:

Meeting opened 7.30pm by President Glenys Patulny who acknowledged the Ngunnawal People as the traditional custodians of the land we meet on and welcomed the attendees.

Present: Refer to Attendance Record of 1st August 2017.

Apologies: Gai Brodtmann MP, Alicia Turner, Paul Nicholl.

President's Report: Glenys Patulny

Next Wednesday afternoon, the 9th August (Week 4- Term 3) the Tuggeranong Community Council's "Youth Engagement Committee" will hold a forum to find out from the youth of Tuggeranong, what their thoughts are about Tuggeranong, what is working and what they would like see improved for the future. There will be a series of topics to be discussed and the TCC Committee will look forward to the feedback from the students. This information will be incorporated into future TCC policies and directions.

The TCC with the support of the Hypedome is launching a petition to support our letter about re routing the buses from Anketell Street. I have copies tonight for hopefully all of you to sign and we will put it online. It states

"To the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory.

This petition of certain residents of the Australian Capital Territory draws to the attention of the Assembly that we the Tuggeranong community seek to have the buses removed from the café area of the Anketell Street/ Tuggeranong Town Centre to an alternate route of Reed St to Cowlshaw St/Pitman St via Lake Tuggeranong College. This will improve the social amenity of the café area, assist the government town centres revitalisation program, supports the transport strategy and light rail initiatives, will encourage small business start-ups in the area and the Hyperdome transformation, encourages bus patronage for school children as well as creating a healthier environment for outdoor dining.

Your petitioners therefore request that the Assembly call on the government to reroute buses from Anketell Street to Cowlshaw Street as requested."

I have also this month written two letters to Minister Gentleman as Minister of Police and Emergency Services

- About the recent shooting in Kambah asking if police numbers and relevant legislation are adequate, and
- About the recent 'Bushfire Management: Balancing the Risks' forum that I attended. I was pleased to see what is happening here in the ACT re managing the risks. However I live in Western Kambah where in the 2003 fires 18 houses were lost. I feel strongly that we need as much advanced notice as possible re possible outbreaks and while I know we have a good liaison with NSW I ask that we can support their efforts in monitoring the areas surrounding the ACT.

We are also following up on the proposal to develop an Environmental Sporting Precinct at West Greenway. Interested groups are sending in list of their "Visions" and all the various groups and organisations that currently use the various areas in West Greenway. I already have a two page list of organisations who use now only some of the facilities. We are hoping to have our next broader stakeholder meeting later in August or early September.

Other meetings I have attended include:

- The regular bi monthly Environment and Planning Forum
- ACTewAGL information night
- Icon Water talking about their role here in the ACT
- Inservice on Governance
- ANU Climate Café

I would also like to show you a little of our website where our meetings and minutes are listed as well as items of interest to the Community.

Just a reminder that the September meeting will include our AGM. Please think about joining our committee. We are particularly in need of a new Treasurer and Secretary. If you want to find out more about it please talk to any of the current committee. Details about the AGM will be mentioned later in the meeting.

The next meeting of the TCC will be held on the 5th September at the Vikings Tuggeranong Town Centre Club where we have a presentation from Icon Water about their water responsibilities and pricing rationalisation and have an update about Southquay East. We will follow this up with our AGM.

Report was proposed by Wayne King, Seconded by Didi Sommers. Passed and accepted.

TCC Youth Subcommittee Report - Sophie Spokes

- The TCC Youth Engagement forum will be held at the Tuggeranong Community Centre on Wednesday 9th August at 1.30pm. Students from all high schools and colleges in Tuggeranong from years 8 to 12 have been invited to participate in this forum but if anyone else is interested in attending or wants more information on the forum please ring 0431 235 970. Members of the Youth Engagement Committee have identified a number of topics of interest that they would like input on. These include: Climate Change, Housing, Job Seekers, Nightlife, Safety and Surveillance, Sport, Transport including Roads, Waste and Recycling.
NB Lunch will be provided by Tuggeranong Community Council (TCC).
- Matthew and Daisy met with Nicole Lawder MLA also to discuss issues. These included bus services and access to post high school education.
- Glenys also showed to council members the Youth Engagement banner that was donated by the Vikings Club. The banner is to assist the Youth Engagement group with any activities they attend.

Police Report- Sgt Nathan Nallo and Karen Drake

Sgt Nallo spoke about some crime statistic comparisons in the Tuggeranong patrol zone. He told us that full details can be accessed in the police news website at policenews.act.gov.au

Sgt Nathan also mentioned Task Force Nemesis, saying it had been established to target bikie related crimes. They have a great amount of intelligence coming in from the community to assist with this, so he encouraged everyone to keep up the good work reporting to police or crime stoppers.

MLA Updates:

- Nicole Lawder (Canberra Liberals Brindabella)

- Nicole started by mentioning the condolence motion that was moved in the Assembly for Val Jeffery. Val was a MLA for Brindabella for a short time at the end of the last parliament.
- Nicole also spoke about the Assembly Estimates that is currently underway.
- Nicole also made mention of her meeting with Matt and Daisy from the Youth engagement committee.

- Shane Rattenbury (ACT Greens)

SMinister hane spoke about the portfolios he holds in the current ACT government.

- Mental Health - The Minister spoke about the great support services available for people with mental health, but also acknowledges there is a lot of work still to happen to make it better. Shane also mentioned that the government have implemented a suicide reduction program.
- Road safety portfolio - The Minister talked about a demonstration carried out for school students where they had two cars- same model, made 15 years apart with different safety ratings and what happens to these cars when they were made to collide. The new model has less damage than the older one which shows the importance of checking the road safety rating of cars when they are looking to buy a car.
- Shane spoke about the increased number of speed vans now out and about, and he also said that they have increased the number of shifts the speed vans do, and have now moved them into school zones.
- There have been some upgrades at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC). They now have a new and bigger laundry, creating more work for inmates, and they have now started a bakery where inmates are now making bread and baked goods.
- The Minister also touched on the Climate Change and Sustainability portfolio. He also spoke about the four solar farms now around the ACT, and reinforced the Government's 100% renewable energy target by 2020.

Guest Speakers:

- Mr Stephen Bygrave- Head of Climate Change and Sustainability

Steven spoke on the ACT's renewable energy targets to 2020 and beyond. The target is to be completely 100% renewable by 2020. To have a 40% reduction of emissions, Net zero emissions by 2050 at the latest, and develop 2030 and 2040 interim targets.

Stephen mentioned the renewable energy policy objectives to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and that Canberra is the national energy innovation hub. He also talked about:

- The investment of large scale renewables
- Reduce barriers on solar and battery storage
- The demonstration of emerging technologies
- New research collaborations
- Trades training developments
- Support for start-ups and business innovation

Stephen outlined the locations of Canberra's wind and solar farms within the national electricity market.

He also talked about the Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Programs which are-

- Energy Efficiency Improvement Scheme- Energy savings in over 70,000 Canberra households.
- ACTSmart programs- helping households, businesses and schools to improve sustainability and reduce emissions.
- Carbon Neutral Government Program - supporting emission reductions across Government to meet the 2020 target of carbon neutral operations.

Stephen then went on to talk about the ACT Climate Change Adaption Strategy:

- Shows changes to the climate are happening
- To protect ourselves and loved ones, we need to adapt.
- Strategy released in 2016 identifies whole of Government priorities for short term actions to reduce vulnerabilities and build resilience.

Stephen then closed with the Blueprint to 2050 with the following objectives:

- Set the next policy pathway in place beyond 2020
- Develop a pathway to 2050 with firm interim targets for 2030 and 2040
- Ensure co-benefits of mitigation and adaptation
- Integrate with Transport policy and strategic planning
- Maintain ACT as a global leader in climate change action
- Help identify and capture benefits of new investment in R&D training and business.

General Business:

- Minutes of July 2017 Meeting

Acceptance was Moved by Frank Vrins and Seconded by Beverly Flint.

- Treasurer's Report (Max Flint)

Max delivered a brief Report showing net expenditure over the period of **\$1500**.

Balance of available funds currently stands at **\$17 259** comprising:

- Members' funds : \$ 5 776
- ACT Government Funds : \$ 11 483

Max mentioned the nomination forms are available, and should be back to the committee 10 days prior to the AGM.

Proposed: Frank Vrins and Seconded: Karl Maftoum. Carried.

Sub Committee Reports:

- Community (Taryn Langdon):

Taryn spoke on the TCC service award, and that nominations are now open. We will put it out on social media and our website for people to access to fill out and submit. We would prefer all nominations returned via email for electronic records.

Taryn also mentioned she has been speaking with Vicky who runs the coffee van near the Sea Scout hall. Last we heard Vicky had been experiencing issues with the government about moving her van a small distance and she couldn't get help with the connection of services. However there has been progress and Vicky is now getting help from the Government after Taryn, Glenys and Hamish had a meeting with Minister Gentleman.

- Planning (read by Glenys Patulny on behalf of Hamish Sinclair)

We have received notification that the LDA Estate plan for east south quay has been approved subject to conditions and traffic input on the amended plan. While we support the housing development and the installation of the proposed traffic intersection on Drakeford Drive it would be a traffic problem generator rather than a solution to existing problems. At this stage we have not seen any amended plans nor been consulted about how the amendments will alleviate the main access problem to the new estate, but I understand they will be giving us a brief update at our September meeting.

A further notice of decision on one of the two DAs for a childcare centre on Cowlshaw Street has also been approved. The TCC objected to the loss of retail on the laneway and introduction of a land use that is inconsistent with the master plan for the laneway as a night time entertainment precinct. The approval is on the basis that the DA only removes 400 metres of retail capacity from the Cowlshaw Street and laneway frontage and 100 metres remains. The approval did not seem to take into consideration the child care facility as that was not part of the DA (The centre is in DA 2). This raises the situation where two DAs can run concurrently for the same site and yet be treated in isolation from each other. A better planning system should treat such applications as an integrated development if only to avoid

the situation where the lease gets changed to assist a development and then that development subsequently might be rejected.

Finally the installation of the highly anticipated much publicised ACT government laneway revitalisation works are almost complete. This committee has from the outset requested the government and TCCS to hold off on contracting and installing these works to allow further consultation. Instead we were promised a meeting to have input on the design and vision for the laneway and that is set for August – an initial consultation will be held next week. However in the interim stage 1 has been installed and as a design professional it is obvious that there are issues. We are concerned with the completion of the current 1st section of the laneway where trees too small to give any shade relief in summer for many years to come, we have a clutter of street furniture preventing the space from being utilised for events but we do have nice new pavers and a water spout and an interesting piece of ‘public art’.

The design workshop in August is set to create a vision and a design for the remaining 60% of the laneway but we are concerned that our opinions might not be taken into account as the initial stage already completed could influence the overall design and as said before we have problems with the initial design. A report on the outcomes of the August meeting will be presented to the October Council meeting.

Meeting Closed at 9.40pm. Next meeting 5th September at Vikings Town Centre Club.