

**TUGGERANONG COMMUNITY COUNCIL INC.**  
**Minutes of the General Meeting on 4 October, 2022**  
**held at the Vikings Town Centre Club, Tuggeranong**

**Welcome and Acknowledgment**

The meeting was opened at 7.30 pm by Chair, Harvey Bell with an acknowledgement of country and welcome to participants.

**President's Report**

Presented by Chair, Harvey Bell in the absence of President, Glenys Patulny who is overseas and Vice President Jeff Bollard away on business travel, but both attended via Zoom.

***Annual Return***

The Annual Return to the ACT Registrar of Associations has been submitted along with notice of change of Committee following the Annual General Meeting held on 6 September 2022.

***Environment and Planning Forum***

Held last week:

- Planning Bill 2022 now introduced and expect to have a presentation at the November TCC meeting.

***Dog Parks***

As part of the ACT Government commitment to providing spaces for community to safely exercise and socialise their dogs on/off-leash, two new fenced dog parks will be delivered in 2023 – Franklin and the Lanyon Valley.

Community is invited to review the draft plans and provide feedback via online surveys or pop-ups. Submissions can be emailed by 9 November 2022 to:  
[communityengagement@act.gov.au](mailto:communityengagement@act.gov.au) .

***Covid changes***

ACT Public Health Emergency Declaration has been revoked and transitioned to a COVID-19 Management Declaration and Associated Directions.

Changes came into effect on 30 September 2022 and Kambah drive through testing has permanently closed.

The President's report was seconded by Wayne King and accepted.

**MP/MLA Updates**

The Chair invited Ms Nicole Lawder MLA to speak.

- Currently working with petitioners on Fadden Playground and options for new equipment and removal of an old tower.
- Stromlo Park infrastructure – community concern with car parking design, which is inappropriate for the unloading/loading of bikes on cars, and that paid parking may be introduced.
- Budget debate to be held over the next two weeks.
- Invitation to community to meet her at Common Ground Café in Gowrie on Friday, 7 October with ACT Liberal Leader, Elizabeth Lee.

Mr Johnathan Davis MLA was invited to speak.

- Sponsored a petition by Australian Midwifery Association calling on the ACT Government to urgently develop a clear and sustained recovery plan for Nursing and Midwifery workers
- A lot of opposition has been received on KFC proposal for Chisholm shops.
- He has received submissions for upgrade to Tuggeranong Skate Park which is 21 years old. Skate parks in other locations, not as old as Tuggeranong Skate Park, had been refurbished and it was disappointing only painting was included for the skate park in the Foreshore Project.
- Dog Park in Lanyon proposal open for consultation until 9 November. Mr Davis will accept comments.

### **Guest speakers**

***Dr Ralph Ogden, Programme Manager, ACT Healthy Waterways***

Under the Catchment Plan for ACT Lakes trialling new assets near the sources of pollution. Thirteen small assets in Tuggeranong are proposed to be built near sources of pollution, using swales, long rain gardens and mini rain gardens in green spaces involving enhancement of the areas with trees, shrubs and rushes to filter water. Public information sessions to be held 12 and 16 October at Tuggeranong Library prior to DA submission on 28 October. A study will be conducted in Summer on the effects of increased flows, due to rain, on the algae in the lake. The aim of Healthy Waterways studies is to reduce the bloom of blue/green algae.

Dr Ogden was thanked for his informative presentation and discussion with members present, as well as several questions being addressed.

***Ms Sophie Clement, Urban Team, Infrastructure Delivery, Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate*** accompanied by

***Ms Anna Chauvel, Director, Place Laboratory, consultant on foreshore project***

Ms Clement advised the concept design for Revitalisation of Tuggeranong Town Centre Foreshore is open for comment on YourSay until 10 October. It is intended that work to commence in 2023 will include:

- Upgrade of facilities at the Town Park, eg. one new toilet block, seating and outdoor eating options.
- Pathway improvements to tight corners near Tuggeranong College
- Improved and safe seating along paths
- Improved lighting
- Tree planting
- Non-slip surface on paths
- Safety at the skate park
- Provision of power access for pop-ups at events
- Direction of higher speed, commuter cyclists to a new active travel path on Soward Way.

The topic promoted suggestions that Ms Clement will follow up:

- Provision of a second crossing near the entrance to the pool.

- Ms Lawder mentioned from feedback she received that provision of bins rated high, bins that prevent access by birds would be ideal.
- A bike repair stand similar to one at Acton with tools secured to a stand.
- Condition of the entrance to the Town Park at Cowlshaw Street and wall with memorial plaques.
- Container near McDonalds
- Lighting in public areas near McDonalds.

Ms Clement was thanked for her presentation and engagement in discussions.

## **General Business**

### ***Apologies***

Mark Parton MLA, Inspector Rod Anderson of Tuggeranong Police.

### ***Police Report***

Mrs Flint presented the report on behalf of Insp. Anderson.

- The AFP is conducting Open Guardian in connection with the Optus breach.
- Public encouraged to be aware of suspect action in any accounts and report directly to relevant bank or authority. Support is available from [IDCARE Official Website | Identity Theft & Cyber Support](#).
- Do not click on links in emails or provide personal information to suspect callers. For advice on staying safe online [www.cyber.gov.au](http://www.cyber.gov.au) .
- Do not leave car keys in obvious spots in the house and never leave them unattended in a car warming up.
- Operation Toric is underway targeting recidivist car theft offenders.

### ***Minutes from previous meeting***

The minutes of the September General meeting were not distributed at the September meeting but will be circulated the same time as the October minutes.

### ***Treasurer's Report***

In the absence of the Treasurer, the usual Report was unfortunately not provided.

### ***Sub-Committee Reports***

Due to time restraints, there were no further reports provided. However due to the closing date of 12 October for submissions on the proposed KFC development at Chisholm shops, Chair of the Planning, Transport & Communication Committee, Harvey Bell sought endorsement for the Council to make a submission based on non-conformance with the traffic and parking code and exhaust pollution. Seconded by Jim Thornton.

All participants were thanked for attending and the meeting closed at 9.40pm. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 1 November 2022.