

NORTH CANBERRA COMMUNITY COUNCIL INC.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ACT SPORTS HOUSE, HACKETT

7.30pm, 12 October 2011

AGENDA

- 1) Welcome, Attendance and Apologies
- 2) Guest speakers: Majura Valley truffle farmers and grape growers, Sherry McArdle-English and Frank de Loo.
- 3) Chair's report
- 4) Treasurer's Report
- 5) Election of Committee and Public Officer
- 6) Receive and consider:
 - a) the audited statement of accounts for the financial year 01 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;
 - b) a copy of the auditor's report in relation to the association's accounts;
 - c) a report stating the name of each member of the committee; principal activities and any significant change in the nature of those activities; and the net profit or loss for the most recently ended financial year.
- 7) Appointment of Auditor
- 8) Other business:
 - i. Motion that General Meetings continue to be held at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday of each month.

DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETING 12 OCTOBER 2011 (DISSOLVED AGM)

The meeting was opened at 7.40pm by Jochen Zeil (NCCC Chair). After 30 minutes, and under the NCCC Constitution, the meeting did not attract a quorum of 10 members in order to conduct the business of an annual general meeting and was dissolved.

Attendees: Jochen Zeil, Richard Larson, Sherry McArdle-English, Caroline Le Couteur, Mike Hettinger, Felix MacNeill, Renzo Gobbin, Harry Crawford, Waltraud Pix

Apologies: Maureen Hartung.

i) Other business.

Our invited guest speaker, Sherry McArdle-English, briefed the small audience on the Caring for our Country Project No: CAG09-00263 project, entitled *Sustainable Farming in the Majura Valley*. The document was prepared in cooperation with the Molonglo Catchment Group.

Sustainable Farming in the Majura Valley

Executive Summary

The 'Sustainable Farming in the Majura Valley' project was developed because of widespread uncertainty among the rural landholders about their future in the Valley.

Information about the situation of each landholder was obtained through interviews using a standard questionnaire. This report tells the story of each landholder, including their current land uses, landcare related management activities, future management plans if long-term tenure is granted and major uncertainties.

Most landholders would like to continue to live in the Valley, continue to carry out rural enterprises, and to manage their land in a more sustainable way. However three factors currently are a major disincentive for them to invest in long-term sustainable management of their properties. These factors are:

- the lack of long-term certainty about their leases and/or uncertainty related to withdrawal clauses,
- the potential impacts of the proposed Majura Parkway, and
- government proposals for the area articulated in its Eastern Broadacre study.

To read the document in full follow the link provided below:

www.molonglocatchment.com.au/Projects/SFMV/Sustainable%20Farming%20in%20the%20Majura%20Valley.pdf

Action item

- i. **2011 Annual General Meeting:** The committee agreed to reconvene the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday November 16 2011. Sherry McArdle-English was invited to do an updated presentation at that meeting, and accepted.

The meeting was declared closed at 8:45 pm.