

Hackett Community Association
Meeting at ACT Sports House, Hackett
Tuesday 15 March 2011

Present: James Walker, Lorraine Mason, Greg Haughey, Len Crossfield, Waltraud Pix, Laura Turnbull, Freddie Turnbull, Marian Williams, Terry de Luca, Bruce Smith,

Apologies: Max Huntington; Barbara Inglis; Dorothy Mackenzie

Minutes: Agreed with the revisions that it was Greg who spoke to Di Fielding, not Len, and we were informed that the Phillip Ave/ Majura Ave intersection would be completed by October, not in October.

Treasurer's report: Lorraine reported that the account now has \$1524.79

Clean Up Australia report back: Terry reported that the Hackett clean up had been a success and extended his thanks to the volunteers – most of them were HCA members. Greg reported that it was particularly messy at the top of Kellaway St (cigarette butts, food bar wraps etc). There was a discussion about options and it was agreed that we should have a further discussion at the next meeting.

Music in the Park report back – Greg reported that this had been successful that it is now proposed to hold 4 a year. It was agreed that this was a positive development and that it was a possible forum to promote both HCA and also FoMM.

NCCC report back: Bruce and Waltraud reported back. There is now an O'Connor Association, and the Dickson Residents Group continues to be active. There may be opportunities to influence the ACT Government arising from the recent reforms – it is not clear at this stage how that might happen.

Hackett Birthday: James reported that the organisers of Centenary of Canberra had responded to our letter to them and that there will be a meeting next Monday with Dan Watters at 10.00am (Nara House). This could be mutually advantageous and they may be able to give us some publicity and also some professional advice. James invited others to join him for the meeting.

Hackett shops: Greg reported that he has contacted ACTPLA to seek a copy of the Urban Design Study (which preceded the neighbourhood studies). This will enable us to get an understanding of how the shops were planned in relation to the larger area (and enable us to think a bit more broadly than just the shops). Once we get the documentation we can work out next steps. In addition:

- Michael Beacher has set up at the shops
- the sign at King Ruby's has been removed.

Traffic: James reported that ACTPLA signs are up at the intersection and that the final date for objections is 31 March. If there are no objections, then Roads ACT will proceed. He also reported that there will be a total road closure for 3 months on Antill St to allow the construction of the new roundabout intersection of Apsinall St and Antill St.

Business Plan: Bruce will email it out for discussion at the next meeting.

Report to Registrar General: The Auditor will undertake the audit in the next few weeks, and then submit it.

Table at Shops: This will take place on 9 April. There was discussion about a roster. James described the elements of a folder which will provide a common base of information for Tables at the shops. It could include:

- list of contents
- copy of roster
- applications
- survey forms
- gift vouchers
- Information on subs
- Who is on committee
- Record of successes
- List of what is going on at the moment – and how people can assist
- Membership list
- Copy of constitution
- Contact details for politicians HNW, FoMM, NCCC
- Survey questions
- Copies of latest HNW newsletter

Greg suggested that we should make it easier for people to pay their membership subscriptions if they did not have the money on them at the time. It was agreed that we should give people the capacity to pay by direct deposit into our account, but there was not need to set up regular direct debits.

Waltraud asked if we are paying bank fees –Terry didn't think so – he hasn't noticed any deductions.

Other business

- It was agreed that Bruce would circulate email addresses and telephone numbers for the Committee to Committee members

Upcoming events

- NCCC meeting 16 March
- Sunday – Working Bee Majura paddock
- Sunday – Ant walk
- FoMM – will have World Environment Day – Showcase project, and invite public to look at what has been done, and tea, coffee and cake, and speaker Sunday 5 June

Waltraud talked about plans for FoMM to sponsor a National Tree Day event on Sunday 31 July. She sought the Committee's support (in spirit) for this and said it would be good to have help registering volunteers – it was agreed to provide moral support and encourage people to volunteer

The meeting closed 8.50pm