

*Protecting, promoting and enhancing the economic, cultural, social and environmental well being of the residents of North Canberra*

The North Canberra Community Council receives funding and support from the ACT Government



## Minutes: Committee meeting 7pm Thursday 29 August 2019 Polish Club, Turner

### **Attendance, apologies and observers**

Attendance: Leon Arundell, Waltraud Pix, Marg Dudley, Bruce Smith, Jochen Zeil, Chris Finnigan (minute taker)

Apologies: Andrea Madon, Geoff Davidson, Mike Hettinger.

Observers: none

### **Declaration of conflicts of interest**

None

### **Confirmation of minutes of previous committee meetings 2 May and 21 August 2019**

- 1) The Committee confirmed the 2 May 2019 minutes and agreed to Mike Hettinger's proposed wording to decisions made under item 6 in the 2 May minutes, specifically that:
  - a. The NCCC will not pursue policing and/or managing potentially illegal and/or inappropriate behaviour of ACT public servants beyond referring to the appropriate authority; and
  - b. No NCCC committee/executive member, whether in an NCCC or personal capacity, shall pursue issues related to Technical Amendment TA 2012/06. Anyone wishing to do so must first resign from the committee. To not resign will trigger action under the constitution to remove that member from the committee (moved Marg Dudley, seconded Jochen Zeil, Waltraud Pix and Bruce Smith. Chris Finnigan and Leon Arundell abstained).
- 2) The Committee confirmed the 21 August 2019 minutes.

### **Actions arising from the previous minutes:**

None.

### **Confirmation of out-of-session decisions**

- 1) The Committee noted there had been no out-of-session decisions since the 21 August 2019 Committee meeting.

## **Financial report**

- 1) Bruce Smith reported that:
  - a. The current balance was \$9,052 and that, since the last Committee meeting, there had been two payments:
    - i. \$950 to Campbell Community Association (as agreed by the Committee on 11 August 2019); and
    - ii. \$750 to O'Connor Community Association for their Christmas Party.
  - b. The NCCC accounts for 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 are still undergoing Independent Review; and
  - c. Discussions have been held with the ACT Government to clarify the guidelines regarding the expenditure of the remaining grant funds for the 2018-19 financial year.

## **Payment authorisations**

None.

## **Applications for membership**

- 1) The Committee accepted the following applications for membership:
  - Jacqui Owen (Campbell)
  - Sabrina Clarke (O'Connor)
  - Adriana Boisen (Watson)
  - Simon Clark (Watson)
  - Dianne Rogers (Dickson)
  - Ben Dennehy (Turner)

## **Guest presentations for general meetings**

- 1) The Committee discussed potential guest presenters for the September General Meeting. Waltraud Pix advised that the ACT Government was unavailable to discuss the North Watson Redevelopment.
- 2) The Committee agreed that Waltraud Pix will seek a representative from the North Watson Community Council to provide an update on the issue at the September General Meeting.

## **Funding requests**

- 1) The Committee considered the funding requests compiled by Bruce Smith for potential uses of the remaining grant funding for the financial year and:
  - a. Agreed in full to the Downer Community Association request for PA equipment (\$1,450); and
  - b. Agreed in principle, with the grant applicant to provide further information, for:
    - i. The Dickson Community Association - an envelope of up to \$3,500 for a community event;

- ii. The Hackett Community Association - \$880 for the annual party and \$800 for heritage map; and
  - iii. The Campbell Community Association – an envelope of up to \$2751 for the reprinting of the book ‘The Campbell Community – The History of the Canberra Suburb of Campbell’.
- 2) The Committee agreed that funding recipients be requested to provide a report outlining broadly how funds were spent.

**Draft letter on the replacement for the Environment and Planning Forum**

- 1) The Committee discussed whether to write a letter to the ACT Government regarding the Environment and Planning Forum and agreed to draft a short letter outlining the importance of maintaining a collaborative relationship, noting that the Combined Community Council may also choose to write.

**Close of meeting 8.45pm**

**Future committee meetings**

Immediately before monthly general meetings in the Downer Hall, plus at the Polish Club on 26 September and 31 October.