

JERRABOMBERRA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INC

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEETING 23 JANUARY 2008

1. PRESENT

Margot Sachse, Brian Brown, Lyn Edwards, Kim Howatson, Doug Gordon, Tania Rynne, Mark Croxford, Val Treverrow, Dorothy Lawson, Val Barger, David Barger, John Stone.

2. APOLOGIES

David Hope, Lachlan Mercer.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Motion: That the Minutes from the previous meeting be accepted

Moved: Lyn Edwards **Seconded:** Kim Howatson **Carried.**

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

5. CORRESPONDENCE – IN

- Bendigo Bank – Brochure
- Xmas Card – Canberra Airport
- Xmas Card – Queanbeyan Age
- Xmas Card – Macquarie Shopping Centre
- G.Fogarty QCC – Dunns Creek Road
- Football First – Football Clinic in Jerrabomberra
- N&T Overall – T-shirt celebrating Queanbeyan
- N.McCann CIA – Public Forum 18/12/07
- R.Winnel VBC – Tralee legal action & proposed new Canb. Airport ANEF
- K.Ineson VBC – Correction needed to draft ANEF & draft master plan
- G.Willans – Airport
- Transcript of an interview with Alex Sloan & Steve Whan
- Dept. of Planning – Draft Sydney to Canberra corridor regional strategy
- N.Lutton – JRA minutes
- J.Higgins – Letter from the JRA
- M&J Bowles – JRA minutes
- R.Kafer – Merry xmas
- A.Ananian-Cooper CIA – Draft master plan
- Applications Secretariat – JRA submission Duplication of Lanyon Drive
- G.Willans – Canberra Airport draft master plan
- G.Willans – Airport opposition group update #1

6. CORRESPONDENCE – OUT

- All members on email – Minutes & airport masterplan
- G.Fogarty QCC – Dunns Creek Road
- Football First – Football Clinic in Jerrabomberra
- G.Chapman QCC – Disabled parking places at community centre
- J.Bowles – JRA October minutes
- G.Willans – Letter to Albanese
- G.Chapman QCC – Dunns Creek Road
- F.Pangallo QCC – Jerrabomberra community issues
- All members on email – November minutes and AGM minutes
- Dept. of Planning – Supplementary submission on the draft Sydney-Canberra corridor

7. TREASURERS' REPORT

Tania Rynne advised that the account balance as at 23/1/08 was \$4358-96. Monies received were \$354 from the sale of candles at the Carols By Candlelight and \$80 in subscription renewals. Expenses were \$67-78 to Lyn Edwards for the wine tasting supplies, account service fees of \$20 and \$181-50 to ProPamphlets for the distribution of the November Newsletter.

Motion: That the Treasurers' Report be accepted.

Moved: Tania Rynne **Seconded:** Mark Croxford **Carried.**

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

a) Development in the Jerrabomberra Valley – Update - The approval of the Development Application (DA) has currently stalled because of ongoing litigation between Village Building Co. (VBC) and Canberra International Airport (CIA). The NSW Planning Minister, Frank Sartor, has been asked to use his call-in powers to get this process moving but he has yet to make a decision as to whether he will opt for this course of action. If the DA can be completed by April, 2008, there is still a very small window of opportunity to get the new high school up and running by January 2009 but time is quickly running out. If the development of Tralee doesn't proceed, then neither will the high school.

On 12 February 2008, the NSW Cabinet is meeting in Cooma and Margot Sachse and David Hope hope to be meeting with the Planning Minister and raising this urgent issue with him and they are also hoping to meet with the Premier and the Treasurer.

Motion: Margot seeks endorsement from the JRA Committee for herself and David Hope to meet with Frank Sartor, Premier Morris Iemma and Treasurer Michael Egan.

Moved: Margot Sachse **Seconded:** Lyn Edwards **Carried.**

b) Googong Public Consultation – The Local Environment Plan (LEP) for the development of Googong was released on 14 December 2007 and submissions need to be lodged by 15 February 2008. Margot proposed that she will draft the first cut and will then circulate this to the rest of the committee for comment and input. The three main areas of importance to Jerrabomberra are -

- Developing Edwin Land Parkway into a 4 lane highway
- The airports impact with the parallel runway and moving the noise abatement zones
- The potential implications for existing residents.

ACTION: Margot to put together the first draft.

c) Airport Draft Master Plan – The Airport’s Draft Master Plan was released prior to Christmas and submissions need to be lodged by 28 February 2008. The JRA committee will all work on this submission.

d) Curfew 4 Canberra (C4C) - This new group has just been formed by a number of community groups from the Canberra Region, including Hackett, Pialligo, Campbell, North Canberra, Gungahlin and Watson. The JRA is also an inaugural member of C4C filling three positions on the committee; Brian Brown –Vice President, Margot Sachse and Paul Whalan – Ordinary Members.

The Group had their first meeting on Tuesday 22 January and agreed to the following four core objectives:

- To secure an 11pm-6am curfew;
- To oppose Canberra Airport becoming a 24 hour freight hub;
- To oppose Canberra Airport becoming Sydney’s 2nd Airport;
- To oppose the construction of a parallel (third) runway.

Prior to the last Federal election, Mike Kelly promised to push for a Senate enquiry into the operation and responsibilities of Australian airports and to explore all the options to identify the best way to manage the freight corridor between Sydney and Canberra, including a Very Fast Train and Sydney’s 2nd airport. Now he has been elected, we would like to see him follow through with this. A petition will also be up and running soon and also wide media coverage of this issue.

e) Aquatic Centre Working Group Update – This working group will meet tomorrow, Thursday 24 January, at the Queanbeyan Pool and Margot is our representative on this project. The concept plan for the Jerrabomberra Aquatic Centre has been drawn up but has been with the QCC General Manager, Gary Chapman, for quite some time now awaiting approval. As Queanbeyan Pool is at full capacity, the group is also looking at extensions to this facility.

f) Edwin Land Parkway Community Consultation – Consultants from the Queanbeyan City Council (QCC) will be attending our meeting in February to go through the issues associated with the extension of the Edwin Land Parkway and we invite all members to attend this meeting.

g) Bendigo Bank for Jerrabomberra – Brian Brown has been liaising with representatives of Bendigo Bank over the past 12 months to have a branch of the Bendigo Bank in Jerrabomberra. A meeting will be held in the School Hall at 7pm on Thursday 21 February, 2008 to gauge public interest in this facility and to emphasise the benefits that a community bank will have for Jerrabomberra. Please come along and support this much needed community service.

h) Dunns Creek Road – The JRA are committed to see this road built as it will take a great deal of traffic from the proposed Googong Development to the Monaro Highway via Hume rather than traffic being funnelled along Edwin Land Parkway, through Jerrabomberra. Greg Fogarty from QCC is happy to meet with us and we are hoping to have him attend our meeting in February.

It was proposed that the plans for these two roads could go on display at the Village Shops.

ACTION: Lyn to liaise with Irini Daglis to ascertain whether a display at the Village Shops was viable.

i) Footpaths – Tania Rynne advised that she has noticed some footpaths in the region of Stockyard Creek are lifting and could become dangerous.

ACTION: Margot to follow this up.

j) Charity Bins – The charity bins in the carpark at the Village Shops have become a dumping ground lately for huge amounts of clothes and rubbish and it was suggested that we contact Council to have them emptied more often. Brian Brown contacted Cr. Tom Mavec and the situation was resolved within 24 hours, however, to contact the QCC every time there is a mess is not an acceptable long-term solution.

It would be a shame to see these bins removed as they contribute to the raising of significant funds for the benefit of the community and therefore the JRA will endeavour to find a solution to this problem rather than see them lost.

ACTION: Brian to draft letters to the owners of the bins and also to investigate this matter further with QCC.

As there was no further business, the meeting concluded at 8.58pm.

The next meeting of the JRA will be held on Wednesday 27 February, 2008 at 7.30pm in the Banksia Room at the Community Centre where consultants from Queanbeyan Council will be in attendance to discuss the Edwin Land Parkway extension and also Greg Fogarty from QCC to discuss the issues with Dunns Creek Road, and any JRA member is more than welcome to attend.