

JERRABOMBERRA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INC

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEETING 25 JUNE 2008

1. PRESENT

Tania Rynne, Kathleen Lazzari, Verona Armstrong, Doug Gordon, Margot Sachse, Brian Brown, Dwayne Keefe, David Hope, Mark Croxford, James Singer (Deane's Buslines).

2. APOLOGIES

Lyn Edwards, Kim Howatson, Lachlan Mercer, Paul Whalan.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Motion: That the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted

Moved: David Hope, **Seconded:** Doug Gordon, **Carried.**

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Margot to invite Deane's Buslines to talk to the JRA regarding bus services in Jerrabomberra.
- Submission to Aviation Policy.

5. CORRESPONDENCE – IN

- ACTEWAGL – Information pack 'About the Canberra Technology City'.
- VBC – Invitation to participate in VBC 20th Anniversary supplement in Canberra Times 18Jul08.
- Elizabeth Howard – Canberra Technology City Briefing
- Judith Miller – RE: Katy Gallagher, MLA reply re:JRA/Gas-fired power station.
- Gary Chapman QCC – RE: Councils submission on the Canberra Technology Park.
- QCC – News on Q
- Jackie@2easy.com.au – request to list business on JRA business directory.
- JRA member – Membership records update
- JRA member – line works on Bicentennial Dve
- Dwayne Keefe – QCC Media Release 'Council research shows CCTV not effective as a crime prevention measure'.
- N&R Murray – Thankyou
- Margot Sachse – Council Paper ELP

6. CORRESPONDENCE – OUT

- Jackie@2easy.com.au – JRA Business Directory listing
- JRA Members – 2008 JRA May Meeting Minutes

Meeting was suspended at 7:40pm.

Public Transport from Jerra – Guest Jason Singer from Deane’s Buslines

Margot Sachse introduced James Singer from Deane’s Buslines as the JRA guest speaker to discuss the concerns of the JRA regarding bus services for the Jerrabomberra area.

James advised JRA members present that:

- various services have been trialled by Deane’s Buslines in previous years:
 - Services started in 1989 with 1 school bus – over 4 streets – for Queanbeyan schools. From the interchange, travellers would change to travel to Civic or Woden.
 - Tuggeranong service was finalised in 1996.
- The rising cost of fuel is also a concern.
- Congestion on the road exiting Jerrabomberra is also affecting the current bus service(s).
- The Jerrabomberra loop has grown over the years to just under 10km.
 - School services has a 20min & 30min loop
 - Normal service is a 20min loop.
- 2 loops were trialled with patronage not enough to sustain 835/836 services:
 1. Heights, Nth Terrace and Sth QBN
 2. Letchworth & The Park

During peak times there was little patronage and off-peak there were 3 services per day @ 5 passengers per trip.
- In 2004 a direct Jerrabomberra to Parliamentary triangle service was trialled, with both failing due to lack of patronage.
- Transfer Fee - \$6.20 Normal, \$6.40 Transfer Fee - \$11.60 Return
- A number of enquiries have been received from Jerrabomberra residents and Deane’s are waiting to hear from the Ministry re:survey – new services may not be trialled until about 1yr from now. Trials last from between 9-12months
- Smaller bus? Not cost effective
- Next timetable – door to door and direct service.
- Suggest JRA contact Steve Whan for a regional approach with ACT – Deane’s Buslines is not allowed to pick up in ACT other than currently agreed with ACT Government.
- There is no land available for an interchange in Jerrabomberra but maybe in Tralee.

JRA members present posed a couple of alternatives to James:

1. Would a Park'n'Ride facility – using the existing bus stops on Limestone Ave, adjacent to the Woolworths loading bay loading area in the Jerrabomberra Shopping Centre – be an appropriate alternative until an interchange in the valley is identified?
2. Could the current ‘School Bus services’ be utilised by Jerrabomberra Residents wishing to use bus services for work?

Both ideas were well received by James. Margot thanked James for attending as the JRA guest speaker and the meeting was resumed at 8:40pm.

7. TREASURERS' REPORT

Tania Rynne presented the JRA accounts to date with current balance at \$4,345.89.

Motion: That the Treasurers report for June 2008 be accepted.

Moved: Margot Sachse, **Seconded:** David Hope, **Carried.**

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

a) Development in the Jerrabomberra Valley Update

Margot Sachse advised the CIA proposed 2050 ANEF has been endorsed by Air Services Australia. VBC are full steam ahead for the development based on the new ANEF. The JRA has requested a meeting with Frank Sartor to discuss the school location and seek a Ministerial Direction to go ahead and build the school; we need to go ahead now if we aim to have the school available for 2010.

b) Gas Fired Power Station/Data Centre

JRA wrote to ACTPLA, Dr Mike Kelly, Steve Whan and QCC regarding the Gas fired Power Station/Data Centre; QCC also put in a submission. Chief Communications ACTEWAGL made available two (2) senior executives to visit with JRA members where simulations were made available to view and every concern raised was taken on board. Concerns raised included Data Centre noise and emissions. It was advised that the site shall remain as currently planned for the Data Centre – which is directly across the road from the Mugga Lane 'tip site'. Initial consultation process (ACTEWAGL) was poor.

c) Public Transport from Jerra – Guest Jason Singer from Deane's Buslines

As per earlier entry.

d) Curfew4Canberra

Brian Brown advised that C4C has presented the petition of 3000 signatures to Annette Ellis. C4C have also put in submission for the Aviation Policy. The submission is available for viewing on the C4C website at <http://www.curfew4canberra.org.au/>.

e) CAANCF meeting 18 July

Margot Sachse advised that she believed that there has been at least three (3) N90 events had occurred in the last quarter and not included in the last ASA Quarterly report. It appears that present N90 events have not registered during this quarter and wonder if the terminal noise monitors that were adjusted last year are recording properly. She will raise this concern with ASA at the next Forum meeting. .

f) Submission to Aviation Policy

Margot Sachse advised that the JRA will be submitting a response to the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Governments Aviation Policy due 27Jun08.

g) VBC Invitation – 20th Anniversary Canberra Times Supplement

While the JRA appreciated the VBC invitation, it was discussed – and agreed - not to participate due to the cost involved.

h) Queanbeyan Business Council – Queanbeyan Supplement

Margot Sachse to contact QBC to enquire about the ‘Living in Queanbeyan’ supplement.

i) Bendigo Bank Update

Brian Brown advised that although there have been some delays to date, Bendigo Bank is looking to establish the Steering Committee shortly.

j) Aquatic Centre Update

Margot Sachse advised that the last meeting was held around March this year; currently waiting rezoning for Tralee.

k) Clearing next to the Service Station

The site clearing next to the Service Station will house a Car Wash and Take-away outlet. The development application was approved by QCC in January of this year.

l) Beautification of Shopping Centre

Margot Sachse to invite Ireni to visit JRA to talk about the Shopping Centre progress.

m) Jerra Shops – progress on the repairs to the lights.

Margot Sachse to follow up on shops with QCC.

n) Bicentennial Road Markings

Complaints have been received about the Bicentennial road markings. The JRA has been advised that these are a trial and QCC will follow up through the Traffic Committee.

o) Charity Bins

The state of these bins is being monitored by Brian Brown with one recently damaged by fire crackers. Brian will continue to monitor.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 9.20pm.

The next meeting of the JRA will take place on Wednesday 23 July 2008 at 7.30pm in the Banksia Room of the Jerrabomberra Community Centre and anyone is more than welcome to attend.