

# JERRABOMBERRA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INC

## MINUTES

### COMMITTEE MEETING 26 MARCH 2008

#### 1. PRESENT

Lyn Edwards, Margot Sachse, Brian Brown, Leonie Navara, Dirk Navara, Donna Trevenar, Paul Trevenar, Brett Thomas, Marissa Thomas, Kara Chapman, Tania Rynne, Kim Howatson, Kathryn Tse, Doug Gordon, Verona Armstrong, Marian Furner, Peter Bacon, Dorothy Lawson, Val Treverrow, Karen Randell, Julie Sutton, Lachlan Mercer, Dr Mike Kelly.

#### 2. APOLOGIES

Paul Whalan, Elizabeth Foley.

**The Meeting was suspended whilst we heard from our guest speaker Dr Mike Kelly AM MP**

#### 3. DR MIKE KELLY AM MP

##### Canberra Airport

Margot welcomed Dr Kelly to our meeting and then outlined how the JRA had met with Dr Kelly on 13 March 2008 to discuss the new noise contours (ultimate practical capacity ANEF) proposed by Canberra International Airport (CIA). This matter is currently with AirServices Australia (ASA) for their technical endorsement, however Village Building Company and the airport have litigation pending in the Federal Court regarding ASA role in approving the new contours. All Australian airports, with the exception of the CIA, use the AS2021 Aircraft Noise Exposure Forecast (ANEF) and the proposed new ANEF that CIA wish to implement would quarantine the whole of the Jerrabomberra Valley however, Dr Kelly noted that the Transport Minister Anothony Albanese is concerned about putting houses under a flight path.

The Defence Department has made a submission in regard to the Airport's Draft Master Plan challenging a great deal of what is contained in the draft Plan. Dr Kelly said that the Defence submission, and others, discredits the preliminary draft master plan and he doesn't believe that the Minister will be able to accept it in its current form. Dr Kelly stated that the Airport's desire for a third runway can't go ahead as any extra land would have to be acquired from Defence and this land is not surplus to Defence requirements. Extension of the current runway would also require Defence land and this land is also not available.

The Senate Review in regard to the airport freight hub (i.e. Regional Transport Review, incl. Canberra-Sydney Corridor) has been overtaken by events and other studies, reviews etc.

### **Tralee High School at Poplars**

Dr Kelly has met with Anthony Albanese, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, and also Frank Sartor, State Minister for Planning, with regard to residential development in the Jerrabomberra Valley. Frank Sartor is anxious to make a decision regarding the development of land at Tralee but would like to make a joint decision with Anthony Albanese. We should hear more after 10 April 2008, when the government makes a statement on aviation policy. Margot commented that it is important that a rezoning decision is made soon in order for the high school to open in 2010. Dr Kelly advised that he is happy to talk with the Anglicans to reinforce the JRA message that a High School in Tralee has the complete support of the local community, including unanimous support from the Queanbeyan City Council. Dr Kelly will be meeting again with Frank Sartor in the near future to further discuss this issue. He assured us that he will be arming Frank Sartor with all the information he needs to make a decision and that Frank Sartor is very determined to make this happen as he wants to provide affordable housing for Queanbeyan.

### **Lanyon Drive**

Stage 1 (\$7.3mil) of this project (Sheppard St to Monaro Hwy) has been on the ACT drawing board for some time and ACTPLA has had the money for 2 years however because the NSW Government has already committed to building Stage 3 (\$8mil) and the Federal Government promised to build Stage 2 (\$7.5mil) the duplication of Lanyon Drive will now be done as a single project and should begin construction in a few months time. The whole project will take about 18 – 24 months to complete from the start of construction. Dr Kelly assured us that it will happen.

### **Dunns Creek Road**

The JRA are keen to see Dunns Creek Road constructed as this will take a great deal of traffic from the proposed suburb of Googong through the back of Hume to link up with the Monaro Highway. If this road doesn't go ahead, traffic will be forced to use Edwin Land Parkway and turn Jerrabomberra into a divided community. Dr Kelly stressed his opposition to Edwin Land Parkway being duplicated and turned into the Queanbeyan By-pass and believes the Northern By-Pass is the best option. He is keen to see Edwin Land Parkway continued as a single lane road through to Cooma Road. A strategic roads study is to be undertaken in the Queanbeyan area at a cost of \$100,000. This will be done after the budget and will probably be done by the RTA. The community will have a chance to have an input into this study.

### **Water Security**

Dr Kelly advised that he has met with Jon Stanhope, Bob Debus, Bob McMullen and Lindsay Tanner with regard to water security for the region and will be having ongoing discussions with this group in the future.

There are 3 options that are available:

Leasehold Option – This option leases the Dam to the ACT, however leaves ownership and ultimate control with the Commonwealth

Freehold Option – This would take the Commonwealth out of the picture

Status Quo Option – This is not very satisfactory

Dr Kelly prefers the Leasehold option as we could specify what Queanbeyan needs for our future. Bob Debus and Lindsay Tanner will keep Dr Kelly informed and a decision could happen soon. A consultative committee could be set up with ACT Government, Queanbeyan City Council, Mike Kelly and Steve Whan to discuss cross border issues.

### **The rest of the election promises**

\$30m for work on Pialligo Ave has been locked in and is underway.

\$23.3m for Kings Avenue upgrade (from Defence money) – this will begin in the next few months

A GP Super Clinic is to be set up in Queanbeyan

Home In Queanbeyan will receive \$2m - \$1m this year and \$1m next year

\$1m has been allocated for Taylor Park in Queanbeyan

\$5.1 m Asia-Pacific Centre for Civil-Military Cooperation, located in Queanbeyan, will be underway over the next few months – this centre will integrate several Government agencies including the AFP, AusAid, Defence and will also include a think tank dimension. It will employ about 15 people initially however up to 40 people + 20 reserves when it reaches full maturity after 3 years.

A Child Care Centre is to be set up in Queanbeyan/Jerrabomberra

A Defence Health Clinic (may be located in Jerrabomberra)

And Dr Kelly is currently in discussions with Nicola Roxon to have Queanbeyan/Jerrabomberra classed as an outer area for GPs, to reduce the cost of medical appointments.

Margot thanked Dr Kelly for attending our meeting and asked if he could attend another of our meetings in either September or October.

**ACTION:** Brian to organise.

## **4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

**Motion:** That the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted

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

## **5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- Steve Whan Meeting – Margot advised that she and Brian Brown met with Steve Whan on 12 March 2008. Matters discussed were development in the Jerrabomberra Valley, the High School for Tralee, the Airport's revised ANEF, developments at Googong and Tralee, Dunns Creek Road and the duplication of Lanyon Road. In order for Dunns Creek Road to proceed, QCC need to acquire land at an approx. cost of \$43m however, an environmental study was being undertaken and should be completed by early to mid May 2008. With regard to the duplication of Lanyon Road, both the NSW section and the ACT section are all being dealt with as one concern and Steve Whan is trying to get an up-to-date report from the Roads Minister. Funding from Mike Kelly's election promise won't come on line until the next financial year so this could be the cause of the delay. Steve Whan hadn't seen the plans released by ACTPLA in December 2007 so Brian was going to organise to forward these to him.

**ACTION:** Brian to forward a copy of the ACTPLA plans to Steve Whan.

- Malicious Damage – Dwayne Keefe reported last month that it is almost impossible for anyone to claim the \$1,000 reward for reporting malicious damage and wrote to Queanbeyan City Council raising these concerns.

## **6. CORRESPONDENCE – IN**

- Fred Arugay, Applications Secretariat – JRA submission to duplication of Lanyon Drive
- Kara Donovan, Macquarie Real Estate Management – Ticket selling at Jerra Village Shops
- Councillor Kerry White – Traffic Report
- Curfew4Canberra – Aircraft Movement Projections
- Lorena Meyer QCC – Queanbeyan LEP (Googong) 2007
- Hansard Excerpt – Frank Sartor in Parliament regarding Tralee Proposal
- Dwayne Keefe – First draft of a letter to Gary Chapman, QCC
- Hansard Excerpt – Speech made by Steve Whan in the NSW Parliament
- R.Bradley – Sponsorship for Jerra sporting organizations
- Queanbeyan Business Council – Copy of JRA submission to CIA PDMP
- Greg Fogarty – Edwin Land Parkway and Dunns Creek Road
- Gary Chapman – Airport matters
- David Carswell – TRIM Document
- D.Navara – Aircraft noise
- J.Miller, Mike Kelly’s office – Meeting with Minister Albanese
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- B.Pasfield – Meetings
- N.McCann – CAANCF meeting
- L.Mosley – Canberra Airport expansion
- N.McCann – Judgement re injunction application
- A.Bishop – Hoons in Jerra
- N.McCann – Recent passenger growth results, CIA
- P.Romeis – Meeting
- B.Passfield – Postponement of working party meeting 20/3
- G.Richardson – 2006 Census Social Atlases
- C.Kenyon, Fernleigh Park Residents Assn. – The airport & local communities
- N.Lutton – Residential status

## **7. CORRESPONDENCE – OUT**

- Fred Arugay, Applications Secretariat – JRA submission duplication of Lanyon Drive
- Kara Donovan – Ticket selling at Jerra Village shops
- R.Bradley – Sponsorship
- J.Miller – Issues for Mike Kelly
- Events @ Aust. War Memorial – Candle sample
- Queanbeyan Business Council – JRA submission CIA PDMP
- Greg Fogarty – Edwin Land Parkway & Dunns Creek Road
- Gary Chapman – Airport matters
- Alex Ananian-Cooper & Noel McCann – PDMP process
- J.Miller – Meeting with JRA representatives
- N.McCann – CAANCF

- L.Mosley – Canberra Airport expansion
- L.Hedley – JRA minutes
- D.Navara – Recent passenger growth results – CIA
- P.Romeis – Canberra Airport Tower manager, meeting
- J.Miller – Issues for Mike Kelly

## **8. TREASURERS' REPORT**

Tania Rynne advised that the balance as at 26 March, 2008 was \$4,270-53 and we currently have 173 members including 3 new subscriptions received this month.

Expenses for the month included \$100 donation to C4C, \$70 for the renewal of our post office box, \$200-43 to Lyn Edwards for the Easter raffle sign and JRA hamper and \$200 cash tin float for the raffle. \$557 was made from ticket sales of the Easter raffle.

**MOTION:** That the Treasurers Report be accepted

**Moved:** Dorothy Lawson **Seconded:** Verona Armstrong **Carried.**

## **9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **a) Development in the Jerrabomberra Valley – Update**

See above issues with Mike Kelly.

### **b) Poplars Development**

The JRA committee met with owner of The Poplars, David Larcombe, and his associate David Maxwell, from the Riverview Group on Wednesday 19 March, 2008. The committee were able to view the concept plans for development on The Poplars that could include a campus-style business park similar to the one in Deakin, near The Mint, and overseen by a consultative group, rather like a body corporate. Provision could also be made for another shopping centre as well as a Big W or Kmart style development. There are also plans to restore the creek. Our position was similar to our compromise proposal to Frank Sartor.

### **c) Candles**

The JRA are hoping to be selling battery powered candles, as well as the traditional candles, at this year's Carols By Candlelight. Margot has requested a sample from the distributors and they appear to be of a high quality and reasonable price and there is also provision for the JRA to have its name stamped on the candle.

### **d) Time Capsule**

Lyn advised that Jerrabomberra Rotary are planning to sink a time capsule later on this year to commemorate 10 years of Rotary in Jerrabomberra as well as 20 years since Jerrabomberra first began. There will be more information later when it comes to hand.

As there was no further business, the meeting concluded at 9.31pm.

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