THE ENTRANCE PENINSULA COMMUNITY PRECINCT

DRAFT Minutes of the Executive Meeting held on Tuesday, 7th June, 2011, at 4.00pm, Meeting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance...

1. **Welcome and Apologies**: The chairperson, Vivienne Scott opened the meeting opened at 4.00pm. The agenda that was projected using the Data Projector.

Executive Members In Attendance:; Vivienne Scott; Tony Scott; Doug Darlington; Charles Harvey; Narelle Harvey; Valda McKendrick; Ross McKendrick; Hervé Nayna & Marlene Pennings. (9) Guests Bob Henry and Al O'Leary. **Apologies:** Anne Rowland and Luke Nayna.

- 2. Minutes of the Executive Meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd May, 2011. Moved Charles Harvey; Seconded Marlene Pennings.
- 3. Minutes of General Meeting Tuesday 17th May 2011.
- 4 Business Arising:
 - **4.1 DA 308/2011 TEPCP'S Submission.** Vivienne Scott reported that the petition had 473 signatures. The Executive endorsed the document prepared by Anne Rowland, Doug Darlington and Vivienne Scott. Copy to be CC'd to all WS Councillors. Anne Rowland to be requested to present to the JPP.
 - **ACTION:** Vivienne Scott to deliver document to WSC, Secretary to email copy to Parliamentarians and Councillors.
 - **4.2. TEPCP Letter To WSC re WSC Housing Strategy.** TEPCP to write to WSC expressing concern about TEPCP and the community generally not consulted in the preparation of this important document. TEPCP to research document and comment at future date.

ACTION: Secretary to write to WSC strongly expressing our concern.

4.3. TEPCP'S July Workshop: Anne Rowland had prepared a plan for the workshop. The Executive expressed their appreciation to Anne Rowland for the work she had put into the report which was generally endorsed by the Executive. Decision made to have workshop open to all; Target people to attend; Raise issues for discussion and have compelling headlines to generate community interest. Treasurer reported that the BBQ would cost \$200.00. Councillor grant support has come from Doug Eaton and Greg Best in the amount of \$50.00 each.

ACTION: Secretary to write Doug Eaton and Greg Best thanking them for their support. Treasurer to make representations for a further \$100.00 for funding of BBQ. Anne Rowland and Marlene Pennings to finalise workshop plan. Executive to email in ideas of issues.

4.4. Speaker Program:

June 2011. Dr Peter Scanes on Dept Environment - Modelling of Tuggerah Lakes

July 2011 Saturday 23rd Workshop and BBQ (Note: No Tuesday July 19th 2011 Meeting)

August 2011 Greg White - Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP)

ACTION: Secretary to invite Greg White.

- 4.4 The Entrance Town Centre Masterplan Project Stakeholder Liaison Team: The Secretary advised that the research papers for The Entrance Peninsula Planning Scheme (TEPPS) are on the web site.

 TETCMPSLT were advised. Steve Ashton supports stall in Lakeside plaza, preferably after Icon presentations
- **5. Correspondence** The Secretary projected correspondence and reported letters sent by TEPCP to:
 - ❖ WSC on Strategic Plan 2011/2012; Issues With The Operation Of Fisherman's Wharf;
 - Mr Chris Spence requesting support for The Entrance Peninsula Community Precinct:
 - The Entrance Town Centre Management (TETCM) on Hours Of Lighting On Marine Parade Car Park and Board Walk. TETCM advised they would trial extended hours.
 - RTA on Condition Of Railing On The Entrance Bridge
 - Graffiti report on San Remo Graffiti Action Day and email from Luke Nayna on media release "You Spray, You Pay: NSW Govt to get tough on graffiti vandals."

Letter from WSC advising Sewer on Tuggerah Parade would commence late Sept/early Oct. It has no load limit. Letter from Michael Gallagher Minister for Police and Emergency Services re Liquor Licence for BWS in Long Jetty noting our opposition.

- 6. Treasurer's Report: Charles Harvey advised:
 - ❖ A Credit Bank Balance of \$200.12 following issue of cheques totalling \$33.06.
 - Charles advised he was in receipt of an invoice in the amount of \$77.52 and due 26th June, 2011 from WSC for meeting room rental. This will leave a balance of \$122.00 necessitating a request to Council for a "Top Up" of our funds.
- 7. TEPCP Web Site: The Secretary advised that from 1st May 2011 to 31st May, 2011 the site was accessed by 117 visitors
- **Report on Council Meetings:** Summary of Items from Council Meeting, Wednesday, Meeting 25 May 2011 noted. Copy attached.
- **9. Estuary Management Committee Report:** WSC Media release on "Work to start on Cabbage Tree Toe Drainage structure" and "Council closely monitoring lake water levels." noted.

10. General Business

- **10.1** The Wyong Road, Entrance Road Roundabout -Pedestrian Safety: Secretary reported Mark Foran, RTA (4379 7005) (mark.foran@rta.nsw.gov.au) phoned the Secretary with an update on the RTA investigations. He advised that the RTA has now conducted a traffic and pedestrian count at the site. He advised that they are now seeking funding to investigate a solution to the problem.
- **10.2 Wyong Road Maintenance Of Landscaping:** TEPCP's attention was drawn to a letter to the Express Advocate on Wednesday, 1st June, 2011 by Ian Baker of Tumbi Umbi.
 - **ACTION:** Secretary to write to WSC recommending the maintenance of this valuable asset should a high priority to ensure that tourists entering The Entrance are not greeted by a road that is has fallen on hard times because of council neglect.
- 10.3 Council Amagamation: The Secretary declared that he was personally opposed to Council amalgamation presenting his views that Wyong received a total of \$45.2million last year; Doug Eaton says the region may get another \$50million if we amalgamate; They do not need a referendum, just a statistically justifiable polling to justify merger; The big danger is that some 'outside expert' is selected who will be paid to do the study and recommend amalgamation; Despite what Doug Eaton is saying it seems that larger councils get less, not more grants; Gosford is already the Regional Centre in the State Government Planning document; . Council centred in Gosford and Water Corporation in Wyong is one scenario being thrown around; Gosford has a population of 163,957. Wyong has a population of 146,589; C C Region population of 310,564 would make it the biggest Council in NSW.

The Secretary also advised TEPCP's web site now contains links to over 40 research papers on Local Government including many on the amalgamation of councils.

http://www.theentranceprecinct.org/LOCAL%20GOVERNMENT%20RESEARCH%20PAPERS.html

With due respect to Doug's strong views and research findings, members agreed with Vivienne Scott 's view that the community must be provided with the benefits for amalgamation and whether there will be improvements in service delivery. She requested members to look further into the research of Council amalgamations to identify where they have worked and what made those amalgamations successful.

- 10.4 Council Not Meeting In School Holidays: Discussion on the back log of business coming before Council was noted with alarm. The Secretary gave the example of the Council's "Graffiti Management Strategy" which was completed over twelve months ago ad still to been endorsed by Council.
- **10.5** Coming Events: The Council's Free Events Seminar on 21st June 2011 1800 to 1930 was noted which clashes with The Entrance Town Centre Masterplan Project Stakeholder Liaison Team meeting and TEPCP's General Meeting.

Tentative date for the Precinct Forum chaired by Mayor Eaton is Thursday 21 July 2011.

Meeting closed at 6:00pm

Next Meetings:

Executive Committee Meeting: Tuesday, 2nd July, 2011 at The Entrance Community Centre at 4.00pm

General Meeting: Tuesday 21st June, 2011 at The Entrance Community Centre at 7:00pm.