

# THE ENTRANCE COMMUNITY PRECINCT COMMITTEE

**DRAFT Minutes of the General Meeting held on Tuesday, 21 July, 2009 at 7.00 pm at Meting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance.**

1. **Welcome and Apologies:** Marlene Penning opened the meeting at 7.05 pm, thanking those who attended the first General Meeting at our new venue and welcomed the Guest Speaker, Wyong Shire's Manager – Sustainability, Greg White.  
**Attendance:** D Darlington, G Penning, M Pennings, J Lee, N Harvey, C Harvey, C Dowse, T Scott, G White, T Lyons, E Lyons, E Matus, J Holderness, J Millard. ( 14 )  
**Apologies:** V Scott, M Ossdendorp, J Magri, K. Ford, H.Ford, N Kennedy, C Kennedy, R Parsons, J.Thomas, Anne Rowlands

2. **Proceedings adjourned for address by Greg White:** Greg spoke on "Sustainability in Wyong Shire". Greg's commitment to sustainability came through and the meeting appreciated learning how he was endeavoring to change the culture in Wyong Council so that sustainability is automatically considered in all decisions, large or small that are made by Council and it's officers. ( See summary of his presentation attached. ) A general discussion followed his presentation where issues such as a change in sea level; tsunamis; coastal erosion; bushfires; social welfare sustainability and the proposed increase in population levels at The Entrance were canvassed. Marlene warmly thanked Greg for his attendance.

3. **Meeting recommenced at 8:05pm** following a short break. Marlene Penning welcomed and thanked two new attendees and ascertained that they had learned of the meeting from Council's Precinct News in the local press.

4. **Executive Member.** Executive Member Heather Ingram has tended her resignation at the Executive meeting on 7 July 2009. Heater is moving out of the Shire. Marlene Penning made special mention of the large contribution Heather had made to TECPC, especially in her capacity as past Secretary. Her contribution will be missed.

**Action:** Secretary to write to Heather thanking her for her services to TECPC.

Marlene Penning then nominated that Anne Rowland be elected to fill the vacancy on the Executive. Seconded by Tom Lyons. There was no other nominations and Anne Rowland was elected unopposed.

**Action:** Secretary to write to WSC advising of new Executive member.

## 5. Minutes

### 5.1. General Meeting held on Tuesday, 16 June, 2009

G.M. Minutes as circulated at meeting and moved Accepted C. Harvey; Seconded T. Scott.

### 5.2. Executive Meeting Minutes held on 7 July 2009

E.M. Minutes as circulated at meeting and moved Accepted C. Harvey; Seconded J Holderness.

### 5.3. Business Arising was dealt with as General business.

6. **Correspondence:** There were 45 pieces of correspondence, The correspondence and Correspondence Report ( Copy attached ) was circulated.

### **Business Arising:**

- 6.1. **The Entrance Library:** Acknowledgement of our request for statistics and a promise to supply data soon.

- 6.2. **Speaker Program:** WSC's Peta Brogan to address August TECPC General Meeting. RTA's Glen Weymer has advised he can not attend Saturday meetings.

**Action:** TECPC Executive to consider a special Tuesday night Meeting in October 2009 to hear reports on The Entrance Road through Long Jetty from both RTA and WSC. Other community groups to be invited.

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- 6.3. The Entrance Maintenance Dredging Project.** Awaiting reply from WSC. Marlene advised that Council were now seriously considering moving the site of the dredge maintenance concrete slab.
- 6.4. Recreation And Sportng Facility Strategy.** Reply received to our letter on the strategy advising that the strategy was aimed at flagging items for the Management Plan.
- 6.4. Communittee Web Site Seminar.** In response to invitation both Doug Darlington and Jeremy Holderness will be attending the seminar, to be held in Gosford on 27 July 2009.
- 7. Treasurer's Report:** Charles Harvey advised that as at 21 July, 2009:  
Credit balance of \$80.73  
Vision Strategy Meeting expenses; morning teas and BBQ \$129.37. A letter has been sent to WSC's Dan Smith requesting reimbursement of this amount.  
  
A Letter sent to WSC's Ray Gregory requesting a top up of our funds.  
Year to date: Credits \$539.87. Debits \$459.14..  
Report as moved by Charles, seconded by Tony Scott; Carried.
- 8. General Business:**
- 8.1. Appreciation Certificate Awards** Tom Lyons and John Millards outstanding contribution to the Precinct was acknowledged. The redevelopment of the old infants school into The Entrance Community Centre and Men's Shed are the result of the strong campaign Precinct members took to retain it for the use of the community rather than be sold and lost to developers. Unfortunately the Certificates were available for presentation tonight.
- 8.2. National Tree Day.** Marlene advised that on August 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009 tree plantings will be held at The Entrance North, Bateau Bay and Budgewoi, to mark National tree Day
- 8.2. Fund raising by Mingara.** John Millard reported that the Red Shield Appeal this year was very successful.
- 8.3. The Entrance Mens Shed.** Special mention was made by several in attendance of the great work its members in helping slightly handicapped youth gain confidence in their abilities by being shown the correct use of the tools and equipment.
- 8.4. Tsunami Warning:** Tom Lyons requested information be sought on where to assemple in an emergency.  
**Action:** Marenne Penning advised she would raise the issue at the next WSC's Estuary management Committee Meeting. She advised that SES were already door knocking houses in flood prone areas.
- 8.5. The Entrance Markets.** It was reported that the markets last Saturday were a great success with large crowds being brought into The Entrance by the event.

## NOTICES

- 1. Next Executive Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, 4th August, 2009..at 4.00pm at 63 Stella Street Long Jetty.
- 2. Next General Meeting:** Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2009 at 7.00pm Meting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance. Guest Speaker WSC's Strategic Planner, Peta Brogan on ""COMPREHENSIVE LEP REVIEW PROCESS""

**Meeting closed at 8.45 pm.**