

THE ENTRANCE PENINSULA COMMUNITY PRECINCT

DRAFT Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Tuesday, 17th August, 2010 at 7:00 pm at Meeting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance, to meet the Dobell Candidates in the 2010 Federal Election

- Craig Thomson MP- Labour Candidate
- John Mc Namara – Liberal Candidate
- Scott Rickard - Greens Candidate

Welcome and Apologies: Vivienne Scott, Chairperson, opened the meeting thanked everyone for attending.

1. **Attendance:** N Harvey, C Harvey, L Nayna, E Lyons, J Christie, M Christie, L Dwyer, K Ford, S Rickard, A Darlington, J Holderness, E Holderness, N Gates, P Braithwaite, N Pennings, G Pennings, C Thompson MP, B Elliott, K Kuing, M Watson, N Watson, D Sykes, C Rickard, L Nayna, D Kingston, K Armstrong, R Armstrong, N deMestre, A Moag, D Darlington, V Scott, T Scott, J McNamara, L Crisp, H Nayna, J Price, J Grace, T Mached (total 38)

There was no objections to the meeting being recorded.

2. Questions with Notice for Dobell Candidates To Address

TEPCP Executive drafted a list the 5 questions to be addressed by the three candidates. These were provided with the candidates prior to the meeting. The candidates gave a brief outline of their careers, interests and families and were given a maximum of 2 minutes to answer the questions that have been identified by TEPCP as of major concern to our community. The questions were projected using a PowerPoint presentation.

- 2.1. **Transport** is the number one concern of our community. Does your Party intend to allocate Federal Government funds, within the term of the next Federal Parliament, towards the following projects?
1. Funding the extension of the F3 Freeway south to the M2?
 2. Funding the widening the Central Coast Highway through Long Jetty?
 3. Funding the replacement of roundabouts with Traffic Control Signals and widening of Wyong Road to relieve the current gridlock?
- 2.2. A lot has been said about '**Sustainable Population**' during this election campaign.
1. What does your Party mean by 'sustainable population' ?
 2. What impact will your Party's policy on 'sustainable population' have on the Central Coast region?
- 2.3. During the term of the next Federal Parliament, what **Health Initiatives** will be introduced by your Party?
- 2.4. **Tourism** is a vital source of income and business on the Central Coast.
1. What does your Party propose to do to promote the Central Coast as a top tourist destination for State, National and International visitors?
 2. What, if anything will your Party do about a **Breakwall** at the Entrance?
- 2.5. During the term of the next Federal Parliament, what programmes does your Party propose to introduce to reduce the high numbers of **Long Term Unemployed** in the Shire?

Each candidate was given the opportunity to be the first to address one of the questions.

3. 10 minutes coffee break – during which time, those with additional questions were invited to write their questions for the candidates on question cards provided.
4. There were over twenty additional questions that were again answered with a two minute time limit.

Vivienne Scott thanked the Candidates for the effort they put into in answering our questions and the way general questions were handled . Their co-operation resulted in a smoothly run and productive meeting and the thirty five residents present benefited from hearing from the candidates directly.

Meeting Closed at 8:40pm

NOTICES

Executive Committee Meeting: Tuesday, 3rd August, 2010: at 4.00pm at Meeting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance.

General Meeting: Tuesday, 17th August, 2010: at 7.00pm at Meeting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance.