THE ENTRANCE PENINSULA COMMUNITY PRECINCT

DRAFT Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Tuesday, 15th March, 2011 at 7:20 pm at Meeting Room A, The Entrance Community Centre, Oaklands Avenue, The Entrance, to meet The Entrance Candidates in the 2011 State Election

- David Mehan MP- Labor Candidate
- Diedrie Jinks Greens Candidate
- Jim Bond Family First Candidate

Welcome and Apologies: Vivienne Scott, Chairperson, opened the Special meeting immediately following the AGM and announced the apology from the Liberal Candidate Chris Spence.

1. Attendance: V Scott, T Scott, D Darlington, E Lyons, T Lyons, J Magri, L Nayna, G Penning, M Penning, B Davis, W Doruszac, E Matus, D Turner, A Rowland, B Rowland, P O'Grady, P Braithwaite, J Holderness, B Dowd, H Nayna; R Balcomb, G North, P Meloy, N Gates, J Price, D Mehan, Ccl S Wynn, D Jinks, J Bond (29)

2. Questions with Notice for The Entrance Candidates To Address

TEPCP Executive drafted a list the 6 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 State Government funds, within the term of the next State Parliament, towards the following projects?
 - a) Funding and timeframe to construct the F3 to M2 link.
 - b) Funding and timeframe for the replacement of roundabouts with Traffic Control Signals and widening of Wyong Road to relieve the current gridlock?
 - c) Funding and timeframe to construct a set of Pedestrian Traffic Control Signals on Wyong Road at Long Jetty to access Saltwater Reserve Liberty Playground safely from Bateau Bay.
 - funding and timeframe for widening of the Central Coast Highway through The Entrance Peninsula.

2.2. Employment

- a) What are your Party's plans for providing a coordinated approach to developments on the Central Coast region which will generate business growth and employment opportunities?
- b) What programmes does your Party propose to reduce the high numbers of LONG TERM UNEMPLOYED on the Central Coast.
- c) How does your Party intend to tackle YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT on the Central Coast

2.3. Health

a) What HEALTH INITIATIVES and PROGRAMS do your Party propose to provide in order to increase and improve the health services on the Central Coast.

2.4. Sustainable Population is a major concern

- a) What does your Party mean by 'sustainable population'?
- b) What are your Party's proposals to ensure 'sustainable population' for the Central Coast Region.

Vivienne then took the decision to have 10 minutes coffee break

- **2.5. Tourism** is a vital source of income and business on the Central Coast.
 - a) In order to provide an attractive destination for residents and visitors, what are your party's plans to improve the function and amenity of the coast's landscape and public domain?
 - What, specific plans will your Party implement to make The Entrance a prime tourist destination?
- **2.6** Coastal Policy is critical for the long term survival of the Central Coast
 - a) Does your Party's policy support the "NSW Coastal Planning Guideline: Adapting to Sea Level Rise"?
 - b) Does your Party's policy support "Minister's Requirements for Temporary Coastal Protection Works"?

There was only one question asked of the candidates which was relating the Federal government's proposal associated with the access to poker machines by imposing a "card system".

A comment from the Chair was that she was very disappointed with what she perceived to be the lack preparedness of the candidates in addressing the precinct's questions which were provided to them 2 months prior to the meeting.

Viv Scott thanked the Candidates for their attendance and wished them well in the coming election.

Meeting Closed at 8:30pm

NOTICES

Executive Committee Meeting: Tuesday, 5th April, 2011: at 4.00pm at The Entrance Community Centre. **General Meeting:** Tuesday, 19th April, 2011: at 7.00pm at The Entrance Community Centre.