

Conjola Community Association/CCB

General Meeting

Held on Monday 16 April 2018 at Lake Conjola Community Hall

<u>Executive:</u>	President:- R Kerves	Vice President:- D Treloar
	Secretary:- E Caswell	Treasurer:- F Shanahan
	Community Liaison:- K Bird	Public Officer:- M Brungs
	Infrastructure Co-ord:- D Treloar	Environmental Co-ord:-C Ashford
	Media & Grants Co-ord:- F Shanahan	Technology Co-ord:- B Hackett

The meeting opened at 7:55pm.

Present: - Clr Patricia White, Robyn Kerves, Dirk Treloar, Fran Shanahan, Mike Brungs, Col Ashford, Kristen Bird, Bill Hackett, Marion Devitt, Eddie Gratzner, Dagmar Gratzner, Carol Hodgetts, Rebecca McKelvey, Bob Millar, Jenny Moffat, Sandra Robinson

Apologies: - Hon Shelley Hancock, Elaine Caswell, Neville Wearne, Mark Albiez.

1. **Minutes of previous meeting:** - The minutes for the previous General Meeting were not readily available. A copy is available on the website and will be reviewed at the next meeting.

2. **Matters arising from previous minutes:-**

Incorporation of the Conjola Community Association - Attached is a summary from the Fair Trading website of requirements for an association to be incorporated. The benefits of incorporation include the ability to apply for grant funding independent of the Shoalhaven Council; e.g. from the NSW Department of Tourism. There was some discussion on whether Conjola could use another incorporated community association's Public Officer (e.g. Red Head) to request grant funding. One issue raised was the limitation on funding for one association which potentially could impact both associations - e.g. Red Head and Conjola – the question requires further investigation. If Conjola is to apply for incorporation then in addition to the requirements for registering incorporation (a) a "Master Plan" (of projects) must be developed, and (b) Liability Insurance must be obtained and paid for (in addition to Fair Trading fees).

Action: Following the unanimous approval at the AGM to proceed with incorporation, a detailed list of requirements, including all fees and charges will be prepared and distributed to the community for comment.

3. **Treasurers Report:-**

As at 16 Apr 2018, the bank balance with the Commonwealth Bank is \$1824.45; Petty Cash is \$6.95.

Opening Balance (20 Feb 2018)	\$1,933.29	
Interest Received	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$1933.29

Less:-		
AGM Advertising in MUT	\$58.64	
Fair Trading charges	<u>\$50.20</u>	<u>\$108.84</u>
<u>Closing Balance (16 Apr 2018)</u>		<u>\$1824.45</u>
<u>Petty cash</u>		<u>\$6.95</u>

4. **Havilland St Boat Ramp** - Although the project is regarded as “shovel ready”, at the Shoalhaven Council Strategy and Assets Meeting on 20 Feb 2018 a motion was carried to seek approval from NSW Boating Now to redirect the \$400K grant to projects at Berringer Lake and Greenwell Point (refer to the mentioned Council Meeting Minutes for details of the motion on the Council website). The decision was made because the final estimate for the Havilland Ramp is \$1.9m and funds are not currently available. Further, Havilland St Ramp will not be considered a candidate for grant funding until Round 3 of Boating Now Grants – expected in 2019.

As an aside, Councillor White informed the meeting that Federal funds are already available for the Berringer Lake and Greenwell Point Projects. Council is now reviewing its priorities for the \$400K grant.

5. **Ingenia Development:** - B Mitchell raised a concern regarding a significant amount of dust from development activity on Saturday 14 Apr 2018 affecting his home. He noted (and took photographs) that water trucks were not operating on site at the time. He has spoken to Council and sought the Association’s assistance to prevent a recurrence.

Action: The Executive will raise the issue with Ingenia

6. **The Leaning Oak Development:** - J Moffat from The Leaning Oak briefed the meeting on the development. Key points:-

- The development is classified as a Caravan Park (under the NSW Local Government (Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings) Regulation 1995);
- Council have approved 71 cabins and 25 camping sites for the development;
- Cabins will be privately own but the land is leased (similar to onsite cabins at the other caravan parks);
- The development gives priority to employing local tradespeople;
- Sales are listed through Bella Coastal Property, Milton;
- Visitors are welcome to inspect the site – contact The Leaning Oak;
- The Leaning Oak is on Facebook – a link to the page will be added to the Conjola website.

7. **Safety on Lake Conjola Entrance Road**:- Two matters were raised:-
- a. **Speed Limits**: Many drivers continue to exceed the 80 kph limit, which is dangerous at several blind intersections. **Action:** The Leaning Oaks have offered to raise the matter with Council (Traffic Committee).
 - b. **Traffic Island Hazard at intersection with Norman St and LCE Road**: The island is difficult to see in certain conditions (night time and when driving into the sun). The meeting agreed that the installation of brighter street lighting would alert drivers of the hazard. **Action:** R Kerves will raise the issue with Council (Traffic Committee).
8. **Car park at the Boardwalk**: - The meeting discussed a Council Plan (from several years ago) to upgrade the car park with curb and guttering, bitumen sealing, and line marking. K Bird requested that Council provide a copy of the upgraded design for review by the community. **Action:** At the suggestion of Councillor White, R Kerves will request Council for a copy of the design.
9. **Water Filling Station**: - The station has been installed adjacent to the disabled ramp at the Boardwalk. The water is filtered.
10. **Community Meeting Dates**: - M Devitt raised the frequency/infrequency of General Meetings. In the past 12 months 3 meetings were held (Apr, Oct, Feb), whereas in previous years meetings were held every 2 months. Discussion centred on the small number of attendees at meetings, especially during the colder months. A request for community members to attend the Ad-hoc Exec meetings was agreed. The meeting also agreed to a suggestion by B Hackett that 4 General Meetings per year plus the AGM be held, and the community given advance notice to submit requests on topics for discussion at the meeting – this will enable the committee/relevant working group to be prepared for the meeting. Community requests can be raised via the website, Facebook page, or by contacting a Committee member.

The meeting also agreed to follow-up requests to the Bowling Club to post meeting dates and agendas on the Club Noticeboard.

Action: B Hackett to submit to the Exec Committee a suggested meeting date schedule for 2018/19.

11. **Council Update (Councillor White)**:-
- a. **Special Rate Variation**:- Council expects to receive a response in early May from IPART (Independent Pricing And Regulatory Tribunal) on its submission for a Special Rate Variation – i.e. retain the 13.2% variation approved for 2017/18 and further approve a 5% increase for the next 3 years (2018/19 – 2021/22). Note, an error in the latest Email Update to the Community which incorrectly stated a 5% increase for the next 5 years – it should read for the next 3 years
 - b. **Princes Hwy Duplication**: - Council is lobbying Federal and State Governments to give priority to the duplication of the Princes Hwy from Wollongong to the

Victorian Border. Land for the proposed corridor for the duplication has already been purchased. An RMS report has recommended that all bridges, apart from the new Burrill Lake Bridge, should be replaced. Council has identified the highest priority as the section of Highway between the Jervis Bay turn-off and Tabourie Lake.

- c. **Council Staff Changes**: - In the last 3 months, 3 of the 4 Council Directors have departed Council. The new Finance Director is from Woollahra Council and he will start in the next month.
- d. **NSW Amateur Fishing Association (NAFA)**:- Denis Donald , President of the NSW Amateur Fishing Association (NAFA) is lobbying South Coast communities to establish a united group to collectively approach the state government for additional investment in coastal waterways infrastructure.
- e. **Grant Funding**: - At the last Council Meeting (refer to the Supplementary Reports), Council submitted a request for \$2.5m for community projects.

12. **The next General Meeting**:- TBA

Meeting closed: 9:00pm