

South Precinct Minutes

Meeting held at Gerringong Town Hall

Date: December 14, 2023

Meeting Opened: 7.35 pm

Chair: Chris Cassidy

Minutes: Chris Cassidy

Attendance: As per the Attendance Book (21)

Special Guests: Nil

Acknowledgment of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the Land on which this Meeting takes place, the Wodi Wodi people of the Dharawal Nation and recognize their continues connection with the land and sea. We pay our respects to Elders past and present and extend that respect to any First Nation's people present."

Apologies: Clr. Renkema-Lang; Alma McPherson; Simon Croft.

Moved: Raewyn Thomson

Seconded: Jutta Moss

Motion : Carried

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved: Jutta Moss

Seconded: Wes Hindmarsh

Motion : Carried

Business arising from Previous Minutes: There was a question raised about what Development will be permitted along the Rail corridor. We failed to follow this up, so it needs to be done so that there is an answer provided at our March Meeting.

Executive Report: There was an Executive Meeting held to discuss, amongst other things, the future of the Precinct Group and what form that may take in the future when Council ceases to provide any funding. Precincts are no longer characterized as Advisory Bodies. It needs to be decided whether we become an incorporated association or take some other form. We are talking to the GCA (Gerroa Community Association) regarding the prospect of amalgamating with them. The council will be reviewing their committee structure towards the end of 2024, but more likely it will be 2025. We have been approved to use the Town Hall for the rest of this year, so decisions as to Meeting places may also need to be considered. Issues such as Liability Insurances will need to be addressed also. An idea that has been discussed is a letter box drop in Gerringong/ Gerroa to provide information on what the Precinct does and how residents can be involved.

Correspondence in:

- (1) **December 28: From KMC:** Response to our correspondence of November 22, 2023 regarding Gerry Emery Oval and Gerringong Surf Club

(2) **February 7:** Kiama Council Traffic Committee Minutes (See Traffic Committee Report)

Correspondence Out:

- (1) **November 22:** To KMC: South Precinct Resolution concerning Gerry Emery Oval and the Gerringong Surf Club Development
- (2) **December 24:** Submission regarding Sections 47 and 47A of the Local Government Act on proposed Lease/Licence for the Gerringong Surf Club Development
- (3) **January 12: To KMC:** Follow up to response received on December 28, 2023 concerning the Gerringong Surf Club Development
- (4) **February 2: To Darryl Clingan:** Correspondence relating to the Car Park Exit from the Gerringong Library complex
- (5) **February 6: To KMC:** To Jessica Rippon asking about the Town Centre Study for the Gerringong Town Centre

Moved: Wes Hindmarsh

Seconded: Warren Holder

That Correspondence be received and noted.

Motion: Carried

Treasurers Report: Balance \$ 1435.43

Moved: Jutta Moss

Seconded : Wes Hindmarsh

Motion: Carried

Council Business Papers: The Following matters were discussed specifically:

The Extraordinary Meeting of February 1. This Meeting concerned several matters relating to the sale of Blue Haven Bonaira. There was a Notice of Motion that was deemed by Council Staff to be unlawful, unenforceable and unworkable. A precis of the Meeting was provided by one of our Executive members who attended the Meeting.

The Referendum to be put to the 2024 Council Elections to seek a change to a directly Elected Mayor. Currently the Mayor is elected from amongst the Councillors who are elected. If the change is endorsed, it won't take effect until the 2028 Council Elections.

Council Committees- Meeting Minutes. The Report appears to suggest that Committee Minutes will be placed on the council website. Query whether that means that they will no longer appear on the Meeting Agenda.

Destination Event Funding Program: Noting the amounts and who were the recipients of that funding.

48 Campbell St Sub-division: A number of residents were concerned to find out if this Planning Proposal had been or will be re-submitted. Flooding and traffic were but two items of concern as was the Asbestos contamination found on the subject site. The Executive advised that they would follow up on their concerns and advise when information is received.

Draft Sepp : The Department of Planning has a Draft Sepp on exhibition. If adopted the Sepp will permit Dual occupancies in R2 low density Zones, allow Terraces, Town Houses and 2 Story Apartment blocks near Transport hubs and Town Centres in R2 low density residential zones. The Sepp would override Council's Planning policies and restrict Council's authority to refuse inappropriate development.

General Business: The following matters on the Council Agenda were discussed generally:

Finance Advisory Committee: Resignation of a committee member and expressions of interest for a replacement – Draft Enterprise Risk Management Policy – Kiama Local Traffic Committee Meeting – Re Car Park Exit from the Gerringong Library Complex – Questions for future Meetings, Performance Improvement Order – Questions for future Meetings Register – Notice of Motion concerning Cul de sacs and Council's Waste Services vehicles –

Presentations: Warren Holder gave an update on Boral relating to sand mining. Warren took questions at the conclusion of his presentation.

Motions: The following Motion was debated: Nil

Moved:

Seconded:

Motion:

Moved:

Seconded:

Motion:

The Meeting closed at: 21.14

Next meeting: March 14, 2024

Consult Discussions Group Discussions and Facebook for information between Meetings.