

# MacMasters Beach Progress Association General Meeting Minutes

## 26/02/2024

Tudibaring Parade Progress Hall, MacMasters Beach

Present: Helen Waterhouse, Barbara Wills, Tess McCullough, Karen McCaffery, Paula Panaanen, Jim Balderstone, Charmaine Simpson, Stephen Simpson,

Apologies: Ian Paananen, Karen McCaffery, Kathy King, Craig Roberts.

GENERAL MEETING – opened 8:20pm after the postponed Annual General meeting by President with welcome to country given at the annual general meeting commencement.

**Applications for new membership** Louise Hyman, Catherine Rogers, David Kay, Ian Tice.

### **CORRESPONDENCE IN**

7 February, 2024 emailed Invite from CCC to Community Stakeholder Engagement evening on our Open Coast Catchment Management Plan 13 February, Copa surf club. Barbara Wills attended.

Email from Kathy King re book sale see general business

Email from CEN regarding a push for Better Planning for the Central Coast. Invite issued to Gary Chestnut the president who gave us a power point presentation.

Acknowledgement from NSWn Office Environment and Heritage regarding our complaint illegal tree felling 700 The Scenic Rd, incident number E96004918

Reply to O/G David Harris MP Minister for the Central Coast acknowledging our disappointment at the Deferred Matters zoning. He said he will relay our submission directly to the Administrator for his attention. 8 Feb, 2024

Acknowledgement of our submission to CCC re Deferred Matters 19 Dec, 2023

Email from Allen Blewitt 26 Feb 2024... “Regrettably I cannot attend the AGM tonight but would appreciate it if you could raise the matter of the failure to regularly maintain the rockpool at the southern end of the beach. It has been overly full of sand for all summer including the busy December-January period. Regular swimmers are finding it frustrating that maintenance is being

ignored by Council” Agreed to send letter to Council asking for excess sand to be removed

## **CORRESPONDENCE OUT**

5 Dec several emails to CCC complaining about outstanding issues from previous letter..Trimming trees MacMaster Parade, Disabled beach access steps painting, pedestrian pathway to Banavie Reserve,

Complaint to NSW Office of Environment and Heritage re illegal tree felling 700 The Scenic Rd.

25 Jan email to Coast Community News Editor re illegal tree felling @ 700 TSR

Feb Marilyn Vale ‘Council Watch’ informing her of the tree felling @ 700 TSR

David Harris MP Minister for the Central Coast re Deferred Matters submission and complaint about the proposed changes to the DM zones.

## **General Business**

Agreed to send a formal letter regarding the Gerda Rd requesting capital works funding for access from #39 Gerda Rd to Banavie Reserve for pedestrian safety and safe vehicle 2 way driving by removing the large hedge of non native trees and widening the road to cater for road side parking and driving..

Agreed Kathy King will hold a fundraising book sale at Easter with proceeds to the Coastal Community Refugee Integration and Settlement Pilot (CRISP ) - we a local volunteers (from Macs and surrounding suburbs) who have come together to commit to a local settlement plan for a refugee selected by the Department of Home Affairs and the UNHCR for our group. The group is called Coastal CRISP and is approved through a NGO monitoring agency appointed by the Australian government called Community Refugee Sponsorship Australia (CRSA) We have to fund raise enough funds to sustain their settlement for the first 12 months and as we have a number of volunteers locally we thought a Easter Book Sale would be a great start

**Next meeting** to be held bi monthly on the 22 of April. at 7:30 pm. noting that the postponed AGM will be held when the audited financials are available.

Meeting closed 9 :30 pm.