



# **Bruny Island Community Association Inc.**

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## **Minutes of General Meeting held at Lunawanna Hall Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

**Opened** 11.10am Fran Davis, Chair.

**Present** 19 J Kobylec, R & F Davis, M Weston, G & S Kingston, R Sandford, J Self, C McDougall, C Beckitt, D Grace, M & D Gregg, T Rayner, R Finlayson, T Butcher, M Fagan, S Smit, M Smit-Vereijken,  
**Apologies** 8 J Marsh, L Haigh, L Graham, T & L Story, T Cochrane, K Duncombe, D Welch

**Vale John Dillon, OAM** – Fran Davis spoke about John Dillon’s life, his many achievements and his enormous contribution to the community of Bruny Island. Condolences were expressed to his family. He will be sadly missed by the Bruny community.

**Visitor:** Dr. Kathryn Barnsley, Labor candidate for Franklin – Fran Davis advised that Dr. Kathryn Barnsley apologised for not being able to attend the meeting due to illness.

**Previous Minutes** Moved J Kobylec 2<sup>nd</sup> R Sandford that previous minutes be accepted – Passed

### **Business Arising**

1. TFS Safe Places, Adventure Bay – Fran Davis advised that the information on the TFS website has been updated in regards to safe places to assemble in Adventure Bay in case of bushfire. Rod Finlayson suggested that this information should be placed in the Bruny News with reference to the TFS website. Megan Weston suggested that signs be erected indicating where the safe place are in Adventure Bay. It was resolved that BICA write to Kingborough Council and TFS to request erecting signs indicating the safe places.
2. Taswater – Fran Davis advised the water supply at Adventure Bay is now chlorinated after a contamination was recently detected. Taswater will continue to monitor, upgrade and gather information from the community and stakeholders.

### **Correspondence**

- Bruny Island Pistol Club request for grant of \$1,000 – After discussion it was moved by J Kobylec and 2<sup>nd</sup> by M Weston that \$1,000 be granted to the Bruny Island Pistol Club towards the cost of installing an alarm and camera system to comply with new legislation - Passed.
- Letters of appreciation from Bruny Bowls Club for our recent grant, and from Bruny Island District School for our new “We Care Award” and prize money.
- Letter of response from Stuart Baldwin, Kingborough Waste Services, re our request for Green Waste sites to be available at Alonnah and Adventure Bay – Fran Davis read out the response from Council which said in part “Due to the low participation numbers and small volumes of green waste disposed of during previous years it was also deemed impractical to provide multiple sites for the disposal weekends”. Discussion took place which disagreed there were low participation numbers in previous years in the free green waste weekends. In fact quite the opposite had occurred. It was agreed this matter should be brought at the next BIAC meeting for further discussion.
- “Wish List” sent to Minister Rene Hidding, Kingborough Council and State Growth following meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> December – Fran Davis read out the “Wish List” of priority projects for Bruny Island which was forwarded to the attendees at this meeting.

- Responses from Minister Rene Hidding, Tony Ferrier, KC and Shane Gregory, Gen. Mgr. State Roads, Dept. of State Growth in response to our “Wish List”, sent out after our meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017. Fran Davis read out some of the responses to our “Wish List”.

Moved R Sandford 2<sup>nd</sup> S Kingston that corro in be accepted and corro out be ratified – Passed

## Financial Statement

Tabled Moved R Davis 2<sup>nd</sup> M Weston that it be accepted – Passed

## Reports

**Men’s Shed** – Terry Butcher advised the official opening of the new Men’s Shed would take place on Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> of February at 1.00pm.

**Fish Farm Expansion** – Rosemary Sandford advised they had recently met with representatives from Tassal and Huon Aquaculture. The meeting had been informative. They had also met with community representatives from the Tasman Peninsular and Ockehampton Bay. They are pushing for a moratorium on the expansion of fish farms till further scientific evidence is compiled to justify this expansion. Rosemary mentioned that FONB and BIEN have each contributed \$2,000 towards employing a communications coordinator for a period of approximately three months to raise awareness and advocate for a moratorium on the expansion of fish farms around Bruny Island Storm Bay. After discussion it was moved by R Sandford and 2<sup>nd</sup> by M Weston that BICA contribute \$2,000 to match the contributions of FONB and BIEN towards the employment of a communications coordinator for a period of approximately three months to raise awareness and advocate for a moratorium on the expansion of fish farms around Bruny Island and Storm Bay – Passed. It was noted that Matthew Fagan abstained from this vote.

**BIAC** – John Kobylec reported on some issues that were discussed at the December BIAC meeting.

1. Waste Management Strategy – Council had adopted the Waste Management Strategy at the 13 December 2017 Council Meeting and implementation can now commence on the actions starting with a workshop for the Councillors. John Kobylec asked if Council can do anything to reintroduce roadside cleanup on Bruny. Tony Ferrier advised that Council will need to look into this further.
2. Bruny Island Airstrip – A motion was passed “That BIAC support Tony Ferrier’s suggestion to seek expressions of interest from potentially alternative operators in relation to the airstrip”. Tony advised that the annual maintenance cost necessary to meet the required standards of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) have been calculated to be \$30,942. Council also commissioned a report on the condition of the airstrip. Airports Plus P/L undertook this report in April 2017. They have recommended maintenance and upgrade works that need to be carried out at a further cost of \$175,362 to satisfy CASA’s requirements.
3. Lunawanna Hall Public Toilets – Michelle Allen advised that consultation is underway with members of the Lunawanna Hall Management Committee in relation to design options for the new facility.
4. Lunawanna Hall Floor – It was noted that quotes are currently being sourced by Council’s Building Maintenance Coordinator for resealing of the floor at the Lunawanna Hall.
5. Nebraska Road, North Bruny – It was noted that a design has been prepared and a Development Application lodged for stabilisation works due to coastal erosion on Nebraska Road. The work is due to commence in March 2018.
6. Glensyn Units – Tony Ferrier tabled a letter from Rosemary Sandford regarding the development of the Glensyn Units and read out the letter to the meeting. Michelle Allen advised that IC4 Developments will be undertaking consultation with the local community in 2018 and that Simon from IC4 Developments is currently working on a package of information to be provided to BIAC members. Once they have finalised the responses from the consultation a proposal will be prepared for Council. Michelle requested members to remind community members that Council has only given in principal support to the proposal and is subject to IC4 consulting with the community then providing a final proposal to Council with the findings.
7. Recreational Vehicles – It was noted that Council has resolved not to endorse a strategy prepared by a consultant in relation to this matter but to address issues associated with recreational vehicles on a case by case basis.
8. Bruny Island Ferry Contract – Tony Ferrier reported that Minister Rene Hidding has advised the ferry contract will be announced in April 2018.

9. Road Sealing – The section of Main Road from the Adventure Bay turnoff to Alonnah has recently been resealed in short sections. There are now gaps of older seal between the new seals which have been identified as requiring some patch works that will be undertaken over the coming summer. Further reseals will take place over the next 24 months to have this section completely resealed.
10. Road Safety Pamphlet – Michelle Allen reported that Council’s Communication Officer will be working on a brochure in early 2018.

**Wildlife Deaths on the Neck** – Rosemary Sandford advised that a lighter colour seal will be applied to the Neck Road in March 2018. Rosemary also advised there have been issues of deaths of wildlife trapped between the fences erected on the Neck Road. Negotiations to lower the speed on certain sections of the Neck Road are ongoing.

**BICAL** – Rosemary Sandford advised the consultant’s report has been completed and will be considered by the BICA executive at an upcoming meeting before being released.

### **General Business**

1. Submission to Ferry Contract – Fran Davis said she has had discussions with State Growth re negotiations for the new ferry contract. Fran has suggested there should be priority for vehicles driven by people providing essential medical services on Bruny Island included in the new ferry contract. Megan Weston also suggested making a submission that a priority lane be provided for permanent residents.
2. Meeting with Health Professionals – Megan Weston mentioned she was organising a meeting with various health professionals to be held in February to discuss the running of the Bruny Island Community Health Centre. It was agreed the meeting should take place at the Alonnah Hall.

Meeting Closed 1.02pm.

Next meeting Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> of February at CWA Hall, Barnes Bay at 11.00am.