



# **Bruny Island Community Association Inc.**

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## **Minutes of General Meeting held at Bruny Bowls Club, Adventure Bay Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**Opened** 11.07am Fran Davis, Chair.

**Present** 20 J Kobylec, R & F Davis, M Weston, G & S Kingston, R Sandford, J Self, J Marsh, D Grace, S Smit, M Smit-Vereijken, L Haigh, T Adams, D & J Boyer, D Welch, C Beckitt, M Brinkman, A Morgan

**Apologies** 3 K & M Duncombe, M Fagan

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

### **Business Arising**

1. Lindon Haigh re road risk assessment on the Neck speed limits – Lindon Haigh advised he was still researching to complete a risk assessment on the Neck speed limits. Some discussion took place about the speed limits on the Neck and it was noted they ranged from 60 km/h to 90 km/h. Trevor Adams said he had distributed a petition around Bruny recently which said there should be no change to the current speed limits on the Neck. He has obtained 350 signatures. Trevor asked whether BICA would support this petition. Megan Weston suggested that Lindon should take this petition into account and discuss it with Trevor when compiling his risk assessment. It was resolved to do this. Rosemary Sandford expressed her concerns about the 60 km/h speed limit zone on the Neck and believed it should be lowered to 40 km/h. Rosemary also suggested there may be a legal liability for BIAC members who recently passed a motion to support the current speed limits. Fran Davis suggested that BICA focus on the safety issues on the Neck road and not just the speed limits.
2. Public Meeting on Health Centre issues – Fran Davis thanked all the people that attended the meeting which attracted a good crowd. Fran said she was disappointed that representatives from the Tasmanian Health Service didn't attend on the day. Fran also thanked Megan Weston for conducting the meeting in a very respectful manner. Megan then advised there were three motions carried unanimously at the Health meeting. 1. That this Community demands that Bruny Island be reclassified under the Monash Modified Model as Area 7 (Remote). 2. That this Community let BICHSAC and THS know that we are unhappy with the current level of services and we strongly request that BICHSAC holds a meeting as soon as possible to discuss these issues as we are not happy that it could take months before the next scheduled BICHSAC meeting. 3. That the Bruny Island Community says to the Kingborough Council "Hands off" our Glensyn Independent Living Units in Alonnah and the recently defined Kingborough Council land, and hand it back to the Bruny Community to build units for the elderly and people with disabilities. Megan also mentioned that the BICAL report was officially launched at this meeting.

### **Correspondence**

#### **Out**

- Letter of support to Friends of Bruny Island Quarantine Station for a grant from the Armistice Centenary Project.

#### **In**

- Letter of appreciation from Bruny Island Pistol Club for our donation of \$1,000.
- Correspondence from Bob Elliston re Bruny Island Airstrip – Fran Davis advised that Bob Elliston had been asked to attend the meeting to discuss his proposal for purchasing the land the airstrip is on. Bob also stated "My proposal would be to run the airstrip as a private facility for the benefit of all who are keen to use the facility. Naturally, Peter would continue with his scenic flights business, and manage the

airstrip”. It was agreed to await the outcome of the tender process initiated by Kingborough Council for the operation of the airstrip before discussing this matter further.

- Bushfire-Ready Neighbourhoods newsletter from T.F.S.
- Ongoing correspondence from PMAT, Denis Mermet, Port Arthur and Parks re Helicopters flying over National Parks – Discussion took place about helicopters flying over Bruny Island. Fran Davis said she has accumulated some correspondence on the matter but was unsure how we should approach this. Maryke Smit- Vereijken volunteered to research this material and provide a report to the next meeting.
- Notice of Motion from Acting Treasurer Reg Davis – It was moved by R Davis and 2<sup>nd</sup> by D Boyer that following the AGM change of Association Treasurer, Reg Davis is to be removed as MyState Member 166659 accounts 12124321, 12259065, 12278890, 60164821 signatory and David Boyer to be added – Passed.
- Response from Shane Gregory, State Growth, re update on community consultation on speed limits at the Neck, Roberts Point and Alonnah.
- Letter from Rosemary Sandford for BICA to reconsider position on DAP – Rosemary Sandford suggested that BICA rejoin the DAP committee now that a new CEO has been appointed. Rosemary also mentioned that Matthew Fagan had been invited to join the DAP committee. Fran Davis mentioned that no DAP committee in Tasmania has Community Association members participating in the process. After some further discussion it was moved by M Weston and 2<sup>nd</sup> by J Boyer that BICA continue not to participate in the DAP committee - Passed.
- Correspondence from Rosemary Sandford re Fish Farms – Rosemary spoke about her involvement on behalf of BICA with BIEN and FoNB on promoting a moratorium on the expansion of fish farming around Bruny Island including Storm Bay and the Channel. The three groups have drafted a joint letter with Tassal and Huon Aquaculture to go to the incoming government asking that they take up their responsibility as custodian of the waters around Bruny Island including Storm Bay and the Channel. The joint letter was agreed with Tassal and Huon Aquaculture who met with the three organisations recently.

Moved M Weston 2<sup>nd</sup> J Kobylec that corro in be accepted and corro out be ratified – Passed

## **Financial Statement**

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

## **Reports**

**Cat Project** – Jenny Boyer spoke about the long term goals for the management of cats on Bruny Island. Jenny advised she had recently participated in a meeting with various stakeholders in this project. This resulted in further funding being made available. There has been further development on the strategy towards monitoring and data collection of cats.

**BICHSAC** – Fran Davis advised that new community observers had been invited to attend meetings. Jeff Self mentioned the release of the BICAL report which would be discussed at the next meeting.

**BICAL** – Rosemary Sandford said there had been 250 downloads of the BICAL report from the BICA website. It is now time to consider the recommendations made in the report. After some discussion it was moved by R Sandford and 2<sup>nd</sup> by J Self that BICAL recommends to BICA, that BICA immediately commences discussions with Kingborough Council with a view to possibly returning the Glensyn Independent Living Units to a suitable Bruny community body – Passed. It was further moved by M Weston and 2<sup>nd</sup> by J Boyer that BICA set up a working party headed by Megan Weston to draw on community representatives to consider the future of the Glensyn units – Passed.

**Bruny Life Survey** – Anne Morgan spoke about progress on the Bruny Life survey. Anne mentioned that surveys are available to anyone who wants to participate by contacting the Bruny Life coordinator, Mathew Fagan, on 0427 400106 who will give you the name of the researcher in your area. You can also email [admin@brunylife.com](mailto:admin@brunylife.com) to obtain a survey form. Anne mentioned that 450 Bruny people had been engaged in the survey so far.

## **General Business**

1. Request endorsement from meeting re \$1,000 donated to the Paul Barnett Appeal – After discussion it was moved by M Weston and 2<sup>nd</sup> by R Davis that BICA donates \$1,000 to the Paul Barnett Appeal - Passed. This money is to help Paul Barnett and his family rebuilt their home after it was burned down recently.

Meeting Closed 1.30pm.

Next meeting Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of April at Lunawanna Hall at 11.00am.

To be preceded by a Committee meeting at 9.30 am (if required – Committee to discuss)