



# VRRRA-CCB General Meeting – Draft Minutes

DATE: 18 November 2021

Meeting Started at 7:30pm



*I acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of country and their continuing connection to the land, culture and community. I pay my respect to elder's past, present and future*

## Apologies

by Chair

Anthony and Jazz Vukelic; Margaret Willard; Brenda Garnett, Clr John Levett, Clr Greg Watson, Jo and Bob Pullinger, Jess Rawlins, Terry Bowman, Lance & Jen Sewell, George Kruk, John Stuchbery, John Levadetes, Les Hams.

**Guest Speaker Peter Laver;** provided the meeting with a very informative update on the Country Club Vincentia and undertook to keep VRRRA members informed on progress.

**Ken Buckley** informed members that voting will take place from 5<sup>th</sup> December to 11<sup>th</sup> December. Ken suggested that members vote for the two local candidates representing Country Club Vincentia. Peter Laver and Noel Burke

## Minutes from 17 June General Meeting Draft Minutes

by Chair

*Motion: That the draft minutes of the Committee meeting held on 17 June 2021 be adopted*

Ross Popplewell commented that the June 2021 meeting Minutes cannot be approved until they are corrected in reference to; Shoalhaven Hospital Action Group, Bay and Basin Strategy Plan, Collingwood Beach Preservation Group Vincentia Village Mall Project and in Other Business the requests to include Ships in Jervis Bay and comments made in reference to email/update sent by Council in reference to dog attack.

***Motion was not carried***

## Actions and Business arising from the 17 June 2021 Meeting

- All actions covered in Agenda

## Secretaries Report

**Ken Buckley** commented that we are addressing how we take better minutes, because it can be very hard trying to run meeting and take minutes at the same time, we are striving to get more accuracy in taking minutes.

**Lou Casmiri** informed members that the Email register as at 16 June 2021 had been sent to all members, and as mentioned in previous meetings this will be the process from now on, and that if any one like to receive a copy of email listed in the register to contact VRRRA-CCB Secretary [vrra.ccb@gmail.com](mailto:vrra.ccb@gmail.com) and he will confirm with sender if the email can be forwarded to the requestor.

**Ken Buckley** commented that, from 16 June (last general meeting) to 16 November, 630 emails had been sent to VRRRA-CCB Secretary [vrra.ccb@gmail.com](mailto:vrra.ccb@gmail.com), the register of emails had been sent out yesterday.

An email had been received dated 17 November from Andrew Garnet regarding objections to the proposal to change the Constitution. A petition with 20 names has been received objecting to the proposed changes to the Constitution.

Lou Casmiri informed the meeting that any one likes to have a copy of the email, as per current procedure to contact VRRRA-CCB Secretary [vrra.ccb@gmail.com](mailto:vrra.ccb@gmail.com)

## Treasurers Report

*Motion: That the statement of financial position and performance for the period ended on 30 October 2021 be received*

***Moved by Ross Popplewell seconded by Norm Vickery Motion Carried***

## **Public Officer**

Meeting was informed that records will be kept as per updated requirements defined by Dept of Fair Trading including those defined to be kept indefinitely.

## **The Delivery Program & Operational Plan (DPOPs) Update**

Lou Casmiri suggested that a sub-Committee be formed to propose to Council the construction of a 50m pool in Vincentia.

Janet Langridge and Deb Shapira volunteered to be on the Sub Committee.

## **Paths and Cycleway Update/ Gavin Philips**

Gavin Phillips gave a very comprehensive update on the progress of the plan for the cycleway to commence in March 2022. It is expected that there will be community consultation regarding, the black spot at Elizabeth Dr, pedestrian refuges, and identifying dangerous areas for children to cross.

A question from the floor was “Why can’t the path go from the southern end of Nelsons Beach to Blenheim”

The Council plan was for a concrete path however Council is fully aware that, there needs to be community consultation to find out what the community want and to keep them informed.

The main focus was identified as “getting people down the hill safely”

Ada Street; A request to Council to investigate a footpath be constructed at Ada Street due to heavy truck movements.

## **Sub Committees and Group Reports**

### **Plantation Point Project Update**

Ken Buckley informed the meeting that the construction fence has gone up for the Bocce Court.

The path for the handicap access way has problems due to incorrect levels, council is liaising with the contractor.

Other improvements in the area are on hold except for the shade sail. Steel posts for the shade sail are being fabricated and galvanised, these will be ready to go when required for installation.

### **Vincentia Golf Club**

Covered earlier in the meeting by Peter Laver

### **Vincentia Mall Project Update**

Norm Vickery stated that, tenderer’s quote has gone to Council Strategy & Assets meeting for approval, it was 10% over budget therefore, councillors declined the quote. It is now back to council to resolve. Greg Pullen’s department is liaising with the tenderer to reduce the cost so it can be presented back to Council, however, as Council is in caretaker mode and because it needs to go back to Strategy and Assets Committee for approval therefore, he did not expect it to be going through this year, thus causing another delay. Norm mention that his understanding is that, still organised to start in February 2022. Norm also mentioned that this has been a work in progress for the VRRR for the previous 6 years.

Ross Popplewell mentioned that, he had spoken to Ros Holmes from Council in the last 24 hours and was given firm assurance that work will start next year on 1<sup>st</sup> February. Ross encouraged people to be positive and support the local retailers.

**Councillor White** commented, that the CEO, Steven Dunshea has a limit on amount the he can sign off and consequently anything over that delegated authority, he has to go back to Council to sign off on. The election will be declared by 23<sup>rd</sup> December and the council must hold their first meeting within 21 days of that date i.e. 14 January 2022

**Norm Vickery** also informed members that he had requested council provide a temporary sign somewhere in the Shopping Centre over the Christmas period, to show locals and tourists what is planned at the Mall to keep the community interest.

**Barbra Liddle** Bush Care Update Barbra invited anyone interested is welcome to join Bush Care who meet every Tuesday morning. Information is available on the Council website.

### **Proposed Constitutional Changes**

**John Ross** mentioned that he accepted the position in June, previously held by Erica Jones to review the VRRR Constitution and the Code of Conduct. John explained the proposed changes and the reasons for the changes, that had been put forward in July as a draft, for comment and questions to be discussed at the next VRRR Meeting.

John summarised the proposed amendments to be:

1. Membership will be for a calendar year from January to December 31st.
2. Nomination as Committee member or a voting member must attend at least 2 VRRR meetings.
3. Membership application form for VRRR
4. Changes to the Constitution have to go through Fair Trading and EGM requires 28 days' notice.

John Ross stated that any constitution changes must be approved by the members with a 75% majority vote usually at an EGM. The members must be given at least 28 days notice of the EGM along with the resolution to be voted on. Any approved constitution changes are then lodged with Fair Trading for registration.

John Ross then referred to an objection letter from Andrew Garnett that had just been received regarding the constitution changes. He read an extract to the meeting which contained the main objection points.

### **Other Business**

#### **Zoom Meetings**

Ros Vickery commented that you need to have the money to set up a Zoom Meeting, no other CCB is currently running Zoom Meetings. Council would need to provide funds and resources; this is a much larger project than first thought.

Megan Jobson asked could the VRRR do a survey regarding ZOOM meetings, and suggested it may be for only a few people.

Ken Buckley asked for a show of hands of those who would like Zoom meetings, 10 people raised their hands.

Lou Casmiri informed members that "You need proper infrastructure in place, you could have 20 to 40 people wanting to log in, you need the required technical infrastructure at a venue with good internet connection.

#### **Update on temporary toilet facility at Collingwood Beach**

**Ken Buckley** mentioned that the subject has been discussed by the committee and was decided to be addressed at tonight's meeting with the aim to have the members input and comments.

Ros Popplewell informed the meeting that he and Anna Evert, have gone to council to requesting temporary toilets along Collingwood Beach, the answer from Council was that they will install porta-loos from mid - December to the end of January. Ken stated this will be pursued by the VRRR.

#### **Hold My Hand**

VRRR is currently arranging for signs to be erected and photos to be taken for promoting The LITTLE BLUE DINASUR programme. Currently trying to have posters put up.

#### **Tree Vandalism**

**Rob Dunn** mentioned that Council encourages residents to report tree vandalism to Council and suggested he was happy to leave this with the VRRRA and Collingwood Beach Preservation Group to address.

#### **Cruise Ships in Jervis Bay**

**Megan Jobson question as to why the VRRRA Committee** did not take up the offer to join the CCB Action Group? It was agreed that this subject, it will be addressed at the next committee meeting.

**Next Meeting;** The date for the next VRRRA meeting has not decided and will be made at the next Committee meeting.

**Meeting closed by chair at 9:15pm**