



Village of Hall and District Progress Association Inc.

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VHDPA General Meeting Minutes.

Meeting date	7:00pm Wednesday, 19 September 2018
Location	Hall School Cottage
Committee Members	Peter Toet, John Starr, Tony Morris, Olga Minion, Margaret Monahan, Peter Howard, Ken Heffernan, George Southwell, Phil Robson, Juanita Caddy
Attendees	Peter Toet, John Starr, Olga Minion, Peter Howard, Ken Heffernan, George Southwell, Juanita Caddy Others present: John Burns, Graeme Bryce.
Apologies	Margaret Monahan, Tony Morris, Phil Robson

1. Minutes of previous meeting.

1.1	Minutes of general meeting – 21 August 2018. Accepted
1.2	Minutes of general meeting - 18 July 2018. Incomplete. Deferred to next meeting

2. Correspondence

2.1	<i>E:mail from Margaret Morris re party at Hall shops 26 October 2016.</i> Peter T proposed that we support the party and pay bills as presented up to a limit of \$1500. Seconded Peter H
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3. Presidents report

3.1	Peter T welcomed all committee members to the meeting. It was the second meeting of
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	<p>the new committee with the short first meeting on 21 August 2018 called to sort out banking issues and to organize signatures.</p> <p>Peter advised the committee of the importance of keeping records and that there will need to be paper records of all communications. A folder is kept in the cupboard in the Cottage. A project will be set up in the future to ensure all documents are in place.</p>
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4. Treasurers report.

4.1	<p><i>Tabling of financial statements</i></p> <p>John S tabled all financial statements which showed all accounts in a healthy position.</p>
4.2	<p><i>To ratify transactions since the July Committee meeting.</i> Ratified</p> <p>Moved Peter T. Seconded Peter H.</p>
4.3	<p><i>Adding to and re-investing Term Deposit</i></p> <p>The term deposit has been in a holding account for some time awaiting submission of signatures. All signatures on all accounts are now ok with all accounts having access to Zero.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the future of the term deposit –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amount • Period of investment • Interest period. <p>It was agreed to take \$20,000 from the Operating Account to add to the term deposit. An amount of \$60,000 will be invested for 8 months @ 2.6%.</p> <p>Proposed by Peter T. Seconded by Peter H.</p>

5. Agenda Items

5.1	<p><i>Conflict of Interest</i></p> <p>Ken Heffernan wished to ensure that all members of the Committee and observers were clear that he will be attending meetings of the VHDPA Committee on his own behalf, not in his capacity as a current member of the ACT Heritage Council. In relation to heritage issues in particular, he would be expressing his personal views and will in no way purport to speak on behalf of</p>
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	the Council. This would be an ongoing declaration for the duration of his term on the Council.
5.2	<i>Update of Bank Account Information and Public Officer Information.</i> The Public Officer John Burns has attended to all banking issues and all relevant members have submitted signatures.
5.3	<i>Liability Certificate and Voluntary Workers Renewals</i> Complete. Certificates held.
5.4	Party at Hall Shops 26 October See above
5.5	<i>Appointment of new committee member</i> Peter T nominated Public Officer John Burns to the vacant position on the committee. Seconded by Peter H. Appointment supported by all members present.

6. Sub-group reports.

6.1	<p>Hall School Museum and Heritage Centre</p> <p>The Hall School Museum and Heritage Centre has worked with the National Capital Authority to loan 100 Aboriginal Stone artefacts from its Gillespie Collection for display at the totally new National Capital Exhibition at Regatta Point. The display, developed in cooperation with the local Aboriginal community, will be opened by Senator Zed Seelja on 21 September.</p> <p>Recently, the Museum has been very successful in obtaining grant funding. The Department of Veterans Affairs awarded it \$3000 for an Armistice Exhibition to open later in 2018. Last Wednesday, Mick Gentleman MLA awarded it \$3000 for enhancement of the village's heritage signage with augmented reality technology, and \$7,120 for an expert study of the geomorphology (ancient landscape history) of the Hall's Creek Aboriginal Sites Zone. It also has an application for \$4,950 funding for a significance assessment of the Gillespie Collection, awaiting official announcement of grants at the end of October.</p> <p>The Museum has two current research students from the ANU working with its collections and, thanks to sustained work by volunteer Mardie Troth, has hosted increasingly large numbers of students from Canberra schools.</p>
6.2	<p>Mens Shed</p> <p>Now has a total of 50 members who can meet on Tue, Thurs and Sat. Some members carry out physical activities whilst the majority enjoy a coffee and a chat. The Shed is very well run by the committee. A recent Government review</p>

	was very happy with the workshop
6.3	<p>Rural Fringe</p> <p>The Rural Fringe was praised by the committee as a very well run and presented publication. Its continuing high quality, both hard copy and electronic, and continuing improvement in terms of colour and presentation were also commended. It provides a great service for the community. Committee will approach Jo Hall to offer any help that she may require if necessary.</p>
6.4	<p>Pavilion</p> <p>Group have developed a Draft Business Plan. This will be sent to the committee for discussion at the next meeting. Will re-activate the Business Plan when Tony returns in a couple of weeks.</p>
6.5	<p>Community Fire Unit</p> <p>Need further volunteers. Contact is Bob Richardson.</p>
6.6	<p>Collectors Club</p> <p>Provided a donation to farmers suffering from the drought.</p> <p>Members had a run and lunch at the Gundaroo Pub for the annual Gundaroo run. Over 20 members attended.</p> <p>The group have organised their next get together for all members on 6 October at the "Hartshorne" collection in its new home followed by a sausage sizzle,</p>
6.7	<p>Computing for Seniors Kiosk</p>
6.8	<p>Cottage</p> <p>Almost all weekends from now to Christmas are fully booked and January, February are nearly full. Customers are sending thanks and congratulations on the presentation and how they enjoyed the venues.</p>

7. General business.

8.1	<p><u>Update on property group inspection of school site</u></p> <p>Summary of VHDPA Meeting with Tony Sadler, Property Officer from the Portfolio Management Team of the ACT Property Group.</p> <p><i>Peter Toet (VHDPA President), Alastair Crombie and Ken Heffernan (Hall School Museum) and Graham Moss (Hall Men's Shed) met Tony at the Hall School Museum on 28/8/18. They noted that other users of the buildings included Rotary and the Karate School.</i></p> <p>Tony Sadler of ACT Property Group noted that a report on the condition of Hall School buildings last year had found an extensive range of maintenance and</p>
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repair requirements. For a portion of this work, over the next couple of years, he said \$200,000 was available. Detailed work schedules are being developed with a heritage architect, and our subsequent contact will be Mr Peter Ozols of the Group.

Priority work would be on (1) roofing, gutters and drainpipes, (2) electrical switchboards, (3) relocation of a/c units from roof to ground locations, to reduce vibration damage, and (4) lead-based paint removal and repainting. Future funding was being sought for asbestos removal and replacement.

Tony was very positive about involving the Progress Association and its user groups in the process of identifying the priority buildings for expenditure of the limited funds. To this end, he welcomed community assistance to identify their priorities within the spaces of the facility.

Update on bike tracks, recreational and Centennial trail

The following information was received from Nadia Rhodes in relation to the Centennial Trail completion in Hall,

“It looks as though things are coming together nicely for the proposed CT realignment for Hall.

The Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development officer is Anthony Davis (cc'd into this email for your reference) who is managing this project (amongst others) and a realignment project at Black Mountain. He will tender both projects as a package to meet ACT Govt procurement processes over the next couple of weeks and is hopeful that construction work will be able to commence in a few weeks.

A heritage survey and report needs to be undertaken on the site along the creek where the new bridge location is proposed and a quote has been accepted to get this report done asap. The company (Navin Officer) are the ones that are doing a similar survey where the Hall bike tracks works are located on the other side of the roads. All environment clearances have been undertaken and Hall has been given the all-clear to construct trail on a couple of potential options on the eastern side of the road. Mr Starr has been consulted with separately as the new trail will impact his driveway and he is on board with both options- **Option 1 being to construct on the narrow verge on the eastern side of the main road** and Option 2 is to utilise Block 586 to construct the trail within and manage fuel loads (currently grazed by Starr) by relocating the fence. **At this stage Option 1 is preferred.**

Once the work has started I will look at new signage that may be required, including a drive way crossing sign for Mr Starr's driveway and one for the gate near the reservoirs (about a better car parking location as discussed quite some time ago..

VHDP A Action item register – Meeting 19 September 2018

No	Current Status	Next Action	Who	When
1	Pavilion			
1.1	<u>Business Plan</u>			
	Draft submitted to November meeting for comment	Comment by Committee	Committee	Oct Mtg
		Draft Plan to be sent to Committee members prior to next meeting	Tony	Oct Mtg
2	CSIRO Development			
2.1	<u>Keep Across their plans</u>	Brooke Watson from the Strategic Development Group will be attending the October meeting to provide an update on the CSIRO Ginninderra Project.		Oct Mtg
3	Village Safety			
3.1	<u>Traffic Calming in Victoria Street</u>			
	Problem agreed, Proposed solution needed.	Leigh to seek informal advice from Traffic Engineers on a possible solution and present it to the Committee	TBA at next meeting	Feb 2018
3.2	<u>Street lighting</u>			
	Improved night time lighting	George to follow up	George	Oct Mtg
4	Planning			
4.1	<u>Proposed re-development</u>			
	Bushrangers proposal	Written to Mick Roberts, want to be involved in progression. Awaiting government response.	Committee to monitor Await response.	March
4.2	<u>Village masterplan</u>			
	Time to update the Village masterplan. Plans recently funded for Tharwa and other parts of Canberra	Write to Minister Gentlemen and request a new Hall masterplan and associated community consultation. (This was agreed out of session, but maybe needs to be discussed?) Agree to get in the queue.	Committee	Feb. Mtg
4.4	<u>ACT Government submission</u>			
	Better suburbs call for submissions. Gavin wrote to ACT Government, out of session, listing the priorities for the development of Hall	Obtain a copy of the letter for members to consider. Discuss at next meeting.	Peter	
4.5	<u>Bike Track</u>			
	Proposed kids bike track.	Awaiting ACT Heritage review and reply. Secretary to write to Brian Bathgate requesting status.	Committee	Oct Mtg
4.6	<u>Extension of Centenary trail to Barton Highway</u>			

	The extension of the Centenary Trail down From Clarrie Hermes/ Barton Highway down Victoria Street to connect with the Hoskins/ Hall Street point is necessary for cyclists/ walkers safety.	Communication with Nadia Rhodes, Chief Ranger for the area has commenced. Funding available. Planning work under way	Peter	Oct Mtg
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Next Meeting. 17 October 2018

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