



## Village of Hall and District Progress Association Inc.

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**President:** Peter Toet.

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# VHDPA General Meeting - Minutes.

<b>Meeting date</b>	7:00pm Wednesday, 17 October 2018
<b>Location</b>	Hall School Cottage
<b>Committee Members</b>	Peter Toet, John Starr, Tony Morris, Olga Minion, Margaret Monahan, Peter Howard, Ken Heffernan, George Southwell, Phil Robson, Juanita Caddy, John Burns
<b>Attendees</b>	Peter Toet, John Starr, Tony Morris, Olga Minion, Margaret Monahan, Ken Heffernan, George Southwell, Phil Robson, Juanita Caddy, John Burns, Graeme , Brooke Watson, Guy Barnett, Emma Moysey, Michael Pilbrow
<b>Apologies</b>	Peter Howard

### CSIRO Ginninderra Group Project Update.

Four team members from the CSIRO Ginninderra Group attended the meeting. Present were Guy Barnett, Emma Moysey, Michael Pilbrow and Brooke Watson.

Guy, who has a scientific background brought the committee up to date on the status of the two years of planting, the number of shrubs that have been planted, their success in bringing back woodland birds and the fact that there will be ongoing monitoring of the environment conditions of the development. They thanked the involvement of Hall Rotary Club and the Hall Collectors Club in planting days.

Emma gave an update on the areas protected under the EPBC, including the environmental assessments that have been carried out including indigenous heritage. The map they provided showed the protected areas in red. 30% of the development is protected.

The Group has requested feedback and were interested in the committees comments on the impact on Hall. The development will start in Ginninderra East. There is still no information on the size of blocks and the numbers of residents. It will be a mixed use/mixed density development.

The group thanked the VHDPA for the opportunity of speaking to them and will come regularly to inform the committee of progress. The group have a website with material available. It was agreed that the group should return in six months for a further update or when there is something of interest to discuss.

## 1. Minutes of previous meeting.

1.1	Minutes of general meeting – 19 September 2018. Accepted
1.2	Minutes of general meeting - 18 July 2018. Re-draft to be placed on website and discussed next meeting.

## 2. Correspondence

2.1	<p><b>E:mail from Brian Bathgate re Hall Bike Track (now Recreational Trail)</b></p> <p>E:mail states that “ A preliminary review of the additional Statement of Heritage Effects (SHE) information, with commentary from ACT Heritage was submitted to the Aboriginal Taskforce (of the Heritage Council) for its consideration and advice. The SHE direction came back last week seeking clarification on some of the comments and is looking to be finalized next week”.</p> <p>Following some discussion on this topic it was agreed to leave the matter until further advice is received from the government.</p>
2.2	<p><b>E:mail from Anthony Davis re Missing Link .</b></p> <p>E:mail from Nadia Rhodes stated a Cultural Heritage Survey had been carried out and Roads ACT had surveyed Victoria Street. North Side rangers have also been asked for input. Once Heritage and ranger reports have been received, tender drawings will be compiled. Committee agreed to watch and wait.</p>
2.3	<p><b>E:mail from Ann O’Connor re Street Party</b></p> <p>Request received from Ann O’Connor for \$2748.50 for costs of street party. Committee had agreed at previous meeting to provide support up to \$1500. Following discussion the committee agreed to support the street party up to an amount of \$3000 this year. However next year it will look for contributions from Hall shops and stallholders. Proposed Peter Toet. Seconded George Southwell.</p>

## 3. Presidents report

3.1	Peter T stated that there had been a lot of good work done in the last month. Most of the banking had been sorted out and the treasurer’s report showed us in a good position. All looking good.
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## 4. Treasurers report.

4.1	<p><b>Tabling of financial statements</b></p> <p>The treasurer tabled ,electronically, the following documents:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Transaction report for transactions since the last committee meeting.....All transactions Ratified</li> <li>2. P&amp;L FY 19 to date..... Noted</li> <li>3. Balance sheet to date.....Noted.</li> </ol>
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## 5. Agenda Items

5.1	<p><b>Update of Bank Account Information and Public Officer Information</b></p> <p>All signatures have been updated with exception of Tony Morris who has been away. Tony's signature will be updated this week. Term deposit has been renewed for 7 months @ 2.65% interest paid monthly.</p>
5.2	<p><b>Volunteer Insurance for Party at Hall Shops 26 October</b></p> <p>There was discussion on volunteer and personal liability insurance. PLI Insurance for the VHDPA is due at the end of this month. This covers members of VHDPA and sub groups. Our understanding is that insurance for the Hall street party is covered by the ACT Government. The treasurer was given approval to pay the 2018/2019 Business Package and Volunteer Worker Personal Liability Insurance. Proposed Peter Toet. Seconded Tony Morris.</p>
5.3	<p><b>School Site Users Group</b></p> <p>A new section has been added in financial report. This will cover all the costs associated with having a signed lease with the ACT Government. Hall Rotary Club has offered to give an annual donation to help with costs as well as pay their share of utilities. The committee agreed to leave things as they are for 6 months to get a sense of utility and other costs.</p>
5.4	<p><b>Business Planning</b></p> <p>Juanita brought up the topic of a business plan and felt it was important to have a business plan that covered off work and activities that will take the committee forward including what we will do, how we will give back to the community and how this links to our vision.</p> <p>Juanita agreed to circulate a draft of her ideas prior to the next meeting.</p> <p>There was discussion about missing records for years 2013/2014 to 2017/2018. A project group will be set up to try and recover missing correspondence.</p>
5.5	<p><b>Proposed VHADPA letter to update Kinlyside contact and Public Access to ACT Leases.</b></p> <p>VHDPA President, Peter T has drafted a letter to Meegan Fitzharris in reference to a previous letter from a member of the committee dated 04/04/2017. This letter updates the VHDPA contact and clarifies the VHDPA Committee position on Public Access to ACT Rural Leases within the Hall District Precinct. Peter's letter supports the right of rural leases to enjoy the same rights as residential leases and the protection of Aboriginal, natural and historical values in the district. Committee members have a week to provide feedback to Peter. All committee members supported the dispatch of the letter following feedback.</p>

## 6. Sub-group reports.

6.1	<p><b>Hall School Museum and Heritage Centre</b></p> <p>On 11 October, Hall School Museum was presented with an encouragement award by the President and Secretary of the Heraldry and Genealogy Society, a large organisation of some 800 members Australia wide. This recognised the establishment of a Family History Unit, to improve the Museum's ability to quickly provide information to the increasing number of visitors with local family history connections. Much of this work was done by Katrina Marshall</p>
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	<p>who is an intern from the ANU at the Museum.</p> <p>The ACT Heritage Grant Projects (heritage signage augmentation and Hall's Creek landscape history) are now in their implementation planning stages.</p> <p>A new exhibition, <i>Armistice and After</i>, will be opened at Hall Museum by Andrew Leigh, Federal Member for Fenner, at 11am on Sunday 11 November. This will begin with the traditional two minutes of silence in memory of the fallen. The Rotary Remembrance Ceremony will be held at 6pm at the Jim Rochford Memorial.</p>
6.2	<p><b>Rural Fringe.</b></p> <p>Going well. Last edition very good.</p>
6.3	<p><b>Computing for Seniors Kiosk</b></p> <p>Run by Rod Roberts. Last week was Computing for Seniors week. Rod ran two sessions. Good roll up at both morning and evening sessions.</p>
6.4	<p><b>Rotary Club of Hall</b></p> <p>The Club is committed to contributing to its share of the use of utilities on the site together with an additional donation as their gesture of support for the Hall community;</p> <p>The Rotary Club had the opportunity to establish a charity tent at Floriade which proved to be hugely successful and a popular attraction. There was a marquee with volunteers welcoming visitors and explaining what Rotary does around the world. Additionally there was a giant birthday cake celebrating 90 years of Rotary in Canberra together with a humungous birthday card for all the visitors to sign with the encouragement to beat the number of signatures on Robert Downey Jnr's (Iron Man) card. The project team that created and implemented this large project came primarily from the Rotary Club of Hall.</p> <p>There will be a media release soon with photos of the team involved together with the number of signatures recorded on the card. This will go on the Rotary website and Facebook page and a copy on to the Progress Association website and Hall Community Facebook page.</p>

## 7. General business.

7.1	<p><b>Update Committee on Website</b></p> <p>It was noted that the names of the current VHDPA committee have not been updated on the Hall website. Alastair will be asked to bring this up to date.</p> <p>There was a question as to whether there was a need for a facebook page for the VHDPA as it works well for the museum and the Hall Community.</p>
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**Next Meeting. 21 November 2018**

**VHDPA Sect. Olga Minion**

# VHDPA Action item register –

## Meeting 17 October 2018

No	Current Status	Next Action	Who	When
<b>1</b>	<b>Pavilion</b>			
<b>1.1</b>	<b><u>Business Plan</u></b>			
	Draft submitted to November meeting for comment	Draft Plan to be sent to Committee members prior to next meeting	Tony	Oct Mtg
<b>2</b>	<b>Village Safety</b>			
<b>2.1</b>	<b><u>Traffic Calming in Victoria Street</u></b>			
	Problem agreed, Proposed solution needed.	To seek informal advice from Traffic Engineers on a possible solution and present it to the Committee. This issue apparently concerns the current bus interchange.	Peter Toet. TBA at next meeting	Feb 2018
<b>2.2</b>	<b><u>Street lighting</u></b>			
	Improved night time lighting	George to follow up. The issue is apparently related to unlit parking area on Loftus/Victoria Streets. Additional light on each side of lampposts in that area directed onto the parked vehicles should work.	George	Oct Mtg
<b>3</b>	<b>Planning</b>			
<b>3.1</b>	<b><u>ACT Government submission</u></b>			
	Better suburbs call for submissions. Gavin wrote to ACT Government, out of session, listing the priorities for the development of Hall	Deferred to next meeting. Need to obtain copies of any correspondence on the matter.	Peter	
<b>3.2</b>	<b><u>Bike Track</u></b>			
	Proposed kids bike track.	Awaiting ACT Heritage review and reply.	Committee	Oct Mtg
<b>3.3</b>	<b><u>Extension of Centenary trail to Barton Highway</u></b>			
	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. VHDPA needs to be kept in the information loop.	Peter	Oct Mtg
<b>4</b>	<b>Business Planning</b>			
<b>4.1</b>	Develop a VHDPA Business Plan	Provide a first draft to committee	Juanita	Nov Mtg