



Village of Hall and District Progress Association Inc.

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President: Peter Toet.

VHDPA General Meeting - Minutes.

Meeting date	7:00pm Wednesday, 21 November 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, John Burns
Attendees	Peter Toet, John Starr, Tony Morris, Olga Minion, Margaret Monahan, Ken Heffernan, George Southwell, Phil Robson, , John Burns, Graeme Bryce. Peter Howard
Apologies	Juanita Caddy

1. Minutes of previous meeting.

1.1	Minutes of general meeting – 17 October 2018. Accepted
1.2	<p>Ken Heffernan again reminded Committee members that he was pleased to contribute freely to the debates and decisions of the Committee, but wished to ensure that it was always understood that he did not speak on behalf of the ACT Heritage Council’.</p> <p>Minutes of general meeting - 18 July 2018. These were the last minutes of the previous committee and have been re-drafted and modified. John Starr is to send a note to Jo Hall in relation to the item in the minutes on the Hall Logo. To be discussed at next meeting. Not yet approved until the item is clarified.</p> <p>Proposed John Starr, seconded Margaret Monahan.</p>

2. Correspondence

2.1	Card from the Hall Traders thanking the VHDPA for their support of the Hall Street Party.
2.2	E:mail from Anthony Davis re Missing Link . This email contained proposed path for track from Clarrie Hermes Drive to the Halls Creek
2.3	Letter from Auditor resigning from VHDPA. Replacement Auditor to be discussed at next meeting. Action: John Starr has sent a note thanking Auditors for the good work they have done in the past which he will send out to all members separately.

3. Presidents report

3.1	Peter T stated that there is a lot on our plate and that there had been a lot of good work done in the last month.
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4. Treasurers report.

4.1	<p>Tabling of financial statements</p> <p>The treasurer tabled ,electronically, the following documents:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Transaction report for transactions since the last committee meeting.....All transactions Ratified. Seconded by Peter Toet.2. P&L FY 19 to date..... Noted3. Balance sheet to date.....Not approved....Error with date, treasurer to resend
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5. Agenda Items

5.1	<p>Missing Link</p> <p>There was discussion on the latest e:mail which provided information and plans on the (Centennial trail) bike track from Clarrie Hermes Drive to the Victoria Street bridge. It is a very good proposal. There was discussion on the location of the track, inside the current fence line. This will provide no problems as there is very little significant vegetation. The Committee will keep it on the agenda and keep a watching brief.</p>
5.2	<p>Hall Recreation Trail</p> <p>Three e:mails have now been sent to Brian Bathgate requesting an update and status report on the Trail. We have not yet received a response to these. Following some discussion it was agreed to send an e:mail to Emma Thomas the</p>

	<p>Head of the Agency with a copy to Heritage requesting the current status of the Trail be advised.</p> <p>During discussion on this topic John Burns advised the Committee and Public Gallery that in his and some other Hall residents' opinion the ACT Heritage Council and the Rural Fringe had acted negatively with regard to the proposed bike track Option E. He told the committee that he had called Liberal MP James Milligan and asked him what was going on. He replied that Mick Gentleman was no longer involved and that he was talking to Labor MP Steele, and expects a response anytime soon. John admitted that he approached the MP as a member of the VHDPA committee and was concerned that the issue could end up in the Canberra Times. The President, Peter T made it clear that VHDPA Committee Members are entitled to express their own opinions but should not present themselves as representing the VHDPA unless the matter has a clear policy position agreed to by the VHDPA Committee.</p> <p>Action: Olga to send e:mail to Emma Thomas and Heritage</p>										
5.3	<p>Pavilion Business Plan</p> <p>The working party provided the Business Plan for the Hall Pavilion. Currently the Pavilion is managed by Tony and Margaret Morris. There was discussion in relation to a succession plan and the current licence that we hold to manage the site. The committee acknowledged Tony and Margaret's long standing efforts, and formally acknowledged them as managers of the Pavilion. Proposed by Peter Toet and seconded by Peter Howard.</p> <p>It was agreed to acknowledge all leaders of sub groups and thank them for their efforts in supporting the community and to remind them that we are here to provide any help to make their role easier.</p> <table data-bbox="357 1339 1235 1525"> <tr> <td>Hall Pavilion</td> <td>Tony and Margaret Morris</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Museum</td> <td>Alastair Crombie</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mens Shed</td> <td>Alan Boyd</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Collectors Club</td> <td>Bill Pearson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rural Fringe</td> <td>Jo Hall</td> </tr> </table> <p>Proposed Peter Toet and seconded by Margaret Monahan.</p> <p>Action: Olga to resend Pavilion Business Plan</p>	Hall Pavilion	Tony and Margaret Morris	Museum	Alastair Crombie	Mens Shed	Alan Boyd	Collectors Club	Bill Pearson	Rural Fringe	Jo Hall
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5.4	<p>Hall Rugby Club Rooms</p> <p>An article on the proposed club rooms appeared in an issue of the RiotACT in May 2018 discussing the poor condition of the Hall grounds. Peter Howard to ring Nigel Page to discuss.</p> <p>Action: Peter Howard to ring Nigel Page</p>										
5.5	<p>Hall Street Party</p> <p>There was discussion on the recent Hall Street Party. VHDPA had agreed to</p>										

	<p>contribute \$3000 to the running of the party. However it was agreed that the party must be all inclusive and all community members must be given an opportunity to be involved. We cannot subsidise a business venture where the Community is expressly denied the opportunity to earn much needed funding by running a sausage sizzle, etc. Next year the committee will look very closely at what is being proposed. It must be very transparent and there will need to be a VHDPA representative on the working party. The committee was unsure of who the Hall Traders were and asked is there a formal entity?. George is to come back to next meeting with list of members of the Hall Traders. To ensure time for discussion next year the Hall Street Party working party are requested to do a presentation to the VHDPA 4/5 months prior to the date of the party.</p> <p>Action: George to provide names of Hall Traders to next meeting</p>
	<p>Hall Stock Feed Site</p> <p>There have been rumours that the site would become units. Peter Toet spoke to one of the owners who assured him that the site will continue as a Rural Centre. Alastair Crombie has done some excellent work and cleared an article on the future of the site with the new Owners. This is to be placed on the Hall web site and the article will appear in the Rural Fringe. Peter T encouraged everyone to support the business to ensure its success.</p>
	<p>Hall School Site Mowing</p> <p>There was discussion on who was responsible for payment for the mowing of the site. It was believed that the Education Department was responsible for 50% of cost of utilities. Phil Robson offered to test whether the Education department will be prepared to stump up 50% of the mowing costs.</p> <p>Action: Phil to draft an e:mail and send out</p>

6. Sub-group reports.

<p>6.1</p>	<p>Hall School Museum and Heritage Centre</p> <p>On 30 October, the Director-General of the National Library of Australia announced that the Hall School Museum had received one of its national Community Heritage Awards of \$4,950 to fund a professional significance assessment of its Gillespie Collection. The award included a 3-day professional training opportunity at Canberra cultural institutions.</p> <p>On 11 November 2018, Andrew Leigh MP, Member for Fenner, opened the very well attended <i>Armistice and After</i> exhibition, in the company of his son Sebastian. Many volunteer hours went into the display. The exhibition and accompanying booklet owe especially to the work of Allen Mawer.</p> <p>A wreath, made by Museum volunteer Mardie Troth, was placed at the Jim Rochford Memorial Grove on behalf of the Museum by Sr Pat Kinlyside during the customary Remembrance Day event by Hall Rotary. Pat's great uncle, Clyde</p>
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	<p>Hollingsworth, was a Hall ANZAC who did not return from WWI.</p> <p>Museum volunteer and ANU postgraduate student, Katrina Marshall, has completed a small volume about Hall School Museum volunteers, <i>Voices in the Hall</i>, which will soon be available.</p>
6.2	<p>Hall Mens Shed</p> <p>Going strong. Upcoming presentation on Antarctica.</p>
6.3	<p>Rotary Club of Hall</p> <p>A remembrance ceremony held at the Jim Rochford Grove was a well received and respectful event.</p>

7. General business.

7.1	<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>Some Canberra Tracks signs have been updated and replaced – Avoca, Winarlia and Showgrounds.</p> <p>Do we need a sign on the roads in Hall to show kangaroos are around. Agreed to monitor.</p> <p>No parking in front of shops on Wednesday, garbage day. Is this a problem?</p> <p>Graeme Bryce asked the committee who were the members of the Rural Fringe Committee. The response from the committee was:</p> <p>Jo Hall, Bob Richardson, Andrew Purdam, Gael Condy and Kevin Stone.</p>
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Next Meeting. 19 December 2018

VHDPA Sect. Olga Minion

No	Current Status	Next Action	Who	When
1	Pavilion			
1.1	<u>Business Plan</u>			
	Draft submitted to November meeting for comment	Draft Plan to be re-sent to Committee members prior to next meeting	Tony	Dec Mtg
2	Village Safety			
2.1	<u>Traffic Calming in Victoria Street</u>			
	Problem agreed, Proposed solution needed.	Need traffic lights during fixed period or busses moved to another location. Phil to ask Rotary to send letter about this artificial interchange,	Phil	Dec Mtg
2.2	<u>Street lighting</u>			
	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	Dec Mtg
3	Planning			
3.1	<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	Deferred to next meeting. Need to obtain copies of any correspondence on the matter.	Peter	Dec Mtg
3.2	<u>Bike Track</u>			
	Proposed kids bike track.	Awaiting advice from TCC ref Heritage document	Committee	Dec Mtg
3.3	<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.	Received site plan for trail from Clarrie Hermes Drive to Bridge. Awaiting environmental reports	Peter	Dec Mtg
4	Business Planning			
4.1	Develop a VHDP Business Plan	Provide a first draft to committee	Juanita	Dec Mtg