



## Village of Hall and District Progress Association Inc.

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**President:** Peter Toet.

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# VHDPA Committee Ordinary Meeting - Minutes.

<b>Meeting date</b>	17 March 2021 @ 7 pm
<b>Location</b>	Hall School and by Zoom
<b>Office holders and committee</b>	Peter Toet, Olga Minion, Jan Klaver, Phil Robson, Tony Morris, John Starr, Robert Yallop, Margaret Monahan, Peter Howard, Aaron Whittaker, Ross Hampton
<b>Apologies</b>	Robert Yallop

## 1 Welcome and introductions

## 2 Notice of any conflicts of interest re agenda items

No conflicts of interest were recorded relating to the agenda items.

## 3 General Business

### 3.1 Minutes of previous meetings #3 and #4

Minutes of meetings #3 and #4 were accepted.  
Proposed Peter Toet, Seconded Peter Howard, carried.

### 3.2 President's Report

The President reported on success of the sheepdog trials, progress with the grant sought for Pavilion maintenance, and a forthcoming meeting to discuss VHDPA financial reporting.

### 3.3 Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer tabled the financial reports and requested the Committee to ratify transactions for the period.  
The Treasurer also asked the Committee to note that the format of the next Annual Report will change to reflect advice of Michael Sinclair and agree to the contemporary saving of receipts and invoices in Xero for all VHDPA and Special Interest Groups transactions.  
Tony Morris moved that the accounts be accepted and transactions ratified. Seconded by Peter Toet. Carried.  
Tony Morris moved that the reporting processes be amended as proposed. Seconded John Starr. Carried.

There was general discussion about the electricity accounts and a meeting to be arranged with Michael Sinclair to receive advice on the finance arrangements to be put in place.

**Action Meeting#5/1** Phil Robson, John Starr, Peter Toet and Jan Klaver to meet with Michael Sinclair.

### 3.4 **Update on Actions:**

#### **Action M #2/ 6 – Security System**

Peter Toet reported that a new motherboard was installed in the Museum and upgrades were proceeding.

Action open for update at next meeting.

#### **Action M #2/ 7 – Cable ties used in sheepdog trials**

Aaron noted that the event was now passed and while he had raised the issue with the organisers, cable ties had still been used.

Action closed.

**Action M3/#1:** Treasurer to contact Michael Sinclair and discuss requirements for review of accounts and new reporting templates.

Action completed.

**Action M3/#2:** Formally appoint Michael Sinclair to the role of independent auditor for the VHDPA.

Action pending. Further update at next meeting.

**Action M3/#3:** Robert Yallop to take photos of hazardous street paving and provide to Peter Toet for raising with ACT Govt representatives.

Action completed.

**Action M3/#4:** Jan Klaver to investigate grant applications for Pavilion maintenance funds.

Action completed and application lodged.

**Action M3/#5:** VHDPA Community Consultation procedures to be shared with the RFS – Jan Klaver.

Action completed.

**Action M3/#6:** President to mention RFS hazard reduction processes in next President's report in the Rural Fringe.

Action completed.

**Action M3/#7:** Committee to write to the Hall Street Planting project group and ask for an update – Secretary to draft for Peter Toet.

Action overtaken by events. Peter Toet spoke to the group representative who advised now the Sheepdog Trials are over the group will be focusing on completing the project.

**Action M3/#8:** Aaron offered to contact City Rangers via Access Canberra regarding the current showground camper.

Action completed.

### 3.5 **Correspondence**

Tony Morris spoke to email correspondence received from Rosemary Blemings, a Hall Museum volunteer, recommending VHDPA liaison with the Ginninderra Landcare Group.

Committee agreed contact between the groups would be sensible.

**Action Meeting#5/2** – Secretary to contact the Catchment Group. Aaron and Margaret volunteered to liaise when the opportunity arises.

#### 4 **Reports of VHDPA Special Interest Groups**

##### 4.1 **Hall School Museum & Heritage Centre**

The recent visit of the Governor General, upgrade to the security system, recruitment of 4 interns working on the collection, visit of university students to the museum and preparation for the band concert were noted.

Refer also to the recent Muse for a fuller update.

##### 4.2 **Hall Mens Shed**

No update.

##### 4.3 **Hall Collectors Club**

It was noted that a recent successful run had been held with c.85 vehicles.

#### 5 **Other Business**

##### 5.1 **Mowing and Maintenance School Grounds**

There was general discussion about the condition of the school grounds for safe pedestrian access. It was noted that access to the forthcoming Band Concert will be marked by a closer mown trail and witches hats.

It was noted that the mowing was fairly complex given tenures of the grounds and verges and that the Mens Shed Special Interest Group was keen to seek funding to purchase compliant mowing equipment, in which case it could assist in future.

##### 5.2 **Update on Fenner Stronger Communities grant application**

Committee noted that it had been invited to submit a detailed proposal for maintenance of the Hall Pavilion and members of the Committee would lodge the application after review of quotations for various works.

##### 5.3 **Access to Hall**

Olga noted that access to Hall presented a safety issue for persons using mobility scooters – evidenced by recent attempts by an individual who needed to drive on Victoria Street between the Highway and Bridge.

There was general discussion of the matter and it was noted that safe use of mobility scooters is the responsibility of the rider and mobility scooters are not intended to be driven on roads. Aaron volunteered to raise the issue with Mark Rodham, ACT Govt rep.

**Action Meeting #5/3**– Aaron to raise the matter with ACT government representatives.

##### 5.4 **Update on Centennial Trail**

Peter Howard reported that work on a diversion of the Centennial Trail from One Tree Hill to the Lookout has commenced. Approx 400 m of trail works were involved and City Parks Rangers intended to place signage and divert parking as required.