



DSRA Committee meeting

Saturday, July 25 2020

Present: Dave Cooper, Neville Stewart, Donna Button, Robyn Moore (minutes)

Meeting opened: 5.35pm

Aim: update and discuss how to progress our various projects now that the Mayor's resigned.

Grant applications

Neighbour Day Grant application – timeline so far:

Date	DSRA action	Council response
Jan 16	Submitted agenda item for Council's Jan meeting informing Council of the grant opportunity, DSRA's intention to apply for \$5000 funding, asking if Council would support picnic tables and for an indication of Council's preferred location	Left off agenda
Jan 28	Submitted grant application	n/a
Feb 11	Attended Community Connect session in Cranbrook to raise issue and note that it had been left off the agenda in January	Reassured that it would be added to agenda for Council's February meeting; but left off agenda again
Feb 21	Noticed it wasn't on the meeting agenda; emailed asking that it be added as a late agenda item	GM Chris Shroeder rang (Mon Feb 24) to say that Tony Pollard had advised him that Council had 2 picnic tables at their depot that they would install for us. Chris wanted to know the DSRA's preferred location. DSRA then emailed Chris and Tony citing our preferred location as the Council land near the corner of Dolphin Sands Rd and Cambria Drive.

Mar 25		GM Chris Shroeder resigned
Apr 22	Notified that our grant application was successful	n/a
April 23	Contacted Acting GM Marissa Waters to explain commitment from previous GM, that the association was prepared to help in any way we could to assist with this initiative and asked about next steps	Response from Acting GM (May 23): "In relations to Dolphin Sands seating, details and aerial photo of the location has been provided for Councillors for consideration. There are some concerns with the site and I think they would like to organise a site visit. I can you let you know if I hear more or when the visit is organised."
May 11	Contacted grant body to vary expenditure to roof construction	n/a
June 11	Received confirmation from grant body that variation to expenditure was accepted	n/a

Action: Contact Council again to discuss how to progress this project (Robyn)

Volunteer Grant application – unsuccessful (May 22). Investigated possibility of user-pays workshop instead (eg 16 people @ \$50 each). Not enough interest (only 9). Possibility of applying to APSH for scholarship.

Action: Apply for scholarship from Australian Plants Society Hobart (Dave)

Dolphin Sands Emergency Management Plan (DSEMP)

Contacted the Acting GM (Marissa Waters) about the DSEMP on May 20. Reply from Acting GM (May 23): Council has appointed a new Emergency & Risk Project Officer, Bev Allen, for 12 months who has extensive experience in emergency management and will be looking at Council's Emergency Management Plans including the one for Dolphin Sands. The regional SES coordinate has also been looking at the Dolphin Sands plan but I am yet to hear back from him. Bev will be following this up.

Contacted Ben Allen on June 1, sent photos of fire breaks with overgrown vegetation. Response that she'll contact us when she reviews the plan.

Concern about gravel piles of blue metal precoated in diesel in car parking area near corner of Dolphin Sands Rd and Cambria Drive. Threat to aquifer during heavy rain from diesel leaching.

Action: Contact Council's Emergency & Risk Project Officer (Bev Allen) re gravel piles (Dave to draft)

Meredith River bridge

Steve Barrett has completed a lot of work on the business case as requested by Council. Need to clarify what new Council need/want.

Dave Cooper & Rob Curran attended meeting with BridgePro June 3. Concept (preliminary design) received (Jul 21); see website for details (www.dsra.org.au). Waiting for costings to assist with business case (provisional figures). Will accommodate some of S Group's visual, with BridgePro providing the engineering design behind it.

Action: Send reminder to BridgePro re costings (Dave)

Transfer of Cambria footway from ASIC to GSBC

Acting GM has recently authorised Council's legal team to organise the nine ASIC blocks of land in Cambria to be transferred to Council ownership.

CEP grant to remove radiata pine from easement behind Cambria Drive

CEP agreed to vary grant expenditure to cover Aboriginal Heritage Investigation (AHI) (March 12). Also received 6-month extension on acquitting funds (to end June 2021).

AHI: Robyn met with Anne McConnell & Caleb Pedder on site May 4. Draft report received Friday, July 3; returned with comments July 13. Report has been revised and final draft submitted to Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania for their approval. Waiting for final report.

Environmental works

During the COVID-19 lockdown, Robyn received permission (April 24) to remove weeds from roadside verges in fire-damaged area; bulk of weeds removed – mullein & thistle.

Received approx. 150 Eucalyptus viminalis seedlings from retired forester Rod Smith (via Council's NRM dept). Distributed to over 40 properties. A few people still need to pick up the seedlings they requested. If this is you, please get in touch.

Robyn contributed to Council's Natural Resource Management (NRM) Committee's Rural Water Use submission & attended Council workshop on the issue (via zoom).

Crowd funding

Funds now exhausted. Prior to Easter, replacement seedlings were purchased for any that didn't survive.

Potting mix purchased for fire-affected properties to boost success rate of donated E. viminalis.

Action: send final than you email to donors (Robyn)

Next GM to be held in October – date to be advised

Treasurer's report

Neighbour Day grant money received (\$5 000); Landcare LAP grant received (\$150)

Secretary's report

Correspondence (see below)

Meeting closed: 6.10 pm

Correspondence In

Date received	Document subject or title	Hard copy	Author/Sender	Action
11.3.2020	Invitation to apply for Volunteer Grant		Brian Mitchell, MP	Forward to committee, Steve Barrett
12.3.2020	amendment to eligible project expenditure		CEP	forward to working group; contact consultant
22.4.2020	Healthy Tasmania Neighbour Day		DHHS	Forward to committee, send a/c details
24.4.2020	Permission to weed roadside verges		Mel Kelly, NRM	none
22.5.2020	Unsuccessful application notice		Brian Mitchell, MP	Contact consultant; investigate user-pays option
23.5.2020	Picnic tables, DSEMP		Acting General Manager	Forward to relevant people
11.6.2020	Extension to program end date		CEP	apply for extension
22.6.2020	Acceptance of extension request		CEP	none
3.7.2020	Draft AHI		Anne McConnell	Review, forward to Steve Barrett
9.7.2020	Rural Water Use Strategy submission		Mel Kelly, NRM	none
21.7.2020	Meredith River bridge concept		Aaron Brimfield, BridgePro	none

Correspondence Out

Date sent	Document title or subject	Hard copy	Recipient
16.3.2020	Request to conduct Aboriginal Heritage Investigation		Anne McConnell
23.4.2020	Understanding re picnic tables		Acting General Manager
11.5.2020	Request to amend project criteria		DHHS
1.6.2020	DSEMP		Bev Allen