

**Minutes of Committee Meeting****Jim Wilson's House, Banjup****10 August 2011 at 7:30 pm****Present:**

Ian Thurston

Tina Klimaitis

Coco Franklin

Jim Wilson

**Apologies**

Neil Raine

Ken Mellor

Neil Cunliffe-Williams

<b>Ref.</b>	<b>Minute</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Confirmation of minutes of last meeting</b>	
1.1	The minutes of the meeting of 30 June 2011 were confirmed.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Membership</b>	
2.1	Tina has received a membership application that she passed to Coco.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Review of Financial Position</b>	
3.1	Coco reported that the BRG's current cash position was \$792.	
3.2	Coco was authorised to open a bank account at Westpac when the Banjup Residents Group is incorporated. Any 2 of 3 signatories are to sign cheques. Those authorised by the Committee to sign are: the President, the Vice-President, and the Treasurer.	Coco
<b>4.</b>	<b>Council funding</b>	
4.1	Ken will investigate how to obtain a subsidy for hall hire from the City of Cockburn.	Ken
4.2	Ken will coordinate the next round of funding submissions on his return from holidays at the end of July.	Ken by 30 SEP
<b>5.</b>	<b>Incorporation</b>	
5.1	The Committee agreed to delay lodging the application for incorporation of the BRG until Ken returns from holidays.	Ken

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6.	<b>DCP Risk Management monitoring</b>	
6.1	Ian will request every 6 months from the DCP written assurances from independent assessors that the children placed in its Banjup home do not present a 'current' risk'.	Ian 30Sep11
6.2	Ian reported that he and Neil CW had met with Joe Francis on 18 July to ask for his support in asking the DCP Minister to direct the DCP to engage with the BRP as promised by their CEO. Ian and Neil provided Joe with a draft of an agreement between the DCP and the BRG concerning the management of risks. Joe said that he would write to the Minister on our behalf.	Comm- ittee
6.3	The DCP is hosting a morning tea for neighbours of their house on Saturday 13 August. Ian encouraged Committee members to attend.	Comm- ittee
7.	<b>Reality of Jandakot Water Mound</b>	
7.1	Joe Francis has asked the Planning Minister about the status of the review of the planning guidelines for the water mound. We await a response.	Ian
8.	<b>Road safety</b>	
8.1	Joe Francis has asked the Police Minister about access to statistics concerning the home suburb of motorists speeding in Banjup. We await a response.	Ian
8.2	Ian reported that he and Ken Mellor on 2 August had met with Joe Francis, a manager from Main Roads WA, and an adviser to the Minister for Transport at the intersection of Liddelow and Armadale Roads. We pointed out that the sheer volume of traffic now made a serious accident almost inevitable.  The feasibility of improved road markings at the intersection of was discussed and the Main Roads manager will prepare conceptual plans for an interim solution prior to the duplication of Armadale Road.	
8.3	A letter has been received from Cockburn council concerning safety improvements on Jandakot Road. Ian will discuss its implications with Mal Dobson, the resident most active on the matter.	Ian

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9.	<b>Rates</b>	
9.1	Ian reported that he and Neil CW had met with Cockburn's Director of Finance, Stuart Downing on 4 August to discuss Cockburn's 35% rates rise. Comprehensive notes of the meeting had been circulated to Committee members.	
9.2	<p>The Committee was incensed by the high handed stance taken by Cockburn and resolved to take a strong line with the Council. Measures to be taken will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Write to the Minister for Local Government seeking his support</li> <li>• Recommend to all BRG members that they object to their rate notices (an example letter will be drafted by Ian)</li> <li>• Issue a press statement deploring the 35% rise and Cockburn's hypocrisy, explaining our contention that the rate rise is unlawful, and highlighting the extravagancies of Cockburn's budget, including increasing its payroll.</li> <li>• Invite the press to the General Meeting</li> </ul>	Ian
10.	<b>Matters for August General Meeting</b>	
10.1	<p>The Committee resolved to include these agenda items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rates</li> <li>• Road Safety</li> <li>• Reality of the Jandakot Water Mound</li> <li>• DCP Home and Risk Management Monitoring</li> </ul> <p>If time permits, then these items could be included: Incorporation, fire permits, fire station, aircraft noise.</p>	
10.2	The Committee commended Neil Raine on taking the minutes of the last General Meeting and invited him to excel himself at the coming meeting.	Neil R
10.3	Coco will coordinate membership applications and subscriptions at the General Meeting. Ian will provide membership forms and registers of attendees.	Coco Ian
10.4	The Committee resolved to invite to the next general meeting the Mayor of Cockburn, the East Ward Councillors, and Joe Francis but not to invite a representative of the DCP.	

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10.5	Ian will draft a flyer to be delivered to each house in Banjup by Committee members on the weekend of 20 August. Ken will arrange printing and folding. An email copy will be sent to all BRG members.	Ian Ken
10.6	Barbara Thurston will organise the food and drinks for the post meeting barbecue. Tina will supply and chop the onions. Glen Hollands will cook the barbecue.	
11.	<b>Other Business</b>	
11.1	As part of its recent arrangement with FESA over the fire station, the City of Cockburn will shortly be reviewing its emergency plans. Committee members will consider what particular matters to include in any submission to the review.	Comm- ittee
12.	<b>Next Meetings</b>	
12.1	The Committee will meet next on Wednesday, 31 August 2011 at 7:30 pm at the house of Coco Franklin, Banjup.	Coco