

**Minutes of Committee Meeting****Ian's House, Banjup****12 May 2014 at 7:30 pm****Present:**

Colin Bramwell

Ian Thurston

Brian Morton

Sebastian Scata

Stephen Thornton

**Apologies**

Jemma Van Dongen

Caroline Rimmer

Coco Franklin

Neil Raine

<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 14 April 2014 were confirmed	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>	
<b>2.1</b>	<b>PA System</b>	
	Caroline was not able to source a second hand PA system. Ian has ordered one on-line for \$469 and hopes to have it by Friday. If not, then Ian will ask Caroline if she can borrow one from her school.	Ian
<b>3.</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	
3.1	Caroline was absent, ill.	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Planting Day</b>	
4.1	Ian reported that a new Group member, Erika Antal, had proposed a 'Planting Day' for Banjup residents affected by the fire. Erika is an environmental science graduate from Murdoch and is keen to lend her expertise to residents. Erika suggests planting native species in mid-2015 after we have seen what returns this coming spring.  The Committee agreed to recommend Erika's proposal to members at the forthcoming General Meeting.	
4.2	The Committee resolved to invite Erika to join the Committee, subject to the endorsement of members at the General Meeting.	Jemma

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5.	<b>Cockburn's Public Consultation on Fire Order and Fire Permit</b>	
5.1	The Committee endorsed the proposed submission letter to Cockburn concerning Fire Permits and Fire Order.	
6.	<b>Attendance at Bushfire Reference Group 21 May</b>	
6.1	Colin, Brian, and Sebastian agreed to attend the Reference Group meeting. Colin will ask Neil to attend and lead the BRG's discussion.	Colin
6.2	The Committee endorsed Colin's proposal that the BRG should not 'present'; rather, we should ask the Reference Group members to tell us why the new regulations are appropriate.	
7.	<b>Difficulties Dealing with Cockburn</b>	
7.1	<p>Colin shared with the meeting his concerns that Cockburn considered Ian a 'troublemaker' and so were resisting any correspondence from him. Ian concurred and proposed staying in the background if that would get better outcomes for the BRG. Ian said he would still conduct research and make recommendations to the Committee. However, he said, the personal animosity he was receiving from Cockburn councillors and officers was creating stress that he had retired to Banjup to escape from.</p> <p>The Committee understood the concerns and members resolved to take more leading roles in future.</p>	Comm- ittee
8.	<b>May General Meeting</b>	
8.1	The Committee endorsed the proposed outline presentation materials circulated by Ian during the previous week.	
8.2	Ian will circulate the PowerPoint presentation to the Committee by Wednesday for their review.	Ian
9.	<b>Other Business</b>	
9.1	None	
10.	<b>Next Meeting</b>	
10.1	To be determined following the General Meeting	