

Minutes of Committee Meeting**Coco's House, Banjup****31 May 2016 7:30 pm****Present:**

David Beckwith

Coco Franklin

Colin Bramwell

Ian Thurston

Malcolm Wilcox

Dan Franklin

Dino Elpitelli

Apologies

Helen Pavitt

Liane Lied-Cordruwisch

Ref.	Minute	Action
1.	Confirmation of minutes of last meeting	
1.1	The minutes of the Committee meeting of 10 May 2016 were confirmed.	
2.	Matters Arising from Last Meeting	
2.1	Civility & Communications Protocols Have now been posted on the BRG web site.	
2.2	Donation to Jandakot Brigade The BRG has now made a donation of \$200 to the Brigade and a note of thanks has been received from the Captain.	
2.3	Aircraft Noise Legislation Ian reported that he had spoken with Mayor Howlett and subsequently with Daniel Arndt. Daniel had suggested lobbying Commonwealth election candidates, which the Committee resolved to do. Daniel offered to meet the BRG after the election to determine how best to move forward.	Malcolm 15 Jun All 15 July
2.4	Meet Joe Francis MLA A meeting with Joe has now been arranged for 29 June at 9:30 am at Joe's electorate office in Bullcreek.	All 29 Jun
2.5	Meet Other MPs The Committee resolved to meet with other MPs after the meeting with Joe Francis.	All 15 Jul

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2.6	<p>Gibbs Road and Beautification of Banjup</p> <p>Helen reported by email that on 18 May she had met with Lou Verra of Cockburn's Parks Department and explored options for plantings at the main entrances to Banjup. The Committee supported the proposals and asked that Helen determine when they would be implemented.</p>	Helen 30 Jun
2.7	<p>Cockburn's Strategic Community Plan</p> <p>Several members of the Committee made a presentation on 23 May to Mayor Howlett, and councillors Carol Reeve-Fowkes, Lindsey Sweetman, and Chamonix Terblanche. The elected members understood and supported the notion that objectives should be quantified. However, they would wait until the next draft of the Strategic Plan is published before commenting further.</p>	
2.8	<p>Airport Matters</p> <p>Malcolm is now the accredited representative of the BRG at the Jandakot CACG.</p>	
2.9	<p>341 Beenyup Road</p> <p>The BRG made a submission to the City of Cockburn querying the use to which the developments at Lots 1 and 2 will be put.</p>	
3.	Treasurer's Report	
3.1	Corinne reported that the BRG has \$2057 in its bank account.	
4.	Rates Increases 2016/2017	
4.1	The Committee expressed its disappointment that in these straightened times when prices are reducing, the City of Cockburn proposes to raise rates by 3%.	
4.2	The Committee reviewed a draft response to Cockburn's Objects & Reasons report and agreed that it would form the basis of a submission made before 13 June.	
4.3	The Committee resolved to meet with east ward councillors to discuss the submission and whether it was worth expending energy on the matter if Cockburn officers were going to ignore us anyway.	Ian 5 June

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5.	Melville Residents & Ratepayers	
5.1	Ian reported that the BRG has been approached by a group representing Melville Residents & Ratepayers. The Group is campaigning for changes in legislation that would make local governments more accountable to ratepayers and more prudent with their money.	
5.2	The Committee resolved to invite Melville group representatives to a BRG Committee meeting.	Ian 30 Jun
6.	Burglaries in Banjup	
6.1	Ian reported that in the last week there had been burglaries in Murdoch Way and Grant Place, both cul-de-sacs.	
6.2	The Committee resolved to email all members advising of the burglars' activities.	Ian 3 June
7.	General Meeting	
7.1	Re-iterating its resolution at its last meeting, the Committee agreed that general meetings should not be called unless there were matters of substance to put before members. The next such matter will be on the publication in June of Cockburn's Objects & Reasons report that will stipulate the coming year's rates in the GRV dollar.	
7.2	It was unclear to the Committee at this time that any BRG response to Cockburn's proposed rate increases would require guidance from members at a general meeting.	
7.3	Consequently, the next general meeting is on hold.	
8.	Other Business	
8.1	None	
9.	Next Meeting	
9.1	The next Committee meeting will be held in early June. Dan kindly offered to host the meeting.	