

**Minutes of General Meeting****Banjup Hall****28 August 2011****Meeting Started at 11:00AM****1. Present:**

- Office Bearers: Ian Thurston (President), Tina Klimaitis (Vice President) Coco Franklin (Treasurer)
- Committee: Neil Cunliffe-Williams, Ken Mellor, Neil Raine, Jim Wilson
- Logan Howlett, Mayor of City of Cockburn
- Councillor Helen Attrill, City of Cockburn
- Stuart Downing, Director of Finance, City of Cockburn
- Glenn Bebbington, Jandakot Bush Fire Brigade
- ~140 Residents of Banjup

**2. Apologies:**

- Members: Vanessa & Steve Harman, Tony & Sue Ward, Brad & June Whincup, Len & Rita Zuks
- Others: Joe Francis

**3. Confirmation of previous minutes**

- Minutes posted on BRG web site
  - No comments received

**Motion:**

**The BRG accept the Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting held on 15 May 2011 as a true and accurate record**

- Proposer: Frank Corica
- Secunder: Heidi Todonovic
- Vote: Passed unanimously on show of hands

**4. Review of Financial Position**

Financial report presented by Coco Franklin (Treasurer), see presentation for details

**Motion:**

**The BRG accept the Financial Position as reported**

- Proposer: Tina Klimaitis
- Secunder: Ken Morgan
- Vote: Passed unanimously on show of hands

**5. Funding and Incorporation**

- Update presented by Ken Mellor, see presentation for details

**6. Road Safety**

- Update presented by Ken Mellor, see presentation for details.

- Concern was also raised about the speeds along Beenyup, Gibbs and Rowley roads.
- Mayor Howlett commented that the Cockburn Central railway station area planning is in progress. He will provide details of the submission dates to Ian Thurston who will make available to BRG members.

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**Motion:**

**BRG shall lobby government to allocate budget within 3 months to improve lane markings at the junction of Liddelow and Armadale**

- Proposer: Heidi Todonovic
- Secunder: Frank Corica
- Vote: Passed unanimously on show of hands

**Motion:**

**BRG supports the continuation of proactive and ongoing speed monitoring on Banjup roads**

- Proposer: Ken Mellor
- Secunder: Robert Glisenti
- Vote: Passed unanimously on show of hands

## 7. DCP Children's Home

- Tina Klimaitis gave a presentation on DCP Home - see presentation for details.
- No issues have come to the attention of the committee. Some comments that police have been in attendance at the residence.

**Motion:**

**The BRG shall continue to press the DCP vigorously to reach a formal risk management agreement with the BRG.**

- Proposer: Heidi Todonovic
- Secunder: Robert Glisenti
- Vote: Passed unanimously on show of hands

## 8. Fire Permits

- Ian Thurston gave a presentation on the committee's discussions with the City of Cockburn councillors and staff regarding the issuing of fire permits. See presentation for details.

## 9. Fire Station and Hills Bushfire Review

- Ian Thurston gave a presentation on the Fire Station and Hills Bushfire Review. See presentation for details.
- Mayor Howlett stated that the Jandakot Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade will not be moved, this has been agreed by the City of Cockburn and FESA.
- The issue of controlling fuel loads on the lifestyle blocks in Banjup was raised, a number of suggestion included:
  - - More green waste pickups and a greater allowance of pickup quantity
  - - More tip passes and larger volume tip passes for Banjup Residents

- The issue of the amount of vegetation on the verges of Scofield Rd was raised. Mayor Howlett reminded residents that they can make online requests to get the verges cleared at [http://www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/Your Council/Contact Information/Custom Request/default.asp](http://www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/Your_Council/Contact_Information/Custom_request/default.asp)
- Mayor Howlett suggested that the council meet with Ian Thurston and other members of the BRG to look at means of controlling fuel load, green waste and tip passes.
- **Motion:**  
**The BRG requests Cockburn Council to include BRG members in the group(s) reviewing the fire station and responding to the Hills Bush Fire Review.**
  - Proposer: Heidi Todonovic
  - Secunder: Peter Mew
  - Vote: Passed by a majority on show of hands

#### 10. Jandakot Water Mound and Zoning

- Neil Cunliffe-Williams gave a presentation on the Jandakot Water Mound and Zoning implications. See presentation for details.

**Motion:**

**The BRG is to lobby State Government and the City of Cockburn for the review of development of the Jandakot groundwater water resource and impacts on Banjup development to be done as quickly as possible.**

- Proposer: Heidi Todonovic
- Secunder: Richard Caulfield
- Vote: Passed by a majority on show of hands

#### 11. Rates

- Ian Thurston gave a presentation on the Rates situation that impacted on Banjup residents. See presentation for details.
- Stuart Downing (Director of Finance, City of Cockburn) gave a presentation on the rates process. Apologised for getting the rates notices wrong. Key points were that Cockburn will be moving to a gross rental value (GRV) valuation for Banjup properties as most properties are residential and not agricultural which mainly use Unimproved Value (UV). Expects that most Banjup properties will pay lower total rates.

**Motion:**

**The BRG seeks an explanation from Cockburn as to why the rates increased by 12% for Banjup.**

- Proposer: Jane Michelle
- Secunder: Robert Glisenti
- Vote: Passed by a majority on show of hands

**Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm by Ian Thurston.