

**MINUTES OF THE
BREMER BAY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE BREMER BAY TOWN HALL, BREMER BAY
ON WEDNESDAY 31ST MARCH 2010 COMMENCING AT 9.45AM**

1. OPENING AND WELCOME

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 9.45am.

2. ATTENDANCE

Members

Cr Bruce Trevaskis	Jerramungup Shire Council (Chairperson)
Cr Joanne Iffla	Jerramungup Shire Council
Anne Sparrow	Bremer Bay Regional Trails Committee
Dr Ian Weir	Bremer Bay Design & Coordination Group
Priscilla Broadbent	Bremer Bay Townscape Group
Valerie Scott	Friends of Wellstead Estuary Group
Corrine Hobbs	Bremer Bay Telecentre Management Committee
Mick Batchelor	Bremer Bay Volunteer Marine Rescue Service

Support Staff/Observers

Bill Parker	Chief Executive Officer
Charmaine Solomon	Executive Secretary
Deb La Rosa	Observer
Joe La Rosa	Observer
Kevin Davidson	Observer
Harry Louw	Observer
Carmel Tilly	Observer
John Tilly	Observer
Vivienne Hillyer	Observer
Karen Cotton	Observer
Anne Gadsby	Observer
Nathan McQuoid	Observer
Barbara Miller – Hornsey	Observer
Glynn Andersen	Observer
Tara Pittard	Observer
Robert Lester	Observer
Craig Lebens	Observer
Max Wellstead	Observer

Apologies

Nil

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- 3.1** Minutes of the Bremer Bay Community Development Committee held 4th February be confirmed.

Moved Anne Sparrow / Seconded Dr Ian Weir

That the Minutes of the Bremer Bay Community Development Committee held 4th February be confirmed.

Carried 7-0

4. BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.1 Bremer Bay Town Centre

At the February 2010 Ordinary Meeting of Council the motion was lost 0-6 that the Bremer Bay Community Development Committee be given an opportunity at Council's earliest convenience to present opportunities and constraints for the town centre site and that clarification be given on what the Gray & Lewis plans represent.

Reason: Council's position was that the development process and public consultation period proposed was sufficient to deliver a good community outcome and that the BBCDC will have an opportunity to discuss this matter at this meeting. Members of the public will have the opportunity to make submissions on the proposed development plans for the town centre through the formal and preliminary public consultation period.

Council also advised the public that the current proposal is only for discussion and the final development may differ significantly subject to the public consultation period and submissions received.

4.2 That Council consider reopening alternate access points from the caravan park.

At the February 2010 Ordinary Meeting of Council the motion was lost 0-6 that Council consider reopening alternate access points from the caravan park.

Reason: Council did not support reopening access points from the walk trail to the footpath and request that these areas are revegetated by the lead agency who upgraded the walk trail.

5. RECEIVAL OF MINUTES

- 5.1** That the Minutes of the Bremer Bay Design Coordination Group held 1st March be received.
- 5.2** That the Minutes for the Bremer Bay Townscape Group held 17th March be received.
- 5.3** That the Minutes for the Friends of the Wellstead Estuary Group held 3rd February be received.

- 5.4 That the Minutes for the Bremer Bay Regional Trails Committee held 3rd February be received.

Moved Dr Ian Weir / Seconded Cr Iffla

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Carried 7-0

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Nominations for BBCDC - Bremer Bay Community Resource Centre Inc

The Bremer Bay Telecentre Management Committee wish to nominate Julie Leenhouders as their proxy for the BBCDC this has to occur as the previous member Tara Pittard has retired from the Committee.

Moved Corrine Hobbs/Seconded Cr Iffla

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6.2 Gardner and garden maintenance – Bremer Bay Townscape Group

That the BBCDC endorse the proposal that Council be requested to ensure that garden maintenance in Bremer Bay be carried out on a regular basis and a gardener be contracted to do this work.

Moved Priscilla Broadbent / Seconded Corrine Hobbs

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Carried 7-0

6.2 Footpath on Bennett Street – Bremer Bay Townscape Group

That the BBCDC endorse the proposal that we recommend to the Shire of Jerramungup that the next round of funding for footpaths include an amount to provide for a safe footpath in Bennett Street between the jetty area and the shop, and this be regarded as high priority,

Mr Parker responded that all proposed footpaths formed a detailed path strategy and that the officers responsible is on annual leave. A response from the Shire will be presented to committee members at the next BBCDC meeting.

Graham Edwards in on annual leave and would inform committee members at the next BBCDC meeting.

Moved Priscilla Broadbent / Seconded Cr Iffla

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6.3 Reopening Back Beach – Friends of the Wellstead Estuary Group

The Friends of Wellstead Estuary request that Council consider reopening the Back Beach track on the Bremer Point and that signage be installed to warn users of the risk and consequences.

Valerie Scott commented that the surrounding areas have been destroyed due to the closure of the back beach track.

Moved Valerie Scott / Seconded Priscilla Broadbent

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Motion Lost 2-5

For: Broadbent, Scott

Lost: Hobbs, Sparrow, Iffla, Weir, Trevaskis

10.15 am Mick Batchelor attended the meeting

6.4 Project Report – Fitzgerald Biosphere Group

Anne Sparrow provided a project update on the improving biodiversity condition in the Bremer Bay Catchment for information only.

6.5 Victorian Tee Tree Methodology Report – Fitzgerald Biosphere Group

After the last meeting of the BBCDC, Anne Sparrow provided a report addressing the methodology used on the Victorian Tea Tree project for information only.

Corrine Hobbs commented that the Phil Hadley plaque on the walk trail does not have the Shire logo and asked that this be investigated.

6.6 BBCDC Constitution – Bremer Bay Design Coordination Group

The Bremer Bay Design Coordination Group requests that;

- (a) the constitution and terms of reference of the BBCDC be clarified; and
- (b) that non voting members of the BBCDC groups have the opportunity to speak during committee meetings.

Mr Parker responded that a standing local laws is being developed that will provide clarity in forms of meeting procedures.

6.7 DEC FRNP Road Upgrade and Walk Trail – Bremer Bay Design Coordination Group

Correspondence received from Adnaan Abrahams – Department of Environment & Conservation on a request for the BBCDC to become stakeholders.

Dr Ian Weir commented that the letter effectively states that Department of Environment & Conservation are leaving open any requests to become stakeholders and that the BBCDC is not formally recognised as a stakeholder.

Mr Parker responded that the Shire has no control or decision making power over the design of the road upgrade and walk trail. Mr Parker commented that he would address the committee at future meetings when updates have been provided.

7. CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUESTS

7.1 Bremer Bay Townscape Group

- (a) Litter by the jetty is shocking and a bin is requested.

Mr Parker responded that the he would raise the issue with the Works Department.

- (b) Litter at the top end of the Bog Arm is also very bad can this be cleaned up?

Mr Parker responded that he would investigate the complaint.

(c) Rabbit Cull

Anne sparrow commented that the bait arrived yesterday and was working in consultation with the Shire's Ranger. An update to be provided at the next meeting.

- (d) New track left to cleared area overlooking the estuary on the Gordon Inlet Road. Approximately 50m from angle in the road as it leaves the Wellstead Estuary edge and heads North.
GPS :- S. 34. 23. 090
E. 119. 23. 274
Not sure if it's on Shire/ DEC land.

Mr Parker responded that he would investigate the exact location. If the land is DEC the Shire will notify them.

- (e) The parking/fishing area on the North Estuary foreshore which has recently had 'No Camping No Fishing' signs erected (Thank you) has not yet been cleaned.
For the past 4 years, Clean-up Australia organised by the Friends of Wellstead Estuary have cleaned this. This year, we refused to do so. A request has been made to Shire previously.

Mr Parker responded he would investigate concerns.

- (f) Are we invited to give any feedback on Ranger function this past holiday season? If it isn't appropriate at this forum, where/how can comment be made?

Cr Trevaskis responded that all correspondence/feedback can be addressed to the Shire for the attention of Chief Executive Officer.

- g) Can the tip be open more often over the Easter long weekend?

Mr Parker responded that he would consider the extra hours and approach staff concerned.

Priscilla Broadbent would like to congratulate the tip manager on the sign erected at the tip.

Cr Trevaskis commented on the entrance statement for Bremer Bay and encouraged committee members to be actively involved in trying to raise funds for a new statement. Cr Trevaskis noted that funds will be considered in the 2010/11 Budget process.

Cr Iffla raised concerns on the power issues within Bremer Bay. Fluctuation of power has been happening on a regular occurrence.
Priscilla Broadbent commented that she had spoken to Western Power and was still waiting for a reply.

Mr Parker responded that he had been in contact with Western Power and he would inform the committee of the resolution.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be confirmed by the committee will be held Friday 4th June 2010 at 9.45am at the Bremer Bay Town Hall.

Bremer Bay Town Centre Site and Design Analysis

Dr Ian Weir presented on the opportunities and constraints of the town centre along with a critique of draft designs.

Cr Trevaskis noted that the Shire now has a planner Craig Pursey. This officer will be partly responsible for the project in consultation with Gray & Lewis.

Cr Trevaskis encouraged everyone in the community to provide feedback on the project through the public consultation period.

Mr Parker noted that community workshops will be held in the future.

Mr Parker thanked Dr Weir for his presentation and suggested that direct dialogue should occur between Dr Weir, BBCDC and the Shire's planner.

Mr Parker outlined that the public feedback will be collated and incorporated into a new design and presented to the community for further feedback. From this point the designs will be presented to Council for endorsement that will commence a statutory 42 day public consultation period.

Cr Trevaskis thanked Dr Ian Weir for his presentation.

9. CLOSURE

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 11.30am.