

Minutes HPA Committee Meeting 7.15 pm via Zoom, 23 April 2020

1. **Attendance:** Sha Cordingley, Aunty Julie McHale, Gary Holmes, Michael Henry, David Foley.
2. **Apologies:** Liesl Malan, Pauline Wilkinson, Marjolein Beard.
3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**
 - 3.1 **Motion:** That the minutes of the previous meeting of 19 February, 2020 are an accurate record. **Moved:** Michael Henry; **Seconded:** Robyn Miller. **Carried.**
4. **Business arising from previous minutes**
 - 4.1 KiT – Keep in Touch – Mental Health Van for youth. Acquittal of Mental Health funding from City of Greater Bendigo. Sha will report progress so far and ask to carry over until the next Twilight Market.
5. **Correspondence**
 - 5.1 **Outwards:** Letter to MASC CEO, Darren Fuzzard, Lauren Watts
 - 5.2 **Inwards:** Lauren Watts
 - 5.2.1 As a result of correspondence and subsequent discussion and request for a meeting with Darren Fuzzard, he is organising a meeting with three representatives from relevant departments. To be discussed: Plan Harcourt, Progress or lack of with Blume's bakery application and Roundabout.
 - 5.2.2 Lauren Watts informed Michael Henry that the final plan for Plan Harcourt will go to Council and then to the State Government followed by another round of public consultation. Lauren informed Michael that General Residential Zoning will not be allowed as it permits 3 storeys and this is not permitted in a township of Harcourt's size. All the GRZ is likely to remain Township with the Commercial Zone in the very centre. As a result of this change, Council is re-jigging the Developer Contribution Scheme. Council will be emailing us with information shortly.
6. **Sub-Committee Reports and Determination of an official convenor and membership for each Sub-committee:**
 - 6.1 **Plan Harcourt:** Convenor of the Shine and Plan Harcourt Sub-Committees will be MH, Members: DF, GH, JM, LM.
 - 6.2 **Aboriginal Perspectives Committee and Skate Park:** Convenor JM, Members: LM and Lana Lee. The group has not officially met as yet. However Aunty Julie had an exciting announcement: Nalderun is very hopeful of receiving a \$220K grant to establish a bush tucker garden and education facility. Land for the facility has been generously offered by Henry of Harcourt (Michael Henry) with no charge for the lease.
 - 6.3 **The Core:** report tabled (Convenor/Editor RM, Layout Bernie Schultz, Finance Pauline Wilkinson)
 - 6.4 **Treasurer's Report:** (Convenor: Pauline Wilkinson, Members: SC, RM and?) Tabled Financial Report: (Main account \$5487.26, The Core \$4585.18). Having set up the Core Accounts of Xero, Pauline discovered that \$2730 worth of invoices were outstanding, the bulk of which are from MASC. Still chasing an outstanding payment for one of the market stalls.
 - 6.5 **Play Space:** report tabled (RM, HPA rep)
 - 6.6 **Policies:** (Convenor SC, MH, Karina [surname?] others?)
 - 6.7 **Membership:** Needs to be addressed. All to think about ideas to develop membership. Needs to be a main topic at the next meeting. Membership fees for this year?
 - 6.8 **Twilight Market:** On hold
 - 6.9 **Tourism** – on hold
 - 6.10 **Transport group** – on hold
 - 6.11 **Railway station refurb** – on hold

7. General Business

- 7.1 Bendigo Foodshare initiative:** RM reported that via Dianne Baig a relationship is being developed between producers of fruit and vegetables, Bendigo Foodshare and Harcourt Coolstores Cooperative. Foodshare is short of space under the COVID-19 crisis. To date, local volunteers have picked and packed apples. Chick peas have been donated and will also be packed. These are delivered in bins to the Coolstore, packed into crates and then distributed by Bendigo Foodshare over a wide area of central Victoria as part of their overall program.
- 7.2 Zoom Workshop for Businesses in the Shire Affected by COVID-19:** MH reported that he received a phone call from David Leatham of Council, about a meeting via Zoom with businesses feeling the effects of the health crisis. MH to contact local businesses.

Meeting Closed.