

DOWNER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Minutes of Management Committee Meeting
Monday 2nd Oct 2017

The meeting opened at 7.04 pm.

PRESENT

Brian Callahan (Chair), Denys Garden, Stephen Sedgwick, Jacqui Pinkava, Simon Stratton, Philida Sturgiss-Hoy.

APOLOGIES Miles Boak, Amit Barkay, Robyn Rennie, Patti Kendall.

MINUTES The minutes of the meeting of 4th September 2017 were accepted.

CORRESPONDENCE

In

1. From Caroline Le Couteur with copy of email to Andrew Barr, Megan Fitzharris, Mick Gentleman & Yvette Berry about upgrading Downer Local Centre.
2. From Dominic Ransan-Cooper with summary of responses re. Downer Square update. Also spreadsheet with details.
3. Email from Julian Smith with concerns about opposing Dickson Shops Development.

Out

1. Reply to Julian Smith

TREASURERS REPORT

The report presented by the Treasurer showed a substantial increase in income in September, mainly from room hire (\$5240) Wages, cleaning, phone and ACTEW expenses totalled just over \$2500. The balance in the main account at the end of September was \$5853.10. The Treasurer and Denys Garden have commenced reviewing finances to update the report produced in 2015. There was some discussion about delaying printing of more books until our term deposit matures in January.

PARTY AT THE SHOPS

Denys Garden reported on planning so far. Assistance has been provided by CHC who have employed an event planner, Claudia Vannithone from Agency9. A meeting was held on Thursday 28th September to discuss plans. CHC will assist with publicity, including printing corflutes, if we put them up. CHC/Agency9 are making enquiries about childrens activities. Edwina Robertson from SEE-Change has been helpful in organising some stalls. Committee members and volunteers were asked to come at 9am on the day to set up. There was some discussion about whether there would be enough bins for rubbish. Philida Sturgiss-Hoy and Brian Callahan offered to bring smaller bins. Stephen Sedgwick offered to arrange the emptying of our hopper and getting a lock for it.

NEWSLETTER

The Newsletter will be printed in colour on 2nd October for delivery later in the week. Philida Sturgiss-Hoy noted that some distributors were away and someone else would need to be asked to do their areas.

DOWNER SQUARE

Denys Garden reported on the meeting with Minister Gentleman, attended by Miles Boak, Sam Hussey-Smith and himself. The meeting was short and only the square was dealt with. Minister Gentleman was receptive, and a Geoffrey Rutledge (from TCCS?) indicated that he had visited Downer Square and spoken with CHC. It seems we have got ourselves onto the Shops upgrade list, but we are yet to be advised what or how much will be done. Geoffrey Rutledge indicated that he would like to attend a meeting, and it was agreed that it would be good to get him to the November Committee meeting, ahead of the AGM.

ANALYSIS OF COMMENTS ON DOWNER SQUARE

Brian Callahan had copies of the documents supplied by Dominic Ransan-Cooper. It was agreed that he had done an excellent job and should be thanked by the Committee. It was also suggested that he

could be asked to be available at the Party at the Shops, and that an A3 copy of the summary could be on display.

PLANNING FOR AGM

This was briefly discussed. It was hoped that some of the younger people who regularly attend meetings might be willing to join the Committee. Some ideas were explored for the AGM, including a presentation of the video produced by Sam Hussey-Smith, and/or a speaker (CHC?).

OTHER BUSINESS

There was discussion about details of Centre User Groups on our website. Denys Garden said that a list is there, and agreed to provide details of the link to Committee members. It was also suggested that a list could be displayed at the Party at the Shops.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: Monday 6th November at 7 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.08 pm.

Brian Callahan
Acting Convenor

Denys Garden
Secretary