

Coastal Residents Association Inc (CRA) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019 MINUTES

The Common - Gnarabup
4pm Sunday 24 November 2019

1. MEETING OPEN

4.04PM

2. APOLOGIES

Genny Broadhurst
Jo Broadhurst
Clive Hodgson
Pauline Andrews
Margaret Leggott
David Leggott
Denise Clancy
Greg Clancy
Ann Delroy
Mike Carr
Susie Anderson
Jeff Yeaton
Jenny Smith
Julie St Clair-Baker
Tim??

3. ATTENDANCE

Adrian Wilson
Sally Pyvis
Janet Dufall
Barry Dufall
Hamish Wilson
Sharon Burvill
Ian Burvill
Peter St Clair-Baker
Sally Campbell
Tim Campbell
Natalie Bell
Peter Murphy
Courtenay Gray
Denise Wilkinson
Neroli Carlton
David Burt
Emma Campbell
Neil Mattinson

4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS AGM MINUTES 2018

MOTION

MOVED Natalie Bell

SECONDED Denise Wilkinson

That the Minutes of the previous AGM be accepted

VOTE

Unanimous

5. REPORTS

5.1 PRESIDENT – Adrian Wilson

CRA's main role continues as a "voice for the community" for residents and ratepayers to have a say in relevant, local issues.

CRA works with "Nature Conservation Margaret River Region" (NCMRR) and other groups to facilitate grant applications and it has funded \$500 for NCMRR to blitz Arum Lily in Prevelly/Gnarabup.

Concern remains that MR Surf Pro event restricts public access to Surfers Point for up to 30 days and impacts on traffic and parking. Financial figures still not provided to ratepayers on the financial benefits the event brings to region. CRA raised the need for an eco-toilet block at Boodjidup Carpark at the Surf Pro debrief due to lack of toilet facilities and increased visitor numbers during the event. Management of event is improving each year.

New Shire President and Council after October 2019 Local Government elections - arguably more development oriented.

The heritage listed "Wallcliffe House" proposed Scheme Amendment 65 – on 11 September 2019 at its Ordinary Council Meeting, Council voted 3 / 4 to support Amendment 65 – a very close vote. The result means it will not be progressed in its current form. In terms of process, this is a good outcome, as LGs should never commit to the statutory process of initiating a scheme amendment before consulting the community.

CRA lobbying resulted in a new bike rack at the top of Gnarabup Beach – paid for by Shire.

Main Roads has backed off its proposal to widen Caves Road. Much community opposition to proposal and issue deferred semi-indefinitely.

Dogs on beach, rubbish and illegal camping are ongoing problems.

East coast flights into Busselton announced – could lead to development of large coastal tourist sites.

Gnarabup beach path – ongoing meetings with Shire. A favoured option is a raised (500mm) board walk from the first beach access steps to just past Spindrifft.

Erosion under boat ramp is a priority for Shire, with import of sand and/or limestone boulders being considered.

Bulk glyphosate still being applied to road verges – council does not notify CRA in advance despite being requested.

MR Surf Lifesaving Club looking to erect some sort of facility along the coast, with locations at Rifle Butts and Gnarabup being mooted.

5.2 SECRETARY – Janet Dufall

Membership is free

5.3 TREASURER – Janet Dufall (on behalf of Ann Delroy)

Bank Statement current balance as at 7 August 2019 \$14,887.04 cr

Outstanding tax invoices (yet to be paid) include:

- \$42 registration of new model constitution
- PO Box annual fee \$35

- Printing costs \$50

5.4 COASTAL REHABILITATION REPORT 2019 – Janet Dufall

The group has had a busy year, with 300 volunteer hours recorded since Feb, 2019. Usually 4-8 people work each week for 1 – 1.5 hours. Work includes weeding, brushing, planting, collecting seed, planning and collaborating with other groups.

Nature Conservation has a programme involving all the primary schools in the Shire. The Montessori School has a spot along Gnarabup Bay, which they have worked on twice per year for the past three years.

In May 2019 group hosted a “Friends of Public Open Space” group, where Janet and Genny spoke about their work.

Group participated in Shire- organised Community Day in Nov 2019 at River Mouth. Pathways to beach were minimised with planting of pigface and brushing. WEC provided hamburgers for lunch. Last Community event organised by Shire after Osmington family tragedy.

Main weeds targeted:

Sea spurge (*Euphorbia paralias*); dune onion weed (*Trachyandra divaricate*); purple grousel (*Senecio elegans*); and arum lily (*Zantedeschia aethiopica*).

MOTION

MOVED Sally Pyvis

SECONDED Peter Murphy

That the Reports from Office Bearers be accepted

VOTE - Unanimous

6. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

MOTION

MOVED Sally Pyvis

SECONDED Sharon Burvill

That the following be appointed Office Bearers and Committee Members

PRESIDENT – Adrian Wilson

VICE PRESIDENT – Genny Broadhurst

SECRETARY – Sharon Burvill

TREASURER – Ann Delroy

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Natalie Bell

Peter St Clair-Baker

Clive Hodgson

Janet Dufall

WEB MASTER

Clive Hodgson

VOTE

Unanimous

8. NEXT AGM MEETING DATE

Meeting date TBA

9. MEETING CLOSED

AT 4.28PM by President Adrian Wilson