

PQCEG Minutes Meeting 13 2.30pm Thursday 5 March 2020 Somerville Community House

1. Attendance

Rob Gerrand (Chair)
Chris DeFreitas (PQ)
Jo Murray (PQ)
David Bergin (Mornington Peninsula Shire)
David Chalke (Tyabb Ratepayers)
Kate Blake
Philip Goslin (minutes)

2. Apologies

Daniel Petroni, Heather Hutchison (EPA), Martin O'Shaughnessy (EPA), Marleen Mathias (EPA), Diane Anderson, Francesco Amendola.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

Approved as circulated.

4. Matters arising from the minutes

See issues raised under Safety.

5. Community grants program

Chris advised that PQ had sponsored the Benton Junior College Community Fair (which was subsequently cancelled). David Chalke mentioned the Somerville Family Day and suggested PQ should be involved in this event in future. Chris agreed, noting that PQ wanted to be involved in community events of this nature in addition to providing support through the community grants program. PQ will begin promoting the grants program and calling for submissions at the end of April.

6. Site activity update

Chris advised that there would be some limited drilling on site.

Current projects include:

- Mordialloc bypass
- HMAS Cerberus naval base
- Rosebud Aquatic Centre
- Melbourne Water Wetlands (projects in Cranbourne South)
- Karingal Shopping Centre
- Wetlands Project Botanic Ridge

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7. Complaints and compliments register

Jo tabled the complaints and compliments register. Diane Anderson/Leah Collins had raised an issue with noise/vibration on 22 January. A further noise concern from Diane Anderson on 31 January. Both issues related to internal road repairs. David Chalke raised a road safety issue with truck exiting quarry on 24 February — PQ has addressed this with both the driver and contract company. Graham Davidson raised an issue with the state of Pottery Road due to rain and truck movements — PQ advised it would explore using a different topping material with council.

8. Vegetation report

Jo commented on the significant level of vegetation growth and that this reflected PQ's investment in this area. Kate said she was pleasantly surprised and that the growth had created the natural barrier she was hoping for. David Chalke agreed and commented that the black mesh fence looked excellent as with the foliage it was not visible. David Chalke congratulated PQ on behalf of the Tyabb Ratepayers for the excellent job that had been done in this area. It was agreed that overall, residents no longer look onto the quarry. Chris said PQ planned to address one spot where foliage had not taken off.

9. Safety

a) Jones Road water erosion

David Chalke raised the issue of remedial work being undertaken to address the issue of water eroding Jones Road at the intersection with Pottery Road. Chris said he had discussed the issue with a council work foreman. The problem on the east side of Jones Road is water not flowing fast enough through the spoon drain to cope with the amount of water. This was partly due to a build-up of material blocking the drain. David Bergin said he would take this issue back to Mornington Peninsula Shire's service department for review.

b) Pottery Road intersection upgrade works

There was a significant level of discussion on the progress in undertaking upgrade works at the Pottery Road/Jones Road intersection and the history behind why this had not progressed. David Bergin outlined two ways to take this forward:

- Cost sharing agreement an agreement between council and Bayport to undertake the works. David Bergin advised that this proposal is still on the table from a council perspective.
- Special Charge Scheme this scheme, applied under the Road Management Act, apportions the cost to land owners. Council has done some preliminary work on this.
 David Bergin said he would speak to the Special Charge Officer for an update on this.



Rob stated that the mood of the meeting was that residents would like Bayport to sign the cost sharing agreement or reimburse residents for their contributions to a special charge scheme. David Chalke urged both council and Bayport to come to an agreement on this matter due to road safety concerns.

NOTE: A Bayport representative was not present to give their view on the matter.

c) Profiling of Pottery Road

Chris spoke about changing the material used on Pottery Road to basalt as it was a better product. David Bergin said PQ could apply to Mornington Peninsula Shire to change the product to provide a better road. Chris advised that PQ will put forward a proposal. There was some discussion around sealing Pottery Road. David Bergin advised it was not high on council's list of roads that needed to be sealed. He said residents could apply for a Special Charge Scheme to bring it higher up the list.

d) Road safety

There was general discussion about safety and trucks pulling out from the quarry. Chris said there was a site induction program for all contractors and this included quarry exit issues, speed limits, etc.

10. Dust

PQ had not received any reports about dust. Chris commented on how wet it had been, minimal work days, and how this would have meant there was no dust coming from the quarry.

11. Noise

Chris said that the quarry works were being undertaken in a southerly direction and below ground level which was mitigating noise levels. He said noise impact would continue to be minimal. Kate commented that she only noticed truck noise in the mornings and said noise levels were a lot better than they were a few years ago.

12. General business

Some discussion about a kangaroo that had been seen on the site. Jo has undertaken an extensive site-wide search and has not sighted the kangaroo.

13. Next meeting

Scheduled for 2.30pm Thursday 28 May 2020

NOTE: This scheduled meeting will be reviewed in relation to current laws around COVID-19. The meeting may be postponed until a later date.

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