

MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, 11th August 2020 and meeting extension
Thursday 13th August

Time: 5.30 pm

Venue: Jarrah Forest Lodge Conference room

1. **APOLOGIES:** Margaret Turner , John Cusack for 13th August meeting

ATTENDEES:, Peter White, Sue Fyfe, Lee Shelley, John Cusack, Chris Portlock

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

2. Members are requested to declare any possible conflict of interest with any item of business to be discussed at this meeting. Peter White declared a conflict of interest around the payment for a Teenz activity and abstained from voting on the payment approval.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Minutes of previous meeting 14th July 2020 - circulated by email. And accepted as a true record of the meeting with noting that the date was incorrect - and was amended from 11th July *Moved*. Lee Shelley, Sec: Chris Portlock

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

- 4.1 Matters from previous meeting on 10th June/14th July

ACTION NO	ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	STATUS
1	Clarify with the Shire about whether the \$2000 over 2 year is MONEY or in-kind support- we would prefer MONEY.	Peter White	No response from Shire of Murray- Peter spoke with Sue Allan- action in progress
2	Get quote for a website	Sue Fyfe	Robert Stead has made application as a tax exempt NFP – but this may be incorrect. Sue to check with Christina Gray
3	Draft a response to the SOM when info received on action 1	Peter White Sue Fyfe	Awaiting Action 1
4	Organise a date and volunteers for installation of Bike Racks at the Community Hall.	Peter White	Peter set 17,18 or 19 th August – Peter to organise
5	Check with Paddi Creevey about Farlane report	Peter White	Peter said he was sent the Report so no need for contact
6	inform SOM of the decision of the DCC to lease the Teenz Room	CW	Completed and SOM is happy with this response and will draft a lease
7	John Cusack to discuss MBM ride with Hotham Valley	John Cusack	John has discussed with Ian Willis from Botham Valley 0 they are facing difficult

			financial times and cannot currently commit. John to discuss after HVTR Board meeting 12th August
8	Sue to send DCC membership form to DPG attendees again.	Sue Fyfe	To be actioned again
9	Send the community map and explanatory statement to the SOM when finalised	Chris Portlock	Chris to add date to map – when historical info and update are approved and date added to map they can be sent out

5. **CORRESPONDENCE- added to agenda**

5.1 **Correspondence In:**

Letter from Alcoa acknowledging DCC letter to Alcoa 15th July

Letter from Minister Stephen Dawson in response to our letter to Alcoa- tabled.

5.2

Flyer from SOM about community consultations on Dwellingup Futures.

All saved to DCC Dropbox

Correspondence Out :

6 **TREASURER'S REPORT**

6.1

No Treasurer's Report was tabled as Treasurer was an apology. Bank statement indicates \$30658.09 until the 18th July.

Approved payment for Teenz activity – Murray Valley and Jarrah Zip Line 21 participants on each activity.

6.2 **Payments approved by circulation since the last meeting,**

None- discussion that payments need to be approved by flying minute/email circulation before they can be authorised for payment by bank signatories.

7. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

7.1 **Clarification of DCC position / Role of DPG/ Dwellingup Futures – considered as one item**

Discussion about the role of the DPG – PW clarified that it is an endorsed subcommittee of the DCC. And that Alcoa recognises the DPG as a legitimate sub-committee. We talked about the Dwellingup Discovery Forest Working Group consisting of the 4 sub groups who are developing a campaign to protect the Dwellingup Discovery Forest (DDF) . Chris clarified that the Discovery Forest cannot be protected by legislation but that there are 3 mechanisms that could be used.

1. The Minister for the Environment can change the 2006 ministerial statement to extend the indefinitely deferred zone for mining
2. Include the DDF as part of the Lane Poole Reserve Management Plan (land that is not freehold)
3. Ask for the DDF to be reserved as a 5G reserve (which can be defined by Government)

There was considerable discussion about whether the DPG/DCC was running/ involved in the campaign or whether the Dwellingup Discovery Forest working group was acting independently of the DCC.

The DCC continues to function as a body that has all interests of all residents where possible. Our agenda should reflect the varied matters that are raised. We are a member based incorporated organization whose members have voting rights. Meetings however are not

restricted to members only and we have always welcomed non-members and have allowed them to have a say from the floor. We have insurance that covers DCC endorsed activities. The Dwellingup Protection Group (DPG) was formed to focus on the increased exploratory drilling activity and proposed mine site expansion and to develop a DCC Position Statement. To research and provide a case that the DCC could put forward supporting environmental, historical, cultural, recreational and scientific values that would be at risk if plans for mining were to proceed unchallenged. The DPG produced the Dwellingup Discovery Forest Map and an associated boundary encompassing all of the values within that boundary. This map has become the cornerstone of our (DCC) case to Alcoa. Our concerns through DCC and DPG have elicited a number of support statements from SoM and in no small part helped establish the Dwellingup Futures Group.

DPG is an active legitimate sub group of the DCC, has members and has a structure and the chair of DPG reports to DCC. Correspondence recommended by DPG is endorsed by DCC and acted on.

The DPG and DCC have known of Alcoa's desire to expand its operations to the east for some time and indeed other sites surrounding Dwellingup. The recent public maps made available to Dwellingup residents have caused great concern particularly for those who have had to consider these maps for the first time. There was sufficient concern to call a meeting open to public to inform and consider this proposed expansion.

The Dwellingup Discovery Forest Working Group has developed regular meetings and has provided an opportunity for Dwellingup Residents to have a voice. The group has become a legitimate concerned residents group with structures, allocated roles and minuted meetings.

An early idea that attendees should become members of DCC to legitimise the group may have left us in an awkward position.

The DCC and the DDFWG are completely separate entities and the DCC /DPG is not responsible for actions of the DDFWG. While members of the DDFWG may be members of DCC, DPG or any other organisation it is they are not a legitimate sub-group of DCC. Some of the group's actions and associations may be supported by members of DCC but would not be supported by the DCC or DPG if involving illegal activities. However, many attendees of the DDFWG are also members of DCC and DPG. This allows for a legitimate flow of information to DPG. DPG then can consider and recommend to DCC for action if required. This allows the DDFWG meetings to have a pathway to the "legitimacy" of DCC correspondence. Attendees of DDFWG may nominate to be part of the DPG adding value and support to Chris and his group.

The DDFWG has as one of its roles a research function. The DPG has and continues to have as its focus, a research function and continues to add value to its earlier work enhancing stated values within the Dwellingup Discovery Forest boundary.

The DCC Chair will only speak to the Position Statement or in fact any other matters endorsed by DCC and will attend DDFWG meetings only as a concerned resident of Dwellingup.

The matter of insurance was raised last night. It is a long bow to draw to assume that our insurance would cover actions of attendees of DDFWG regardless of them being members of DCC or not.

Discussed the donation of monies to the DDFWG. There was agreement that donations can be made to DCC to support our position statement only and that this will be made clear to any prospective donors. This will be done through the DCC account with a line item for the DPG and approval for expenditure to be done through the DCC committee. There is no tax deductibility for any donations.

Colleen suggested that guidelines are developed to clarify what the DDFWG/DPG does and does not do.

Peter indicated that Beth Butler from Alcoa had requested that she present at a DCC meeting. WE resolved to invited her for a 20 minute +10 minute Q presentation at a full DCC meeting on the 13th October.

Action 1 – Add date to Map and when done and historical info and update approved send to SOM and community.

Action 2 – Discuss guidelines for action within the DCC structure at the next DDFWG meeting

Action 3. Peter White to contact Beth Butler and agree to her request to present to the DCC. We will invite her to make a 20 minute +10 minute Q presentation at a full DCC meeting on the 13th October.

Action 4- Sue to provide DCC account details to DDFWG member and information about how expenditure will be managed.

7.4 **Trails Update - not discussed**

7.7 **Any other business**

Website discussion from action items

Action 5 Sue to check with Christina Gray about whether the DCC is tax exempt

Approval of Invoices – see under Treasurer’s report.

Agreed that the next meeting of the DCC on the 8th September 2020 will be a full community meeting unless there are any further COVID restrictions

Action 6 – Lee Shelley to book the Nursing post room. For 7.30pm on 8th September 2020.

8. **NEXT MEETING** Dates to be endorsed for 2020/2021
 Tentative dates based on 2nd Tuesday alternate months
 Tuesday 14th April 2020
 Tuesday 9th June 2020
Tuesday 11th August 2020- committee meeting
Tuesday 8th September 2020
 Tuesday 13th October 2020
 Tuesday 8th December 2020
 Tuesday 9th February 2021 AGM

ACTION ITEMS MEETING 11th August 2020

ACTION NO	ACTIONS carried over	RESPONSIBILITY	DATE NEEDED
1	Clarify with the Shire about whether the \$2000 over 2 year is MONEY or in-kind support- we would prefer MONEY. – continued from 10 th June	Peter White	asap
2	Draft a response to the SOM when info received on action	Peter White Sue Fyfe	asap
4	Peter White to organise bike rack installation in the week of 17 th August.	Peter White	17-19 th August
5	Action 5– Sue to send DCC membership form to DPG attendees again.	Sue Fyfe	Asap :
6	Send the community map and explanatory statement to the SOM when finalised	Chris Portlock	

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4	provide DCC account details to DDFWG member and information about how expenditure will be managed	Sue Fyfe	asap
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