



# BRAIDWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## General Meeting

August 16<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 5.30 pm at Braidwood Servicemens Club

### MINUTES

*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we are meeting and pay our respects to Elders past, present and future.*

#### 1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES:

Apologies: John Tuckwell, Cr Kenrick Winchester, Catherine Bell

#### 2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD JULY 19<sup>th</sup> 2022

**Moved:** Martin Glover

**Seconded:** Phillip Owen

#### 3. BUSINESS ARISING AND NOT INCLUDED IN GENERAL BUSINESS

**a) Water Supply fees and charges Update:** No new information.

**b) Skate Park Update:** Draining work on site preparation is continuing. A meeting with Steve Kelly, director of Grind Projects is scheduled for Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August to discuss progress and expected start date for construction. The completion date may be delayed to early 2023 due to the impact of continuing rain.

**c) Braidwood Common Update:** A community consultation meeting led by CEO Rebecca Ryan, to discuss the Common and community garden is scheduled for Monday August 29<sup>th</sup>.

**d) Telstra Outages:** A meeting with Chris Taylor, Telstra Regional Manager, is scheduled for Wed August 17<sup>th</sup>. Mongarlowe RFS attending the meeting with Telstra to show him the issues they are facing and arguing for a new tower. Following that meeting Sue and others will meet with Chris re connectivity and outage issues in blackspots in Monga and Tudor Valley Road.

**e) Lascelles Street Upgrade:** No further information re commencement date. It was suggested we ask for an official update on start date.

**f) Review of Council Committees:** No further information. David advised people on s355 committees are considered volunteer employees of council, to be covered by their liability insurance.

#### 4. GENERAL BUSINESS

**a) Community Housing Sub-Committee Update:** Sarah advised the draft proposal has been considered by Yolande Norris, who has provided guidance on structure. Sue and Sarah will work on the proposal further and meet with Yolande in a couple of weeks. The draft proposal has been provided to Colleen Lux from Judith Stubbs & Assoc to assist in their interim report to council.

**b) Seniors Events in Spring and Summer:** Still awaiting grant approval. Sue spoke with Di Izzard at Gundillion (where the first event will be held) and said she only needed a couple of weeks notice to plan the event scheduled for Gundillion.

**c) Medical Services in Braidwood:** Trish Sargeson reported Jenny Sutherland advised the Wallace Street Surgery has two doctors working 4 days/week. RARMS is withdrawing its financial support for the Braidwood Medical Centre locum service. Dr Noor may be taking over the practice. They are looking for an additional doctor to work in the hospital and clinic. We should know more in September. Trish also advised the piece in the Changing Times on the issue is worth reading.

**d) Proposed Community Hub in Braidwood:** Discussion were held by Sue and Sarah July 20<sup>th</sup> with Jacquelyn Richards, QPRC General Manager - Community Choice, regarding community use of the Old Library once the Disaster Recovery team vacate it. Jacqui will present a proposal to Council. The Community Hub will possibly require a s355 committee to run it.

**e) Update on the Bombay Reserve Sign from Erin Brinkley, USLC:**

*“After bringing the draft display board for the Bombay Reserve to the BCA meeting last month, Local Landcare Coordinator Erin Brinkley has taken the sign to the general meeting of Bombay Landcare and paid a visit to the Braidwood District Historical Society.*

*Many long-term Bombay residents were in attendance at the Landcare meeting and provided some valuable feedback, with interest in developing the historical and cultural elements of the sign, as well as a wish to potentially add a second sign to display the extra material.*

*John Stahel and the team at the Braidwood Museum were incredibly helpful, allowing access to a number of books, historical maps and articles on the Bombay region, which Erin is slowly working through.*

*After advertising an article in the Bugle and Changing Times calling for community engagement on the sign's content, local resident Mike Merrony reached out and offered considerable support in finding information on the Chinese history and gold mining of the area.*

*Erin has contacted Noel Butler, Yui man who grew up in the area, but is yet to find a time to meet and discuss the signs' cultural elements.*

*Calls to Amanda Dike from Water NSW also reaffirmed their commitment to print at least one sign. It's up to the community to put forward proposals on what size sign or how many we want displayed at the reserve for them to consider further funding.”*

**f) “Bosom Buddies”:** Cathie Owen mentioned a proposed coffee meeting of the support group for women diagnosed with breast cancer. The coffee morning will be in Braidwood with ACT Bosom Buddies. It will be held at Troopers Rest on Thursday 25 August at 10.00am. There should be advertising in Bugle this week. Sue will also put it on the BCA webpage and let Catherine’s women’s group know. Event has been posted to the BCA Community calendar.

**g) Christmas in the Park celebrations, 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022:** Initial discussions have been held with the QPRC events team. QPRC will organise but with input and assistance from Braidwood. They will look at closing the road (Wilson street) this time.

**5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** nil

**6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Annual General Meeting, 20 Sept 22