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2015 General Meeting July 13 2015

Apologies S Bourke F Nash J Wagner
Previous minutes: May 10 2015
Passed J Hargreaves 2nd M Jones

Business arising:

- Wrong date given for today's meeting sorry!!!
- Council's Coastal Assets Supervisor is Rod Keevers
- The restaurant and bar at Halcyon House opening hours are 10 - 10 pm. The setting is attractive and patrons are welcome for coffee as well as meals.
- Beautification of corner of Tweed Coast Road at Elders shop end. Members present were uncertain as to the current status.
- Tidy up and place seating at top of northern end Littoral Rainforest? No observable action to date.

Correspondence IN:

- Invite to Protect our Shore Birds - distributed to all members.
- Paulson Memorial Park has officially passed Council.
- Playground equipment at Norries found to be unsafe - New playground equipment at Norries Headland should be here by September and we appreciate the council being so vigilant with their inspections. The rust was not visible -it was under a layer of paint which the maintenance man scrapped to check.
- Murnane Lane trees are marked so the hazard education burn doesn't damage them as they are koala feed trees. All vegetation around them will be cleared before slow burn.
- Letter from TSC thanking us for our response to the Draft Environment Strategy. They say they have noted our comment on the KPIs as did others and have made some alterations. It is on exhibition at TSC05955_Draft_Environmental_Sustainability_Strategy.pdf
- interesting reading
TSC04974_Environmental_Management_and_Sustainability_Gap_Analysis_Report.pdf

Correspondence OUT:

- Request for information about the Trees in Murnane Lane which have pink ties around them
- Request about TSC Vandal Tracker. See Tweed Link news.

- Request for information about the ownership of the south Banksia forest where the caravan park is mooted. Both mayor and a councillor say there isn't any change in ownership and no plans on the drawing board.

Treasurer's Report: M Jones

\$ 1,829.65 in bank. Outgoings - Nil

Passed M Jones 2nd E Hankin

General business:

Boomerang Bags – A productive meeting at The Lake on 7 July with eleven participants. The supply of bags in the boxes was held over during the school holidays and recommenced today. Some people are donating bags into the boxes and more are being sold.

Dune Care – The Goanna Track is in excellent condition at the moment. Recent working bees have focused on weed removal at the north end of the town area.

Playground Equipment – Bernie has posted photos of the equipment on Boganguardians with a very positive response from all participants. Bernie also provided an on-site briefing prior to the meeting.

Michael Armstrong Retirement – It was noted that Mr Armstrong will not be replaced on council until the next election. The implications for the local community were discussed, particularly in light of imminent elections for mayor.

Proposed Caravan Park – Following renewed community discussion on the possible purchase of the relevant area of crown land by council, several avenues of follow up have been explored. Councillor Longland has indicated by email to the secretary that no information had been made available to him re the purchase of the land. A telephone conversation between the president and Richard Adams from the council's Tweed Coast Holiday Parks Reserve Trust also suggested that no change in ownership had taken place or was planned for the immediate future. It was noted that, while the agenda and minutes for the Reserve Trust's meetings are published online, they contain no substantial information as all discussions are deemed to be confidential. It is therefore not possible to confirm any council action via that source. The meeting determined that the community should remain vigilant and conduct further investigation as opportunities arise.

DA14/0435 – The status of the DA on the council's website remains as 'Not Determined'. In June 2015 the applicant responded to ten issues concerning the DA. There is no evidence in the minutes of the DA having come before council's most recent Planning Committee meeting.

REPORTS:

1. **CEDC - Suzi Bourke** (summary of group reports) Reps from all the groups in Caba presented reports on their groups projects and position at the moment. Lions Club will be running a Greenback next year although on a smaller scale. CYS is trying to attract more 14+ year olds. Very good results so far. Room in Southern Cross Building available for short term rental if anyone needs an office intermittently. Sports Club and Charity Cup donated \$\$\$. A full program was run in the school holidays and got lots of under 13 year olds. Boxing weekend coming up. Next project = drug education / Parenting workshops. Discussion about vandalism in the area...latest attack is from out of town and "he" did a large area from us to Kingscliff. Other vandalism previously was

by over 20 year olds!!! The law for vandals caught is straight into penalties- there is no caution given. P & C Bogangar Public school Adam Andrewartha AGM new President Gary Payne, Vice President Adam Andrewartha Secretary Jodie Chadburn, Treasurer Kim Payne. Fete to be held November 27. Looking into their outdoor space and attended an Ice forum to gain more knowledge and would like to initiate one in the village with CYS and Sports Club. Resos put their hand up to assist. Caba Surf Life Saving Club Patrick Summer period saw a 50% increase in visitors. Bar steady over the autumn period and easter was good. Lots of interstate families joining Nippers etc. Long weekend in June (6,7,8) Festival of Beer. Tasting of 10 beers to guess brand. Prizes. The aim is to increase awareness of the range of specialty beers available and to draw people in for the long weekend which traditionally was the Greenback (see Lions report later) Looking at the 2nd stage of building over the gear shed. = \$500,000. Just bought a new tractor. Caba Curl is always looking for content so email Kerry via Patrick president@cabaslsc.org.au if you have an article. They are thinking about organising an Ocean Swim....would like more signature events in Caba. Peita Caba Creative/Curl Creative suggested they talk. Cabarita Sports and Bowls Club report: Nick Brabham Easter trade was very good. Looking at external development over the next 5 years. Good relationship with Woolies Caba Trails Main activity is to foster bush walking opportunities. Gary Bagnall was not keen on the range of trails the group has identified and preferred one trail to be targeted. This is the one from The main beach/ Cypress avenue alongside Cudgen Nature Reserve across Tweed Coast Road into the fire break north of Tamarind Ave - inland to lake edge and Green Chapel / Scout Camp and up to The Lake Cabarita restaurant. Needs signage, trail blazing, advertising. It was suggested they contact the new manger of the apartments in Tamarind who are very approachable. Trails deliberately do not seek funding or maintain a bank account. There is a new Plan of Management for Cudgen Nature Reserve being drawn up and they would hope to have some input.

2. Boomerang Bags Ros Buckpitt

3. Dune Care no report

4. Caba Creative – New team this year and good attendance at AGM. Aim is to run more frequent smaller workshops and events. Tie dyeing, cooking, boomerang bag bee. Under Curl Creative (Peita's company) a Creative and Vintage market is planned -to be held in Woolies car park- not dependent on weather. Also looking at creating a magazine/ small booklet about Caba like What's on. Carnivale in future may be run by Curl Creative and various tasks outsourced to the groups in town. e.g.. rests do application and paper work. *any other news?*

5. Caba Progressive – Projects underway - 1. Diamond Energy Solar lights = 100% non fossil fuel / wind & solar power Diamond Energy will give the community a battery recharge post in the Village Green if a certain number of residents and businesses change their supplier to the. A campaign will be launched soon. Sounds fabulous. (Hopefully details will be available at time of next meeting) 2. Magazine Guide to Caba. 3. Buyers group to be established for bulk purchases of things like recyclable coffee cups /bags 4. Village promotions /traders specials.They will continue to play a small role in Eco Carnivale and they manage the Community noticeboard- Dani has the key in Youandbamboo. Tony Mason does the advertising section and designs can be made by Steve Webb

6. Caba Trails – see report in CEDC above

7. Caba Community Garden – AGM saw a new committee started. President is Sandra Waugh 0266760805 waugh@hotkey.net.au

Despite planning to hold the meeting upstairs while the footy is shown at loud volumes downstairs, on this occasion the main area of the club was comparatively quiet and significantly warmer than the upstairs rooms. The club was happy to arrange an upstairs area. Their kind offer was declined.

Meeting closed 7.55pm.

Next meeting August 10 @ 7 pm