

**Buchan, Gelantipy and Districts Renewal Association (Incorporated)**

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| **Meeting Minutes – 28 February 2024** |
| **Venue**:  | Buchan Recreation Reserve |
| **Date**:  | 28 February 2024 |
| **Meeting** **time**  | 6.30 pm |
| **Committee in attendance:** | K Hodge, D Graham, S Freeman, S Davies, M McCole & Chris Cooper by phone |
| **Chairperson:** | K Hodge |
| **Council Representatives**: | N/A |
| **Guest/s:**  |  |
| **Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country** | *I would like to acknowledge the Gunaikurnai, Monero and Bidawel people who are the Traditional Custodians of the land that encompasses East Gippsland Shire. We pay our respects to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in East Gippsland, their Elders past and present and the Country we meet on today.* |
| **Agenda oVERVIEW – 6 MONTHLY FACE TO FACE REVIEW MEETING** |
| **#** | **AGENDA** | **LEAD** |
| **1.** | **Apologies**Donna MrazKirstie Pearce |  |
| **2.** | **Previous Minutes****Motion:** That Minutes of Meeting 4 December 2023 be accepted.**Moved:** Suzanne Davies **Seconded:** Margy McCole | **Kate** |
| **3.** | **OPERATIONAL REPORTS** * + - * Presidents Report
			* Resignation Anne Brewer – Kate read Anne’s resignation letter to the Committee.
			* IGEM Letter – Kate wrote to Tony Pearce asking why he didn’t come to Buchan. It was due to time constraints.
* Treasurer’s Report not available
* Admin & Project Officers Report – Projects that Susan has been working on are covered in the Agenda. Tiny Towns Grant for Gelantipy Hall kitchen installation/upgrade has been applied for.

**Motion:** Reports received and read.**Moved:** Suzanne Davies  **Seconded:** Chris Cooper | **Kate****Susan** |
| **4.** | John Hamilton – lessons/reflectionsJohn will come to Buchan and we can have a group chat or if individuals prefer he can do a one on one. On line interviews can also be organsied.Dates – Thursday 14, Friday 15 March and Monday 25 March, day time or evening.Chris advised that there are calf sales on Friday 15, people will be preparing for the sale on the 14th March. **Action:** Susan to speak to John and see if he still has availability for the March 25. | **Kate** |
| **5.** | Renewal Plan Community Consultation – closes Thursday 15* Anticipate Community consultation last week February
* Purpose – determine whether our priorities are still the same or have they changed due to the flood event/closure of the Caves Reserve.

Economic environment has changed.Speak to businesses, we recognise that you have been impacted due to the floods. We’ve now had 4 years of interrupted business.What do we do next and how.There are three consultants who quoted, Polis Planning, Happy Change Makers and Sieracon. Susan, Katie and Donald along with Eva Grunden from Council will evaluate the three. Susan is liaising with Eva Grunden to lock in a time for this. | **Kate/Susan** |
| **6.** | CRC\_LGA Events Funding – Proposed events for 2024* Community Consultation – food
* AGM – Family Fun Day
* Pop up Cinema night (daylight savings finishes 7/4)
* Event for Gelantipy & District
* Christmas Party

Discussion had around the AGM, potential to have that in the evening followed by a Pop Up Cinema night.East Gippsland Community Foundation (EGCF) manage the CRC\_LGA Events funding, this year the funding is all in one pot, not allocated to individual CRC’s. EGCF have requested CRC’s to prepare a calendar of events to help them forecast everyone’s funding needs. Calendar of events has been endorsed by Committee.**ACTION:** Susan to email EGCF with Calendar of Events. | **Kate** |
| **7.** | Proposed projectsWalking track – Rohan FlowerWalking tours – BBTA – may be able to get some funding through an arts grant.Dump Point – Donald emailed committee re the Dump Point location at the stand pipe. The Committee congratulated Donald on the email. Committee agreed that the email should be sent to Council as formal correspondence from the Committee.**Motion:** That Donald’s email be presented to Council.**Moved**: Chris Cooper **Seconded**: Susan FreemanPlay Space – discuss Item 9 Can’t assume we are going to get the funding, also need to get the community on board at that site.Uniting Church partnership/proposal There has been a commitment from the EGCF to fund the purchase of the uniting church. The EGCF will need a Letter of support from the Shire and a commitment from the Jane Davidson Trust (JDT) before they enter into an agreement.There will need to be community consultation to tie everything into a tourist precinct and playground.Donald asked if the JDT has a plan around managing the building ie. Insurance, rates etc. The JDT does have a plan. |  |
| **8.** | Projects in ProgressRecreation Reserve Redevelopment – Escalated lack of progress to Darren ChesterPony Club Shed – challenge how we scale and go from stage to stage. Ie once the changerooms come down. Need to get people on site with decision making capacity – CMA, EGSC, PRG.Kate has emailed Stuart – questioning – lack of confidence in progress. Ongoing complications and waste of money.Need to make other funding partners aware of the risks.**Motion:** BG&DRA write to the Minister highlighting the risks to the funding.**Moved:** Margy McCole **Seconded**: Donald Graham |  |
| **9.** | East Gippsland Community Foundation – Project PartnershipMichelle Dowsett has prepared two proposals for presentation to the Board* Uniting Church Precinct – discussed at Item 7
* Pony Club Shed

Discussed earlier in the Agenda. |  |
| **10.** | BG&DRA – fund contributions* Community Bus – Application has been made to the Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program for a Community Bus. FLTSP have requested a co contribution of $20,000 to $25,000. The BFNC have contributed $5,000.

**Motion:** BG&DRA privilege $15,000 toward a Community Bus. We recognise the contribution of the Buchan Football Netball club and are happy to endorse their ownership and management of the asset going forward.**Moved:** Suzanne Davies **Seconded:** Donald Graham.The Uniting Church Precinct plans are on hold, there is the potential EGCF to fund. |  |
|  | Goal – 2024* What are we going to do that is within our capacity?
* EGCF will only fund Buchan projects that Council are not involved in.
* What supports can EMV provide – write to them.
* NEMA – Brendan Moon, what can Federal Government do for us. Brendan is interested in how we are progressing. Do we lobby NEMA, it is not being covered by the State or Federal Gov. Get Darren Chester to lobby for us.

**Action:** Kate to touch base with Darren Chester’s office, how do we escalate this with NEMA Gov. Complex sites need additional support.Discussion on the need for additional committee members. Proposal to advertise in the Phoenix, as for nominations.Potential to approach individuals with particular skills for sub committees. |  |
| **13.** | **OTHER BUSINESS**AGM – Date to be set, need to change model rules as we didn’t get a quorum at the Special General Meeting. Potential to have the AGM prior to the movie night. Suggan Buggan forming a committee re communications. Where on our priorities is communications. Letter of Support. |  |
|  | **Next meeting: TBC**  |  |