

**JERRABOMBERRA RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION INC.
COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 19, 2010
MINUTES**

1. OPENING

JRA President, Kim Howatson, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. PRESENT

L. Edwards, D. Hope, K. Howatson, J. Hawkins, V. Steiner, A. Marshall, P. Marshall, D. French, B. Brown, S. Stefek, C. Pearson, E. Hedgley, D. Hedgley, J. Wee (Deanes Transit Group), C. Rees, J. Dillon, R. Parnell, N. Parnell, A. Dickie, N. Dickie, J. Gordon, N. Fallon, I. Wholohan, Cr. J. Barilaro.

3. APOLOGIES

D. Gordon, P. Henry, T. Rynne, M. Sachse, M. Croxford, M. Parnell, Cr T. Mavec, Cr. A Rocca, H & G Marchant, J. Wynd, J. Drew, V. Barger.

Proceedings were suspended and Jeremy Wee from Deanes Transit Group (DTG) addressed the meeting.

4. JEREMY WEE FROM DEANES TRANSIT GROUP (DTG)

JRA President, Kim Howatson, advised that the two main issues raised by our members were those pertaining to overcrowding on buses and the late arrival of buses to schools.

Jeremy Wee acknowledged that buses were currently overcrowded but stressed that all buses have a licensed seating and standing capacity and that this limit has never been exceeded.

Jeremy contributed the late arrival of buses to schools and the overcrowding issue on two main factors – roadworks and a change of computer systems at DTG.

One issue raised was that students were transferred from one bus to another by the side of the road and whilst Jeremy acknowledged that this has been done, he stressed that this was not the usual practice but had been done on one or two occasions for safety reasons.

Jeremy Wee stated that a bus survey was undertaken in 2004 and it was suggested that another survey be done. Jeremy advised that DTG were currently undertaking a timetable restructure and said a survey at this time could be beneficial.

With regard to buses over school holiday periods, Jeremy Wee advised that DTG have a school holiday concession pass which incorporates bus fare and discounted entry to certain movie theatres.

One question from the floor enquired where timetables could be accessed and Jeremy Wee stated that they could be picked up from the DTG office or accessed via their website www.deanestransitgroup.com.au It was

suggested that timetables could be placed at the Jerrabomberra Community Centre for easier access and Jeremy agreed that this would be a good idea.

Another concern raised was that buses were not arriving in Jerrabomberra on time and then students were arriving late to school. Jeremy Wee assured us that DTG would look into this matter.

A concern was raised that, on occasions, buses have been seen speeding in Jerrabomberra and on the Monaro Highway and cutting corners in Jerrabomberra. Jeremy said DTG take speeding very seriously and would speak with their drivers. Jeremy encouraged residents to report any incidence of a Deanes bus speeding or cutting corners. Complaints can be made on 6299-3722.

Jeremy Wee suggested that he would like to come back to us periodically and provide updates with regard to the issues raised above and it was agreed that this could prove beneficial.

Kim Howatson thanked Jeremy Wee for attending our meeting.

ACTIONS FOR JEREMY WEE: Timetables to community centre, check on the arrival of buses into Jerrabomberra, speak with drivers about speeding and cutting corners, provide the JRA with updates from time to time.

Standing Orders were resumed.

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion: That the minutes of the April meeting be accepted

Moved: Jon Hawkins **Seconded:** Lyn Edwards **Carried**

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 Kim Howatson was to organise someone from the Police to speak at our June Meeting – A Police representative will speak at our July meeting.

6.2 Kim Howatson was to contact Queanbeyan City Council (QCC) regarding the lack of community notification with Development Applications for Jerrabomberra Hotel extension and the Medical Centre – Kim has sent a letter to Council this week.

6.3 It was suggested that we write to political candidates as they are nominated – This is now underway.

7. CORRESPONDENCE – IN

A.Ananian-Cooper, CIA – Noise & flight path monitoring system report Q4'09

T.Overall, QCC – Quarterly meetings

L.Drake – Trail bikes

J.Martin-Wynd – Madew Oval

QCC Mayoral Message – April 29, 2010

M.Taylor, Palerang Shire – District Bulletin

A.Masterman – Community Aviation Cons. Groups – Draft guidelines

QCC Mayoral Message – April 22, 2010

N.McCann, CIA – Approved major development plan, western concourse

N.McCann, CIA – Canberra airport open day
M.Rolph – Business listing
QCC Mayoral Message – May 6, 2010
I.Richman – Traffic exiting Jerra
D.Keefe – Safety Audit meeting
F.Doan – Dentist for Jerra
N.McCann – Meeting Agenda 27/5/10; Parking arrangements for meeting
S.Crome – Local JP
K.Ineson – South Jerrabomberra
T & J Stephinson – Deanes Buslines
T. Mavec, QCC – Outdoor deck at Jerra Hotel
N.Nemec – Update on Stats for Jerra
QCC Mayoral Message – May 13, 2010
N.Fallon – Media Release – Jerra Youth Outreach service
NSW Dept. Planning – QCC residential & economic strategy 2031 Addendum
G & M Woodham – High school for Jerrabomberra
M.Kelly – Invitation to attend National Volunteers Week function
P.Moss, QCC – Safety Audit

8. CORRESPONDENCE – OUT

G.Chapman, QCC – JRA letter of support for medical centre in Jerrabomberra
L.Drake – Trail bikes
T.Overall, QCC – Quarterly meetings
J.Martin-Wynd – Madew Oval
JRA Media Release – New president for the JRA
Media article – Planned expansion at Canberra Airport
All members on email – Winter wine tasting; April Minutes; May Agenda
N & N Marsh – November wine tasting
M.Angelosante – November wine tasting
I.Richman – Traffic exiting Jerra
F.Doan – Dentist for Jerra
S.Crome – Local JP
R & L Symons – Lapsed Membership
N.Nemec – Update on stats for Jerra

9. TREASURER'S REPORT

JRA Treasurer, Tania Rynne, was absent from the meeting. Kim Howatson presented the Treasurer's Report.
Membership now stands at 292. Our bank balance is \$5,780-07.

Motion: That the Treasurer's Report is accepted

Moved: Lyn Edwards **Seconded:** Val Treverrow **Carried**

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Membership Renewals – Renewals will be sent out with the June Minutes towards the end of June/early July, 2010.

10.2 Queanbeyan City Council

10.2.1 Pedestrian & Mobility Plan (PAMP) – The priorities outlined in the

PAMP are good but it is unclear how it will be funded or the time-frame for the priorities to be completed.

10.2.2 Workshops & Community Meetings – Council will meet at Jerrabomberra twice a year and this was as a result of a notice of motion moved by Cr Tom Mavec. Kim Howatson thanked Cr Mavec for helping to make this happen. These meetings will be held at the Jerrabomberra Community Centre on Sept. 9 and a date in March, 2011. Council will meet with the JRA committee on June 10 and December 9.

10.2.3 Draft Management Plan – The JRA will be lodging a submission.

10.3 Safety and Security

10.3.1 NSW Police – A reduction in the number of break and enters for the month of May. 3 incidents of steal from motor vehicles and items stolen were wallets, cash and DVD's. Residents are reminded to lock your car when you leave it and hide any valuables and park in well lit areas. If anyone should hear any suspicious activity, contact Queanbeyan Police on 6298-0556 or call 000 if you see the offence.

10.3.2 Information Stall – Naomi Nemece from Queanbeyan Police has agreed to hold an information stall with the JRA on Friday May 28 outside Woolworths from 4pm – 6pm.

10.3.3 NSW Fire Brigade – There are a few areas interested in forming Community Fire Units and more information will be sent directly to homes backing onto bushland in the very near future.

10.3.4 Safety Audit – This was conducted at the small shops on Tuesday May 18 and Dwayne Keefe represented the JRA on the Night. Dwayne will report the outcomes to the JRA.

10.4 Community Bank

Brian Brown advised that there will be some announcements in the coming weeks. The prospectus is expected to be launched in July, 2010.

10.5 Lanyon Drive Traffic Delays

The JRA have written to Council seeking a solution. The JRA were told in March by Council they would look into the issue of traffic lights at the intersection of Lanyon and Tompsitt Drives. The JRA suggested that traffic lights could be installed on the southbound entry to the roundabout on Lanyon Drive.

10.6 National Volunteers Week

Federal Member for Eden-Monaro, Dr Mike Kelly, hosted a breakfast on Monday May 10 to honour local volunteers. JRA President, Kim Howatson, nominated Brian Brown, Margot Sachse, Lyn Edwards, David Hope and Dwayne Keefe to receive certificates.

10.7 Chronicle Article

Kim Howatson suggested that her next article focus on the Community Awareness Information stall with the Police on May 28.

10.8 Guest Speakers

June 16 Meeting Ken Ineson from Village Building Co.

July 21 Meeting Local area commander from Queanbeyan Police

August 18 Meeting Peter Hewson from Holcim (new owners of the Quarry)

11. OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 New Owners of the Quarry – Kim Howatson has spoken with Peter Hewson of Holcim – the new owners of the Quarry. Holcim are very keen to engage with the community including helping with special projects, and even conducting tours of the quarry for any interested parties.

With regard to special projects, Holcim are in a position to offer construction materials such as road base and concrete for free, including delivery, for community projects. Please contact Kim Howatson on 0413 135 310 for more details.

Vandalism and problems with trail bikes have arisen at the quarry – it is very dangerous to be on the quarry grounds without an escort, especially at night.

It was noted that a gate at the western end of the quarry is open. Holcim are keen to receive feedback about the quarry, particularly if there are concerns with works at the quarry.

Holcim support the construction of the Dunns Creek Road.

ACTION: Kim Howatson to contact Holcim to inform them of the open gate and arrange a tour of the quarry for JRA members.

11.2 Woolworths Carpark – There are still problems associated with this carpark, particularly where vehicles are exiting where it says 'no exit'. The carpark has been redesigned by the Local Traffic Committee and are awaiting Council to approach the owners to have the new design implemented.

ACTION: Kim to write to Council following up this matter.

As there was no further business, the meeting closed at 9.04pm.

The next meeting of the JRA will be held on June 16, 2010, at 7.30pm at the Jerrabomberra Community Centre and anyone is welcome to attend.

The special guest at our June meeting will be Ken Ineson from Village Building Company.