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Minutes - General Meeting

Thursday 7.48 pm, 25 November 2021

North Shore Community Centre

- 1. Opening Welcome to Attendees and Acknowledgment of Country
- 2. Attendance and apologies
- i. Attendance:

Greg Smith (SCAAN - Chair), Kathryn Hyman (TWWS – Zoom), Tony Barry (CaloundraRA), Maxwell Standish (MADCA), Mark Evans (ECN), Estelle Blair (C&NSCC), Trevor Rice (SCAAN), Reg Brine (TWWS), Brian Anker (DW), Michael Spicer (PFAF), Richard Dennis (SSCA), Keith Sweatman (YADCA), Michael Yeates (Assoc), Tony Philbrick (DW/Assoc), Brian Raison (DW), John Hare (PBCA/Assoc)

ii. **Apologies:** Narelle McCarthy (SCEC), Susie Chapman (MCG), Charles Toms (MRA), Jim Stewart (SCRS), Ken Mewburn (TAPP), Melva Hobson (MCG), Lesley Dimmock (FOB), Tracey Goodwin-MacDonald (MTAG), Lindsay Holt (BRLUP), Pam Rogowski (PLHS), Peter Baulch (YADCA), Ken Husband (LACA), Ken Leitch (LACA)

3. Declaration of interests

None declared

4. Minutes of the previous general meeting – 28 October 2021 (distributed via website).

4.1 Confirmation of minutes of 28 October 2021

That the Minutes be accepted as accurate. Moved Reg Brine, Seconded Estelle Blair Carried

4.2 Business arising from Minutes

(NB numbers in brackets relate to previous month's minutes)
(9.1(d)) (Sept OSCAR Minutes) Mass Transit Update – presentation to OSCAR by Cr Ted Hungerford

Cr Ted Hungerford gave a useful presentation to OSCAR representatives on 4 November. Cr Terry Landsberg also attended. It was noted that although strong community opposition to light rail was recorded in the SCRC meeting Minutes, due to an amendment, the Options Analysis Report forwarded to the State government was not amended to reflect the Councillors' motion.

Members noted that there have been a plethora of announcements, commitments and promises made over the years regarding a rail link to Maroochydore, and it was proposed that OSCAR seek clarification on what is actually proposed in view of the Olympics announcement.

Given that light rail does not appear to be supported by either State or Federal representatives, members suggested OSCAR develop a position and articulate it directly with Qld Minister for Transport. From a response received from SCRC (see below), it would not appear that SCRC is interested in exploring alternatives other than those in the Options Analysis Report.

5. Correspondence

Inwards (see website)

SCRC response to OSCAR's public transport presentation

^{*} Organisation Sunshine Coast Association of Residents Inc

Outwards (see website)

Letter to SCRC re OSCAR's public transport presentation

Media Release re Cr Law's Climate Emergency Declaration (CED) motion

Climate emergency letter to Councillors who indicated support for a CED in their candidate survey

Climate emergency letter to Councillors who did not respond to our candidate survey Climate emergency letter to SCRC Mayor who did not support a CED at the time of our survey

Letter to CEO and Councillors re Special Meeting on SCAP PDA request to QG Moved Greg Smith, seconded Estelle Blair, that the Outward correspondence be endorsed and the Inwards received. Carried.

5.1 Business arising from correspondence:

It was noted that, rather than declaring a Climate Emergency, the motion carried by Councillors only "...recognises that we are in a state of climate emergency and request the Chief Executive Officer to prepare an interim report on the progress of the Zero-net Emissions Plan and the Regional Climate Action Roadmap...".

The meeting expressed concern regarding the Special Meeting where Councillors considered and approved a request to the State Government to declare a PDA over the SCAP development precinct.

Moved Tony Barry, seconded Tony Philbrick that OSCAR write to QG Minister for Economic Development objecting to SCRC's request for a PDA declaration over the SCAP. Carried.

6. Financial Report

6.1 Treasurer's Report: See report provided to the meeting.

Moved Reg Brine, Seconded John Hare, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Carried

6.2 Accounts for payment:

Nil

7. Membership Report

7.1 New member applications

One Associate Member application received from Jo Justo

Moved Tony Philbrick, Seconded Brian Anker, that the above membership application be accepted. Carried

8. Member presentation

Nil

9. General Business

- 9.1 Standing Items:
 - (a) SC Airport Community Aviation Forum report:

Next meeting February 2022.

(b) Climate Conference 2022:

See report. OSCAR will keep a separate financial account for the conference. Several community groups, including ZEN, have expressed a willingness to be involved in some capacity.

(c) SEQCA and QLGRA:

See report. OSCAR will make a joint submission with the QLGRA to the OIA review.

(d) SCRC Transport Strategy Community Reference Group:

See discussion under 4.2. See correspondence regarding followup on OSCAR presentation to TRCRG.

(e) SCRC and Noosa Shire Councils Ordinary Meeting Reports:

See discussion under 5.1 re SCRC Special meeting on SCAP PDA and SCRC Ordinary Meeting Climate Emergency Motion.

(f) Update re Buddina Beachfront:

Nothing further to report.

(g) Twin Water West Appeal:

See report. Next Court review on 9 December 2021.

(h) Sekisui Appeal

Nothing further to report.

(i) Coolum West:

Nothing further to report.

(j) Current SCRC and Noosa Engagement activities:

Very little currently on exhibition

9.2 Working Groups – **Planning**, Climate Change, Local Government Reform, Drainage/Flooding (Maroochy North Shore), **Biosphere nomination**

SCRC is undertaking measurements of "heat sinks", eg. Paved carparks vs vegetated parks, to ascertain differences in temperature. This work could be used to inform PS proposals for increased housing density and lot size. Members discussed the need for creative design and in-depth analysis to ensure the Sunshine Coast remains "liveable" as climate change progresses.

The CRG for the Biosphere nomination has been reactivated now that the application has reached the UN. Next meeting 29 November. Three OSCAR members sit on this CRG (see report).

10 Other items from the floor

10.1 Discussion regarding recent proposed amendements to the PS 2014 noted that the Yandina amendment was rejected by Councillors at least partly due to YADCA members highlighting the lack of infrastructure available to support increased density via small-lot development. Council officers recommended against the Bli Bli amendment, but Councillors also sought local community views before voting against this. It is heartening that Councillors are engaging with the community on these issues.

Members considered there needs to be a nexus between additional development and adequate infrastructure particularly in underdeveloped rural areas. OSCAR and its member groups need to be heavily engaged in the upcoming PS 2024 consultation and lobby hard for LAPs that are responsive both to local character and amenity, and natural and built (or unbuilt) constraints.

Members also canvassed the desirability of a workshop/forum for member groups to share knowledge and expertise in how to communicate effectively with SCRC and QG, so that individual groups can take and coordinate action at a local level, rather than funnelling all activism through OSCAR.

11. Meeting date and location for next OSCAR Meeting

Next general meeting is scheduled for 27 January 2022, format TBA.

12 Close of meeting

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.