



(Incorporating Cascades Progress Association)

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President: Rosemary Sandford

Hon. Secretary: David Halse Rogers

**Minutes of a General Meeting held at The D'Arcy Street Community Hall
on Wednesday 11th June, 2014 at 7:30 pm.**

Chair: Dr. Rosemary Sandford.

Members Present: Lindsay Brinsdon, Phil Brown, David Halse Rogers, Elizabeth Green, Malcolm Saltmarsh, Rosemary Sandford, Margaret Wilmot, and Kevin Wilson.

Guests: Pete Smith, Director, *Heritage Tasmania*; Ester Guerzoni.

Apologies: Eight (8) members as per *Attendance Register*.

Minutes of April 2014 Meeting: Distributed previously by email. The Minutes were taken as read. The Minutes were duly approved. [Moved: Phil Brown; Seconded: Kevin Wilson; Passed.]

Standing Orders were suspended to enable a presentation on the amendments to the *Tasmanian Cultural Heritage Amendment Act, 2013*.

Speakers: Pete Smith: Director, *Heritage Tasmania*.
Ester Guerzoni, Senior Executive Officer (Secretariat).

The Director, Pete Smith, gave the Meeting an overview of the role and history of *Heritage Tasmania* (HT) and the Tasmanian Heritage legislation changes. Only 2% of applications have been refused in the past year. Aim is to work in with local councils. The organisation aims to connect with the local community. It is important to share stories and insights into the convict story and UNESCO recognition. HT provides a range of 'practice notes' for owners of heritage properties giving useful information into proper procedures to retain, reinstate and respect heritage structures. (For example: how to install modern services in heritage-listed buildings.) HT also produces a "coffee table" booklet – *Residential Solutions for historic homes*. HT also provides a monthly e-Newsletter. The intention (nowadays) is to visit owners' properties and have owners onsite. This results in fewer appeals to RMPAT.

Principal Changes to Legislation:

- “Aesthetic” criterion has been added to the list of reasons to enable a property to be considered for entry on the Register.
- Viewscapes (e.g: Glover’s house in West Hobart) now taken into account.
- Works applications now better aligned with the Land Use & Planning Act.
- **Councils responsible for “flagging”** a DA as requiring HT input (with the exception of HCC!).
- 35 day ‘turn around’ in processing applications.
- Prudent and feasible” condition added – owner/developer needs to justify proposal to HT.
- Streamlining of the whole process – whole of title (townships) or part of a boundary.
- **Easier to remove place from the Register** (formerly took 120 days for removal to be achieved).
- **Reapplication (including retrospective approval for demolition or alterations)** – HT now considers this a method to resolve conflict!!
- **“Cultural landscapes”** are NOT covered in the amended legislation.

Business arising from the Minutes:

1. Death of Leigh Briant: Kevin Wilson attended Leigh's funeral at St. Francis Xavier's Church to represent the Association. Leigh was a much-loved and valued member of the SHPA (Inc.) who was very generous with his time. The Association will send a letter of condolences to Monica and family. (A copy of the email from Elise Archer, Speaker of the Tasmanian House of Assembly will be forwarded to Monica.)

2. Renate Burgess: Flowers were sent to Renate at the *Hobart Private Hospital* during her recent stay for surgery. Renate was really pleased to receive the arrangement.

3. A History of South Hobart Project: Leave on Agenda.

3. Islington Private Hotel Change of Use to Unlisted Use (Guest House): Nothing to report.

4. Valentina Pavlovic: Once the Mathers return from overseas, it is hoped that a visit to her Hillborough Road home can be arranged. She is “bored, lonely and depressed” but still ‘on the ball’. Any member is welcome to visit her and is encouraged to do so.

5. South Hobart Residents’ Traffic Management Committee Report: Angela Moore is the new HCC Traffic Engineer. The Meeting discussed ‘concept issues’ for the shopping precinct. [Former Chief Traffic Engineer, Mark Broadley indicated to the Meeting that he considered the “B” Corner alterations to be “working well”.] Local residents may have a different opinion. Stoney Steps zoning issues were raised – residential amenity/traffic issues/bushfire mgt.

6. South Hobart Community Hall Committee Report: Cleanliness and heating

are two on-going concerns for the Committee and users alike. KW will follow up with the HCC.

Treasurer's Report:

Finances continue to be in a good position.

The Hon. Treasurer has suggested that the two term deposits be combined for ease of access and maintenance.

A motion was put to the Meeting: "that the Hon. Treasurer be instructed to arrange with the Association's banker, *MyState Financial*, for the two term deposits to be combined." [Put: DHR; Seconded: EBG; Approved.]

Correspondence:

In:

- HCC various
- CFFHS (Greta MacDonald) Minutes
- Advertising enquiries 6 emails/ 3 telephones

Out:

- HCC Various

A motion was put that the inward correspondence be received. [EBG; KW; Passed.]

A motion was put that the outward correspondence be endorsed. [PB; MW: Passed.]

Other Business:

1. Subdivision on Stoney Steps Road: Leave on Agenda.

2. Mt. Wellington Cableway Company: Leave on Agenda.

3. Community of Hobart Community Associations (CHCA): Leo Foley, President, CHCA, wants to build up the image and profile of the Association. He is thinking of supporting "background" organisations such as the Roland Browne's guns lobby. [Pru Bonham, in an email, opposes the idea, considering it possibly politicising the CHCA and being seen as inappropriate in a Council election year.]

4. Friends of Soldier's Memorial Avenue: the Association has sent a letter of congratulations to FOSMA to be forwarded to **Adrian Howard** on his recent recognition in the Queen's Birthday Awards.

5. HCC Archaeological Survey of former Cuthbertson's Tannery Site Weld/Wynyard Streets: This comprehensive Survey is available for downloading from the HCC website.

Meeting closed: 9:15 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday 9th July, 2014 at 7:30 pm.