



## Draft VRRRA-CCB Committee Meeting Minutes

**DATE:** 22 September 2022

**VENUE:** 14 Elizabeth Drive

**Meeting Started at 2:30 pm**

**Meeting Closed at 5:30 pm**



*I acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of country and their continuing connection to the land, culture, and community. I pay my respect to elder's past, present and future*

**Apologies** from Gavin Phillips and Louise Barwana

**Minutes from March VRRRA-CCB Committee Meeting**

by All

*Motion: That the draft minutes of the VRRRA-CCB Committee meeting held on 22 July 2022 be adopted  
Moved by Bo Pullinger Seconded by Roslyn Vickery - Resolved*

**Actions and Business arising** from the VRRRA-CCB 22 July 2022 Committee Meeting

- No action was discussed as all actions were covered in Agenda

**Secretary Report**

by Bob Pullinger

Snail mail – There was no snail mail received

Emails Register – Register was not available at the meeting; Bob undertook to have the register attached to the minutes

**Treasurers Report**

by Lou Casmiri

*Motion: That the statement of financial position and performance for the period ended on August 2022 be received*

*Moved by Roslyn Vickery seconded by Ken Buckley – Carried*

Lou reported that we are awaiting funds from Transport NSW in reference to a grant for the construction of a Bus Shelter in Bayswood. Lou also reported that the plan is that, on receipt of the money it will be transferred to SCC for them to perform community consultation about the location and for the construction of the shelter.

**B-Sub-Committees and Groups Reports**

**Plantation Point Playground Sails Project Update**

by Ken Buckley

Ken reported that there are still some delays in the construction and galvanising of the posts for connecting the shading sails and expects that it will all be resolved by mid-October with the aim to have the project completed before Christmas

**Vincentia Mall Project Update**

by Norm Vickery

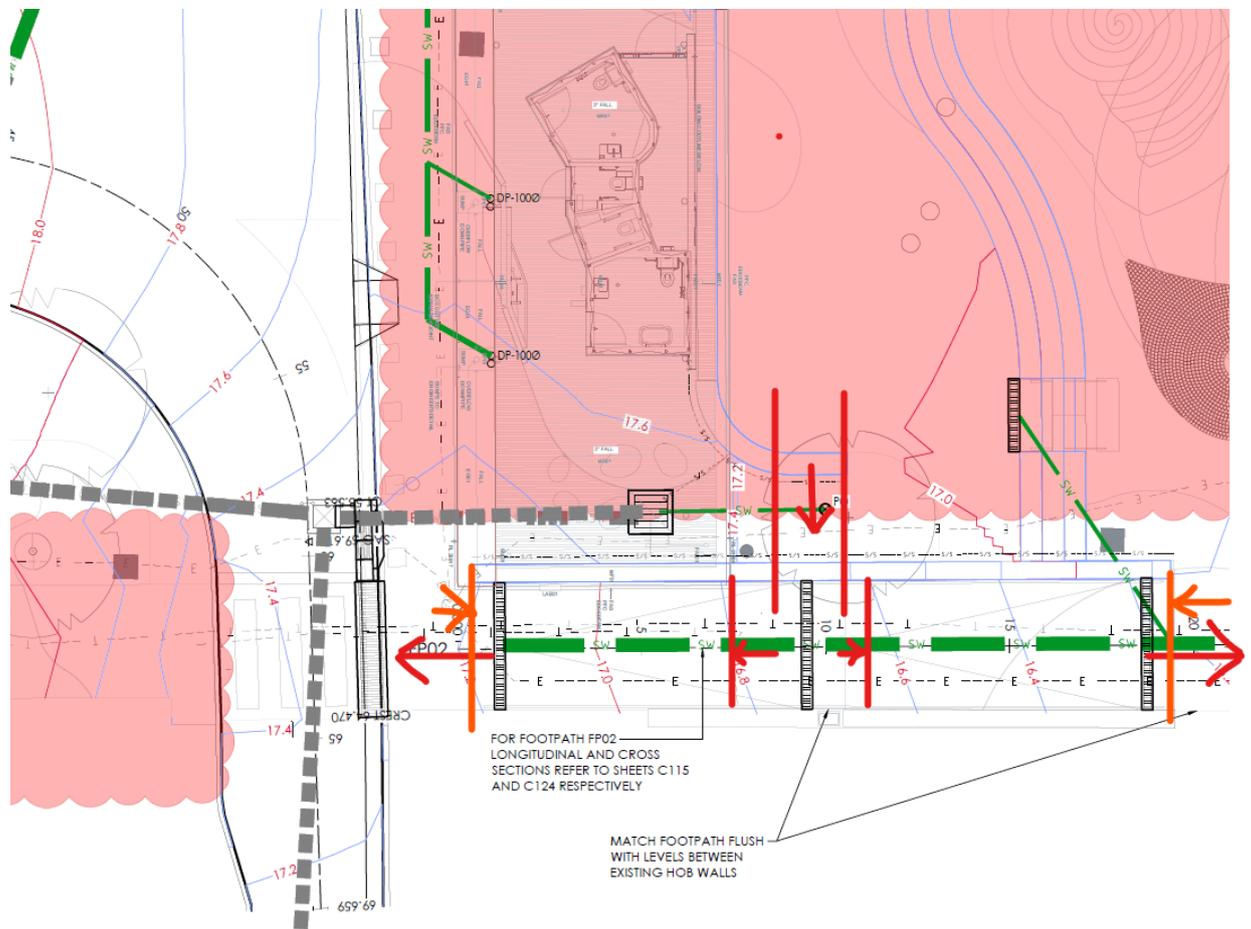
Norm commented on the levels in the proposed and his disappointment on the design to connect both sides of mall and referred to email from Matt Alder (SCC acting manager projects) stating.

*As discussed on Tuesday, I met with the Landscape Architects and Engineers on Wednesday and discussed the possibility of opening the connection to the ramp which we discussed.*

*In the discussion they confirmed it was not possible to make this connection without grossly going against the requirements of BCA deemed to satisfy (DtS) requirements and the disability discrimination Act (DDA), which, being an exempt development, we are required to be DtS. It is worth noting that both the BCA and DDA have changed immensely since the last time Burton Street Mall was built.*

*The addition of the ramp we discussed would require a flat landing area of around 2.5m wide (shown in red), this is not possible due to already being space constrained by the lines in orange and still meeting minimum ramp grades.*

To illustrate the point, Norm also referred to this image



In summary Norm undertook to keep the committee informed, especially in respect of the matters the community is particularly interested in, i.e.

Concerns expressed by Matthew about the cost have been addressed by Council finding the funds to pay for the increased costs.

The bottom section has now been resolved.

Access to bottom shops has been resolved.

Concerns have been raised in respect of little attention to the notice board.

Perry Winkle is still going in

Four new set of steps are going in to overcome the problems with the levels

VRRR can do very little because the project has been tendered

**Collingwood Beach Preservation Group and Coastal Management Program** by Bob Pullinger

Bob reported that the updates since the CBPG August Report are :

(A) Grant for Fencing and Vegetation

The work applying to the grant received under the CZMP for fencing and appropriate vegetation has been completed.

(B) CMP Update

- (i) Get Involved Flyers providing link to Council's Get Involved site have been installed at multiple points along the Shared User Path for those interested in participating in the Survey referred to in the Flyer. The flyer is attached.
- (ii) Council has advised it does not have the money nor intent to post out copies of the Get Involved Flyer to the stakeholders which the Council's Strategy Dept describes as "Ratepayers subject to hazard lines through or adjacent to their property".

Shoalhaven Council, along with many other Councils with Coast and Waterways as the prime attraction for tourism and the subsequent economic benefits continues to ignore Ratepayers with hazard lines and understand reaching out to Ratepayers at the cost of a postage stamp, to inform and invite feedback on the CMP, is a significant step forward with the CMP. The CMP is undoubtedly the most significant Legislative change ( Coastal

Reforms 2016) since the 1979 Coastal Regulations. A real pity Council cannot put itself in the shoes of ~~customers~~-ratepayers.

( C) Nelson’s Beach – Safety and Cliff Study

Water Technology (the Coastal Engineering Consultants for the Shoalhaven Open Coast CMP), advised at the public forum early in September 2022 the Cliff Study report being prepared by an independent Consultant is just being finalised and will need to be addressed in the CMP.

This may be of importance to the ratepayers and users of Nelsons Beach because no such study was done for the CZMP in 2018, thus no Local Area Actions included in the CZMP 2018. In particular, the concerns with the safety risks arising from vegetation in the Natural Areas. As eminent scientist Dr Howard Brady touched upon , beaches recover from storms and it’s normal to return to accretion mode, but cliffs, once lost, do not recover.

This is the first-time significant attention will be given to Nelsons Beach.

(D) Storm Water

Water Technology acknowledged the Footprint Storm water report of 2018 is the most current review of storm water and its consequences.

This report is often seen as an appraisal of the storm water infrastructure rather than emphasis on the Collection, Harvest and Discharge of storm water.

**The Delivery Program & Operational Plan (DPOPs) Update**

by Bob Pullinger

The meeting was informed the appropriate way to go forward with the DPOP update is to invite Jim Fraser (Corporate Reporting Manager “CRM” ) and Theo Prakash ( Bay and Basin Engineer “BABE” ) to the October meeting. Jim and Theo be requested to provide understanding on how the DPOP for 23/24 will proceed this year. In past years the process started with budget bids being tabled and discussed with the BABE in October / November and signed off by Directors in December. These bids formed the basis of the DPOP and ten-year capex which goes on exhibition in May. In extraordinary circumstances Council may make changes in response to submissions received from the public exhibition. Informal advice had been received the process would change over to a Get Involved page for 23/24 which might capture input from the community. It had also been indicated the Get Involved page would provide feedback on all projects approved during the DPOP process. The monitoring and status of the DPOP projects for Vincentia would be reported upon in the Vincentia Get Involved page. It is expected the starting point will be the 22/23 DPOP report received from CRM which reflected the DPOP’s submitted to Council with appropriate staff comments inserted – this report has already been circulated to all members

**Pathways, Connections and Blackspots**

by Gavin Phillips

Gavin was not able to attend the meeting, however the meeting was informed that, at this stage a response is awaited from Council on the Pathways and Connections projects, in particular the status of the request to Council to substitute the supposedly approved grant for Minerva Ave and Elizabeth Drive roundabout with a Pedestrian Refuge at Frederick St and Elizabeth Drive. The safety risks at Frederick St and Elizabeth Drive are to be brought to Council’s attention once again, along with other safety risks not being addressed by Council.

**Other Business**

- South coast food & wine festival - volunteering at stalls on Friday with reward of free ticket to Saturday's event" by Bob Pullinger  
Bob informed the meeting that members interested in volunteering are to contact Liz Tooley who is the facilitator for South Coast Food and Wine organisation.
- Guest Speaker for October General Meeting by Bob Pullinger

- It was proposed to invite Jim Fraser and Theo Prakash for the DPOP 23/24 and the Acting Commodore for the sailing club, Craig Hatton, to provide an understanding of the proposed Hobie World Championship in December/January.
- The guest speakers will be asked to make a 5minute presentation with a further 3 minutes to answer any questions.

### **Future Meeting start time**

**Please note that it was agreed that future General Meetings will be at the Vincentia Golf Club and start time will be 7:00pm**

#### **Workshop on VRRRA 2025 Strategic Plan**

by James Cowie

Actions listed below was discussed to some detail and agreed that best way forward was, for all committee members to complete the questions in page 1 and 2 of the Workshop Doc (attached to this minutes) and return to James by Friday the 30 September.

Action # 1 Formalise the definition of the VRRRA's Purpose

Action # 2 is to define and agree on who is the VRRRA's Community?

Action # 3 is the definition of VRRRA's Future Vision?

Action # 4 Clarify the alignment of the two (VRRRA-CCB) groups

Action #6 Right model for a New Group Going Forward.

Discussion took place on the appropriate name for the model of the VRRRA vision going forward ( Action #6). Vincentia Town Team seemed to be a favoured option. The idea of securing this name for the VRRRA by paying the fee to register and reserve this name was not supported as appropriate at this point of time.