Redcliffs Residents Association

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30pm on 6 Oct 14 at the Redcliffs Community Shed

1. Present: Peter Crowe (Chair), Pat McIntosh (Sec), Peter Croft, Fletcher Stanton, Allan

Boucher

Apologies: Chris Doudney, Grant Bargrove Absent:

Welcome: Debbie Noonan, Chris Bartlett

2. Declaration of interest - none

3. Minutes The minutes of the committee meeting of 1 Sep 14 were formally moved and accepted.

- 4. Deputations/submissions/petitions none
- 5. Notice of motions none
- 6. Correspondence in: covered in subcommittee reports.

 Correspondence out: the Chairman wrote to Neville Dell of the Community Shed thanking them for letting the committee meet in their facility and offering a donation when the financial situation permitted.
- 7. Finance no change since last meeting
- 8. Reports of sub-committees:

Coastal Pathway Beachville Road section—Pat reported that there had been a workshop organized by the planners at which a number of interested parties were present but there was limited time to peruse and discuss the detailed proposals and no outcome had yet been communicated. The report of the public consultations had been requested from the planners and confirmed the committee's impression that the submissions from the local coastal residents group (54 people) had not been taken into account. These were a number of errors in the consultation process which called into question its credibility in respect of the local area. This had been drawn to the attention of planner Eric Hennephof and a request made to be involved in the detailed design at this stage. The committee was asked to support these further representations and agreed.

Redcliffs Pavilion – Peter Crowe reported on a meeting at the pavilion attended by himself, Pat and Peter Croft. This was organized by the local Councillors and attended by Yani, Paul, various members of council staff and representatives of the Community Shed, to inspect the premises and discuss the fate of the building. It was agreed that repair should be technically feasible and Council is to look into the question of ownership and arrange an engineering report.

Neighbourhood Fun Day 2 November – Fletcher is organizing BBQ equipment and sponsorship for this. Mitre 10, Fulton Hogan and South City New World are helping with sponsorship and provisions.

Action: Fletcher

Newsletter – Allan reported that contributions are needed by the end of this week for the next edition, and there was a general feeling that the newsletter should be more comprehensive and should be used to inform residents about the range of activities undertaken by the RRA, as well as inviting involvement.

Website – it was agreed to look into the provision of an updated and more capable and comprehensive website for the benefit of the local residents and businesses of Redcliffs. Allan to liaise with Chris Bartlett for technical support and advice.

Action: Allan

Main Road Master Plan – Peter Croft reported on a meeting with the local councillors Yani Johanson and Paul Lonsdale, along with the Chairman and Secretary, which he called to discuss serious concerns regarding aspects of the MRMP which might adversely impact on the village, in particular the proposals around removing car parking spaces that are currently used by patrons of the small businesses. The view was put forward that this was unnecessary as the road currently complied with all standards, and the needs of the residents should prevail over the proposed widening of the roading width and footpath. The councillors were receptive to this view and agreed to hold further discussion with the panel members and planners.

9. General business

Peter Croft and Pat asked the Chairman to add the planning issues to general business ahead of the less urgent items of business to do with long-term strategy. There was further discussion.

MRMP - a letter is to be sent to the local area councillors , with copy to the Community Board to follow up on this meeting, asking for detailed SCIRT plans related to roading and parking .

Action: Peter Croft and Sec

There was a feeling that it was time the local paper should be alerted to the lack of response by planners to the numerous local submissions to the various planning processes and those aspects of the plans which were locally contentious. The secretary asked committee members to consider writing to the Bay Harbour News also.

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Fletcher raised the issue of possible membership subscriptions, wishing to inform the committee that the Sumner and Mount Pleasant organisations had produced leaflets asking for subscriptions but had only attracted a response in single figures, barely paying for the cost of production of the leaflets.

Pat reported briefly on a meeting of the Chairman and Secretary with Arohanui-Grace, the Council Strengthening Communities Advisor for this area. She was very willing to assist the RRA with facilitation and advice on funding. It was proposed to ask the Council for a grant towards funding the administration of the RRA.

Discussion of aims and purposes of the RRA was deferred to a future meeting.

10. Next committee meeting at 7.30pm on Mon 3 Nov 2104 at the Redcliffs Community Shed.