Redcliffs Residents Association

Minutes of the Committee meeting held at 7.30pm on 8 June 2015 at the Redcliffs Community Shed

1. Present: Chris Doudney (Chair), Pat McIntosh, David Bryce, Fletcher Stanton, Chris Bartlett, Peter Croft,

Apologies: Peter Crowe, Darren Fidler Absent: Allan Boucher, Grant Bargrove

Welcome: Tuula Rapley and Jan McLauchlan (Redcliffs Library)

- 2. Declaration of interest. None.
- 3. Minutes. The minutes of the meeting of 4 May 2015 were moved by Fletcher Stanton, seconded by Pat McIntosh, and accepted.
- 4. Deputations. Tuula Rapley and Jan McLauchlan presented the current status of the plans for the rebuild of Redcliffs Public Library. A Council request for responses regarding interest in the use of the proposed community facilities has been circulated to local groups. At present the design group is waiting for the final brief and Council is reported to be very supportive, with a decision expected on 1st July. The Committee and the library representatives discussed the plans, with a suggestion to try to take into consideration previous local plans as far as possible in the current design. The Committee expressed its wholehearted support for the rebuild and felt they would use the community facility themselves for meetings. The pressing need for wifi and facilities for young people was recognised by the Library and supported by the Committee, who resolved that Chris Doudney would contact Shupayi Mpunga to arrange a meeting to discuss RRA input to the plans. **Action Chris D**
- 5. Notice of motions. None.
- 6. Correspondence in: Tony Lewis, local resident, contacted the RRA with three matters of concern the bins left in the middle of the widened pavement in Main Road, the lack of public toilets in the village and the entrance to Barnett Park. The Secretary has written to the Council about the bins and received a suitable reply from Fulton Hogan that the work has now been added to the scope of works and will be addressed soon. The secretary will contact the Ross Herrett to ask whether there are plans to reinstate the public toilets in Barnett Park. The Committee noted the other emails received from Paul Lonsdale and Islay Macleod.

Correspondence out: none

- 7. Finance. In the absence of the Treasurer the Chairman reported that the grant moneys had been received.
- 8. Reports of sub-committees:

a. *CCC*, *Coastal pathway*, *Sea wall*. Nothing new to report regarding the Coastal Pathway. Chris D reported that he has contacted most of the affected landowners in Beachville Road and Main Road who have private sea defences and emailed Eric Banks at Council, who is awaiting a report from Ecan engineers about design considerations for repairs.

- b. *Main Road Master Plan, SCIRT.* Peter Croft reported that Ross Herrett is to look for money from the budget to incorporate marked thresholds for the village.
- c. *Community Pavilion, newsletter, community and social events, fundraising.* Chris D. has been reporting on a series of meetings with Lee Butcher, Council project manager to progress the Pavilion repair. This seems likely to have a suitable budget and continues to make progress.

The secretary has been to a council meeting about making funding applications and information sheets are on file. Although current funds are healthy, Fletcher was asked to continue to take responsibility for future applications and to look at possible social events.

d. *Website, email, communications*. Chris B. Reported that the email list has been transferred to Campaign Monitor and the latest newsletter successfully sent out. This vehicle enables the sender to receive feedback on whether and when the emails are received and read. A number of addresses proved incorrect and the list will need to be updated using the new website. Chris also updated the committee on the new website which is now at the stage of needing structure and content. RRA committee members were encouraged to have input at this stage.

Action – all committee members

- 9. General business.
 - a. Redcliffs library discussed earlier.
 - b. Environment Group Sub-Committee. The Committee resolved to create a new sub-committee concerned with local environmental matters, to be chaired by David Bryce. Peter Croft then suggested that the RRA write to the council to ask about their plans for landscaping once the works in Main Road are completed. He pointed out that in the past he had provided flowers and enhancements which had later been removed. He also mentioned that the cleaning of the gutters was entirely inadequate. He agreed to draft a letter to Council on these matters and forward it to the Secretary.

Action -Peter Croft, Sec

- c. Proposal for monthly meetings of community groups in the Shed carried forward to the next meeting.
- d. Noticeboard. Fletcher will discuss details of this with the Shed.
- 10. Next committee meeting at 7.30pm on 6th July 2015 at the Redcliffs Community Shed