

# MEETING MINUTES

## DENDROBIUM COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE

LOCATION:	Mount Kembla Public School and Microsoft Teams / Teleconference
DATE:	17 March 2021, 6.00pm
ATTENDEES:	<p>Mike Archer, Independent Chairperson (MA)  Amanda Blunt, Illawarra Metallurgical Coal Representative (ABI)  Alexandra Szalla, Illawarra Metallurgical Coal Representative (AS)  Craig Hicks, Community Representative (CH)  Alex Beccari, Community Representative (AB)  Tony Morris, Community Representative (TM)  Shane Boladeras, Illawarra Coal Metallurgical Representative (SB)  Maria MacDonald, Mount Kembla Public School Principal (Guest – MM)  Ainsley Larosa, Mount Kembla Public School Teacher (Guest – AL)</p>
APOLOGIES:	<p>Emma Ivic, Community Representative (EI)  Franca Facci, Community Representative (FF)  Darren Nicholls, Community Representative (DN)</p>

1	AGENDA
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome and Apologies</li> <li>• Acknowledgement of Country</li> <li>• Presentation from Mount Kembla Public School - Maria MacDonald (Principal), Ainsley Larosa (Teacher)</li> <li>• Acceptance of last meeting minutes (February 2021)</li> <li>• Review actions from previous meeting minutes</li> <li>• New Applications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Mount Kembla Public School – school hall</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Future projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Wollongong Council meeting progress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ryan Park progress update</li> <li>▪ Western Suburbs Pool [progress update]</li> <li>▪ Infrastructure Delivery Program alignment feedback</li> <li>▪ Feedback on suggested projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mount Kembla Oval Toilets</li> <li>• Town entrance signage</li> <li>• Cordeaux Road to Avon Parade staircase</li> <li>• Road verge weeds</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Wollongong City Council next meeting 19 May 2021, 4pm</li> </ul> </li> <li>• General Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Proposed 2021 meeting dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wednesday, 19 May 2021</li> <li>▪ Wednesday, 21 July 2021</li> <li>▪ Wednesday, 15 September 2021</li> <li>▪ Wednesday, 17 November 2021</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Next Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Wednesday, 19 May 2021</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

2	<i>WELCOME / APOLOGIES</i>
	MA welcomed all attendees to the meeting. MA noted apologies received from DN, EI and FF. MA provided an Acknowledgement of Country. MA thanked MM for hosting the meeting in the school library and for the opportunity to view first-hand the recent, and very impressive, DCEP-funded improvements to the library.
3	<i>GUEST PRESENTATION – MOUNT KEMBLA PUBLIC SCHOOL</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MM of Mount Kembla Public School presented the Committee on a funding application or the construction of a hall at the school that would be built at the current netball courts.</li> <li>• The School was successful in receiving a grant from The Department of Education as part of its Regional Renewal Program. The Department of Education is providing 60% of the funding for the hall, with the School contributing 40%.</li> <li>• The School had raised the majority of the 40% of funds, however were \$15,000 short. The school is requesting the \$15,000 from the Dendrobium Community Enhancement Program.</li> <li>• The Committee were pleased to hear of the School's success and questioned the scope of works, including the facilities that would be contained within the Hall. MM noted that the Department of Education was managing the project and is yet to provide the scope of works. This would be shared as soon as it was made available. The Hall would provide the school and the wider community a space to hold functions including award ceremonies, elections and end of year productions, as well as after school care facilities and activities such as Karate and dance classes.</li> </ul>
4	<i>PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES</i>
	Minutes from meeting held 3 February 2021 were approved. Moved CH; 2nd ABI.
5	<i>NEW APPLICATIONS</i>
	<p><b>New applications:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>Mount Kembla Public School – School Hall</u>  An application from Mount Kembla Public School requesting \$15,000 toward the School Hall was presented. The application included the construction of a Hall to support the school community as well as the wider community as a space to hold events and activities. The School was successful in raising the majority of the funds needed (\$600,000). The Committee discussed this application, noting that while the scope of works was pending, the Hall would further add to the School and community facilities. ABI noted the supporting documentation (scope and quotes) would be required before the donation could be formally approved by the South32 compliance process.   The Committee expressed the requested amount was a very small portion of the total cost and it would encourage future applications for the fit out of the Hall as required.   The DCEC endorsed, in principle, a \$15,000 donation to the Mount Kembla Public School – School Hall.</li> </ol> <p><b>Action: ABI to notify the Mount Kembla Public School of the outcome and complete the South32 compliance process (once a scope of works/quotes is provided).</b></p>
6	<i>FUTURE PROJECTS</i>

#### Wollongong City Council (WCC) meeting progress

MA discussed the continual meetings with WCC and the progress on several projects.

ABI provided the Committee with an update on specific projects discussed in the last meeting with WCC:

- Ryan Park construction is slightly delayed. Works will commence in late-April
- Western Suburbs Pool shade will be installed in the off-season over winter

ABI advised WCC of the suggested activities outlined in the Infrastructure Delivery Program where the DCEC could align its support:

- Western Suburbs Preschool Kitchen
- Figtree Community Hall Amenities
- Unanderra Community Centre Roof
- Multipurpose Criterium Track
- Derribong Drive Reserve Playground
- Figtree Oval

Feedback on projects suggested by the DCEC:

- Mount Kembla Oval Toilets will potentially have a pilot opening soon.
- Town entrance signage will be looked at as part of wider LGA standardised suburb signage. The DCEP could discuss an artwork to accompany the signage in Mount Kembla.
- Cordeaux Road to Avon Parade staircase remains under investigation.
- Road verge weeds could potentially be managed by the Parks Team.

ABI noted the next meeting with WCC will be held on 19 May 2021.

TM noted that the DCEP should ensure to work alongside WCC rather than taking over projects that should be funded by WCC. ABI commented that the role of this partnership was to provide enhancements to projects already proposed by WCC that are within the scope of the DCEP.

#### Kembla Heights Bowling Club

ABI advised that she met with the Kembla Heights Bowling Club. The Club is preparing an application for funding of a bowling green refurbishment.

#### Woronora Plateau Gundangara Elders Council

ABI advised that she met with the Woronora Plateau Gundangara Elders Council after the last Committee meeting. The Committee's concerns were provided and the stage approach to the tour was discussed which included:

1. Commence the catchment visits for Elders and Aboriginal school children, including from Figtree, Unanderra and Mount Kembla where possible
2. Create education resources of stories in the catchment
3. Create commercial tourism business

It was noted the Project would require support from Water NSW for access into the Catchment and quotes for transport buses as part of any application.

	<p>ABI advised the Committee an updated Community Investment Application Form would be available shortly. Minor changes include additional questions regarding anti-corruption and compliance. The form will be available for distribution at the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Meeting dates for 2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting dates were agreed with the Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wednesday, 19 May 2021</li> <li>- Wednesday, 21 July 2021</li> <li>- Wednesday, 15 September 2021</li> <li>- Wednesday, 17 November 2021</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>8</b>	<b><i>ACTIONS</i></b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ABI to notify the Mount Kembla Public School of the outcome and complete the South32 compliance process (once a scope of works/quotes is provided).</li> </ul>
<b>9</b>	<b><i>CLOSE OF MEETING</i></b>
	<p>Close of meeting at 6.37pm.</p> <p>Next Meeting: Wednesday 19 May 2021, commencing 6.00pm</p>