

Community Resilience Committee Minutes April 17

Meeting Details:

Date/Time: 17th April 2017 at 10:30am
Location: Wye River SLSC
Agenda: A Draft Agenda was distributed to invitees on 30th March 2017
Chair: Diane Sisley
Attendees: Diane Sisley, Joanne Tyler, Debra Hocking, Roy Moriarty, Paul Greene, Mark Stokes (by phone), David Lang for Geoff Quinn (KRA)
Apologies: Geoff Quinn, Ian Angus

Welcome:

Diane opened the inaugural community controlled CRC meeting by welcoming all attendees, distributing and outlining the agenda and then inviting those with other agenda items to raise them as other business.

Terms of Reference Discussion:

This committee will have a similar Terms of Reference to the original CRC. Changes would be associated with the committee having the aim of building a resilient community inclusive of the Kennett River community; and bring this broader community together so that it could speak with one voice to government, organisations within government such as the Colac Otway Shire, and others about matters to do with recovery and renewal following the 2015 – 2106 bushfire. A review of the Terms of Reference and the Committee's future will be conducted in 12 months.

The Committee will be called "Wye, Sep, Kennett Community Resilience Committee" and that it would consist of members from the Wye River Surf Club, CFA, Wye Progress Association, Kennett River Association, and independent community representatives that were not aligned with any group or association. Government and Agency representatives will be invited to attend as appropriate.

Roy Moriarty advised that Andrew Hack would be joining the Committee as a CFA representative.

Election of Co-Chairs:

Diane Sisley and Joanne Tyler were nominated and accepted.

Meeting times, minutes and locations:

It was decided that initially meetings would be held in Wye River on a monthly basis at weekends. Minute taking would be on a rotational basis.

Reports from COS and state agencies:

There are 25 initiatives in the Renewal Plan. Progress against these will be monitored at CRC meetings over the next 12 months.

The committee will write to COS to confirm that their point of contact with the CRC is Gareth Smith.

Reports to Minister Neville and Leadership Group:

Quarterly reports are to be sent to the Minister as per the Renewal Plan

Reports from CRC Work Groups:

Work Groups will continue with their current membership. Reports on the achievement of activities and emerging issues would be required and an invitation was also to be made for Kennett River's involvement. This was to be made through a KRA expression of interest.

Community Meetings:

Timing of meetings will be based on matters of community interest. The use of the Wye-Sep Connect website will be supported, particularly with regard to distributing information to the community.

Meeting with COS Councillors:

The CRC will continue to build an understanding of issues and plans with councillors. It is also seeking to lobby councillors with respect to making input into the "Four Year Council" plan. The suggestion was that this would best be achieved by inviting councillors to Wye River. Geoff Quinn (KRA) will research a potential visit by councillors to Kennett and inform Diane. The CRC email account was to be used for correspondence.

Meetings with Deputy Secretary DELWP:

As from Friday 21st April monthly meetings would be held with the Deputy Secretary DELWP, Lee Miezis. This would be an opportunity to continue highlighting issues and lobby as appropriate

Submission to COS draft Construction, Traffic and Environment Management Plan:

Due 1st May – Planning, Building and Fire Work Group will respond for CRC.

Other Business:

John Ginivan has played a major role in oversight of the recovery effort, and development of the Renewal Plan. John has left DELWP, and the CRC expressed its gratitude for his efforts.

Minister Neville will join women of the community who were involved in the initial Recovery Group, CRC, its Work Groups and Community Volunteers for lunch at the Wye River Hotel on June 2. CRC to organise.

CRC will prepare a response to EMV discussion paper on Resilient Recovery, given its importance to future relief and recovery efforts across Victoria.

It was noted that community membership of Wye to Wongarra Landcare will support revegetation and weed control initiatives.

Next meeting:

Sat May 13, 10am, Wye River SLSC

