Community Resilience Committee

Minutes Meeting # 6 Date: 18 June 2016 Time: 1.00pm to 3.45pm Location: Wye River SLSC



Attendees: Cr Frank Buchanan (Co-Chair); Dr Diane Sisely (Co-Chair);; Deb Hocking; Joanne Tyler; Dr Mark Stokes; Roy Moriarty.

Apologies: Ian Angus; Sue Wilkinson, Colac Otway CEO; Craig Lapsley, Emergency Management Commissioner; Paul Greene.

Ex officio: Sandra Wade, GM Bushfire Recovery, Colac-Otway Shire; Clare Malone Co-ordinator Bushfire Community Recovery, Colac Otway Shire; Peter van Lambaart, EMV, WRSC Resettlement Program Manager.

Other Attendees: Andrew Morrow, Acting Assistant Chief Fire Officer, Barwon South West, DELW.P

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Outcome (Responsibility)
1 Welcome & Apologies	The Co-Chair, Diane Sisely welcomed attendees.	
	The CRC noted apologies from Paul Greene, Ian Angus, Sue Wilkinson and Craig Lapsley.	
2 Confirmation of Previous	The minutes from the 5 June 2016 CRC meeting were confirmed.	COS to follow-up with Paul Greene to find out if he has emailed Sarah
Minutes & Review of Action Items	The Action Items were reviewed with the CRC noting that they were either complete, in progress or included on the Agenda for discussion.	Henderson to determine the status and timing of the NBN roll-out.
3 Neighborhood Cluster Discussions	Diane welcomed Andrew Morrow to speak with the CRC about the upcoming Neighborhood Cluster discussions.	
	Andrew referred to a 2 page document emailed to the CRC by Peter Galvin on Friday and distributed copies of the cluster map. He explained that 8 clusters have been identified and the intention is to hold 4 cluster discussions on 8-9 July and 15-16 July, the dates for which will be posted on WyeSep Connect. The discussions will be attended by relevant experts such as Kevin Tolhurst. Clare Malone advised that COS would also assist by sending individual letters advising of the details of the cluster discussions.	COS to post cluster discussion meeting dates on WyeSep Connect.
	Andrew invited suggestions on how the discussions could be packaged and whether other topics relevant to neighborhood clusters such as wastewater should be included.	
	The CRC agreed that general information about vegetation regeneration and land stabilisation should be made available, including advice in relation to the effectiveness of hydro mulching.	

	The CRC discussed the need for information on what vegetation is regenerating, what are weeds and suitable fire retardant pants. COS advised that a Landscaping for Bushfire booklet is currently in development which will include fire prevention advice for property owners, a list of recommended native species to plant and landscape garden designs for properties.	
	There was discussion in relation to waste water management options and options that were developed at a recent waste water workshop.	COS to check that the waste water options that were identified at workshop is on WyeSep Connect.
	Mark Stokes raised the option of a 60mm pipe and pumping station and inquired as to the status of consideration of this.	EMV to follow up and advise of the status of work on the option of a 60mm pipe and pumping station.
	There was discussion in relation to the need to eliminate things that cannot happen and focus on those that can.	
	The CRC discussed the need for a calendar of all meetings. While it is not necessary for CRC members to attend all meetings, a calendar would be helpful to ensure that they can input where necessary.	COS to prepare a calendar of meetings.
	Debra Hocking suggested that it would be useful to advise those at the cluster discussions of the new CRC email discussion forum when available. In addition, seek feedback from them on what accommodation needs might be during the rebuilding process and what they would like to see in terms of commemoration events.	Andrew Morrow to prepare dot points for the CRC on what will be
	The issue of whether individual water tanks will be required for each property for fire safety purposes was raised. It was noted that this and issues such as Fireguard should be discussed as a part of the cluster discussions.	discussed and the information to be provided which will then be posted on WyeSep Connect.
	The CRC also agreed parts of the community not physically impacted should be included in the discussions.	CRC to provide outcomes of Community Vision Workshop to Andrew Morrow.
4 Updates	Powercor	
	EMV advised that Powercor were on site yesterday and will shortly confirm proposed dates for works in Karingal and pole transformer works in Durimbil.	
	EMV also advised they are preparing a Fact Sheet explaining the steps for customers to request re-connection which will be posted on WyeSep Connect.	
	Telstra	

	The CRC discussed the recent outage and whether it was a local or state issue.	EMV to investigate and advise if the recent outage was a local or state issue.
	Landslips, drainage and retaining walls	
	The CRC noted that information on the options available for the retaining walls on public land and how people can vote on their preference is currently on WyeSep Connect.	
	COS advised that responsibility for drainage management is currently transitioning back to COS and that COS is seeking funding assistance from the State Government for further drainage works.	
	EMV advised that they are in discussions with COS about how to deal with immediate landslip risks noting that there is an Incident Control process that has been put in place.	
5 Replacement Eighth Community Representative	The CRC discussed the process for replacing Andrew Dunn who has resigned from his position as a community representative due to work commitments.	
	It was agreed that it will be important for the person that is selected to be aware that it is a major time commitment and requires computer skills and other skills relevant to the work of the committee.	
	It was agreed that expressions of interest should be sought from interested members of the community.	COS to prepare a Form seeking nominations from interested members of the community highlighting the criteria and principles for selection.
6 Determining Our Future Community Workshop	The CRC discussed the Determining Our Future Community Workshop and agreed that it had been a successful day with great community participation.	
	The CRC also discussed the next steps in terms of posting the data collected online in a format which will provide an opportunity for those who were unable to attend to participate in this important community planning process and for those who did to validate the documented outcomes.	As soon as practicable, CRC to arrange an online rating system for the Community Values, what needs to be available to create that value and ideas about what community members would like to see in the community vision. This information will then used to prepare the draft Vision and guiding principles on which the CRC will then invite further community feedback.
7 Work Groups	Each of the Chairs provided an update on the activities of their Work Groups noting that the minutes of each meeting are being posted on WyeSep Connect.	
	<u>Community Connection and Wellbeing</u> - Debra Hocking explained that the Spirit Foundation funds will be allocated the following week. It was	

noted that information in relation to this will be posted on WyeSep Connect.	
Debra also advised that the Work Group is looking at a process for the equitable distribution of the community firewood and that Peter Jacobs has offered to assist with this.	COS to draft thankyou letter to Grocon on behalf of the Co-Chairs.
She also explained that management of the Big 4 cabin funded by the Lions Clubs for temporary accommodation and another cabin that may be available will be consolidated and COS will take responsibility for this through the Bushfire Recovery Information Centre.	EMV to provide information on their sign-off process for the clean-up of individual properties and the need to have this information available for the cluster discussions.
Debra also explained that Peter Jacobs is arranging a Farewell Event for Grocon scheduled for 1.30 pm Friday 24 June and that he had requested her to advise the CRC.	
The CRC agreed to send Grocon a thankyou letter acknowledging the good work they have done. There was also discussion in relation to the sign-off process for the clean-up of individual properties and the need to have this information available for the cluster discussions.	
<u>Planning, Building and Fire</u> – Diane Sisely advised that the Work Group had its first meeting on 9 June and has 3 additional members bringing the membership up to 10. At the meeting the Group considered what the current short and long term priorities should be and identified these as being; drainage, retaining walls, waste water and roads and the neighborhood cluster discussions. She also advised that John Mealia will be attending the next meeting on 23 June to discuss the work of the Expert Panel.	
Flora, Fauna and Beachscape – Joanne Tyler advised that the Work Group met on 3 June and have the next meeting scheduled for Friday 24 June. At the first meeting the Group discussed a range of matters including: approaches to revegetation following township wide tree removal; the Groups priority activities and how will they evaluate success; weed management; the playground workshop and the Wye River extraction pipe.	COS to draft thankyou letter to Rex Brown and Yvonne Sheppard on behalf of the Co-Chairs.
Joanne noted the success of the Weed Workshop co-ordinated by the Wye Weed Warriors held on Sunday 12 June which more than 45 people attended.	
The CRC agreed to prepare a thankyou letter to Rex Brown and Yvonne Sheppard for arranging the event.	
Business and Tourism – In Paul Greene's absence Clare Malone advised that the Work Group met on 3 June and discussed a range of	

	matters including: the role of the Work Group and support from COA and RDV; two proposals for the Great Ocean Road Economic and Community Recovery Fund - \$60,000 for a Wye River 3 Peaks and Club to Pub Run and \$175,000 for an economic development grant for an integrated suite of initiatives aimed at stimulating tourism in the Wye River and nearby villages and ideas and opportunities for projects. The co-ordination of the Work Groups was discussed noting that it has been agreed that they will be supported as appropriate by the relevant lead agency and this will include the provision of secretariat support. It was agreed however, that to ensure there is no duplication of work across the groups it would be helpful to have someone with oversight of the work of all groups and agreed that Clare Malone would be the most appropriate co-ordination point.	Clare Malone to advise all Work Groups to provide her with the copies of meeting agendas, meeting minutes and meeting date details. The CRC ratified Amanda Surrey as an additional member of the Business and Tourism Work Group.
8 Community Information	Timetable of Activities Going Forward	
	Peter van Laambart advised that as agreed at the last meeting he has prepared and distributed a Gant chart and powerpoint to CRC members outlining activities moving forward to inform future communications approaches.	Timetable of Activities Going Forward and future communications to be discussed at next meeting.
	WyeSep Connect Activity Report	COS to provide electronic copies of WyeSep Connect Activity Report as they become available.
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9 Other Business	Debra Hocking advised that Big 4 Cabin owners do not appear to receiving any information in relation to bushfire recovery.	COS to discuss with Big 4 how to most effectively communicate with cabin owners.
	There was discussion in relation to Fluker posts. Roy Moriarty advised of a similar initiative in Lorne where there is a walk with photo points along the beach opposite the hospital.	Fluker posts and other such initiatives to be discussed by the Flora, Fauna and Beachscape Work Group.
	Peter van Laambart noted that a 6x6 Design Exhibition will be arranged for Melbourne following today's Wye River event and the date is yet to be finalised.	
	Co-Chair Arrangements	
	The CRC noted that the following Co-Chair arrangements have been agreed by the majority of CRC members out of session, noting the	

	The CRC Co-Chair arrangements expire in mid June and to ensure leadership continuity, community representation and to keep momentum::	
	The CRC Co -Chair arrangements will continue as the ongoing leadership governance for the CRC.	
	The Co-Chairs will continue to be Cr Frank Buchanan and Diane Sisely until the next election as per the CRC terms of reference	The agreed dot points will be actioned immediately to ensure continuity of leadership and the on going governance structure of the CRC will be
	The CRC terms of reference will modified to reflect the Co- Chair arrangements.	amended accordingly.
10 Next Meeting	1pm, Sunday 24 July	