Agenda

Annual General Meeting No1 - 2022

DBRRA
Donnybrook Balingup
Ratepayers & Residents Association Inc

Meeting held 7.00pm on 2nd June 2022 at The Donnybrook Cuntry Club

1. PRESENT

Brad Fowler, Angelo Logiudice, Neville Fry, Siân Blackledge, Allan Coxall, Don Hyland, Michelle Fowler, Colin Sharp, Chris Sharp, Shane Sercombe, Steve Woods, Mark Giles, Sandra Hough, Enrico Logiudice, Victor Piscioneri, Brian O'Hare

Guest: SP Cr Leanne Wringe, Julie Wilson

APOLOGIES Bernice O'Connell, Clive Purcell, Annette Johnston, Peta Morgan, Larry

Morgan, Barry Green, John Bailey, Deric Chapman, Desne Chapman, Karren

Connor, Simon Mc Innes

2. MEETING OPENED

7.05pm

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE INAUGURAL MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

Minutes of the INAUGURAL DBRRA MEETING held on 01/06/2021 at the Donnybrook Country Club.

Were read and accepted as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED All

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

5. PRESIDENTS REPORT

MOVED Michelle Fowler

I would like to thank all the executive members for their help over the past 12 months. Particularly ex Vice President Fred Mills, Lisa Glover, and Secretary Shane Sercombe. I would also like to thank our DBRRA members that work behind the scenes, constantly gathering information for DBRRA.

The last 12 months has seen our association grow considerably with new members signing up regularly. DBRRA membership now stands at around 150.

SECONDED Alan Coxall

The aim of our association is to ask questions of the council and the administration and to keep the community informed of council decisions and resolutions.

Achievements:

- DBRRA held three community meetings: Donnybrook, Balingup and Yabberup. All meetings were well attended, although the Yabberup meeting was somewhat crashed by the Donnybrook Football Club and the Atherton family.
- DBRRA petitioned for an Electors meeting regarding the VC Mitchell Park Sporting Precinct.
 However, the meeting did not go as planned and most members walked out due to no
 questions being allowed from the floor and only questions from electors not their
 representative group DBRRA. This may have led to the downfall of the previous president.

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- Ongoing: The Executive and DBRRA members have been attending council meetings to ask
 questions. They have also been trying to have more community engagement in council
 decisions. I must say that the existing council have a reluctance to engage with DBRRA and
 still consider DBRRA to be a bunch of disgruntled ex councilors.
- The VC Mitchell Park Project is still ongoing. DBRRA conducted a community survey with over 450 respondents. A detailed breakdown can be found on the DBRRA website.
- DBRRA has been calling for live streaming of council meetings, so far, we have voice recording and are hopeful that video live streaming will be coming soon. [Looking like September]. All in the name of open and accountable governance.

Regretfully, due to my poor health I will be standing aside as president although I will continue to support DBRRA from the sidelines.

Brad Fowler Inaugural President

MOVED Angelo Logiudice

SECONDED Alan Coxall

CARRIED All

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6. TREASURES REPORT - N Fry

Donnybrook Balingup Ratepayers & Residents Association Inc Treasurer's report for 25-May 2021 to 31- May 2022

	Income	Expense
Donations from 11 people	\$4,097.35	
Income from membership	\$1,520.27	
Bank Interest	\$0.18	
Room hire		\$330.10
Stationery: Paper, ink etc		\$73.83
Replacement TV: to replace one broken at Balingup meeting		\$966.00
Software: most is for 2 years licence		\$1,841.41
Licence fees: for incorporation of association		\$128.00
Bank Fees: Token & fees		\$22.30
Advertising: Donnybrook Balingup community radio & Web hosting		\$249.00
Total Income	\$5,617.80	
Total Expenditure		\$3,610.64
Operating Surplus	\$2,007.16	
Compiled by Neville Fry 2-6-2022		

MOVED Angelo Logiudice

SECONDED Victor Piscioneri

CARRIED All

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7. ELECTION OF OFFICE HOLDERS

All positions declared vacant.

Executive Committee Positions 2 Year Term from AGM:

Position	Name	Nominated by	Seconded by	
Acting President	Brad Fowler	Don Hyland	Alan Coxall	Temporary
Vice President	Angelo Logiudice	Brad Fowler	Siân Blackledge	Carried
Secretary	Siân Blackledge Neville Fry Angelo Logiudice C		Carried	
Treasurer	Neville Fry	Siân Blackledge	Michelle Fowler	Carried

Committee Positions 1 Year Term from AGM:

Committee	Name	Nominated by	Seconded by	
1	Don Hyland	Brad Fowler	Angelo Logiudice	Carried
2	Alan Coxall	Enrico Logiudice	Chris Sharp	Carried
3	Stephen Woods	Siân Blackledge	Don Hyland	Carried
4	Enrico Logiudice	Michelle Fowler	Shane Sercombe	Carried
5	Vacant			

8. MOTION OF NOTICE - SETTING OF MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership Schedule

12 Month Membership	Resident – Non-Ratepayer	\$20	1 Vote
12 Month Membership	Ratepayer - Individual	\$20	1 Vote
12 Month Membership	Ratepayer - Household	\$30	2 Votes

Members must be over 18 years of age and a Ratepayer or Resident of SoDB.

Each individual is allowed only 1 Vote.

Current SoDB Elected Members are unable to become members.

Membership starts from date of approval by committee.

Committee reserves the right to refuse any membership.

Members to declare any Conflicts of Interest.

MOVED Angelo Logiudice SECONDED Neville Fry CARRIED All

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9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Tender documents for VC Mitchell Park Project released 02/06/2022
- EOI called for use of Egan Park Sporting Complex building non-sports and non-government groups
- Review/revisit original reason behind DBRRA formation. The purpose is set in the Constitution. Bureaucracy is rampant in all levels of government. VC Mitchell Park precinct is still an ongoing issue as it is tied to rate rises and therefore there is angst amongst resident and ratepayers. Background including the stakeholders group presented by President; issues around the conduct of various people in the community; the process of the whole concept from the beginning including feasibility studies, management plans, business plans and the information that is being provided to the councillors. The problems that exist within the Shire itself are one of the reasons behind the formation of DBRRA high turnover of staff, increasing cost of employees, rate increases, the lack of due diligence by councillors, the information being given to the councillors to make their decisions, maintenance of assets including roads, bridges and buildings.
- Where to from here? How can DBRRA assist the community in their dealings with the council? How can DBRRA assist the councillors in their role? How can DBRRA assist community groups in their dealings with the shire.
- VC Mitchell Park is still a big issue for many in the community as ratepayers will end up paying any shortfall.
- Polls and DBRRA surveys are a good tool for information gathering.
- Community consultation and transparency is a key point for the Shire President.
- Shire President would like to encourage community members to attend agenda meetings to gain an understanding of the items being raised and can therefore question the councillors prior to the OCM.
- Rate rises are a major concern for many in the community.
- The reason behind the rate rises i.e., justification for any decision made.
- The use of loans is a big issue especially for a sporting group.
- How can DBRRA assist the Historical Society to find a home of their own.
- The shire has had a major shift from council run shire to an executive governed one. Paradigm shift how can DBRRA help the community find a balance. The Shire has become top heavy in management with an abusive imbedded culture.
- Threats that are coming from within the council and it is being controlled by the CEO.
- The dissemination of information to the community a monthly newsletter. The lack of knowledge within the wider community to what is going on.
- Better inclusion of members for information sharing. (More DBRRA member Meetings)
- Membership drive?
- Engage with ratepayers and residents so DBRRA can then advocate on their behalf to council.
- Space for comments on the monthly newsletter and suggestion boxes.
- The problem with upper management and how it provides information to both councillors and the general public.

10. MEETING CLOSED

9.18pm