

**MINUTES OF THE GUNGAHLIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
PUBLIC MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2003**

**PRESENT:** As per attendance sheet.

**APOLOGIES:** Shirley Goodall, Kevin Cox, Elsie Sparks.

The President, Barry Dee, welcomed people to the meeting. Roslyn Dundas from the Australian Democrats and Tony Gill, Director, Roads ACT, were present to speak to the meeting.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Due to an insufficient quorum at the June meeting, the May Minutes were unable to be accepted at that time. They were circulated to the meeting.

**MOTION 1:** That the Minutes of the Public Meeting of 14 May, 2003, be accepted.

**Proposed:** Barry Dee    **Seconded:** Roma Hosking    **CARRIED**

The Minutes of the June meeting were also circulated.

**MOTION 2:** That the Minutes of the Public Meeting of 11 June, 2003, be accepted.

**Proposed:** Barry Dee    **Seconded:** Jonathon Reynolds    **CARRIED**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Barry Dee tabled the Treasurer's Report.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Barry Dee had sent out numerous letters as agreed in previous Motions. A letter was received from Lloyd Walker, advising of his resignation as the GCC Liaison Officer with Planning and Land Management. Barry moved a motion of thanks to Lloyd for his work and said that his resignation was accepted with regret.

**ACTION 1:** Roma Hosking agreed to check whether the re-constituted PALM still have this position.

**NEW AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION:**

The amended Constitution was distributed prior to the meeting to all interested persons to enable them to read through and propose any amendments. John Simsons suggested that the use of the term "Executive Committee" was a tautology and either word, but not both, should be used. The issue of what is a member was discussed. The minor amendments were noted:

12.1 – replace "Executive Committee" with "Committee"

- 12.3 – replace “Executive council” with “Ordinary Members of the Council”  
4 – replace “each member of the Executive Committee” with “each member of the Committee”  
5 – replace “Executive Committee” with “Committee”

**MOTION 3:** That the amended Constitution (prior to the above amendments) be accepted.

**Proposed:** Lloyd Walker      **Seconded:** Roma Hosking      **CARRIED**

**GUEST SPEAKER – Roslyn Dundas, Australian Democrats and Member of Legislative Assembly**

Roslyn apologised for being unwell and thanked the GCC for allowing her to speak to the meeting. She outlined what the Democrats have tried to achieve for Gungahlin by speaking up on our behalf, but agreed that the Government was not really listening. She addressed the issues of transport, planning, the environmental, and communication services, none of which have been well planned for Gungahlin. Roslyn felt that the community and Council needed to be consulted on all issues, but that the consulting hadn't been done effectively to date, and it didn't help that none of the politicians lived in Gungahlin.

Roslyn welcomed questions and some of the issues raised involved debate around:

- the Gungahlin Drive Extension
- lack of lighting on the skate-park and other public areas
- infrastructure being put in my developers and not the Government
- Action Buses, Light Rail, and other forms of transport
- the need for a dedicated public transport route/system
- the lack of a Year 12 college – now pushed out to 2007 or longer
- lack of employment in Gungahlin whilst the area around the airport grows rapidly
- slowness and short-sightedness of the ACT Government in the employment issue
- telecommunications infrastructure (substandard)
- recycling of grey water should be instituted
- the urbanisation of Stromlo to the detriment of Gungahlin

Roslyn agreed that the political will to address these issues is lacking, and meaningful community consultation is needed; she agreed to continue to remind the Government to move projects for Gungahlin forward, and to suggest to the ACT Government that it holds back on with the development of Stromlo until Gungahlin is completed.

Roslyn thanked the meeting for allowing her to speak and said she will keep in touch with the GCC. Barry Dee thanked her for her attendance and for discussing the above issues at this public meeting.

**GUEST SPEAKER – Tony Gill, Director, Roads ACT**

Tony thanked the meeting for allowing him to make his presentation. Barry Dee reminded people that Tony was not responsible for the decisions that had been made by the National Capital Authority and the ACT Government, and his presentation was to provide an update. The eastern alignment for the GDE has been announced, which would only be about 400 meters longer than the western alignment, but would have some small impact on Bruce and O'Connor Ridges. Tony provided maps clearly outlining the route now proposed by the ACT Government and that which the NCA had suggested. The cost for the ultimate works is projected to be \$97 million. Tony described what will be involved with each of the stages and

the targeted milestones until the GDE opens in June 2006. He welcomed questions which covered the following:

- the layout of the Glenloch Interchange
- the dangerous Gundaroo Road / Barton Highway/ William Slim round-a-bout (nothing budgeted – traffic lights were ruled out)
- duplication of Gundaroo / William Slim (not in any of the projected works)
- speed limits on the new GDE (80kph)
- the average cost of accidents (\$50K per incident)
- Valley Way (which progresses nowhere)
- the fact that the opening of Anthony Rolfe Rd hasn't greatly lessened the traffic along Hibberson St **CORRECT MY SPELLINGS PLEASE**

Many of the above issues are of great concern to the community. Tony suggested that a written approach to the Minister (Simon Corbell) should be made in the first instance.

Barry thanked Tony for agreeing to speak to the meeting and for his interesting update. Tony said that he enjoys attending our meetings.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Ian Ruecroft expressed community concerns about the future development within the Town Centre and about the remarkable lack of planning for parking within new developments. It seems that there is a different building code for Gungahlin, which allows less spaces than for other Town Centres, and even that is not being adhered to. This will cause problems in the future and needs to be addressed now before the problems become chronic. The following motion was put forward:

**MOTION 4:** That the Gungahlin community has concerns about future development issues within the Gungahlin town Centre and requests the GCC Executive to take action to highlight the issue of parking within the area bounded by Gundaroo Rd (to the North and West); the Gungahlin grasslands (to the south) and the Flemington Rd alignment (to the east). This area should be considered as being within walking distance of the Town Centre and any development (commercial and/or domestic) should have adequate parking, recreation and public facilities.

**Proposed:** Renee Olsen      **Seconded:** Ian Ruecroft      **CARRIED**

Barry Dee asked that people complete a form to become a member of the Gungahlin Community Council, if they had not already done so.

The meeting ended at 9.45p.m.

The next GCC Public Meeting will be held on 13 August, 2003. This will be the Annual General Meeting. **SHOULD THERE BE A NOTICE PUT OUT ABOUT THIS?**

## MOTIONS CARRIED FORWARD

Motion No.	Motion	Proposer	Seconders	Status
1-9/7/03	That the Minutes of the Public Meeting of 14 May, 2003, be accepted.	Barry Dee	Roma Hosking	
1-9/7/03	That the Minutes of the Public Meeting of 11 June, 2003, be accepted.	Barry Dee	Jonathon Reynolds	
1-9/7/03	That the amended Constitution (prior to amendments listed in the Minutes of 9/7/03) be accepted.	Lloyd Walker	Roma Hosking	
1-9/7/03	That the Gungahlin community has concerns about future development issues within the Gungahlin town Centre and requests the GCC Executive to take action to highlight the issue of parking within the area bounded by Gundaroo Rd (to the North and West); the Gungahlin grasslands (to the south) and the Flemington Rd alignment (to the east). This area should be considered as being within walking distance of the Town Centre and any development (commercial and/or domestic) should have adequate parking, recreation and public facilities.	Renee Olsen	Ian Ruecroft	
Nil motions passed at 11/6/03 meeting due to insufficient numbers to constitute a quorum.				
<b>Incomplete motion actions brought forward</b>				
2-12/2/03	Barry Dee will prepare letter of support to be sent on behalf of the Gungahlin Community Council to the Weston, Tuggeranong and Woden Community Councils. The content will be discussed with the Gungahlin Community Council Executive prior to sending.	Roma Hosking	Lloyd Walker	In train
5-12/2/03	That the Gungahlin Community Council write to the ACT Treasurer and Minister for Business, Ted Quinlan, and ask that Gungahlin be looked at for the next allocation of offices from Civic to this area provided the Govt revises its focus around the airport precinct which at present is to the detriment of Gungahlin. Done	Jonathon Reynolds	Peter Coggan	In train

## ACTIONS CARRIED FORWARD

No.	Motion	Actionee
1-9/7/03	Roma Hosking agreed to check whether the re-constituted PALM still have this position.	

1-9/4/03	Ask Minister Corbell how many letters he had received, and for the comments made in the letters regarding the Town Square option.
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