MINUTES 1/6/22	GENERAL MEETING, BALINGUP PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC		
Meeting opened	4 pm		
Present	Helen Christensen, Karyn Conner, Jackie Massey, Gary Hodge, Geoff McMullen, Jodie Hornum, Wendy Trow, Katrin Menard, Beth Chia, Joe Taylor. Visitor: Leanne Wringe		
Apologies	Katherine Thorgersen, Janine Milton, Roz Benson, Ric Thomas, Noelene King, Pat Ridley, Deb & Brian Vanallen.		
New business	Air BnB's. Query on Shire Policy for operation of Air BnB's. It was advised new legislation coming through and will provide more regulation. BPA will wait for new legislation to consider position.	J.Massey	
	 FRRR Grant. See Action Items for background. A small group has drafted a program for an event to be held 18-20 August, focussing on: Four Seasons performance by Australian Baroque orchestra Artist in Residence, Health & Wellbeing & Drought Resilience programs. W.Trow and G.Hodge are finalizing negotiations with FRRR. 	W.Trow/ G.Hodge	
	Balingup Skate Park. Beth Chia has contacted the Shire re the deteriorating condition of the skate park - the surface is rusting and it is becoming dangerous. The Shire advise they have included it in the 22/23 budget requests for consideration. Beth is also investigating options to expand/rebuild the skate park – possibly including a small all-ages pump track. The meeting agreed this was a worthwhile project however it will need external funding. Beth to arrange an on-site meeting with the Shire. Anyone interested should contact Beth.	B.Chia	
	 Balingup Townscape. Shire has advised that: 2021/22 Townscape project funding acquittal date is 31 August. Shire acknowledges some projects may not be finished and may need to be 'rolled over'. BTC to submit a report. 2022/23 projects. Shire could not support BTC works associated with the Rothery Walk bridge and pathway due to concerns with volunteer and public safety and the consequent liability. Shire will meet the BTC to identify exactly what is required and find a way forward. 	H.Christensen	
	Water Pipeline . Valmec have completed construction on the 17 kilometre pipeline between Mullalyup and Kirup (Warren Blackwood Water Supply Scheme).	Information	
	Shire Community Grants Funding Scheme (CGFS). Opened 1st May 2022 & closes 4.30pm 24th June 2022. Community Grants — up to \$2,000	All	
	 Events – up to \$2,000 Results announced August/September 2022. Contact the Shire for details (or check their website) 		
	Community Information & Social Centre. Use of the Balingup Recreation Centre as a Community Information and Social Centre is still being progressed. Once BADSA has confirmed, the Shire will write to NBN and request that the pop-up internet be activated when the CISC is activated	W.Trow	

	(currently, it can only be activated if an Evacuation Centre is set up).	
	W.Trow is also working with the Shire to provide a generator.	W.Trow
	Satellite Phone. This is stored in the Fire Shed and the Acting CESM	
	(Linden Edward) is meeting with W.Trow to develop a procedure.	W.Trow
	Telstra Mobile Tower – Battery Backup . The Shire has been progressing this on behalf of BPA. Telstra has advised:	
	The batteries at Balingup are still within normal life cycle standards	
	• the current reserves are approximately 4 hours at the mobile site and 6 hours reserve to the exchange.	
	There are currently no plans or funding to upgrade these batteries, noting also that the exchange batteries are less than 2 years old.	
	Balingup is not on the list to receive STAND funding and Telstra are not sure if there will be further funding for future rounds of STAND.	
	The meeting agreed that we should ask the Shire to request Telstra consider Balingup for STAND funding (if a third round becomes available).	
	Cluster Developments. W.Trow advised that, as a result of a presentation she gave at a Transition Towns workshop on 29 th May, the Department of Planning & Land Heritage (DPLH) representative advised that she has been appointed as the WAPC representative for Donnybrook-Balingup area and	W.Trow
	is keen to help us develop a template for Cluster Developments/Tiny Homes/ alternative housing. She advised that, when the Shire has its meeting with the Balingup community to discuss the Local Planning Scheme, she would like to attend and help us to develop a model that would cut through some of the red tape. This information has been shared with the Chira. This is a consequition development.	
	with the Shire. This is a very exciting development!	W.Trow
	Carnivale Volunteers. Carnivale will be held 27 th August. One day event. Anyone interested in volunteering, please contact Wendy Trow trowwendy8@gmail.com . Free entry offered to anyone who volunteers for 2 hours or more.	W.How
	Polingum Program Association III Christonese advised that DDA was	Information
	Balingup Progress Association. H.Christensen advised that BPA was formed in June 1905!!!	
		H.Christensen
	Balingup Catchment Group. MOTION – Balingup Catchment Group's bank account be closed, and the funds be moved to the BPA operating account and held as per other umbrella groups for future BPA projects.	
	Moved- Helen Christensen, Seconded- Wendy Trow, Carried	W.Trow
	Local Road Issues . The meeting discussed 40kph speed signs in the main street and delay in completion of Jayes Road (signs left on verge pose hazard). W.Trow to investigate and liaise with Shire.	
Report on action items	Ongoing (tabled) Complete (tabled)	Chair Chair
Correspondence list	Incoming/Outgoing (tabled) Annex B	Secretary

Correspondence list accepted and received	Moved Jodie Hornum Seconded Geoff McMullen	Carried Y
Other meetings/groups	None	Secretary
Confirmation of minutes from previous meeting on 4/5/2022	Amendments N Moved Helen Christensen Seconded Jackie Massey	Carried Y
Treasurer's report and accounts for payment	(tabled) Accounts for payments – Post Box \$49.00, Reimburse stationery \$62.95 BPA OPERATING ACCOUNT INCLUDES AMOUNTS HELD FOR: Memorial Grant \$260 Men in Sheds \$400 Avenue of Honour \$756	.00
Treasurer's report accepted and accounts approved for payment	Amendments N Moved Jackie Massey Seconded Geoff McMullen	Carried Y
Business arising from previous minutes (Annex A)	Energy Usage talk Bus Shelter	
Reminders		,
Meeting closed	5.13 pm	
Next meeting date/time	Wednesday 6 th July at 6pm	

as of 26/5/22	ACTION LIST, BALINGUP PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC		
ITEM MEETING DATE PERSON RESPONSIBLE	ACTION	STATUS	
Future meetings June 22/W.Trow	Some requests have been received to have a later meeting start time. It was agreed that 'winter meetings' be held on the first Wednesday of the month at 6pm.	COMPLETE	
Alan Rothery Walk June22/ H.Christensen	W.Trow has written to the Shire requesting that the Alan Rothery Walk bridge and path be submitted as the Balingup Collaborative funding bid. She also mentioned support of the GVTP plan to create walk from town to park along Bibbulum Track. Townscape Committee to meet with Shire to discuss what is needed.	ONGOING	
Bibbulmun Track . May 22/ W.Trow	The Bibbulmun Track 25 th Anniversary Celebrations - Monday, 7 August 2023. W.Trow has agreed to liaise direct with the event organizers. The school is interested in participating. To be followed up closer to the time.	COMPLETE	
Scarecrow Project May 22/D.Vanallen	D.Vanallen will liaise with R.Benson.	ONGOING	
Mining Tenement. Apr 2022 R. Wright	 W.Trow has written to: Department of Mines asking to be notified immediately if any company submits an application to commence on ground work. The Shire (with a copy of the above letter) requesting BPA be kept informed. Note: Shire has acknowledged receipt and confirmed they will keep BPA informed if any approaches are made. 	COMPLETE	
Balingup Rail Group	Minutes of BRG meeting have been provided to BPA and are available on request.	ONGOING	
Community Arts Space Mar 22 (J.Massey)	Jackie Massey and team are currently investigating possible expansion into the empty cafe space (former Taste of Balingup).	ONGOING	
Energy Usage talk Mar 22 (W.Trow)	W.Trow has arranged for a talk to be given (by Jim Dixon). The meeting agreed this should be held on a Sunday morning in June or July.	ONGOING	
Catering Supplies. Mar 22 (W.Trow/ J.Milton)	Plan is to combine stocks of SFFD, Carnivale and BPA catering supplies and store in Town Hall. Awaiting progress on Town Hall lease.	ONGOING	
Road Safety. Feb 22 M. Staffa	M.Staffa has spoken to the Shire and plans to speak to MRD and Police. As of 4/5 will be booking an appointment with Government Office of the Deputy Road Safety Commissioner, and arranging for Traffic Road Side Surveillance machines in place in the town-site.	ONGOING	
FRRR Grant Feb 22 W.Trow	Event was planned to be run by SFFD Committee on 30 th July 2022 using funds secured from a FRRR grant. The SFFD committee decided not to accept the grant and FRRR were advised but FRRR asked that we consider running a different event. <i>See New Business for update</i> .	ONGOING	
Cluster Developments Feb 22 W.Trow	Shire Senior Planner and Corporate Manager are progressing our request that cluster developments be included in the review of the Local Planning Strategy 7. They hope to have draft documents ready for public consultation June/July. W.Trow talked about the cluster model at the Transition Towns Open Space on 29 May. See New Business for update.	ONGOING	

Village Green	Townscape will clean the sculpture and are progressing this project.	ONGOING
Entrance Statement		
Dec 21 H.Christensen		
Community	BADTA have confirmed they are forming a Tourism/Economy sub-	ONGOING
Response in an	committee and have issued a letter to their members with the aim of	
Emergency	creating a database of equipment/resources held. A meeting with CWA	
Nov 21 (W.Trow/	has been held. The next step is for this to be finalized with BADSA.	
N.King)		
Balingup Town Hall	G.Hodge and Balingup Music Experience group is following up the	ONGOING
Nov 21	proposal for BPA to take over the Town Hall lease. BME already have a	
(G.Hodge)	program of events. It is proposed that the main hall be set up	
	permanently as a large event/wedding venue. Trial period 3 years. BME	
	are negotiating lease with Shire and getting the Hall event ready.	
Bunbury Regional	BPA has requested that all Umbrella Group's be allowed to make use of	ONGOING
Prison Workforce	Prison Workforce. The Prison advises that all outdoor work team activities	
March 2021	have been cancelled due to Covid. This has been chased a number of	
Wendy Trow	times.	
Community	To reduce the cost of BPA insurance, W.Trow is actively progressing the	ONGOING
Insurance	idea of "Community Group Insurance Packs". W.Trow has met with local	
May 2021	MP, Jane Kelsbie and LinkWest and will continue to progress.	
Wendy Trow		
Use of BADSA	To improve community resilience, W.Trow continues to progress the	ONGOING
building in	following proposals:	
emergencies	Generator for Recreation Centre. The Centre is on 3 phase power and	
2021	a 3 phase generator will be too expensive. Shire is now investigating a	
Wendy Trow	hire agreement with Coates/other suppliers.	
	Shire has positioned satellite phone at the Fire Shed and the new	
	CESM is preparing instructions for use.	
	BPA has written to NBN requesting Skymuster be activated in	
	situations other than Evacuation Centre. Shire will also follow up with	
	NBN.	
	Shire has requested battery size at mobile phone tower be increased	
	to provide 12 hour backup but Telstra advise Balingup is not on their	
	list for upgrade. See New Business for update.	
Update of map in	H.Christensen advised she has met with Sandy Mitchell and she is	ONGOING
bus shelter	preparing a budget. Budget will be presented to BPA meeting for	
June 2021	approval.	
H. Christensen	Make a list of all redundant signs in town (BADSA and Townscape). Send	ONGOING
H. Christensen General Signage 2021	·	ONGOING
H. Christensen General Signage 2021	list to Shire and ask that they liaise with the landowner to arrange removal	ONGOING
H. Christensen General Signage	·	ONGOING

ANNEX B

CORRESPONDENCE

INCOMING

Camile Sinagra of Balingup Bush Fire Brigade, AGM Minutes (5/5/22)

Kristy Shay, Program Manager Future Drought Fund of FRRR, Future Drought Fund's Networks to Build Drought Resilience - successful grant #34969 (10/5/22)

Kristy Shay, Program Manager Future Drought Fund of FRRR, Grant (17/5/22)

Deb Vanallen of Balingup Visitor Centre, 'TV Show - State on a Plate' - filming this week in Balingup (17/5/22)

Ben Rose, CEO of DB Shire re Mining Tenement Balingup (19/5/22)

Water Corporation re Greenbushes to Kirup pipeline completed (20/5/22)

Brian Vanallen of BADTA, BADTA Members - assistance with Emergency Management Planning (31/5/22)

OUTGOING

Ben Rose, CEO of DB Shire re Townscape Projects 2022/23 (9/5/22)

Ben Rose, CEO of DB Shire re Mining Tenement Balingup (12/5/22)

Jared Barnett of Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, re Mining Tenement Balingup (12/5/22)

Kristy Shay, Program Manager – Future Drought Fund of FRRR re Grant (17/5/22)

Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal (FRRR) re Your Requirement Submission (17/5/22)