



**Village of Hall and District Progress Association Inc.**

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**President:** Robert Yallop.

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2023/2024

**VHDPA Committee Ordinary Meeting # 6 – draft minutes**

<b>Meeting date</b>	15 May 2024
<b>Location</b>	Hall School and by ZOOM
<b>Office holders and committee present</b>	Robert Yallop, Jan Klaver, Phil Robson, Peter Toet, Tony Morris, Aaron Whittaker, Lee-Ann Brodrick, Margaret Monahan; Ralph Southwell
<b>Apologies</b>	Toni Makkai
<b>Other Attendees invited</b>	n/a

1. Welcome and introduction

The President, Robert Yallop, opened the meeting acknowledging the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the Ngunnawal and Ngambri people, and paying respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

2. Notice of any conflicts of interest re agenda items

Aaron may exit if garage is discussed.

3. General business

a. Approval of the Minutes 17 April 2024

It was proposed that minutes of the Committee Meeting of 17 April, 2024, be approved, subject to amending attendance to record that Ralph was not in attendance.

Moved: Margaret Monahan

Seconded: Tony Morris

Agreed unanimously

b. Treasurer's report

Phil noted that circulation of the report had been delayed, however, questions could be raised with Phil as needed. Robert stated he did not have any questions, but noted the overall position was similar to that of April/May. Monies received in the period for the Sheepdogs and last markets.

It was agreed that Rotary could be invoiced for this financial year.

It was proposed that the Treasurer's report be approved.

Moved: Phil Robson

Seconded: Peter Toet

Carried unanimously

It was proposed that financial transactions since last meeting (for April/May) as presented be ratified.

Moved: Phil Robson

Seconded: Tony Morris

Carried unanimously

c. Actions (see schedule)

Committee noted that the actions had been completed. Robert had drafted and circulated and sent the letters to all current and sitting MLAs in Yerrabi and major party leaders, plus nominated additional Liberal and Labor candidates for Yerrabi. Still following up Canberra Independents.

d. Correspondence

16-Apr-24	X	Kat McGilp	Hall Management Plan Meeting
19-Apr-24		X Kat McGilp	Hall Management Plan Meeting
23-Apr-24	X	ABC CBR	Anzac Day Ceremony
23-Apr-24		X ABC CBR	ANZAC Day ceremony
23-Apr-24	X	Yumi Carey	ANZAC Day ceremony
24-Apr-24	X	Jack Daniel	ANZAC Day ceremony
24-Apr-24		X Jack Daniel	ANZAC Day ceremony
29-Apr-24		X Braddock	Commitment to Hall on Election
29-Apr-24		X Castley	Commitment to Hall on Election
29-Apr-24		X Milligan	Commitment to Hall on Election
29-Apr-24		X Orr	Commitment to Hall on Election
29-Apr-24		X Pettersson	Commitment to Hall on Election
29-Apr-24		X Barr	Commitment to Hall on Election
29-Apr-24		X Lee	Commitment to Hall on Election
29-Apr-24		X Rattenbury	Commitment to Hall on Election
30-Apr-24	X	Orr	Commitment to Hall on Election
01-May-24	X	Yass Valley Council	Open Spaces Strategy
03-May-24		X Mikita	Commitment to Hall on Election
03-May-24		X Dimitrova	Commitment to Hall on Election
03-May-24		X Nadimpalli	Commitment to Hall on Election
03-May-24	X	Mikita	Commitment to Hall on Election
04-May-24		X Raj	Commitment to Hall on Election
04-May-24		X Sonoraj	Commitment to Hall on Election
04-May-24		X Sanhi	Commitment to Hall on Election
06-May-24	X	Sonoraj	Commitment to Hall on Election
07-May-24	X	Braddock	Commitment to Hall on Election
07-May-24	X	Kat McGilp	Hall Management Plan Meeting
09-May-24	X	ACT Govt	Zero Emissions Grant Pavilion
10-May-24		x ACT Govt	Zero Emissions Grant Pavilion feedback

Committee noted most correspondence related to the election commitments and Hall open space management plan.

4. Reports of VHDPA Subcommittees

a. Hall Heritage Centre

Phil mentioned volunteers were working hard on the Gillespie collection. A trip is planned to Yass cemetery. School groups visited last week. Conservation materials have been received (under an ACT

Heritage Grant) and training is continuing. A steering committee meeting has been held and grants have been applied for reprinting a Gillespie book and a guide.

There is an ongoing pest problem – moths and silverfish.

Ralph noted that the 2019 Southwell genealogy book needs to be reprinted. There is a potential new volunteer that may assist with genealogical work.

Kevin Vassarotti – University of the Third Age - visited recently and inspected the museum. Visit was successful and is likely to be repeated. Phil will continue to liaise with them about raising awareness of the museum.

b. Hall Men's Shed

Committee noted that records are kept regarding attendance. Men's Shed is making bookshelves. Working on installing dust filtration. Shed received \$1000 donation from corporate group.

c. Hall Facilities – Pavilion and Cottage

Pavilion travelling well.

Aaron raised discussion on Cottage use, concerned that future charitable status could change how the VHDPA needs to operate its facilities. Aaron offered that, if it assisted, the Men's Shed could pay for 3 days per week for greater use of the Cottage, volunteer to do the lawn mowing (with VHDPA lawnmower) and more restricted local community use could be managed.

It was agreed that the Facilities working group would review the arrangements and make recommendation to the Committee.

5. Other Business

a. Wallaroo and region update

Robert will forward Toni's update to the Committee. There was an accident recently at the Barton Highway/Wallaroo Road intersection, and possibly another near northern Victoria Street intersection. Deer increasing in numbers along Wallaroo Road.

b. Hall Reserve work day

Workday is scheduled for 10 am -1 pm 26 May, however, this is a long weekend. Phil can add to Facebook. Robert will get in touch with Dennis and Bill re barbeque.

c. VHDPA Mens' Shed lawn mower

Aaron has been investigating, pending charitable status.

d. Christmas Fair/Street party

Jan to check with Zena Richardson regarding the Pavilion being held for the Christmas Fair – given advice that a street party is planned as an alternative.

e. ACNC and NFP Tax Update

Phil updated the Committee regarding the application. Phil has submitted his details to receive the tax file number. ACNC and DGR status form have been lodged, estimate c.12 weeks to appoint someone to process the application. (New tax rules would require considerable paperwork if applications were unsuccessful, current Xero reporting would need to be redefined. Hopefully divisions of income etc will be automated.) Michael Sinclair has offered to brief the Committee on implications, pending outcome of the tfn and applications. Any self-assessment would be required by October and ACNC status is also important re facilities. Robert noted that the Association Rules would also need to change if charitable status was achieved to include the transfer of assets to another DGR organization should the VHDPA cease operating.

f. Hall Facebook Page – garage

Committee noted the recent correspondence.

g. Sheepdog Trials wind-up

Ralph and Tony attended the wind-up meeting (event was an outstanding success) however, parking had been raised as an issue. Tony noted the original parking used for polocrosse and markets was properly laid out for 200 cars, however the layout and signage has since been eroded. Tony will locate the original plan for further discussion.

Meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Next meeting 21 June.