

**Boroondara BUG Meeting, 7.00pm, Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018**  
**Function Room, Elgin Inn, Cnr Burwood Rd and Elgin St Hawthorn**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Gordon Macmillan, Julia Blunden, David Farrow, Glennys Jones, Mark Haywood (Chair), John Parker, Mal Faul, Peter Carter, Graham Ellis

**Apologies:** Ric de France, David Hall, David Leong

**Minutes of Previous Meeting** - Accepted

**Correspondence:**

**In**

- Sundry emails from Manningham, Banyule BUGs and Glen Eira BUGs including meeting minutes and notices of rides
- Sundry commercial offers
- Email re Boroondara Seniors Festival Active Lifestyle Expo on Tuesday 9 October

**Out**

- Nil

**Matters arising**

1. **North Eastern Bicycle Corridor and North East Link:** Peter Carter and Glennys Jones have both attended a meeting of the reference group that dealt with Boroondara issues. The next meeting will deal with issues further north. They are both dissatisfied with the level of detail provided on bike infrastructure. They are working on getting the Belford Rd underpass included. Peter Carter is pushing for a footbridge over the Yarra just north of Banksia St. There is currently an online survey being conducted, closing on 24<sup>th</sup> July. Peter and Glennys will provide guidance on how to complete this and Julia Blunden will send this out to BBUG members.

**ACTION:** Peter and Glennys to send suggested survey points to Julia

2. **Chandler Hwy Bridge:** Nil to report.
3. **Missing link in Anniversary Trail at Camberwell High:** Those present at the June Council catch up meeting were told that both detailed design and the land swap are now underway. However we understand that Council will not fund the link in the current financial year.
4. **Walmer St Bridge:** John Parker reported that signatures are currently being collected for a petition for state government funding of a replacement bridge. So far 1,800 signatures have been collected. A public rally is planned for Saturday 4 August, 10am, in Williams Reserve 520 Victoria St Richmond. Members are urged to attend. John said that Minister Richard Wynn now appears to have become more positive about the project than he was initially. Mal Faul and Julia Blunden agreed to deliver flyers about the rally, funded by Yarra Council, to houses in Hawthorn close to the Yarra.

**ACTION:** Julia to email Whitehorse Cyclists Secretary about petition and rally: Mal and Julia to do letterboxing with flyers

5. **Jacka Trail:** Nil to report
6. **Hawthorn to Box Hill Trail:** Julia Blunden has included mention of a shimmy version of this in her letter, see New Business, 2.
7. **Review of BUG Structure:** Mark Haywood reported that he has prepared more documents and will arrange another meeting of the subcommittee in about four weeks' time when he returns from his travels. He would like to use a screen. One possible venue is a meeting room at Hawthorn

Library for which there is a small payment. Mal Faul indicated that he has a portable screen if the meeting room proves unsuitable/unavailable.

**ACTION:** Mark to organise next subcommittee meeting

8. **Stonnington Matters:** Nil to report.
9. **Victorian BUGs Meeting:** Julia Blunden reported that she has emailed Philip Mallis asking if he is still willing to speak on council planning processes but has had no reply as yet.
10. **Cookson St:** Nil to report
11. **Toorak Rd Crossing on Anniversary Trail:** There will hopefully be an announcement about funding for this soon.
12. **Sealing of the Wilson Reserve Trail and its extension south to the Darebin Link:** It was agreed to drop this item from the agenda in future.
13. **Sealing and Improvement of the Yarra Trail between Burke Rd and Manningham Rd:** It was reported that Banyule Councillor Tom Melican is in favour of this. The most likely prospect is a sealed path parallel to the current path and further from the river. This could fit under NELA complementary projects and is in the Northern Trails Strategy.
14. **Communication with BBUG members:** It was agreed that as the minutes are posted on the web site there is really no need to email them to all members. Ric de France is looking into setting up a system where members could receive various types of information but be able to opt out if that's their preference.  
  
**ACTION:** Ric to investigate options for opt in/opt out mailing list
15. **Croydon to Lilydale Trail:** It was agreed that this has now progressed too far for changes to be made. It was agreed to drop this item from the agenda in future.
16. **Boroondara Council Budget:** It was agreed that this is now final and to drop this item from the agenda in future.
17. **Boroondara Traffic Policy:** As above.
18. **Web Site and Twitter Account** – Ric de France was not present but had reported that activity on both of these continues to grow. There was discussion of the Facebook Page to which we have lost access, having neither username nor password. It may be necessary to start again with a new page and a volunteer would be needed to undertake this job.
19. **Treasurer's report:** Malcolm Faul presented his 'Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2018'. Mal's recommendation that the term deposit be renewed for 180 days at 2.45% was accepted.

#### **New Business**

1. **Letter to Council re Sharrow and Shimmies:** Julia Blunden had already circulated a draft letter. Some members asked that illustration be added as appendices. Julia agreed to do this and recirculate the letter for approval.  
  
**ACTION:** Julia to find suitable images of sharrows and shimmies, add appendices with these and recirculate letter for approval
2. **Donation to Open Australia Foundation, the independent charity that runs Planning Alerts?**  
It was agreed that a donation of \$100 be sent.

**ACTION:** Mal to send donation

**Other Business**

1. **Whitehorse Active Transport Action Group Film Night:** Peter Carter alerted those present to a proposed film night in December. The documentary movie 'Why We Cycle' will be screened, followed by a Q and A session. There is no firm date as yet.

Notes by Julia Blunden

**Next meeting:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August? subject to availability of function room