

Attending:

Peter	Ashton	Deloraine
Annette	Barrett	Tasmanian Health Service
Kim	Brundle-Lawrence	Red Cross (Carrick)
Nigel	Clarke	Chudleigh Hall Committee
Sheryl	Crowden	Chudleigh
Barbara	Dan	Chudleigh
Malcolm	Eastley	Deloraine
Liz	Ertler	Chudleigh
Michal	Frydrych	Mole Creek (MCPA)
Patrick	Gambles	MVC
Vicki	Jordan	MVC Community Officer
Tanya	King	MVC Councillor
Rodney	Linger	Caveside
Louise	Middleton	Chudleigh
Michael	O'Reilly	Quamby Brook
April	Owen-Smith	Chudleigh
Wayne	Richardson	Chudleigh
Bev	Sweetnam	Hadspen
Rodney	Synfield	MVC Councillor
Deb	White	MVC Councillor
Marg	Wilson	Chudleigh

Apologies: Gerry Bartley Cr Andrew Connor, Howard Colvin (Red Cross), Judy Husband (Red Cross), Issy Ulbrich, Bernie Stevenson, Sheila Stevenson

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Meeting opened at 7pm. Patrick welcomed everyone. Group members introduced themselves. He then outlined the meeting format and circulated and reported on the minutes of the previous meeting held in Westbury on 23/2/17.

2. PRESENTATION

Deb White presented Annette Barrett with a Red Cross Emergency Management Training Certificate.

3. POINTS RAISED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING 23/02/17

2e) The Hadspen Lions Club now has their noticeboard installed

3a) A Drug & Alcohol Forum is to be held in accordance with the VALLEYSAFE Action Plan Rotary is interested in partnering the event - AB

5c) CCTV project for Westbury/Deloraine - Council has received funding for this project

5b) Water safety issue at Deloraine Bridge - Funds in current budget to construct a handrail to prevent children on bicycles running into the river

Minutes Arising from General Business 01 Dec

4c) Michael O'Reilly reported a lot of dead trees along Quamby Brook Road. Situation has been assessed by Council Works and a large number of dead trees identified – action to follow

4l) The exit from the Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm on to the Bass Highway is problematic as motorists turning to the right have to cross four lanes. John Temple expressed concerns re intersection. Minutes from meeting have gone to State Growth. Rodney Synfield - there has been discussions with State Growth regarding highway from Deloraine to Elizabeth Town. No change in speed limit proposed. Tanya King - the section of road comes under the National Highway. Malcom Eastley – need for merging lane in the middle. Council to contact State Growth for advice on this issue

Minutes Arising from General 23 Feb

4c) Sheila Stevenson request for speed limit at intersection of Oaks Rd and Meander Valley Road is with State Growth. Sheila to provide Council with details in writing

4. PRESENTATIONS

Malcolm Eastley did a short presentation on the whiteboard regarding the science behind speed limits. 3 factors are taken into consideration. Fuel, Crash Costs, Time Costs then a cost benefit analysis is used to decide speed limits which are often unrealistic. People should always drive to the conditions.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS 25 May 2017.

The general feeling expressed by the Chudleigh residents present was that Chudleigh is a welcoming community and great place to live. Shop is the hub of community. Lots of information disseminated through the shop. Most people have friends they can call on day and night. New people are welcomed. Show Society has been running for 102 years. Australia Day draws people from all around the region. Working together is the glue that keeps people together. Young people are invited to be involved in projects.

Concerns

- a) The public toilets are abused and often disgustingly dirty. Currently only cleaned 2 or 3 times per week. Disabled toilet leaking under bowl. Sometimes the pump is not working. Community request every day cleaning during tourist season from Oct – May. Option being Council pay Hall Committee to clean toilets
- b) Concern that the Honey Shop may be closed due to unpaid rates issue and the community will suffer greatly
- c) When tourist buses and cars park on both sides of the main street there is no room for a truck and car to pass. Some Asian tourists park in the middle of the road. Why can't the car park between the Honey Farm and Museum be used for parking? Why can't the toilet the Honey Farm built be used?

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- d) Rodney Linger – glad to see 'P' Platers allowed to drive at 100km. He feels it reduces the risk from impatient drivers. Rodney also asked about passing on the left hand lane on passing lanes as this would allow visibility of lane ends /merge signs which are sometimes hidden by large trucks which create hazards when people do not know the road. It then becomes the fast lane that pulls back into traffic. Really need definition regarding ZIP Lane versus GIVE WAY. Malcolm Eastley suggested there is a need for more arrows painted on the road.
- e) Speed is an issue through Chudleigh and Mole Creek. Utes go through both towns at 100km per hour early in the morning. (possibly late for work) A family was nearly hit by a car speeding through the intersection at Chudleigh and some overshoot the intersection. Some cars travelling from Mole Creek come around the corner at the Chudleigh Shop at 60km making it dangerous for patrons. Residents would like a pelican crossing, a large round convex mirror at the shop corner, cat's eyes around corner and a 50km speed limit.
- f) The same issues with speeding and vehicles parked on the edge of the road apply near the Pepper Berry Café in Mole Creek. They have approached Government, police etc with no results. Questioned how Westbury managed to have the speed limit dropped on main thoroughfare. Annette Barrett was able to respond. Westbury was able to argue their case on the grounds of the number of aged people and that the Day Care Centre, Doctors Surgery and Pharmacy are all on main road through town. Council has removed some road side trees or branches on request from Mole Creek residents which has improved the situation a little. Malcolm Eastley suggested the need for white lines to be painted outside the Pepper Berry Café.
- g) Patrick took the opportunity to let people know about Council's Customer Service Request System. The community can phone in to register concerns on 6393 5300.
- h) How do Chudleigh and Mole Creek get the speed limit lowered? Suggested residents write to Council/Government to give project traction. Need to state: people crossing road to toilets from tourist attractions. Many international visitors stop in town or get off tourist buses and do not understand the road rules. Many tourists are elderly. Malcolm Eastley suggested the community of Chudleigh and Mole Creek ask for speed recording be done in each town.
- i) Rodney Linger reported potholes in Tiers View Road
- j) Malcolm Eastley - Need sign near Needles changed from 'Slippery when Wet' to 'Black Ice – be careful'. Occasionally salt is put on sections near Garner's Ridge. Tanya King said all these roads with the exception of Tiers View Road are State Government and outside Council jurisdiction. Rodney Synfield - Council will pass on concerns and requests to State Growth. State Growth is responsible for middle of the road
- k) RS. There is limited overtaking between Red Hills and Deloraine. Willow trees block the line of sight.
- l) M.E. – Road Safety Audit needed. Request meeting with Council

m) LM - Requested information around Council Grants as a few people have some ideas for hall usage with young people during the holidays. Next grant round closes 15 June.

n) Rubbish –

- Tanya King – Do you get kerbside collection in Chudleigh? Residents responded that they did not want weekly collection. They would however like some tip vouchers for domestic rubbish
- General opinion was the tip should be able to charge extra when people do not bother to recycle
- Recycle bins are always full at the tip. This makes it difficult to do the right thing
- The fence at the transfer station at Chudleigh is very awkward height making it impossible to back into bins therefore requiring double handling
- Since change of management the tip service has deteriorated
- Annette Barrett would like to see one day a month free access to tip to help alleviate the rubbish dumped in the bush around the area. Lots in the forest along Long Ridge Road

o) Kim Brundle-Lawrence (Red Cross) – 35 people went to Queensland from Tasmania to help with the emergency response recently after the cyclone. Red Cross is taking the Pillowcase Project to primary schools in the Meander Valley area. This is teaching children to identify things they would need in an emergency and pack them in a pillowcase. Teaching children helps parents to think about their own circumstances. Resilience is better in connected communities.

p) Bev Sweetnam – Hadspen Neighbourhood Watch is still seeking a reduction in speed limit through Hadspen.

q) LM - thanked Councillors for being present

r) Rodney Linger agreed with Michal Frydrych re flooding and permission to do earth works to mitigate

s) Rodney Synfield – Vision has improved after trees were removed following the accident at the corner of Dairy Plains Road and Harwood Road. Burns Road needs the same treatment. Work is to be done on the Dairy Plains Road to make it wider.

t) Liena Bridge will be finished in a couple of weeks. It is now a very solid multi-purpose bridge.

Patrick thanked everyone present for attending and the Chudleigh Hall Committee for providing supper. Meeting closed at 8.30pm – refreshments and informal conversation followed.

Next meeting: Thursday 24 August 7pm-8.30pm venue TBC