



NCOA Committee meeting Minutes

NCOA	Chairperson: Nick Taylor	Date 5th May 2011 Time: 17:30	Location Skype
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Attendees:

Nick Taylor – Chairman; Julie Gosling; Wendy Dewberry; Cathy Shimmin; Santi Den Boestert; Catherine Suckling; Eion Brown; Lauren Shimmin

Apologies:

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	Decisions and Action Points	Who
1	Welcome & Introductions	
	NT Chairman welcomed the members to the meeting.	info
2	Minutes of Previous meeting	
	The previous minutes need 1 change and were then accepted	info
3	MATTERS ARISING	
	<u>3.1. Building and Development</u>	
	3.1.1. Headland Development	
	3.1.2. House Visser Erf 76	
	3.1.3. Don Lindsay Access Road Eion wants to bring to our attention that the planned road was to be 5M. Don has exceeded the 5M and Eion believes that the drainage is insufficient as it is and will create a severe water problem. JG and Cath Suckling disagreed. Eion said that possibly ECO needs to look at the water problem. Eion stated that the strips have been replaced by stone and asked if we accept this or do we comment. CaS said to assess this we should wait until construction is complete. EB said that the retaining wall consisted of a pile of rocks. JG said there were gabion baskets beneath. EB said there was only evidence of gabions in the parking area. It was decided that EB and JG do a site inspection to assess the problems as EB.	
	3.1.4. Erf 84	
	3.1.5. Erf 80 House Robinson/Thompson The Thompson house is being held up at municipal level	
	<u>3.2. Conservancy</u>	

3.2.1. Tree identification and naming

The labels are being made

WD

3.2.3. Alien clearing

3.2.4. Water testing

Eion asked if there had been any reaction from Joe Barnes - or any contact re the water testing?

Wetlands or streams to be investigated for purity. Eion to investigate.

WD

EB

3.2.5. Monkey problem

3.2.5. Water Course Management at River Houses

3.2.6. Beach Driving Permit

3.2.7. Carpark Signage

3.2.8. Pezula Canoe Trips

info

3.2.9. Cattle Grid on Noetzie Road

Eion advises that Steve Getliffe said that we should ensure that SANParks are consulted in terms of a cattle grid for wildlife and that in his (Steve's) opinion cattle grids do not work for wildlife, and that buck, when scared, could break their legs.

JG reported that this has been brought up at the Pezula Environmental Liaison Committee meeting and passed by Alan Haydawn, as Chair, SANParks, Knysna Municipality WESSA, DEADP, and PHOA. Ken Coetzee was employed to write a report on it. JG said that virtual grids had also been discussed. It was accepted that the matter had been approved by the relevant authorities.

was felt that this was enough to allay any concerns and that the NCOA will support the initiative.

WD

3.2.10. EMP for Noetzie

Marietta sent a draft outline and this will be distributed by Tuesday for discussion at the next meeting.

3.3. Finance and Managerial

3.3.1. Payment of Accounts

Payment Approvals:

Water test – R1077.60

Cape Fire protection fees – R200

3.3.2. Signing of Audit

3.3.3. Record Keeping

All online areas have been changed.

3.3.4. Pledges

LS

3.4. Municipal

	<p>3.4.1. Illegal Trading at Montrose Cath has followed up but nothing to report.</p> <p>3.4.2. Boom JG mentioned the swing action gate would be impractical and that a sliding gate was required. The sliding gate rail would encroach onto erf 84 section B. JG mentioned erf 84 is currently being surveyed by Ian Henderson, and suggested we wait and see what Ian's intentions for the plot were. CatS said this process would be lengthy and suggested we go ahead as agreed. EB and JG to do a site visit to assess the potential position of the gate.</p> <p>3.4.3. Weddings on the Beach</p> <p>3.4.4 School Site ERF 394/1 .</p> <p>3.4.5. Heritage status of old Pezula Castle CatS has followed up with Mike MB to clear the glass and make the tank safe. CatS expressed concern that if something wasn't done Pezula would go to wrack and ruin. JG said that Heritage Western Cape has good legislation protecting heritage buildings, but not the manpower to enforce the laws. It was agreed the best way forward would be to involve the media and create public awareness. CatS to action.</p> <p>3.4.6. Old Wagon Road Access.</p> <p>3.4.7 Estate Agent Signage</p>	<p>SdB</p> <p>EB JG</p>
	<p>3.5. Newsletter WD has taken over the responsibility for the newsletter. Next newsletter for end June. Possible topics: Chairman's Chat Series on trees. Dragon flies. EMP Heritage site. All contributions welcome School site</p>	<p>Info All</p>
4	General	
5	Matters Arising not on the Agenda	
	<p>5.1 Knysna municipality No progress on obtaining a definition of the term 'holiday business concession' in the Noetzie Town planning scheme is lacking.</p> <p>5.7 New member category. Cards have been made for the fishermen who will become members.</p>	

	<p>Design agreed for the front. Agreed that we put names and the year as well as the objectives on the back. Lauren to supply wording. Story to be put onto the news letter.</p> <p>5.9 Visit by Western Cape Environmental Minister to Knysna. Wendy and Santie to attend. JG suggested that WD and SdB ask what the implications are if a developer is ordered to re-apply under NEMA - would this entail a full EIA. JG to ask Melanie Gosling for the correct wording of the question.</p> <p>5.10 SC fire protection Association (SCFPA) NCOA is a member and fees need to be paid. JG reported that correspondence received in NCOA box 336 from SCFPA has suggested that each individual Noetzie property becomes a member of SCFPA for insurance purposes. All members should be fire aware and have charged fire extinguishers in their homes and fire beaters. JG said that Pezula is well equipped and are there to assist in the case of fire. Mark van Niekerk to write article encouraging all Noetzie Home owners to become members and including topics such as fire fighting equipment. It was suggested that we have a presentation at the AGM.</p>	<p>LS/ Cats</p> <p>JG</p> <p>JG</p>
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6 Next meeting date	
<p>The next meeting will be held on SKYPE Date: 2nd June. 2011 Time: 05:30</p>	

Accepted as correct by the Chairperson Nick Taylor

Signature: _____  _____ Date: 10 June 2011