



TRURO AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

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Dear Community Residents, The following issues have been discussed since the last newsletter in November 2006.

1. **Moorundie Street – Undergrounding of Power Lines.** Stage 1 of this project commenced on 5th of February. At the Council meeting of 15th of January Council resolved to proceed with stage 2 of the undergrounding. Council is obliged to contribute 1/3rd of the cost. The trenching work of Stage one has been completed with the whole of stage 1 scheduled to be completed by the end of June 2007.
2. **Moorundie Street Lights.** The new light poles will be similar to those at the entrances of the town but will be powder coated in Heritage Green.
3. **Moorundie Street Resurfacing.** The Department of Transport, Energy and Infrastructure will be resurfacing the carriageway of Moorundie Street after removing approximately 800 tonnes of material. This work is expected to commence during May and will be predominantly carried out over the Eastern end of the street.
4. **Street Lights.** As reported in the last newsletter Council approval was given to the request for the installation of 7 aesthetic lights in the town. These lights have now been installed. This is the result of a survey by ETSA Utilities in 2004 where they recommended 55 Mercury vapour luminaires be installed to bring the town lighting up to today's standard. Council did not agree to the proposal. The Association then asked Council for a small number of lights to be placed at strategic points around the town.
5. **Pioneer Park.** On February 27th the Board Chairman and Secretary met with Deb Alexander, a consultant appointed by the Council to seek sources of grant funding for the upgrading of the Park. Discussion was held about the amalgamation of the area with Heroes Park and the whole area to be known by this name, but still recognising the Pioneers in the new area. Ms Alexander stated there was a huge potential for the area. Heroes Park was an ideal picnic area and should be further developed. A draft plan has been drawn up and was presented to the last S41 Streetscape Committee by CEO Dean Gollan. Funding needs to be sought for a professional plan which will enable further grant funding to be sought from both State and Federal Government Agencies. The contractors for the undergrounding project have used this area as a stockpile, some of which will be used as filling to level the block. The creepers planted along the winery fence are growing well.
6. **Creek Cleaning Heroes Park.** The CEO and Councillors are aware of the dry creek bed and the need to clean the rubbish out now. It is hoped that this will be done.
7. **Integrated Water Management Plan.** Mr. Wayne Phillips BE Civil; M. Eng. So. of Wayne Phillips & Associates, who has considerable experience in managing/overseeing/directing/planning engineering functions associated with water supply & treatment, waste water collection & treatment was invited to speak at the February meeting of the Board.
His topic was "Integrated Waste Water Management for Truro." He spoke of the problems associated with the existing town waste systems, the lack of a town scheme, storm water & waste water, which can all easily be reused under EPA regulations.
An Integrated Water Management plan develops a strategy for a community to utilize, in a cost effective manner, the SA Water reticulated supply, household rain water run off, paved area and stormwater runoff and detention areas. Harvesting and reuse of this water, which could be stored underground, is possible.
National Water Initiative grants are available for water schemes. Reclaimed water filtered to Class A standard can become high class water for use to augment the water supply. Class B water, of a lesser quality, can be used to water the oval under certain conditions, e.g. between 10 pm and 5 am, with above ground sprinklers.
Sustainable water management is a key to future economic and environmental plans. Such a plan would enable future township growth to be rationalized and sustained. An appropriate and big enough

system should be put in place. All efforts should be made to utilize existing facilities to minimise costs for new innovations.

An Integrated Water Management System: Stormwater & Waste Water should be included in the specifications for tenders for a scheme for the town of Truro.

The Board has asked Mr Phillips to provide a quote to council for consideration.

8. **Street Counter.** The Department of Transport, Energy and Infrastructure installed counters on Moorundie Street during the period of 21st to 27th of October 2006. The average number of vehicles per day was 3483 compared with 3186 in 2004. Significant reductions in speeds have occurred with 44% of vehicles travelling at 50 kph or less. 6% travelled at 60 kph or over. Most of the speeding was done between 10pm and 7am. The relative graphs have been on the Notice Board for the last month.
9. **Broadband.** An advertising campaign has commenced by Amcom. The BLD CEO Roy Blight reported that he had recently inspected all the infrastructure and that it was all installed and operational. Residents of Truro who wish to be connected should fill out the necessary forms available on the Amcom web site at www.amcom.com.au so that there is sufficient interest for the repeater to be installed on the tower above the town. The latest Wireless Broadband plans are available on the web site.
10. **Web Site.**

Truro on the Web

Truro has the opportunity to set up a community website through a government sponsored program that reserves certain domain names for community use. A number of towns and cities throughout Australia have already set up community sites.

Information on this program and links to some of these community sites are at <http://www.aucd.org.au>.

A project of this size will take planning, preparation and ongoing involvement by the community. Benefits from a well organized and well presented web site could be considerable for local merchants, organizations and the community at large.

The Truro and Districts Community Association is seeking input from anyone who is interested in helping out with a local web site. Please contact Chris Fox: ph 8564 0425 mob/sms 0437 194 437 email layfox@bigpond.com

Why a Web site for Truro?

- What's involved?
 - Domain name www.truro.sa.au is reserved
 - Server space
 - Site structure
 - Site maintenance
- What are the costs?
 - Domain name \$100 – 650 setup, \$50/year after
 - Server \$500/yr +
 - Software/hardware \$300/yr +
 - Design, Construction ?
- What are the maintenance needs?
 - Updating information 0.5 day/week +
 - Updating design/functions ?
- What are the risks?
 - Information security
 - Copyright
- What are the benefits?
 - See possibilities
- Who does the work?
 - Volunteers to start
 - Once site is functioning, operations and maintenance to be funded

What are the possibilities?

- Community and merchant promotion
- Association Communications
 - meetings, minutes, newsletter, announcements
- Historical notes
- Social functions and activities
 - Town Hall – upcoming events, bookings
 - Oval – upcoming events, bookings

- Clubs
 - Cricket club—announcements, activities, promotions, game pictures
 - Basketball club—announcements, activities, promotions, game pictures
 - Net Ball Club—announcements, activities, promotions, game pictures

- Organizations
 - School Council, Welfare Club and Pre School
 - School activity—**get the kids involved**
 - Religious organisations - announcements, activities, promotions, pictures
 - Red Cross
 - announcements, activities, promotions
 - CFS
 - announcements, activities
 - community fire plan

- General
 - Chat
 - File sharing
 - Transactions
 - News Feeds
 - Database
 - Video
 - Blogs
 - Personal space
 - Research
 - Games
 - Telecommunications

How do we get started?

- A short term Task Force explores options and gauge community interest. If enough response to continue,
- A medium term Working Committee start to develop design and regulations, and
- A permanent Standing Committee to oversee operations and set up finances.

The basic need at this stage--to get the word out into the community by press, advertising and word of mouth.

Proposed work teams:

Task Force

explore options and gauge community interest
each committee member to survey 4-6 people
4 meetings over 2 months, issue report to board

Working Committee

Publicize effort and seek community volunteers
develop design and regulations – sub-committees as necessary
organize training of first site operators
8 meetings over 8 months, issue reports and keep accounts

Standing Committee

permanent Association sub-committee (per Hall and Oval)
oversee operations, set budget and report to Board
seek sponsorships and grants
maintain relationships with service providers

11. **Business List.** Another Business List is being compiled to be printed later in the year. Those businesses on the current list need to advise any alterations, additions or deletions, and any new businesses that wish to be listed need to contact Kristin Falkenberg on 85640232ah or 0438640232 by the 20th of April 2007.

12. **Parking Bay Information Bay Sign Advertising.** The Board have considered allowing businesses the opportunity to advertise their business on an A4 size sign at no cost. However the cost of the preparation of the artwork will be borne by the business concerned. The space will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Please contact Kristin Falkenberg ph 85640232 ah or 0438640232 by the 20th April 2007.
13. **East Terrace Footpath.** A request was made to Council to form a footpath for school children who walk to school along the western side of East Terrace. This project is being costed by Council.
14. **Roads/Streets.** Recently the Council made an inspection by bus of the roads causing problems in the Truro District and the Council area in general. A request has been made to seal the remaining MMC section of Bastion Hill road, and will be considered in the coming budget. An inspection of the dust problem on St Kitts road and the lack of repairing holes, gutters and edges of roads prior to resealing has been noted.
15. **Recycling.** The rubbish pick up run is being updated so Council can consider tenders for a new contract. The Council along with Councils to the East are considering a regional strategy and are looking for a suitable land fill site.
16. **KESAB Tidy Towns.** Truro has been entered in this state wide competition again. Mr Ross Swayne will visit on Wednesday 30th of May. Your co-operation in helping to make the town presentable for his visit would be appreciated.
17. **Oval Watering.** The Council has received approval from SA Water to water Ovals in the Council area including Truro Oval.
18. **Rose Bushes for the Cemetery.** Council have granted funding to the value of \$500 for the purchase of roses for the Cemetery on condition that they will be planted and maintained by volunteers. Anyone who is interested in being a volunteer for this project please contact the Secretary, Reg Munchenberg on 85640344.
19. **Pine Hut and Dutton Historical Signs.** Approval has been gained from most landowners whose properties adjoin the proposed sign sites. Prices are being obtained for various kinds of signs.
20. **Lease Agreement.** A sub-committee has been formed comprising 6 members, 2 each from the Board, Hall and Oval Sub Committees to review the current lease agreement that the Association has with Council leasing the Oval, Hall and Heroes Park.
21. **Truro Primary School History Week 23rd May.** (9.15 am to 3.00pm) Come and visit the School to view 'In the footsteps of our Heroes'. This year the students of the various classes will share with you their research projects.
 - Memorabilia about World War I, Anzac Day and Heroes Park.
 - South Australian Explorers linked to the Truro District History.
 - Voyage of the Vintage Festival over the years.
 - A photographic collection of various historic aspects of Truro.
22. **New Board Member.** Mrs Bev Deren was appointed at the February Board meeting to fill the vacant position until the AGM due to the resignation of Bianca Saegenschnitter.
23. **Vale - David Andretzke** – The Board notes the sudden passing of David Andretzke, a member of the Moorundie Street Sub committee who was particularly interested in tree planting and was a strong proponent of developing the old railway corridor as a recreational bike/walking trail. He was also noted for his talents as a farmer, an organist and enthusiastic supporter by bike riding, raising funds for 'Bikes for Bibles'. He will be sadly missed.

Current Board Members

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