



TRURO AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

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

1. **Moorundie Street – Undergrounding of Power Lines.** It is proposed to commence work on the project with stage 1 in January with completion in June. This will be the section between East Terrace and Cross Street. The Section 41 Truro Streetscape Committee recommended to Council that it consider the request from PLEC to continue with Stage 2 in the next financial year. Also a request for a costing to be obtained from TSA re the extra cost of Boston Outreach poles (Heritage Style) and placement either side of the street compared to TSA standard gooseneck poles on one side only. Another alternative is the standard gooseneck poles can be supplied in a powder coated finish. The question of placing a sewer main in the same trench was asked with the reply that they would allow a water main in the same trench as it is always full and would assist in keeping the wires cool, however placing a sewer main in the same trench was not allowed.
2. **Waste Water Control Scheme.** Council intend to do another survey next year and to apply for any grant funding available as Truro will have to have a scheme installed. Any future subdivision will be dependent on a scheme for the town being in place.
3. **Solar light in Heroes Park.** Council has agreed to consider in its next budget review, subject to funds being available, the purchase of a 12 hour, 26 watt solar fluorescent light.
4. **Pioneer Park.** On the 14th of October a group of volunteers met and planted native creepers along the length of the Winery fence and later installed dripper hose. Thanks to those who helped and to Matthew Dittrich for the donation of pea straw for mulch and to those who are watering the plants. Council have to consider drainage, car parking sites, take levels and have a plan drawn before any work can be done on the site. The Board's focus will be the implementation of the planned upgrade. An amount of \$20,000 has been committed of the Association's funds for this project. This will be added to any funding, be it in kind or otherwise from council and grant funds sought to precede this project.
5. **Tree Planting.** It is hoped to do some tree planting in Truro Streets (other than Moorundie Street), Sturt Reserve and on the banks of the railway reserve next year.
6. **Cemetery.** The Truro cemetery sign has been erected. The Board has put a submission to Council to consider in its March Budget review the purchase of 100 Rose bushes to be planted along the Cemetery fence next winter.
7. **Street Maintenance.** In its recent deliberations with the CEO the Board requested that regular maintenance of the storm water drains, garden beds in the protuberances and street sweeping be given a higher priority than has been current practice.
8. **Bike/Walkway along former Railway corridor.** This has been discussed again with Council. The Association and the Council intend to work together with the Barossa Council on this project.
9. **Aged Homes.** The report given at the Association AGM stated that no firm expressions of interest had been received to date. They are reasonably confident that the project is viable within 3 to 6 years.
10. **Recycling.** The CEO reported that there is no time frame on this but it will be developed on a regional basis with neighbouring Councils.

11. **Public Toilet cleaning.** The Section 41 committee recommended to Council that lockable gates be installed so that each section can be locked whilst being cleaned ensuring safety of cleaning staff. The current arrangements for the toilet cleaning are far from satisfactory. There have been many complaints about the lack of cleanliness which does not give our town a good name. Council are seeking expressions of interest from persons interested to clean the toilets on a part time or daily basis to remedy this situation. Circular enclosed.
12. **Telephone box.** Telstra advised Council they will be removing the telephone box by the parking bay through lack of use.
13. **Oval hiring.** The hiring charges have been reviewed as well as some clauses in the Conditions of Hire and will come into effect in January 2007.
14. **Lease agreement with Council.** A review of the lease agreement with Council will be conducted in the New Year as there are a number of clauses that need revision.
15. **Road inspection.** An inspection of Moculta, Bastion Hill and Eudunda Roads was made with the CEO Dean Gollan, together with the Chairman and Secretary on the 21st September. Various problem areas within the town were also inspected. The CEO was guest speaker at the October meeting at which 21 items concerning the district were discussed. The CEO indicated he would be making recommendations to Council about the road problems.
16. **Speeding on North Terrace.** It has been noted that some cars travelling along North Terrace from East to West are using it as a passing lane for the main Street and exceeding the speed limit in so doing. Council have been asked to investigate the downgrading of the Dutton Mail road intersection with the Sturt Highway in an effort to stop this behaviour.
17. **10,000 Steps around Truro.** Leaflets are available at the Post Office and several businesses in the town with a map of walks being promoted by the Barossa Health and the Government of SA.
18. **Broadband.** The Association Chairman Ross Dawkins and Board Member Chris Fox attended the Official opening of the local Broadband network on the 26th of September. Tony Lee, Sales Executive, Amcom Telecommunications is sending wireless engineers to test the signal strength in Moorundie Street. There may need to be a repeater placed on the CFS tower to get adequate coverage in the business area of the town. For further information check out the web site address www.amcom.com.au/barossaandlight
19. **Web Site.** Truro has an opportunity for an internet domain at www.truro.sa.au as part of a new initiative for community domains worldwide. The Association is working on obtaining sponsorship to cover costs, and in 2007 will be seeking community involvement in the design and maintenance of the website.
20. **Business List.** The Board is currently reviewing the list that was printed on the Business List last year with the proposal to reprint it in the New Year. A small charge for the listing to help cover printing costs is also being discussed.
21. **Parking Bay Notice Board Advertising.** A circular will be sent to business in the town and district in the near future for the renewal of the contract or for new advertising. The period is for 2 years.
22. **Cricket Club.** They have recently replaced and erected new practice nets at the Oval. Council has granted permission to erect signage around the oval boundary fence.
23. **Annual Grants.** The Council agreed to pay the standard grant funds as per the lease agreement for the Oval and Town Hall. This was less than was requested to upgrade facilities at these venues.
25. **Agreement Forms.** Groups hiring the Oval and Hall on a regular basis have signed lease agreement forms with the association to formalise their hiring arrangements with the Association and to provide cover for insurance purposes. The groups concerned are:- Truro Red Cross, Truro Painting Class, Truro Full Gospel Outreach, Truro Cricket Club and The Balloon and Airship clubs.

25. **Pine Hut and Dutton Signs.** It is intended to place 9 historic signs in and near Dutton. This project is still in the planning stage. They are to show visitors and the local residents the historic significance of the buildings in Dutton. It is envisaged that similar signs will be placed in Truro in the future.
26. **Board AGM.** The Hon Graham Gunn MP Member for Stuart was the Guest Speaker. Presentations were made to outgoing Chairman D Klemm for his Chairmanship and A Schilling for his period as inaugural Treasurer of the Association since its foundation in 2001.
27. **New Board Members.** Michael Anderson and Chris Fox were elected to the Board at the AGM replacing D Klemm and A Schilling.
28. **New Councillors.** Inez Bormann and Ros Schultz were elected to Council to represent the Sturt Ward at the recent Council elections. Both Councillors have taken a keen interest in Truro to date. Cr R Lillecrapp was farewelled at the October meeting of the Board and was wished well in his retirement and thanked for his contribution to Truro over the years.
29. **Street Lights.** At the November meeting of Council approval was given to the request for the installation of 7 aesthetic lights around the town.
30. **Dog Dropping Bags.** The Council have installed at the Association's request a container with dog dropping bags at the Oval. Those residents who exercise their dogs at the Oval are requested to use these bags.
31. **KESAB.** Recently the Association received a 'Commendation' plaque from KESAB 'Given in recognition of meritorious effort in the 29th Annual Tidy Towns program'.
32. **Flood mitigation.** The CEO reported that \$30,000 has been placed in this years' budget for works to help prevent flooding. Specialist advice will be sought to determine the best possible method of flood prevention.
33. **School Break Up Concert.** The Annual Concert will be held in the Truro Town Hall on Wednesday 13th December at 7.30pm.
34. **Christmas Greetings.** The Chairman and Members of the Board take this opportunity of wishing all the residents of Truro and District a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Current Board Members

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