

## TRURO AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

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

- 1. Moorundie Street Undergrounding of Power Lines. No beautification work has been undertaken mainly due to the uncertainty of the intended sewer scheme and the undergrounding of the Power Lines. It was intended that the undergrounding would be done in two stages, in two financial years, however due to a blow out of estimated cost Council have only committed to stage one at an estimated cost of \$160,464, being one third of the overall \$518,891 required. At this time, stage 2 has been left in abeyance. The section of street to be undergrounded would be from East Tce to approximately the Olive Shop. The \$70,000 from the sale of the Truro Council building has been earmarked for the project. Work is expected to be in progress at this time next year.
- 2. <u>Waste Water Control Scheme.</u> The result of the recent survey from the 132 letters to property owners was 59 replies (44.7%) of which 52.5% were in favour and 47.5% against the scheme. The result was of concern to Council as the resident support for the project was less that 24% (31 out of 132). Council considered this indication as not being a majority support and resolved not to proceed with the scheme at this stage. They will now be looking at possible grant funding.
- 3. <u>Street Lights.</u> Additional street lighting in Railway Tce, Cross St and The Esplanade had been requested. Council replied that the ETSA cost involved is prohibitive. A request for a solar powered light in Heroes Park and the Possum Track is being investigated.
- 4. <u>Sale of First Council Office.</u> (Along side the Lutheran Church) Council advertised per Public Notice for community interest whether the building should be sold or not. This building was built in 1885 and is all that is left of the former Truro District Council 1876 -1991. As a result of residents submissions Council have decided not to sell the building at the present time and to investigate putting it on a heritage register.
- 5. <u>Bypassing Truro.</u> The Australian Government advised that it has committed to a 5 year Auslink upgrading program of the Sturt Highway. In this timeframe a full or partial bypass of Truro has not been considered, due to its high cost and low priority.
- 6. <u>Pedestrian Crossing.</u> The Government has advised that Truro residents would be unsuccessful in a request for a pedestrian crossing of any kind as the school is not situated next to the highway and TransportSA do not wish to stop the trucks. TransportSA have agreed to erect Children Crossing signs in Moorundie Street.
- 7. <u>Council visit to the Primary School.</u> The needs and problems were discussed with the main problems being the drop off and pick up area and a High School bus shelter. Council have called for an Engineer's report on the feasibility of making Short Street a one way street.
- 8. <u>East Terrace.</u> No progress has been made to widen the road or making a footpath for children as requested for the safety of children going to school. Barton road has been widened and resurfaced.
- 9. <u>Tree planting.</u> It is intended to call the Moorundie Street Sub committee together to consider the feasibility of planting trees and shrubs on several streets of the town.
- 10. **Standpipe.** Council have reported that it is being abused as users are not using the honesty book. As a result the standpipe will be locked with a key available on request at a suitable venue.
- 11. <u>Truro Welcome Sign.</u> One of the brown wooden signs has disappeared from the western entrance to the town. Board members thought it a good idea to have them replaced with an upgraded version. This is being investigated.
- 12. Recycling. The Board has been advised that Council are investigating for a kerbside pick up at Truro.
- 13. **Cemetery.** Council have re-fenced the other three sides of the Cemetery. A 'Truro Cemetery' sign is being prepared for erection by the gate.
- 14. <u>Strategic Plan.</u> A circular was sent to all ratepayers and a meeting was held in March on the subject of 'Chartering the Future'.

- 15. <u>Development Plan Review.</u> This subject was discussed and agreed that there is a need for future development and expansion of Truro and surrounding the township. It was hoped that Council would have initiated a public meeting on this subject. A public meeting was held in Cambrai in May at the end of the consultation period where ratepayers were invited to send in submissions.
- 16. <u>Upgrading of Tennis Courts.</u> Discussion has been had on upgrading the tennis courts so they can be used again for playing tennis and basket ball. Correspondence has been received from the Basket Ball and Net Ball Clubs and the School Council and Principal supporting the project. For this to go ahead we will be seeking Council and Government support through Grant Funding.
- 17. <u>Information Board in Parking Bay Advertising.</u> Businesses in the town and district will be contacted soon for renewal of the contract or new advertising. The site is available for a two year period. The current period expires on the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006.
- 18. **Broadband.** At present infrastructure is being put in place with a formal opening of the scheme to be announced in the next couple of months.
- 19. Conditions of Hire. The hiring conditions of the Town Hall and Oval have been revised. During the past year some hirers have abused the existing Conditions of Hire. Fees are the same. A Bond of \$100 is required for the Town Hall and \$200 for the Oval as several Hirers have left the premises untidy or dirty as well as abusing the Conditions. After a function the premises are inspected and if found in good order the bond is returned. The conditions and policy is in keeping with other halls and ovals in the Barossa.
- 20. <u>Town Hall.</u> The entire interior (except the Red Cross Shop) has been painted. It is intended to paint the toilets soon. Most of the sets of three joined chairs have been sold and 30 new chairs will be purchased. The hall windows will be professionally cleaned on a regular basis. Investigations are being made for heating the hall.
- 21. <u>Oval.</u> A new Hot Water Service has been installed in the shed cupboard to replace the former one which was stolen. The former tractor shed lift up door is being converted to a sliding door. The Council intend to do some bituminising by the buildings and drainage work by the playground. The rabbit problem on the oval is being investigated by Council.
- 22. <u>Council Phone 1300 or 1800 number.</u> The Board received a request for Council to have a 1300 or 1800 number to offset the cost of a phone call to the Council Office. Council advised that it could not justify the cost involved considering their phone network joins all three offices. Residents were advised to ring Council (Cambrai) and leave a contact number to get Council to ring back.
- 23. <u>Historic signs at Dutton.</u> It is intended to place 9 historical signs in and near Dutton. This project is still in the planning stage. It is envisaged that similar signs will be put in Truro in the near future.
- 24. <u>Historic Sign at Sandleton.</u> A sign is also being planned to be erected in front of the old St Paul's Lutheran Church indicating the burial in the Cemetery of Daniel H Lemke (1832 -1897). He was one of only two German Pipe Organ builders of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century in SA. Two of his organs exist at Gruenberg (Moculta) and Ebenezer. Sandleton used to be in the old Truro Council area.
- 25. **Notice Board.** After each Board Meeting a copy of the confirmed minutes of the previous meeting are placed on display in the Notice Board at the Post Office for your information.
- 26. **Resignation.** The Chairman D Klemm has submitted the following letter of resignation.

'As I am retiring as Chairman and member of the Board and Oval Sub-committee, I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to all that have supported me. Being the Inaugural Chairman of this Association, it has been a privilege to have served the community in this capacity. I feel this is also a time for change, which instils interest for other members to take on responsible and initiative roles. I sincerely wish the new Board and Sub-Committees every success in their future endeavours.

Kind Regards Signed Dudley Klemm.'

## **Current Board Members**

Dudley Klemm (Chairman) 8564 0243 (Retiring)		Reg Munchenberg (Secretary) 8564 0344 (Retiring – available for re-election)	
Ross Dawkins (Vice Chairman)	8564 0057	Kristin Falkenberg (Treasurer	8564 0232
Cr. Roger Lillecrapp (Council Rep)	8564 1081	Andrew Young	8564 0213
Tanya Doecke	8564 0041	Graham Materna	8564 0286
Robert Sherwood	8564 0015	Adrian Schilling (Retiring)	8564 0069
Bianca Saegenschnitter	8564 0378	Chris Brook	8564 0038