



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 2005.

1. **Moorundie Street.** TransportSA has completed the work with the erection of the last two protuberances. They were asked to and have defined the protuberance at each entrance to the town as they were hard to see at night or in the shade of the tree. A road count is to be done in the near future.
The undergrounding of power lines along Moorundie Street has been agreed to by Council and the relevant authorities involved proposing a plan that would see commencement in the second half of 2006 and the first half of 2007 financial years. i.e. in about 18 months time.
2. **Pedestrian Crossing.** A designated street crossing had been requested and investigated by TransportSA with a result that there was not a sufficient number of children using a crossing to warrant the cost. The Board stated that it was necessary as the main street is part of the highway and it is a safety factor rather than a numbers factor. This subject was discussed with our Federal Member for Barker, Patrick Secker at the AGM. He stated he would support the proposition and speak to TransportSA and other relevant authorities on our behalf.
3. **STED Scheme.** Council has called tenders for the scheme which closed in late November. They will discuss it at the January meeting of Council with a report to residents of the proposed scheme costs and public consultation to follow.
4. **Storm Water Scheme.** Nothing more has been reported from Council. Some opposition has been raised to the plan to have a high bank at the southern end of the oval, rather favouring a catchment dam at the northern end or in the neighbouring property.
5. **Pioneer Park.** Council have recently erected a fence along the Western and Southern sides defining the boundary of the Park area. A sign has been erected advising of the project. Levels have been taken to determine the amount of filling required. The ground plan approved by Council is being revised to allow for easy car parking and to assist with flood drainage from the main street. No trees or shrubs will be planted until this work has been undertaken.
6. **Aged Care Facility.** Sue Reed from the Barossa Village reported that only three responses were received from the resident survey. She displayed plans of the units and stated they would have to sell about half of the units before building would begin. The units can be purchased by persons outside the council area. There would be equal services for the residents of the units as there are in larger towns. Contact the Secretary to view the plans.
7. **Cemetery.** A sign is being prepared to be erected by the front fence indicating establishment date and a contact number. The existing cyclone wire fence is to be replaced by Council.
8. **Town Hall.** The wall area which was affected by salt damp and had plaster removed in the preventative process has recently been replastered. Early next year the interior of the hall will be repainted.
9. **East Terrace and Short Street Safety.** The safety of children walking and riding their bikes to school along East Terrace has been put to Council. The sides of the street should be filled and the road widened as has been completed on Barton Road so the children can walk off the main carriageway facing the traffic and not with it at present. A formed footpath with kerb is required along the school fence for safety reasons. It is hoped these concerns will be addressed by Council with the proposed widening and kerbing in the near future.
10. **Roads.** Some of the district roads are in a deplorable condition, in particular the new bitumen section of Moculta Road, also Black Hill road, St Kitts road and portion of Eudunda Road. The Moculta Road section, which was bituminised in April 2005 is very unsatisfactory, with many sections breaking up which have been recoated, but still continue to break up. Inspections made been made by Board Members, Council Administration staff and Councillors. No decision has been made on how it will be rectified. Council have admitted they have a problem.

It is the intention of Council to bituminise 1 Km of Bastian Hill Road this financial year to alleviate dust, but because of the number of quarry trucks using this road concerns have arisen as to whether the preparatory base will be done properly, and that a thicker bitumen coat used than that put on Moculta road.

11. **Recycling.** A recycling depot has been suggested for Truro and District residents. Mr Roy Payne, proprietor of the recycling depot at Blanchetown addressed the Board Meeting in December explaining the requirements for NON DEPOSIT items for re-cycling.
12. **Association AGM.** Retiring members Tanya Doecke, Ross Dawkins and Andrew Young were re-elected. Two nominations for vacancies were received from Bianca Saegenschnitter and Chris Brook who were duly elected. Mr Patrick Secker MHR, Member for Barker was the Guest Speaker. He congratulated the Association in its aims and endeavours. He stated that local people know best for local issues. Various schemes could be to our advantage for funding but we have to have definite plans and costings. Funding could be obtained through Regional Partnerships Program, Roads to Recovery and Black Spot Funding. Bypass plans for Truro are a low priority, the Federal Government has granted \$46m with Auslink for the Sturt Highway, which include re-alignment through the Truro hills but not for bypassing the town.
13. **Truro Business List.** All known businesses in Truro and district were contacted for relevant information for a Business List which will be distributed to each household early in January. Several businesses have not replied with their information. We ask if you would send it in as soon as possible. If there are any changes in information supplied please send that also so that the list will be up to date for 2006.
14. **Oval and Town Hall Grants.** The annual maintenance grants have been received from Council with additional finance for work in the Oval toilets, and the Town Hall for plastering and painting. Without these grants the sub-committees would not be in a financial position to maintain and upgrade these community facilities.
15. **Raffle.** Proceeds of \$425 were received for the Pioneer Park project from the raffle drawn on 28th August. Donors of prizes are thanked for their support. Mrs Elizabeth Kleinig of Eudunda was the winner of the Barossa Balloon Adventures flight .
16. **Pine Hut Church/School site - Valley Farm road Truro.** The application to the History Trust of SA for a grant was again unsuccessful. It has now been decided to erect a sign made of ABS Engraving Laminate instead of a brass plaque. This laminate has been used for signs at Morgan and Swan Reach.
17. **CFS.** There is and **urgent request** from our local CFS for Volunteer Members, male and female, of all ages, to support the manning of the station, Fire Units and Auxiliary Group. There is a role for everyone, training is provided if required. **PLEASE NOTE** that without forthcoming support from our community, these CFS facilities may not remain viable, as they are at present. **Your Support is Urgently Required.** Please contact CFS Member Andrew Young for further information on mobile 0408 862 156.
18. **Broadband.** A recent newspaper article announced that Broadband will be provided through support by a grant from the State Government. The contract has been signed with the Government and the provider and it is hoped that by the end of June 2006 Broadband access should be widely available throughout the region.
19. **Notice Board.** After each Board meeting a copy of confirmed minutes of the previous meeting are placed on the Notice Board of the Post Office for your information.

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