Minutes

Seniors Advisory Group
Sorell Community Health Centre

Meeting No. 5
10.30am-11.30am Tuesday 4th June 2013

Attendance

Judy Young – Dunalley Hall Committee
Wendy Simmons – Sorell School for Seniors
Janine Garwood – Sorell Council
Cathy SECC

Apologies

Jess Radford – Sorell Council
Mayor Kerry Vincent – Sorell Council
Susan James – Dunalley DNTA
Tui Simonis – Resident
Elaine Downie – Resident
Joyce Smith – Ningana Resident
Wendy Dalton – Ningana
Nat Siggins Okines Community House
Karen Peacock SECC
Jeanette Woolford – Ningana
Jenny Oates

1. Update of Current Council Projects
   - Community Administration Centre
     The roof is now on, windows are going in and the internal walls are being erected. It is expected to be completed Aug/Sep 2013.

   - Community Strategic Plan
     The final draft of the CSP will go to the Community for comment in July

   - Coles Crossing
     The report on the installation of the pedestrian access over Pelham/Parsonage to the Coles development is still with the consultants.
- **Seniors Event:**
  Bus trip to Woodsdale Museum – 35 people came on the trip to the museum, sheep shearing interpretation shed and Men’s shed with farm equipment, heritage items and tools from late 1900’s. We then had a wonderful lunch with delectable dessert in the Hall. Everyone agreed this was a great senior’s event.

- **Seniors Update Newsletter**
  We will be developing a newsletter to let community members know what is happening for Seniors in the community. Any ideas or information about events will be appreciated. It will be available by email, Council Offices, Visitor Centre, Halls etc.

- **Toilets and Showers** including public toilets are currently under construction at the Sorell Memorial Hall and are due to be completed shortly.

- **Park and Ride in Station Lane Sorell** – Preliminary work will begin shortly with the remainder of the work to be completed in the new financial year. The proposed facility will provide: all day commuter parking & access to bus services to & from Hobart, a student drop-off/pick up facility, a passenger transport interchange and a 71 space general purpose car park.

- **Proposed upgrade to Stores Lane and Main Rd Intersection** – Council have applied for a Grant from DIER to improve this section of road and footpath and improve pedestrian safety.

- **National Volunteer Week Event**
  We held our Volunteer Recognition Event on 16th May at the Pittwater Scout Hall. The event was well attended and all attendees received a certificate from the Mayor. 5 people were nominated for Community Volunteer of the year and all received a framed certificate, with Brian Keightley recognised for cooking a huge amount of food for all the Blaze Aid Volunteers over 102 days for 570 volunteers. All Volunteers were thanked for their huge contribution to their Community and the Pittwater Scouts did a presentation on their achievements. The CWA also prepared a wonderful supper.

- **Community and Youth Grants Program**
  Councils 2013/14 Grant program opened on the 1st May. All applications will be assessed by Councillors on 25th June and all applicants will be notified by mail soon after. The Awards Presentation Evening will be on 8th Aug.

- **Parks and Beaches Guide** – This is now completed and copies were handed out. It is available at Council Offices and website, The Sorell Visitor information Centre and Community Houses.

- **Youth Centre** – Council are in the planning process of creating a Youth Centre in the Community Services building once staff move to the new Council Offices.
2. General Discussion

- **Kingborough Positive Ageing Expo** – Janine and Wendy Simmons attended the expo which had lots of relevant and useful information. A display of brochures, booklets and resources was available at the meeting for group members to take.

- **Hazards on footpaths** – Concerns were raised about businesses displaying goods on the footpath and causing hazards to pedestrians and not leaving enough room for wheelchairs or scooters to navigate safely.

- **Janine will follow this up and report back to the group at the next meeting.**

- **Dangerous Pothole in footpath** – Wendy would like to see this repaired as it is a hazard. It is on the Corner of Esplanade and Bryant St. near the Northern end where the road splits.

- **The curb on the footpath at the Doctors Surgery** – is too high and has already caused problems for residents. Although the group are aware this is not Council property they would like a ramp be put over the gutter to improve this?

**Next Meeting**  To be advised..........................