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| <b>NAME OF MEETING:</b>                   | Let's Talk Mandurang  |
| <b>WARD:</b>                              | Lockwood  |
| <b>DATE:</b>                              | Tuesday June 21, 2016   |
| <b>TIME:</b>                              | 7pm   |
| <b>LOCATION:</b>                          | Mandurang Public Hall   |
| <b>ATTENDEES</b>                          |   |
| <b>COUNCILLORS:</b>                       | Cr Barry Lyons (Chair) and Mayor Cr Rod Fyffe   |
| <b>APOLOGIES</b>                          | Cr Elise Chapman  |
| <b>CITY of GREATER BENDIGO EMPLOYEES:</b> | Andrew Cockerall – Coordinator (Strategic Planning) and Debbie Thewlis (Customer Support) |
| <b>COMMUNITY ATTENDEES:</b>               | 10 residents signed the attendance sheet  |

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| <b>PURPOSE OF NOTES:</b> | <b>Please note the purpose of these notes is to record the information presented, the topics discussed and the details of any works or action requests raised at the meeting. They are not formal minutes.</b> |
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| <b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>     |   |
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| <b>1.</b>               | Welcome & Introductions   |
| <b>2.</b>               | Acknowledgment of Country   |
| <b>3.</b>               | Big Hill and Mandurang Valley Landscape Assessment  |
| <b>4.</b>               | Information Items   |
| <b>5.</b>               | General Business  |
| <b>TOPICS DISCUSSED</b> |   |
| <b>3.</b>               | <p>Big Hill and Mandurang Valley Landscape Assessment – Andrew Cockerall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amendment C217 proposed to implement the Landscape Assessment by applying the Significant Landscape Overlay to areas in Big Hill and the Mandurang Valley.</li> <li>• The Panel appointed by the Minister for Planning raised a number of concerns with the Landscape Assessment and the Amendment and recommended that further be done.</li> <li>• This matter has not been considered by Council, but from an Officer perspective this recommendation is disappointing:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ The Panel only considered land which is readily visible as being significant, but did not take into account views from the train line.</li> <li>➢ The methodology used has been accepted by the other Panels but not this particular Panel.</li> <li>➢ The Panel considered there was significant community opposition to the controls in Mandurang yet only 3% of people notified actually objected.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Amendment will be reported to Council on 29/6/16 and the Council have three options:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ Accept the Panel recommendations and undertake further work. This is not currently budgeted for and would be a decision for the new Council.</li> <li>➢ Do nothing – walk away from the amendment and proceed any further.</li> <li>➢ Challenge the Panel recommendations, adopt the amendment and send the documentation through to the Minister for Planning for approval.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Submitters will be advised of the outcome of the Council meeting.</li> </ul> |
| <b>4.</b>               | <p>Information Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sheepwash Creek Bridge: Sheepwash Creek Bridge and associated roadworks along Tannery Lane are currently underway and on track. Due to completion late August.<br/><i>Update: The Project Manager reports the project is generally on track at the moment, however it has suffered overall from wet weather, and weather in the coming weeks does not look promising. At this stage it is estimated that completion has moved out to the 29 August.</i></li> </ul>   |

- **Rural Communities Strategy:** After extensive consultation with community members from our rural towns and area, and interested groups, the City of Greater Bendigo is pleased to announce that the Draft Rural Communities Strategy has been released. You can find the Draft Rural Communities Strategy, together with the summary paper and other related documents on the City's website [https://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/Services/Planning/Strategic\\_Planning/Current\\_Projects/Rural\\_Communities\\_Strategy](https://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/Services/Planning/Strategic_Planning/Current_Projects/Rural_Communities_Strategy).

We welcome your comments and feedback and encourage you to complete an online survey, which closes on the 29 July 2016. The link to the survey can be found on the City's website.

If your community group or organisation would like to arrange a meeting to discuss the Draft Rural Communities Strategy further, or if you have any additional comments or feedback, please email [j.pendlebury@bendigo.vic.gov.au](mailto:j.pendlebury@bendigo.vic.gov.au). Submissions will be received until close of business on Friday 29 July 2016.
  
- **Open Air Burning and Burning Off:** Local Law No 3 prohibits burning off of household and other waste. And the use of backyard incinerators are all banned. You cannot burn any of the following items in the open air:

  - grass clippings
  - mulch
  - prunings
  - leaves
  - newspaper and cardboard

Burning these materials causes air particles, which have an adverse effect on health, especially breathing difficulties like asthma.

Properties greater than one hectare in size do not require a permit to light open air fires to reduce excess, dry, solid fuel for fire reduction purposes. On properties less than one hectare in size, a written permit is required before an open air fire is allowed (Local Law 3). If you are burning off, make sure that 10 litres of water or a working hose is readily available and that an adult is supervising the fire at all times. Outdoor fires should never be lit in high winds and are prohibited during a total fire ban. The fire must also be located five meters away from any building or boundary and a clear radius of three meters from any flammable material.

If you have a property less than 1 hectare in size, you can no longer light an open fire to burn dry, solid fuel without a written permit from the City of Greater Bendigo. There are no fees associated with the application for Open air burning form.

Contact out Local Laws Unit on **5434 6333** for any further information.

You are also required to advise VicFire of your burn off on **1800 668 511**.

*Update: Seek clarification from Local Laws staff re burning of leaves and mulch.*

*Response from Local Laws Officer:*

  - *The Local Law does not allow the burning of grass clippings, mulch, prunings, leaves, newspapers and cardboard in the open air – on properties of under OR over 1 Ha.*
  - *The Local Law does not allow the burning of grass clippings, mulch, prunings, leaves, newspapers and cardboard on roadside.*
  
- **Next Round of Community Grants:** Next round of Community Grants open on the 4 July 2016 and close on the 1 August 2016 (for projects commencing from 1 December 2016). Community Grants provide an opportunity for not-for-profit incorporated groups to develop projects that complement areas identified as priorities for the City of Greater Bendigo. Grants of up to \$5,000 can be applied for under the following categories:

  - Community Development
  - Environmental Sustainability
  - Arts and Culture
  - Community Events
  - Active and Healthy Communities
  - Print and Digital publications
  - Driver Educator for Youth (DEFY)

Cr Lyons advised of Grant Writing Workshops -these workshops will assist communities to prepare applications for community grants and are scheduled for Tuesday June 28, 5:30pm-8:30pm and Wednesday July 6, 9:30am 0 11:30am. The workshops will be held in the Reception Room at the City's Lyttleton Terrace office.

## 5. GENERAL BUSINESS / DISCUSSION

- Follow up of request logged at previous meeting for improving the intersection of Nankervis Road and Mandurang Road. Response provided by CoGB traffic engineer:  
*The intersection is listed on the Capital Works program for consideration with the preferred layout a staggered T intersection as the angles of approach would not suit a roundabout. The project was put forward in the 15/16 budget but was not successful in gaining funding. The project remains on the Capital Works program for consideration.*

The following requests for service were received. These have been logged and details are as follows.

| WORKS REQUEST REF NUMBER | WORKS REQUEST TYPE   |
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| 1618139                  | Request for the proposed works to the intersection of Nankervis and Sedgwick Road be elevated in priority.   |
| 1618140                  | Request to lobby the State Government for funding assistance to improve the Nankervis and Sedgwick Road intersection.  |
| 1618051                  | Request for Council to lobby on behalf of the community for a bus service for Mandurang.   |
| 1618054                  | Request for Council to contact Public Transport Victoria (PTV) and suggest that the back of buses – especially the area around the “give way” sign – be kept clear of advertising.   |
| 1618036                  | Request to Property Unit to ascertain status of the land at the corner of Binks Road and Honeyeater Lane and provide advice to CFA on the process required to seek permission/ agreement to use the site for driver training purposes. |
| 1618046                  | Request to reconsider the decision by Council and VicRoads traffic engineers to locate a community notice board on existing sign at the intersection of Nankervis and Sedgwick Road.   |
| 1618039                  | Request to investigate request for improved notice of upcoming forums.   |

\*For updates on the above requests please call CoGB Customer Support Unit on 5434 6000 or email [requests@bendigo.vic.gov.au](mailto:requests@bendigo.vic.gov.au) and quote the relevant works request ref number.