

# Community Connection Session

Wednesday 11 April 2018

Civic Centre, Council Chamber Wonthaggi

3.00pm to 5.00pm

## I. Presentation Topic: 3.00pm

Newhaven Yacht Club – Provide an overview of Newhaven Yacht Squadron, in particular what they do, the community, their history and what they stand for plus the lease.

### Name of person/s and/or organisation presenting:

Peter Buitenhuis

Tom Rawlings

### Notes:

- Paper distributed to Councillors
- Concerned that the lease agreement with Council has not been finalised after negotiating for the last 18 months.
- A submission forwarded to Property Department who assured Newhaven Yacht Squadron had met all requirements for lease renewal.
- Have been leasing current facility from Council for 21 years @\$5000p.a.
- Rooms have often been used by community groups and training days are also conducted there.

### Actions:

- Report to be prepared for Council

## **2. Presentation Topic: 3.15pm**

Update and progress of the YES Youth Hub project and the plans for the project moving forward

### **Name of person/s and/or organisation presenting:**

Michael Feehan - YMCA Wonthaggi

Jasmine Furphy – SalvCare

Emily Jolly - Anglicare

Nicholas Gartlen – Community member

### **Notes:**

- Need a Hub at Bass Coast for youth at risk who wish to stay close to friends and school rather than moving to other places with no support network
- Currently youth aged 14-25 with a family history of drug abuse, violence or gambling experience a disconnect with programs – feel isolated and are not being supported by Department of Health and Human Services
- YES Youth Hub wish to bring activities and programs into a youth space
- Nothing in Wonthaggi for youth to explore options and future plans.
- The YES Youth Hub project developing a social enterprise with mentors
- Asking Council to consider \$30k for project co-ordinator position which will be ongoing.
- Currently receive \$41,200 from DHHS

### **3. Presentation Topic: 3.30pm**

Re: Reed Cres / Dowson Dve Development.

#### **Name of person/s and/or organisation presenting:**

Peter Mckenzie

#### **Notes:**

- VCAT has asked for Information - has not been received from applicant – unusual situation
- Application will go before Council 18 April
- Submitters considerations have been taken into consideration and the Officer's recommendation for Council decision will be on the website at 5pm Friday 13 April as part of the Council Meeting Agenda.

#### **4. Question or Presentation Topic: 3.45pm**

Street trees in Cowes

#### **Name of person/s and/or organisation presenting:**

Patricia Hunt

#### **Notes:**

- Concern that trees will be removed after Council Officer observed taking photos of tree on nature strip
- Is there a schedule to replace trees
- Cowes losing a lot of trees – community not notified
- Used to get a pink notice from planning at Shire advising of removal of trees
- does Council have a significant tree list and, if not, why not?

#### **Actions:**

- Confirm with a letter of response from Infrastructure re trees scheduled for replacement
- Tree Maintenance Policy handed to Ms Hunt

**5. Question or Presentation Topic:**

Planning Application 160132 – 161 -163 Reed Crescent/8 Dowson Drive Wonthaggi

**Name of person/s and/or organisation presenting:**

Vicki Passarin

**Notes:**

- Concern that there is one road in and one road out – high fire risk area
- Application now with VCAT – BCSC recommendation to go to VCAT
- Submitters considerations have been taken into consideration and the Officer's recommendation for Council decision will be on the website at 5pm Friday 13 April as part of the Council Meeting Agenda.